

Announcements February 4, 2023

BILL AUSTIN PRAYER REQUEST

Bill Austin, of the Raleigh congregation, had successful lung surgery yesterday at Rex hospital in Raleigh. The surgeon removed a small part of his lung that was cancerous. Bill tolerated the procedure well. He wrote this morning that it only hurts when he breathes. He should be recovering in the hospital over the weekend and hopes to go home by Monday.

Foundation Institute Continuing Education

Foundation Institute, Center for Biblical Education, is pleased to announce the dates of two weeklong Continuing Education seminars to take place in the McKinney, Texas, office this summer. The date of the first session will be July 17 to 21, and the date of the second will be July 24 to 28. Classes will be taught by David Johnson, Ralph Levy and other headquarters ministers. Classes and sign-up procedures will be announced later.

We hope to see you here in north Texas for a wonderful week of Bible education and fellowship.

FI 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR APPLICATIONS:

From David Johnson:

Foundation Institute is currently receiving applications for the 2023-2024 academic year. While the deadline for applications is May 31, we are already processing 12 applications for next year, which is the most we have ever had at this point. We would like to encourage any other potential students to submit their applications as soon as possible. The sooner we receive the applications, the better. This enables us to work out student housing, order books and supplies, etc.

Applications may be submitted online from the Foundation Institute website at www.foundationinstitute.org.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PROM

From Nathan Willoughby, pastor, Louisville & Henderson, KY; Nashville, TN:

The World Awaits!

The COGWA Nashville congregation invites teens and their families to the 2023 Southeast Teen Prom weekend March 17-19! The theme for the prom weekend is "The World Awaits!" and will begin with fellowship at the hotel Friday evening and then services at 1 p.m. on the Sabbath.

If you would like more information please see the previous announcements about this posted on our local webpage.

GREENSBORO HOSTING LADIES TEA PARTY

For all 3 congregations:.

Hi Ladies,

The Greensboro ladies will be hosting a Tea party after services on Sabbath February. 18, 2023.

More details to soon follow. If you have any questions please contact Bev McKnight at mrsb343@gmail.com, see you there!

RALEIGH ART AND TALENT SHOW COMING

Next Sabbath will be our monthly potluck so please bring your favorite food and drinks, don't forget desserts as well. Following the potluck, please stick around as Raleigh will be hosting a Talent/Fun Show and Handiwork Display.

The plan is to have about 45 to 60 minutes of musical and other forms of entertainment. Please don't be shy, this is the time to share your talents and have some fun. Skits, dances, musical performance etc., are all welcome.

Mr. Christopher Martin will be coordinating the program so please let him know how you would like to contribute.

His email address is:- christopher.mar@yahoo.com

His phone number is:-

(878) 207-5370

For our artists or anyone who likes to make things with their hands, please consider bringing some of your work to contribute to our Arts/Crafts and Handiwork display. We would like to encourage both young and old to bring something you have made. Please let Mrs. Felicia Wood know if you plan to bring a large item so she can arrange the best area to display it. Thank you.

FOI COIN DRIVE

We are continuing to collect coins for FOI scholarship program, which fund about 60 students in Africa to help them gain essentials they may need for school. We will continue collecting coins until February 25th, 2023. There is a jar on the information table where you can deposit your coins. If you would like a receipt, please donate via PayPal or VENMO instructions for both on are the information table. If you have any questions, please contact your congregations FOI Coordinator

HICKORY POTLUCK

Hickory is planning a potluck after Sabbath service on February 25th . It's a Winter Potluck, so please bring your favorite soup/chili along with some sandwiches, dessert, and drink, etc. Plan to stay and enjoy the delicious foods and fellowship with the brethren. After lunch, the children (and anyone who would like to participate) will sort the coins for our FOI "Scholarship Program" Coin Drive.

TIER 2 DONATIONS

I wanted to announce this one more time. We haven't received much response so far.

It's time to remind everyone again about the need for Tier 2 donations from the members of the congregation. Tier 2 funds are what we use to fund all our social activities including snacks and potlucks. If you have not made a Tier 2 donation in the past year it would be helpful if you could consider making a small donation to this fund. Even a very small donation is helpful. These donations are tax deductible and should be sent to your local church treasurer. You will be sent a receipt in January of the following year for tax purposes.

GREENSBORO HAS NEW TREASURER

Speaking of your local treasurer, Greensboro has a new one. Brandy Brinkley has assumed the treasurer duties, taking over from retiring Sylvia Young. Many thanks to Sylvia for her many years of dedicated service. Brandy's contact information is:

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Seagrove, NC 27341
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SUMMER PICNIC PLANNED

For your advance planning, please set aside Sunday, June 4th for an all day picnic on beautiful Jordan Lake. We have room for up to 100 people and hope to have many of you join us for a fun day of activities on the lake. There are grills. Also a grassy area nearby for volleyball, games, etc. There is an entrance fee into the Jordan Lake Park. Each car will have to pay to get in - \$7 or \$5 senior.

More information will come later in the Spring.

CHECK INFO TABLE

Please don't forget to check the information table for print-outs of various announcements and the weekly blog. **Also remember we have cards to sign for those who are on the prayer request list.**

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.coqwa.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:

Login: nc_member

Password: (ask Mr. Kelley).