Announcements March 7, 2020

RALEIGH POTLUCK
March 14th. Let’s have a Mexican fiesta – please bring your favorite Mexican dish – there will be a surprise for dessert.

LADIES CLUB - RALEIGH
Ladies’ Club in Raleigh will be held on March 28th. The subject will be, “Our Example to the Church and the World.” All ladies and teenage girls are encouraged to attend.

LADIES CLUB - HICKORY
Ladies’ Club in Hickory will be held on March 14th. The subject will be, "Strengthen Your Christian Relationships." For those who do not have email access or printing capabilities, please visit the information table to pick up a copy of the Topic Question for next week meeting. All ladies and teenage girls are encouraged to attend.

LADIES CLUB – GREENSBORO
Ladies’ Club in Greensboro will be held on March 21st. The subject will be: “Who’s Got Your Back?” All ladies and teenage girls are encouraged to attend.

Camp Website Updated
From Ken Treybig, National Camp Coordinator: We’re happy to announce that the COGWA Youth Camps website has been updated with all the information for our 2020 summer camps. It features the Christian Living theme the directors chose for this year, “Firmly Anchored: Holding Fast What Is Good,” as well as all the regular features—a welcome letter from Jim Franks and a couple of other articles, a map of our camp locations and pages that give all the details about each camp. On those pages you will find the director’s name and contact info, pricing, the deadline for applications, a short video describing the camp and text describing more details.

We will be showing the new Camp Video during services sometime in March.

FI CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES
Pastors: Please announce the following over the next three Sabbaths.

The faculty and administration of Foundation Institute are excited to announce our ninth annual Summer Continuing Education program.

This year we will be able to offer two one-week sessions, the first from June 8-12 and the second from July 13-17. Since we are using our new classroom facility, we will be able to accommodate up to 48 students for each session, so we believe we will have adequate room for any who wish to attend.
The tuition for each one-week session is $75 per person or $125 per couple, and this includes all instructional materials and a light lunch each day. We also plan to work with local hotels to offer special rates for housing in the immediate area.

Details about classes and instructors will be announced later, but we need your help in planning and preparing. Registration for the Summer Continuing Education classes will open at 10 a.m. Central time on Sunday, March 22. At that time you may go to the foundationinstitute.org website, click on the “Continuing Education” tab, and complete and submit the registration form. You will be able to indicate which session you wish to attend or if you are able to attend either session. By Friday, March 27, we will send an email to notify you whether you have been accepted or placed on a waiting list. Once you receive your acceptance email, you may send in your tuition to confirm your reservation.

Thanks for your interest and help. We look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you to this year’s Summer Continuing Education program.

HICKORY FOOD DRIVE IS BACK
Although we haven’t mentioned it for a while, we are re-establishing our local Food Drive in Hickory. Our next food drive in Hickory will be March 28. This will continue to occur on the 4th Sabbath of the month.
Please bring non-perishable food items and display them on table provided. All members are welcome to take any item(s) they may need. All remaining items will be given to a local charitable group.

PASSOVER INFORMATION
As we should all know, Passover is for baptized members of the Church of God. It is a solemn occasion and not a time for normal fellowship. You should plan to arrive and be seated for the service approximately 15 minutes before the service starts.

RALEIGH – Location at the regular church hall. Service begins at 7:45pm April 7. Be sure to bring your own basin as well as your personal towel.

GREENSBORO – Location at the regular church hall. Service begins at 8:00pm April 7. Basins are provided. Bring your own personal towel.

HICKORY - Location at LaQuinta on Fairgrove Church Rd. Service begins at 8:00pm April 7. Basins are provided. Bring your own personal towel.

CHARLOTTE – Location at Hampton Inn: 11935 N. Community House Rd. Charlotte, NC 28277. Service begins at 8:00pm. Bring your own personal towel.
CHILDREN AT PASSOVER
As I believe we all know, Passover is for baptized members of the Church only. While it’s best for children not to be brought to the Passover Service, we realize some may not be able to secure a reliable babysitter for the evening. Therefore, we will have a room available for children to play quietly. Please arrange for someone to be responsible for your children if you need to bring them to Passover Services.”

NIGHT TO BE MUCH OBSERVED
Hopefully most of you now thinking about your plans to celebrate the Night to Be Much Observed with a small group. The date is Wednesday, April 8. The main part of this special meal is to be after sundown. If you need help with this, we would be happy to assist in helping insure everyone has a place to celebrate this very special evening with other church members. As you make your plans, remember to think of those who live alone or find it difficult if not impossible to drive at night. Several of our members will need assistance with transportation.

FIRST DAY OF UNLEAVENED BREAD
The First Day of Unleavened Bread will be observed on Thursday, April 9th. Services are in our normal current locations where we have Sabbath Services with all services being held at 1:30pm.

LAST DAY OF UNLEAVENED BREAD
The Last Day of Unleavened Bread will be observed on Wednesday, April 15th. We will once again hold combined services in Morganton and Mebane.

The Hickory and Asheville congregations will be meeting at the City of Morganton Municipal Auditorium (known as COMMA). The address is: 401 S College St, Morganton, NC 28655. The parking lot is entered from either West McDowell Street or West Erwin Street.

Raleigh and Greensboro will again be meeting at the Community Arts Center in Mebane, located at 633 Corregidor St, Mebane, NC 27302.

Time of services in both locations will be 10:30am and 2:30pm
Lunch is on your own, however both locations allow food to be brought inside. The location in Morganton has a small kitchen area available to us including a microwave and refrigerator.

PERSONAL HYMNALS AT HOLY DAYS
It would be helpful if you have a personal hymnal to bring it with you for the Holy Days.

HOLY DAY OFFERING ENVELOPES
You should have received your Holy Day Offering Envelopes with your recent new booklet about Hope.

Please secure your envelopes in a place where you will be sure to have them with you for the Holy Days. We will only have a limited supply of extra envelopes available.