Women’s Christian Leadership Workshop – May 13th

The next Women’s Christian Leadership meeting is Mother’s Day Weekend, May 13 at 11:30 AM. We will be discussing the topic of ‘women teaching women’ and ways we can be most helpful with each other, our families, and with younger women. We had wonderful and insightful presentations and in depth discussions last time and are looking forward to more of the same! All women and high school juniors on up are very welcome! Please bring finger foods for our fellowship time afterwards.

Festival Registration

We would like to remind all COGWA members who have not registered for this year’s Feast of Tabernacles to please do so by Monday, May 15. Registering during this time period is very helpful for festival planning. While no U.S. sites are full, we do have some sites that are very near capacity. Even if you are unable to attend the Feast this year, we request that you register and indicate such.

In addition, it is important that all members know:

- If you already registered for the Feast, you should have received a confirmation email in return. If you did not receive a confirmation email, please re-register and make sure it is completed correctly.
- We would like to remind everyone that we have new U.S. sites this year. If you are still deciding where to attend, we would like to make you aware that these two sites still have plenty of room. Please consider attending one of these attractive options:
  - Redmond, Oregon – located in eastern Oregon.
  - San Diego, California – located in the beautiful coastal city in Southern California. This year at new hotel—the refurbished Crown Plaza Hotel.

Thank you very much for taking the time to register and letting us know what your plans are. Again, we encourage everyone to complete the registration process by Monday, May 15.

Early housing reservations also begin on Monday, May 15. Beginning on Monday, May 22, general housing reservations will be accepted. In addition, everyone who registers for the Feast will receive an email offering an opportunity to serve.

Dallas Teen Speech Club Dates

Future club dates are as follows:

May 13

Contact Neal Hogberg at 469-236-7204 or nhogberg@sbcglobal.net

CLW Final Meeting – May 13th After Services in Dallas

Our final workshop for the season is fast approaching. Assignments were sent by our secretary already. See you after services on the 13th!
Festival Early Housing Reservations
Those who qualify to make early housing reservations can begin doing so on Monday, May 15. Members who qualify to make early reservations include:

1. Those who need handicapped rooms.
2. Those with very limited finances who need to be assured of procuring one of the lower-priced rooms.
3. Those who, due to dietary requirements, must have a kitchenette.
4. Those who have a large immediate family (six or more).

If you fit into one of these categories, please let our Festival adviser know. Our Festival adviser will be happy to assist you in finding satisfactory housing if you have any difficulty.

Location for Dallas Pentecost Services
Pentecost Services for the Dallas and Fort Worth congregations will be held at the North Richland Hills Center, 6000 Hawk Ave., North Richland Hills, Texas 76180 on Sunday June 4th, 2017. First service will start at 10:30, second service at 3. Dallas is hosting

Festival Youth Instructors Needed
This year we will once again be offering Festival Youth Instruction at many U.S. Festival sites—and we will need volunteers to teach these lessons. Unfortunately, the option to volunteer for Festival Youth Instruction was inadvertently left off on the first day of registration. So if you registered for the Feast on Sunday, April 16, and would be willing to serve on our Festival Youth Instruction teaching team, please go back to the COGWA member portal, log in, click on “Feast of Tabernacles 2017” and then click on the “Edit Your Registration” button and add Festival Youth Instruction under the service areas. Thank you for your dedication to our children!

Transportation Help
The Church headquarters office will be hosting the 2017 International Ministerial Conference on May 22-23 at the Sheraton Hotel in McKinney. As in past years, we are looking for volunteers in the Dallas congregation to help with airport runs to and from the Sheraton. The days we could use help are Sunday, May 21; Tuesday evening, May 23; and Wednesday, May 24. The Church offers reimbursement for mileage. If you are interested and available to help, please email Erik Jones (erik.jones@cogwa.org). In your email, please include the days and times you would be available and the seating/luggage capacity of your vehicle.

Church Picnic
Date: Sunday May 28th
Location: Sandy Lake Park, I-35 and Sandy Lake road, exit #444
Time: 10 am to 6 pm
A complete catered barbecue meal, all you can eat, will be served at our pavilion. This will be paid for from our local activity fund. However, everyone older than 3 must have a park entrance and meal ticket, so you have to sign up. Also swimming tickets will be available, but you must sign up to get your tickets. Other park info: no pets, no in and out, alcoholic beverages ARE allowed but no glass containers. You may also bring other snacks and drinks and yard/board games. Amusement rides are available at a cost of $1.50 - $3.00 each. A concession stand, an ATM, and arcade are also available.

Spanish Social – May 27th
There will be a potluck dinner and social for visiting ministers from Latin America on the Sabbath of May 27 after services. We will have an opportunity to get to know the men and wives who labor in Latin America, to learn more about their challenges and the challenges faced by the brethren, and to enjoy a potluck meal together. The exact time and location will be confirmed later, but we invite the Spanish-speaking brethren to mark their calendars for this event.
**SUMMER CAMPS APPLICATION INFORMATION**
As we draw closer to summer, remember that camp applications are being accepted online at http://portal.cogwa.org using the same account you used to register for the Feast, Winter Family Weekend and/or the Young Adult Leadership Weekend. Details about each preteen and teen camp can be found on the camp website at http://camps.cogwa.org. Application deadlines vary by camp, and several are coming up soon, so please pay attention to the deadline dates.

Additionally, we want to remind you that partial camp fee scholarships are available. We cannot pay for travel, and we like families to contribute some of the camp fee, but are happy to help if you need assistance. Contact the camp director to start the process of applying for a scholarship.

**DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL PLANNING COURSE POSSIBLY OFFERED THIS SUMMER – REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
We are excited to offer a series of personal financial management courses for our members this summer one night a week at the Allen office. It’s a highly acclaimed program put together by Dave Ramsey, author and radio talk show personality who specializes in helping folks become debt-free and take control of their personal finances. This program has been offered in other COGWA congregations around the country. If you are interested in getting in on this opportunity, please click on the link below, read the course description and format, and complete the brief survey at the end. The class will fill on a first come first served basis, since we only have room for 25 participants due to the classroom’s size restrictions. Here’s the link: http://ow.ly/yIgs309x7NS. Contact Kelli Hogg (kelli.hogg@cogwa.org) if you have any questions!

**LOCATIONS FOR WEEKLY SABBATH SERVICES**
- **SHERMAN**: 10:30 a.m., Days Inn, 3605 Hwy 75 (Northeast corner). The hotel is located on the corner of FM 1417 and Hwy 75 (Exit 56).
- **DALLAS**: 2:00 p.m., Unity Church, 6525 Forest Lane, Dallas 75230.

**ANNOUNCEMENT SUBMISSIONS**
- **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**: Email announcements by Thursday evening to bulletin@cogwadallas.org. Please include an announcement header line and the number of weeks to be posted.
- **VERBAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**: Please email announcements by Friday evening to verbal@cogwadallas.org. For last minute verbal announcements, please stop by the Information Table prior to church services.

**BRETHREN RECORD UPDATE - CHURCH OF GOD, AWA**
If you are new to the Dallas/Sherman area or for recent updates to your contact information, please fill out a Member Record Update Form at the Information Table or contact Rick and Diane Bennis: rdbennis@yahoo.com or 2147-291-7335 to update your local congregation contact information. Please clearly PRINT your information. Please take note: You will also need to contact the Home Office to update your contact information with them.

**DALLAS SERMON ONLINE POSTINGS**
Sermons given in the Dallas congregation are generally posted on the https://www.youtube.com/user/COGWADallas website within one to weeks of when they were given.