

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • July 13, 2024

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### Sabbath Services

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

Song Leader – Wynn Worthen  
Pianist – MP3s

Sermonette – James Richards  
Sermon – Scott Hammer

**Ruston: 1:00 p.m. Peach Suite  
Ruston Civic Center**

Song Leader – Chris Teague  
Pianist – Johna Barnette  
Sermonette – Video  
Sermon – Ken Treybig

### General Announcements

#### Summer Camps

Staff training starts this week for the Sequoia camps, which will both run next week. Your continued prayers are deeply appreciated.

#### Friday Night Live

The next Friday Night Live is scheduled for July 19, 2024, presented by Dennis Fultz, “Identifying Worldly Pulls and How to Fight Them.”

Benjamin Franklin once said that “in this world, nothing is certain except death and taxes.” But there is another certainty—the pulls of this world! These pulls are not just silly concepts. They are the very things that can distract us from our spiritual journey. This reality is not new and will continue to escalate until Jesus Christ returns.

Join Dennis Fultz for the next Friday Night Live, as we discuss “Identifying Worldly Pulls and How to Fight Them.”

#### 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.

#### **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.

#### **Elders – Here to serve you**

Ken Treybig, Pastor – (903) 714-3684

Mike Machin – (386) 931-1879

John Trotter – (903) 720-3490

Scott Hammer – (903) 738-5367

Melton McNeely – (903) 769-6849

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).

### **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/>.

### **Winter Formal 2025**

The Atlanta and Gainesville, Georgia, congregations would like to invite you to their biennial adult formal dinner and dance. It is scheduled for the weekend of Feb. 15-16, 2025, which is a three-day weekend for

most (Presidents' Day weekend). Clyde Kilough will be the guest speaker at services on the Sabbath. Please see the attached flyer for all pertinent information and how to register. Space is limited to the first 240 people.

Flyers are available at the Information Center in East Texas.