

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • November 22, 2025

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Friday Sunset: 5:16 p.m. (ET), 5:06 p.m. (R)

### Sabbath

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

Song Leader – Dan Pierce

Pianist – Melissa Fulgham

Sermonette – Adam Kahn

Sermon – **Admin Sermon**

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

Song Leader – Steve Barnette

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Split Sermon – Video

Split Sermon – James Richards

### General Announcements

#### Thanksgiving

We have so much to be thankful for! Everyone have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

#### Parenting Class

It has been a long time since our last parenting class and it was suggested that we have another one. Classes can now be done online, with parents watching when it suits them, then having a Zoom or Teams meeting at set times to discuss the class.

We're looking to start one in January and would like to know how much interest there is. Please sign the list at the Information Center if you are interested and indicate which night(s) would work for you to have a weekly online meeting. We may occasionally have an in-person meeting, but the general plan would be to have them online during the week after the children are in bed.

#### One Accord Update

An announcement was sent to all US pastors about a planned change for *One Accord* to go monthly in 2026. There would be an occasional combined edition, such as March/April around feasts, but otherwise monthly.

Our local reporters are **Judy Moore** for East Texas and **Johna Barnett** for Ruston. Material needs to be to them in time for review by the local pastor and submission to headquarters by the first of the month prior to publication (i.e. January 1 for the February edition).

#### Get Ready for Winter Family Weekend 2025!

Make plans now to join us for this year's Winter Family Weekend at the beautiful Galt House Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky!

We will be gathering Tuesday evening, Dec. 23, through Saturday evening, Dec. 27, for a week packed with fellowship and fun!

This year's theme is "Locking Arms: The Strength of Brotherhood," which is based on Ecclesiastes 4:9-12. Come enjoy meaningful messages focused on the theme, reconnect with friends and family, and take part in many of your favorite activities—plus some new ones!

You can register through your COGWA Portal

#### Elders – Here to serve you

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beginning **Sunday, Nov. 9**. After registering, you'll receive a confirmation email that includes a special link to book your room at the Galt House. Note: **Event registration and hotel reservations are two separate steps, so be sure to complete both.**

The FAQs, WFW schedule and additional event details are now posted on the WFW website. Stay tuned for further updates. We can't wait to celebrate another unforgettable Winter Family Weekend with you!

#### WFW Announcement

Registration for WFW 2025 opened Sunday, Nov. 9, via your COGWA Members Portal (<https://portal.cogwa.org/login>)

Once you have registered for WFW, you should receive a confirmation email that will also contain a link for you to book your room at the Galt House Hotel (GHH). Last year some email providers flagged the confirmation email as spam, so if you don't receive the confirmation email, please check for it in your spam/junk folder.

If you register for WFW and are planning on staying at the GHH, you must make separate reservations with the hotel. Please take note—the **deadline for making hotel reservations is Dec. 16.**

If you have questions regarding WFW registration or GHH

reservations, please contact the WFW team at [wfw@cogwa.org](mailto:wfw@cogwa.org).

Below you will find announcements for some of the special activities that will take place during WFW this year.

### **Topgolf**

This year we have added a new activity—Topgolf! We have reserved two sessions (two hours each) on Wednesday, Dec. 24. The first session will be from 12:30 to 2 p.m. The second session will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Price per person per session is \$20.

When registering, please select only the session you wish to attend. More information regarding number and names of players in each bay will be provided prior to WFW. Come join us for an afternoon of fun!

### **Kentucky Science Center**

Bring the kids and join us for an afternoon of discovery and hands-on fun at the Kentucky Science Center on Friday, Dec. 26, from 1 to 4 p.m. The cost is \$10 per ticket (children under 2 are free). Maximum of \$50 per family.

This special outing is open to families with young children and is a perfect way to explore, learn and make memories together! Come enjoy exhibits, creative learning and family-friendly excitement—all just a short walk from the Galt House!

### **Main Event**

Join us for an afternoon of family fun on Thursday, Dec. 25, from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Main Event in Louisville. This activity is fun for the entire family for only \$14 per person for four hours. Included in the price is bowling (shoe rental included), arcade (two-hour arcade card included), laser tag, gravity ropes and billiards.

There is also a restaurant inside the Main Event if you would like

something to eat in between activities. (Note: Food and drink are *not* included in the ticket price. You'll be on your own for any restaurant purchases.) Plan to join us for an afternoon of fun!

### **Art Show**

Attention, artists attending Winter Family Weekend! This year, we will host the fifth annual Winter Family Weekend Art Show, and we need your great work to make it a success. If you are interested in sharing your artistic talents, please register during your WFW registration process. If you have questions, please contact Amy Duncan, the art show coordinator, at [amysuzanneduncan@gmail.com](mailto:amysuzanneduncan@gmail.com).

### **Ladies' Tea**

You're invited to our "Around the World" Ladies' Tea on Thursday, Dec. 25, from noon to 2 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of laughter, fellowship and flavors inspired by travels near and far. Light refreshments will be served, so come ready to sip, snack and enjoy the journey!

Feel free to come dressed as a tourist—sun hats, cameras, fanny packs and all (optional). But don't worry—passports are not required for this trip!

Space is limited for this event. Registration is required through the COGWA portal and will be restricted to the first 160 ladies. Order of acceptance will be based on the time stamp of your registration. A separate email confirmation will be sent on Dec. 16 confirming whether you have been accepted or placed on the waiting list.

The adventure is free and open to all ladies aged 16 and up. We can't wait to "travel" the world with you!

### **Family Dance**

Are you ready to write a new chapter in family dance history?

Book it into the ballroom on Thursday, Dec. 25, from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., for an unforgettable night of friendship, dancing and family fun. This year's costume theme leaps right off the page—come dressed as your favorite book character!

There'll be prizes for the most *novel* costumes (see what we did there?), so start searching the archives of your brain for some great ideas. Whether you come as a classic hero, a beloved sidekick or a character from a tale as old as time, it's sure to be a storybook evening for the whole family.

### **Lift App**

**Life Insights for Teens (LIFT):** The LIFT app released a new monthly lesson on Saturday, Nov. 1: "Relationships Lesson 4: Giving and Receiving." This lesson will help teens learn to understand and apply the principle of "giving and receiving" in their relationships with others. Andy Burnett, pastor of the Sherman and Dallas, Texas, congregations, will present this lesson. We encourage all COGWA teens, ages 13-19, to sign up for LIFT at [lifeinsightsforteens.org](http://lifeinsightsforteens.org).

### **Women's Enrichment Weekend - January 16-18, 2026**

Ladies, if you haven't signed up yet, there's still time to join us for a weekend filled with encouragement, laughter, and connection. To help us have an accurate attendee count, please register for the **Women's Enrichment Weekend by December 1!**

- When: January 16-18, 2026
- Location: Conroe, TX

We can't wait to spend this special weekend together!

Please see our website for housing information, the

schedule of events and to register

- <https://womensenrichmentweekend.my.canva.site/>