

Announcements July 10, 2021

DONNA HENSLEY UPDATE

Donna Hensley of the Hickory congregation would like to thank you for prayers, calls and cards. Recent tests have revealed her blood levels are too low. The doctors are doing a camera swallow procedure next month. There is a possibility the small intestine is leaking blood due to stress issues and being on a blood thinner.

HICKORY BAKER MOUNTAIN PICNIC:

Join us for our second and final summer picnic in Hickory after services next Sabbath, July 17. Please plan to come join your church family for an afternoon of extend Sabbath fellowship and good food. The picnic will be set up buffet-style. So, bring your favorite picnic dish(es) to be shared. Cutlery, paper produces, service utensils, and tablecloths will be provided.

RALEIGH POTLUCK

We will have our first “normal” potluck after services in Raleigh next Sabbath, July 17th. Please bring your favorite potluck food and plan to stay over and enjoy dinner with your church family.

ASSEMBLING TRUMPETS CHOIR FOR MEBANE

If you would like to sing in the combined Greensboro/Raleigh choir for Feast of Trumpets in Mebane, please contact Mr. Bill Braswell this week. Copies of our song ("With the Sound of Trumpets") will be made available and an electronic practice version of the song as well. First practice in Raleigh will be next Sabbath, July 17th and in Greensboro next month. We really need your support to make this possible.

TEEN CAMP UPDATE

From Ken Treybig, national camp coordinator:

We have now completed five very enjoyable preteen camps. After one camp, we had a number of campers and staff members test positive. We are extremely grateful that most had no or only minor symptoms, and no one needed to be hospitalized. We are now well past the last camp, so it appears the outbreak after our first camp was an anomaly.


However, out of a desire to do our best to encourage safety at our longer teen camps that are coming up soon, the camp team is making a few updates to our 2021 COVID-19 Protocols, in addition to making some procedural updates at our camps. The main change is: “We are asking everyone who needs to test (per the protocols below) to get a PCR test instead of a rapid test, if at all possible. It is not required, but several sources indicate the PCR test is 85-95 percent accurate, whereas the rapid antigen test is only 50-70 percent accurate.”

If you are planning to attend any of our camps in the remaining part of 2021, please go to camps.cogwa.org/covid/ and read the latest updated protocols.

Feast of Tabernacles—We NEED Volunteers!

Are you excited to serve this year at God’s Feast of Tabernacles? We are looking for more volunteers for all areas at all Festival sites. If you have yet to volunteer, we ask that you please take a moment as soon as possible to follow the steps below. We appreciate your service—it makes the Feast go so much smoother.

Please go to your COGWA portal at <https://portal.cogwa.org> and sign in with your username and password.

To volunteer for all areas except music service, select the gear button  next to your Feast registration info then:

- Select the orange “Volunteer for Service & Music” button.
- On the “Service Area & Music Volunteering” page, click on “Edit” next to your name.
- Under the “Service Area 1” select the area you wish to volunteer for and then provide information about how you’ve served in this area for prior Feasts.
- You can select up to three service areas.

To volunteer for music service:

- Select the orange “Volunteer for Service & Music” button.
- On the “Service Area & Music Volunteering” page, click on “Edit” next to your name.
- Under Music Service, click in the gray box that says “Click here to select talents.”
- Choose your musical volunteer section (e.g. “Vocalist” = Choir).
- Choose your singing range.
- Select any other music opportunities you may wish to help in.

After you have finished, select the green “Update Service & Music” button at the bottom of the page.

Thank you again for finding the time to do this now. It greatly helps those organizing the Feast.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MYRTLE BEACH SENIORS LUNCHEON

Mr. Kelley is looking for teens who would like to serve at the Seniors Luncheon at Myrtle Beach after services on Sunday, Sept. 26. We need help for 1 to 2 hours beginning shortly after services.

I’m also looking for a volunteer to coordinate the creation and transportation of centerpieces for the tables. We’ll need 20 centerpieces for the tables.

Finally I’m also asking for volunteers to help provide entertainment for our Seniors. If you are interested in that, please contact Roger Robertson of the Greensboro congregation at 336-442-0341.

MYRTLE BEACH ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Is posted online. Please be sure to review especially if you are interested in attending the Carolina Opry with the church group or participating in the golf scramble.

RALEIGH PHONE HOOKUP:

Raleigh Phone Hookup – If you ever have to miss Sabbath services you can call in to a central number and connect to the live phone hookup via FreeConferencing.com. At 1:30 pm you need to dial the conference number and then enter the participant access code, and that should connect you.

The dial-in number is: **(712) 770-5363**. The participant access code is: **539955#**.

If you have any questions please contact Julius AungMin.

RALEIGH ZOOM VIDEO CONNECTION

Meeting ID: 862 858 5810

Passcode: cogwanc (all lower case)

Link to join is below:

[Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8628585810#success>

ACCESSING OUR LOCAL MEMBERS WEBSITE

The website is:

<http://greensboro.cogwa.org/>

Then you will see a small place in the upper right hand corner of the page to enter in a user name and password: **Please contact Mr. Ron Kelley for user name and password**

Note this is case sensitive.