

## **Announcements November 20, 2021**

### **JIM HAEFFELE VISITING GREENSBORO**

For those who might like to visit with Mr. Haeffele, he and his wife, Lois, will be in Greensboro for Thanksgiving, and he will be presenting the sermon in Greensboro next Sabbath, November 27.

### **NICK BOLINGER UPDATED ADDRESS**

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### **SHUT-IN BLANKET PROJECT:**

The ladies of the Hickory congregation are organizing a project to make lap blankets for our shut ins. Everyone is encouraged to participate that would like to. Quilting squares are provided to decorate in your own special style - (one per family please). Quilting supplies are also provided to get you started. These are available today in Hickory and Greensboro from your designated project leader and next Sabbath November 27 in Raleigh For those more craft minded, please feel free to use your own quilting materials to decorate.

Once your family has finished your quilting square, please return it to the designated person in your congregation (Sharon Kehoe in Hickory, Beverly McKnight in Greensboro, and Margaret Villaescusa in Raleigh). Each congregational designee will organize and collect all materials to be return to Hickory **no later than December 18th**.

After all decorated squares have been received back in Hickory, they will then be quilted together making each lap blanket unique for its new owner.

If you have any questions in reference to this project, please contact Sharon Kehoe at [cowboylove51@outlook.com](mailto:cowboylove51@outlook.com).

Perhaps as a suggestion this is a good social event to plan. Giving everyone an opportunity to be creative together and to fellowship. Speak to your congregational designated person for possibilities.

### **DECEMBER SOCIALS PLANNED:**

#### **GREENSBORO:**

We are happy to announce that arrangements have been made for Greensboro to have our planned social on December 4<sup>th</sup> after all. We are going to move to an alternate location for our services and the social on that Sabbath. Most of you remember that in the Spring of 2019 we held our services at the Gate City Vineyard Church. They have graciously allowed us to return to this facility for our Sabbath Services and our evening social.

As a reminder the address is: 204 S Westgate Dr, Greensboro, NC 27407.

Services will be at our normal time of **3:00pm**.

Following Sabbath Services we will enjoy a pizza dinner. We do need to have a meeting after services in the room across the patio to make plans for this, so I need all our Leadership Team to attend this meeting that will start about 15 minutes after services.

Following our meal, we will be having a variety show hosted by our local MC, Roger Robertson. If you have not already contacted Mr. Robertson and would like to be included in the entertainment line-up, please see him today. Mr. Robertson can be reached at 336-442-0341.

Since this is only 2 weeks away, we will need to work quickly to make all the necessary arrangements. Please look for follow-up emails this week for more information as we make our plans to have a very special Sabbath on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**RALEIGH:**

December 11 – Services will begin at **3:00pm** followed by a salad and pizza dinner and some variety of desserts. Anyone who is planning to attend should bring a beverage (lemonade, iced tea, soda, juice. After dinner we'll have a fun evening of one of our most popular games: "Prize Bingo". For those who have not participated in this social before, each individual person that will be playing will need to bring one wrapped gift. The gift can be anything from a chocolate bar to a gag gift such as the year we all had a good laugh over the person who got a roll of toilet paper. So prepare a gift of your choosing, whether a gag gift, a medium gift, or a nicer gift, but please, no more than \$10.00. The gift can also be wrapped in a creative way if desired. In the past, we've had some very creative wrappings and it certainly makes for a very enjoyable evening when multiple people are all trying to win the same prize. If you need more information, or would like to help in planning for the event, please see Felicia Wood after services.

**HICKORY:**

December 18th – Services will begin at **3:00pm** followed by a Bingo & Pizza social. Dinner will be provided from Domino's Pizza. There will also be a variety of drinks and finger desserts. Salads will be made available for those who prefer veggies.

The Bingo game that evening will have a twist. It's called "White Elephant" Bingo. The term white elephant refers to an impractical or gag gift.

For those who have not participated in this style of Bingo before, **each individual person** that will be participating will need to bring one wrapped gift. Whether the gift is a small item you may have around the house, a nicer gift or a gag gift, it should not be more than \$10.00. Preparing your gift in a creative decorative way will certainly make for a very enjoyable evening as people switch gifts about, trying for the same gift. At the end of the evening everyone will open their gifts, sharing to see who got the "White Elephant" gift.

Details of the game will be explained the evening of the social. Come and join in on the fellowship and food. Guaranteed an enjoyable time to be had by everyone!

**GREENSBORO AND SERVICE TIME CHANGE.**

On Sabbath of December 18<sup>th</sup>, Greensboro will have services at 10:30am. Hickory services will be at **3:00pm**.

## WINTER FAMILY WEEKEND 2021

Registration for this year's WFW is now open! The registration link is available through your COGWA registration portal ([portal.cogwa.org/](http://portal.cogwa.org/)). After registration is complete, you will receive a confirmation email with payment information, a reservation link for the Galt House Hotel and three attachments—the WFW FAQ sheet, COVID protocols and testing site recommendations.

A schedule of events, volunteer opportunities and more information about this year's event can be found at [members.cogwa.org/wfw/](http://members.cogwa.org/wfw/). Questions specifically related to WFW can be sent to [wfw@cogwa.org](mailto:wfw@cogwa.org).

Opportunities for fellowship, fun activities, encouraging messages and educational seminars are being prepared for all ages, so we hope you will make plans attend.

As a reminder, the **Taste and Tour of Louisville** and the **Progressive Dinner of Louisville** activities have a registration and payment deadline of **Dec. 3**, and if you would like to share your talents in the **variety show**, the deadline for registration is **Dec. 10**.

## 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: **(667-770-1428)** 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.