

Announcements October 30, 2021

MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club will be held after services in Greensboro on November 6. The topic will be Sabbath vs. Sunday.

RALEIGH SABBATH SCHOOL

Our next Sabbath school class is scheduled for November 6th beginning at 1:00 pm. The class will take place in the church lobby area and will focus on God's first commandment. Parents are welcomed to sit in and observe the class. We hope all the kids will join us, as we learn together from God's Word.

CHILI SOCIAL

The location of our annual chili social will be at the Swartz home at 506 Shady Grove Church Rd., Winston-Salem. The date will be Sunday, November 14. We'll also enjoy a wiener roast and an afternoon of fun and fellowship.

KENYA YOUTH CAMP

Foundation Outreach International and the Church would like to announce an opportunity for up to four young adults to serve in Kenya at the youth camp in mid-December 2021. The camp is a four-day youth camp with a potential safari trip to a Kenyan game park after camp.

We recommend you visit the FOI website (accessible from the COGWA member website) if you are interested in this unique service project, and please pick up copies of both the project **fact sheet** (which details requirements, dates and costs) and the **application**. The deadline for applying is Nov. 12; however, the SOONER you apply the better, as we will be accepting people during the process! So, get your application in soon!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Tim Waddle at tim.waddle@cogwa.org.

WINTER CAMP ANNOUNCEMENT

We are moving forward with plans to hold our teen Winter Camp over the winter break. You'll find more information and can apply at camps.cogwa.org. The staff application deadline is Nov. 1, and the camper deadline is Nov. 15.

To decrease the possibility of spreading the COVID-19 virus, we are requesting that participants not attend the Winter Family Weekend prior to coming to Winter Camp this year. And, regardless of vaccination or immunity status, we are asking all participants to test negative for COVID-19 prior to arriving at camp.

Finally, please wait to purchase any nonrefundable airline tickets until you are notified to go ahead and do so.

We look forward to seeing you at Winter Camp!

WINTER FAMILY WEEKEND 2021

We hope you will make plans to join us for this year's Winter Family Weekend at the newly renovated Galt House Hotel and Conference Center in Louisville, Kentucky!

This year's event will run from Friday evening, Dec. 24, through Tuesday evening, Dec. 28, and will feature plenty of fellowship time and opportunities to gain some godly knowledge on how to "Armor Up!" and to burn some energy by participating in many of the activities you have come to enjoy at the WFW over the years—and some new ones too!

The Church is aware of the concerns surrounding COVID-19, and we are doing what we can to minimize any potential spread at the Winter Family Weekend. In order to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19, we are asking every member aged 12 and up (regardless of vaccination or immunity status) to obtain a negative PCR test within four days of arriving at the Winter Family Weekend and to bring a printed or digital copy of the results for verification upon check-in. Face coverings will not be required, but anyone desiring to wear a face covering is encouraged to do so. Additionally, we will offer socially distanced seating for Bible study, Sabbath services, Sabbath morning seminars and all continuing education classes. While we realize protocols can sometimes be daunting, we do truly appreciate your willingness to follow the protocols to help ensure a safer environment for all attending.

Now to address the question many have been asking: Will we have sports?

Yes! Due to the high-contact nature of basketball, we will not have traditional basketball tournaments this year. At this time, we are still planning to have low-contact sports, such as the volleyball tournaments and volleyball clinics, as well as the addition of three-point tournaments, H-O-R-S-E tournaments (with cash prizes!) and pickle ball. Options for play will be available for both genders and a wide range of ages.

Registration for this year's Winter Family Weekend will open on Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021. Shortly after you register, you should receive a confirmation email that will also contain some helpful documents as well as a link to book your hotel room at the Galt House Hotel. Additionally, the hotel reservation link will be made available on the WFW web page and by a link your pastor will share with you by email on Nov. 7.

For a list of the activities being planned and information on how to register for the Winter Family Weekend, please refer to the WFW Fact Sheet or visit the WFW website at members.cogwa.org/wfw/.

We look forward to seeing you there!

WFW Announcement, Family Variety Show:

Do you have a talent to share? Then this announcement is for you!

We are very excited to announce that on Saturday evening, Dec. 25, we be will hosting our very first Winter Family Weekend variety show! This is a fun opportunity for individuals, small groups or families to share their talents with fellow family members.

What kind of acts are we looking for?

The sky is the limit! If you can spit a rhyme, dance to a tune, sing your heart out or play an instrument, we encourage you to participate!

How do you take part?

The WFW registration process has an option for you to sign up to be a “Variety Show Participant.” Choose this option, and we will reach out to you in the very near future to share and collect more information.

What are the guidelines?

First and foremost, we want all acts to be pleasing to God and uplifting to each other. Other than that, we ask that you bring any special props, instruments or specific sound equipment you may need outside of what is standard for us to have at WFW. We also ask that you keep your act to 4 minutes or less.

What is the deadline to sign up?

Dec. 10, 2021, but please don't delay! We are limited to 30 to 40 participants.

RALEIGH PHONE HOOKUP: THESE ARE NOT NECESSARY TO READ – INFORMATION ONLY

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.