

# Church of God, awa-East Texas & Ruston

## Announcements • February 28, 2026

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Friday Sunset: 6:15 p.m. (ET), 6:06 p.m. (R)

### Sabbath

24345 CR 3107, Gladewater  
2:30 p.m.

Song Leader – Scott Fulgham

Pianist – Melissa Fulgham

Sermonette – John Flynn

Sermon – Ken Treybig

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

Song Leader – Steve Barnette

Pianist – Johna Barnette

Sermonette – Dan Pierce

Sermon – Rod Gehrke

### General Announcements

#### Potluck, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and Variety Show

Special thanks to Aubrey Jenison and John Flynn for all the advance work on the variety show! We missed them but it was a grand evening. Thanks to all who participated and helped out in any way!

#### Regional Basketball Weekend in Dallas

The schedule of events for the regional weekend this weekend was emailed with details of the Teen Speech Club, Sabbath Services, the formal and preteen basketball on Saturday night and Sunday's schedule of games.

A few copies are at the Information Center if you didn't get the email.

#### Life Insights for Teens (LIFT):

The LIFT app will release a new monthly lesson on Sunday, March 1: "Education Lesson 5: Mentor or Mentee." This lesson will help teens learn how having a mentor and being a good mentee can help them pursue and achieve education and career goals. Daniel Harper, pastor of the Montreal and Toronto congregations, will present this lesson. We encourage all COGWA teens, ages 13-18, to sign up for LIFT at [lifeinsightsforteens.org](http://lifeinsightsforteens.org).

A PDF transcript of this month's lesson was sent to each pastor. If any parent wants a copy of the lesson, please contact Mr. Treybig.

#### Deacon/Elder Meeting

Remember our next deacon/elder meeting is next Wednesday, March 4. We'll finalize Passover plans in addition to covering other matters.

#### Bunco Night

No, not Bunco the banking scam of older people, the fun game where you roll dice and laugh a lot!

Yes, it's coming soon on Saturday night, March 7. Get ready for a nice potluck meal and a game night for all ages. Prizes

will be awarded after the games!

Please bring two of the following: a salad, main course, side dish, or dessert.

See James or Cassie Richards if you have any questions.

#### Camp Website and Applications

Spring is just around the corner with camp season following right behind! The CYC [website](#) has been updated for 2026. There you'll find the camp locations and descriptions for our four preteen camps, four teen camps and this year's young adult Challenger Program.

The application system will open this Sunday morning, March 1, so let's get ready for camp!

#### Check Your Member Portal

Feast registration is fast approaching. Members planning to attend their assigned site can register beginning March 8, and those wanting to transfer can register beginning March 15.

With that in mind, we encourage you to please log in to your [member portal](#) and review your account information. If at all possible, necessary updates should be made **two weeks prior to the registration date**. Waiting until the day of

#### Elders – Here to serve you

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registration to review or update your information may result in inaccuracies that could prevent you from registering properly.

Taking a few minutes now to confirm your details will help ensure a smooth and successful registration process. If you have any questions or need assistance accessing your portal account, please email [registration@cogwa.org](mailto:registration@cogwa.org).

### **Pre-Teen Bowling**

The East Texas Pre-Teens are heading to Grand Slam in Tyler for an afternoon of bowling, pizza, and arcade games. This event will take place on March 22, 2026. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet which is on the information table. The cost is \$10 per person, and the entire family is welcome to participate. Please contact James Richards privately if you require financial assistance.

### **Church Campout**

This year's church campout will be held at the Lake Hawkins RV Park the weekend of April 24 - 26, 2026. The weekend will feature a Bible study overlooking the lake and a communal meal. A meal sign-up sheet will be available on the information table soon. In the meantime, please contact Lake Hawkins RV Park to reserve your campsite. More details will be shared as the date approaches.

### **YA Challenger Program 2026**

Plans are well underway for the 2026 Challenger Program for young adults (ages 18 to 35). This year's program will take place in what is widely considered the best sport climbing destination in the United States:

Kentucky's Red River Gorge! "The Red" offers not only excellent climbing conditions, but also natural arches and bridges, waterfalls and extensive hiking trails.

This one-week immersive outdoor adventure is designed to help you grow in confidence, resilience and strength through rock climbing and rappelling, as well as hiking and kayaking. At the end of each day's activities, participants will return to base camp to rest and recharge. A highlight of Challenger is the evening fireside discussions!

You don't need to have prior experience on the rocks to participate. We have a team of certified and experienced rock-climbing staff to help all levels of climbers, from beginner to advanced. Just be ready to challenge yourself, to enjoy the outdoors, and to build stronger connections with other young adults in the Church.

Further details, including program dates, deadlines and fees, are now available on the CYC website ([camps.cogwa.org](http://camps.cogwa.org))

### **FI Continuing Ed**

Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, is pleased to offer two summer Continuing Education seminars at the headquarters office in McKinney, Texas.

Each weeklong seminar will be held in the Foundation Institute classroom (limited to 36 students per session) on July 13-17 and July 20-24, 2026. Instruction—approximately 29 hours of Bible classes—will be provided by FI instructors David Johnson and Ralph Levy, along with other headquarters ministers and faculty. Class offerings will be similar between

sessions, though not identical, and participants may attend only one session.

Tuition is \$100 per person or \$150 per married couple, which includes administrative costs and a light lunch each day.

The first session filled up quickly, but registration remains open until 10 a.m. CDT on Monday, March 2 for the second session. To apply, visit [foundationinstitute.org](http://foundationinstitute.org), select "Continuing Education," and click on "Register Now."

All are welcome to apply. As in previous years, priority will be given to those who have not attended a summer seminar since 2019. Accepted participants will receive a confirmation email after registration closes, along with details on housing and payment.

We look forward to welcoming you to Texas for our 2026 Continuing Education Seminars—y'all come!