

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • June 29, 2024

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### Sabbath Services

**East Texas: 24345 County Rd 3107, Gladewater – 2:30 p.m.**

Song Leader – John Flynn

Pianist – MP3s

Sermonette – Rod Gehrke

Sermon – D Johnson (video)

**Ruston: 1:00 p.m. Fairfield Inn**

Song Leader – John Ivey

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Video

Sermon – Mike Machin

### General Announcements

#### Local Socials

As announced last week we'll get together in the Snack Room about 30 minutes after services today. Bring your ideas about local socials for the next school year.

#### New Local Directory

We're wanting to finish up our new local directory. If you have not already done so, please return your update sheet to Mr. or Mrs. Trotter **today**.

#### Summer Camps

Challenger Camp has been going very well this week. After a surprise downpour the first night the weather has been great and according to the camp director, the group has bonded very quickly. There are some

beautiful photos on the COGWA Youth Camps Facebook page.

We have camps running every week through mid-August and deeply appreciate your prayers for God's blessing and protection—as well as good weather!

#### Festival Housing

We'd like to remind you that regular Feast housing reservations opened on Monday, June 17. We encourage you to make your Festival housing reservations as soon as possible.

Please keep in mind that at certain Feast sites, the Church has negotiated with the host hotel to fill a block of rooms. By filling that hotel room block, the Church is afforded free meeting space for services at that site. For Festival sites that use a hotel for services, please consider making your housing reservations with that hotel. It ends up saving the Church a tremendous amount of money.

Thank you all for your kind consideration. Should you have any questions, please contact your local Feast adviser or pastor.

#### **Festival Assistance**

Each year many faithful brethren donate extra funds from their Festival tithe so that

members in need can receive the financial assistance they need to attend the Feast of Tabernacles. Last year these generous contributions enabled more than 130 people to attend the Feast who would have been unable to attend otherwise. The Church recognizes its responsibility to see that those contributions are distributed fairly and equitably.

If you have faithfully saved your Festival tithe and will still not have sufficient funds to attend the Feast this year, we will be happy to help where we can. If you think you will need additional funds to be able to attend the Feast this fall, please contact our local Festival adviser, Chris Teague in Ruston, or Tom Moffitt in East Texas, or your pastor to get a *Festival Assistance Member Information* form. Complete the form and return it to your pastor or festival adviser as soon as possible. (All information on the form will be treated as confidential.)

Ministerial Services has asked us to have all assistance applications turned in by July 24, so please pick up the form and return it to your congregation's Festival adviser or your pastor as quickly as possible.

#### **Elders – Here to serve you**

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## Canadian Camp (Adults)

Imagine falling asleep to the sound of loons calling in the distance and waking up to the sun rising over a beautiful lake. You might be sore from yesterday's adventures, but you're ready for another day of canoeing.

If that sounds enjoyable to you, then come to Canada to join a small group of adults (18 and over), who are committed to God's way of life, for a week of adventure and spiritual growth in the legendary Algonquin Park. This weeklong experience, to be held Aug. 18-25, 2024, will provide opportunities for canoeing, hiking, swimming, wildlife viewing, stargazing, and backcountry tent camping. Be ready to push yourself physically on a route of approximately 40 miles of lake canoeing and portages within the park. If you are interested in applying, please contact Daniel Harper at [daniel.harper@cogwa.org](mailto:daniel.harper@cogwa.org).

## Camp In Kenya

**Foundation Outreach International** and the Church would like to announce an opportunity for up to four young adults to serve in Kenya assisting in a youth camp in August 2024. The service project will end with the opportunity to visit animal parks in Kenya.

If you are interested in this unique service project, please pick up copies of both the project fact **sheet** (which details requirements, dates and costs) and the **application**. The deadline for applying is June 23.

However, the SOONER you apply the better, as we will be accepting people during the process! So, get your application in soon!

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Waddle at [tim.waddle@cogwa.org](mailto:tim.waddle@cogwa.org) or FOI at [support@foundationoutreachintl.org](mailto:support@foundationoutreachintl.org).

Thank you all very much!

## YALW in DFW Area

Registration is open and filling up fast for the national Young Adult Leadership Weekend, with 11 states represented already! Don't miss the opportunity to see old friends and make new ones this Labor Day weekend! New information describing the activity has been posted. Register and check out the latest details on the YALW web page: <https://members.cogwa.org/yalw/>.