

## **Announcements October 20, 2018**

### **TIME OF SERVICES CHANGES IN HICKORY:**

Schedule for reference is:

October 27 – 10:30am  
November 3 – 10:30am

The next dates with times *different* from 10:30am are:

November 10 – 10:00am  
December 1 – 10:00am  
December 22 – 2:30pm

### **WINTER CAMP APPLICATIONS**

**Winter Camp:** Camper and staff applications are being accepted for Winter Camp in Wisconsin. The staff application deadline is Nov. 1, and the camper application deadline is Nov. 15. Camp will run from Wednesday, Dec. 26, to Tuesday, Jan. 1. For more information, please visit the COGWA Youth Camps website: [camps.cogwa.org](http://camps.cogwa.org).

### **WINTER FAMILY WEEKEND!**

The Winter Family Weekend runs from Friday evening, Dec. 21, through Tuesday night, Dec. 25, 2018—so it's more than just a weekend! We start things off with seminars on Friday night and Sabbath morning. This will be followed by afternoon services and some Saturday night dancing or card playing or movie watching. From Sunday through Tuesday evening, all attendees can participate in daily educational seminars, basketball, volleyball and organized games for the kids. Other activities include karaoke, a jam session for musicians, family novelty Olympics, a clothing swap for families, free pizza dinner, a family dance and of course the family fun fair, which includes large inflatables, putt-putt golf, a mechanical bull and more. The "best costume" winner at the adult dance on Saturday night wins a complimentary night's stay at the Galt House, and the "best costume" winner at the teen dance wins \$20. For most, the highlight seems to be the fellowship time with our spiritual family. There truly is something for everyone. An information flyer will be sent to those in my email group or some copies will be available on the information table.

### **CHARLOTTE CHURCH**

Next Sabbath, October 27, the monthly Charlotte service will be held with the location to be once again at the home of Josh and Samantha Beattie. We are very grateful to them for opening their home to us. Services will be again at 3:00pm. If you need the address, please contact the Beattie's or Mr. Kelley.

### **HICKORY SOUP SOCIAL NOV 10**

The idea is to bring your favorite soup and/or sandwiches and plan to stay over after services and have a nice lunch together.

### **PLANNING HICKORY SOCIALS**

The social committee is meeting next week after services, and would like to have you in the mix. If you would like to put in your ideas to benefit our social gatherings please join us after services. You will be welcome.

### **GREENSBORO SOCIAL NOV 10**

We have a bit of a different kind of social planned for after services on November 10. It's a bit hard to describe, so after services today, we're going to ask everyone to be seated and then you're going to get a bit of a short explanation of what the social is all about. Here is one part of the description I received: "We will have a pre-Thanksgiving meal, which fits in with the Dream of the wonderful world tomorrow which when the presentations are over, I would like one of the men to say, it is a dream now, but no more nightmares, no more darkness, but the reality of the Dream of God's Kingdom will finally happen. So basically we're going to act out some examples of the current world vs. the World Tomorrow.

### **RALEIGH LADIES CLUB**

The next Ladies Club in Raleigh will be after services on November 10. More details to come, but please plan to stay over for this event.

### **HELP ON CHURCH SURVEY REQUESTED.**

Mr. David Johnson is asking for your help in gathering some input from members regarding those with special needs or in special circumstances.

One section of our Service in the Church class covers serving people with special needs. This can include widows and widowers, or people with chronic health issues, people with terminal health issues, people who are bedfast and unable to attend services – any number of different situations can apply. If it is a challenge for a seasoned pastor to serve these folks, it is even much more of a challenge for young people who frequently have never had much exposure to situations like this. Therefore, a survey for those who are dealing with these conditions has been prepared. Mr. Kelley has copies of the survey for those who would like to receive it. Mr. Johnson states: "I'm just trying to give them some ideas about the kind of information they could contribute. I would prefer if the things sent in were in electronic format so I can copy and paste, but I won't turn down anything".

Please let Mr. Kelley know if you would like to participate in this survey