

Announcements December 16, 2023

Friday Night Live – 8:00 PM

Tonight, is our next live, interactive Friday Night Live Bible study for young adults. You can tune in to the live webcast from the [Friday Night Link](#) on the COGWA Members website and on our COGWA Roku channel.

*This month's study, **presented by Mark Winner**, is titled **"How Do You Know?"** When you look at a football player in his uniform, you know he's a football player. When you see a welder in his or her gear, you know that person is a welder. But what about a godly young person? What are godly young people supposed to look like? Can you really tell? How do you know? Is this something that only requires looking on the outside? Does it matter in the eyes of God? How about you—does it really matter what a godly young person looks like? Join us for our next Friday Night Live as we ask and answer the question, How do you know what a godly young person is supposed to look like? Join Mark Winner for our next Friday Night Live Bible study, titled "How Do You Know?"*

(The study will be recorded and posted for those who miss the live interactive presentation.)

Greensboro & Hickory Welcoming Snacks

Tomorrow will be the first Sabbath for Mr. and Mrs. Schultz in Greensboro and Hickory. We are planning to have a special Welcoming Snack Table. Please bring Hors d'oeuvres, "Finger Foods," and special snacks. We can enjoy a day of light nibbles and fellowship. Also, as a reminder, Mr. Schultz has a **severe allergy to tree nuts**. If you do have a dish that has tree nuts (Almonds, cashews, pecans, walnuts, etc.), please make sure that it is labeled.

Sabbath of December 23

Sabbath services **NEXT WEEK** (December 23rd) for all congregations will be at 2:30 PM. We will receive the webcast from WFW.

FOR RALEIGH

The Raleigh congregation will need to move services on next week (December 23rd). We will now meet at the **Doubletree by Hilton**. The address is **2805 Highwood Blvd, Raleigh NC 27604**. The establishment does not want us to bring in any food or drinks, so we will forego snacks that Sabbath. We will still be watching the webcast services from Winter Family Weekend. Services will begin promptly at 2:30pm, but we are asking everyone to be seated 5 minutes before that.

WFW Webcasts

This year, the Winter Family Weekend will be offering four webcasts beginning on Friday evening.

December 22: Bible Study at 7:00 PM EST – Mr. Dave Myers

December 23: Sabbath Morning Seminars at 10:00 and 11:00 EST.

10:00 AM – Mr. Clyde Kilough

11:00 AM – Mr. Britton Taylor

Sabbath Services: 2:30 – 4:30 PM EST – Mr. Doug Horchak

These four webcasts will be available on the COGWA Roku channel and at cogwa.tv.

Winter Family Weekend App

The COGWA WFW app is now updated and available for use! If you don't have the app, you can download it from the App Store or get it on Google Play. The COGWA WFW app will be your information source to help you stay connected and up-to-date during this year's WFW. The webcast can also be viewed from the app by clicking on the webcast icon at the bottom to the far right

We look forward to seeing all of you who plan to attend this year's WFW!

FI Applications & Interviews at WFW

Foundation Institute's current academic year is almost at the halfway point, and we are now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 academic year. Applications may be completed and submitted electronically from the Foundation Institute website (foundationinstitute.org/).

Part of the application process includes a brief interview with a member of the Admissions Committee. When necessary, we can conduct the interview over the phone, but most of those committee members will be attending the Winter Family Weekend this year, and it would be an excellent opportunity to conduct in-person interviews and allow prospective students to ask questions.

If you plan to apply for Foundation Institute next year and will be attending the Winter Family Weekend, please contact the registrar, David Johnson, at David.johnson@cogwa.org. We will then be able to set up a mutually agreeable time for your interview.

We look forward to meeting you in just a few weeks.

Virginia Beach Weekend

This year's Virginia Beach Weekend will be January 12-15, 2024. Please see the attached Bulletin at the end of the announcements. There will be a Friday night and Sabbath morning Bible Study. There will also be a Teen/YA Bible Study on Sabbath morning, with services in the afternoon at 2:00 PM. Mr. Kevin Epps will be the guest speaker. After services, we will have dinner beginning at 6:00 PM, (Adults-\$20pp, Children-\$12pp, Children under 4 are free. followed by a Variety Silent Auction, a Silent Cake Auction, and a Family Dance with a theme of "Famous People".

Please contact Mary Jordon at coltraineclu@gmail.com to register for the dinner.

If you have any questions contact Larry Lambert at larry.lambert@cogwa.org.

CHECK INFO TABLE

Please don't forget to check the information table for printouts of various announcements, the weekly Sabbath Note, and cards.

Virginia Beach Weekend Bulletin is below.

CHURCH of GOD
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The Williamsburg, Virginia congregation invites you to our:
24th Annual Virginia Beach Weekend – January 12-15 2024

Hosted at: **Holiday Inn Oceanside** 2101 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Click this link → to make [Hotel Reservations Online](#). By Phone 757-491-1500

Rate is \$104 + taxes for Oceanfront double Queen or King Standard Guest Rooms

Please identify yourself as being part of COGWA (reservation code = cog) to receive this special rate (**by December 20th**)

Theme: Make Your Call and Election Sure

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble—2 Peter 1:10

- **Friday Evening:** General Bible Study – Tom Burrow @ 7 p.m. in 2nd Floor Meeting Hall
Dress – Nice modest casual for Bible Study (Refreshments in room 300 after Bible Study)

Sabbath Morning: All Bible Studies 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Dress—Nice modest casual

- General Bible Study – Larry Lambert - 2nd Floor Meeting Hall
 - Elementary & Pre-Teen Bible Classes – Mary Jordan – room tbd
 - Teen Bible Class – Johnathon Arnold – room 300
 - Teen Club: 11 a.m. Room 300 – Dempsey & Susan Bruton (Pizza will be provided along with veggie tray, cookies and drinks)
 - Lunch on Your Own 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (leave time to change to Sabbath dress)
 - Sabbath Services 2 p.m.—4 p.m. – 2nd Floor Meeting Hall. Sermon – Kevin Epps
 - Dinner: 6 p.m. The Hemingway Restaurant in the Lobby area: (Adults—\$20, Children—\$12 (4 and under are free)
- ** Important—Please contact Mary Jordan at coltraineclu@gmail.com to register for dinner.

Saturday Evening Activities:

Variety Silent Auction & Silent Cake Auction (limit of 10 cakes; only new or like new items for silent auction): Lobby outside 2nd Floor Meeting Hall

Family Dance: 2nd Floor Meeting Hall –Theme: “Famous People” (Costume is optional.)



Sunday Morning: Meet at the pool for a morning swim and fellowship 10 a.m. – noon

Swim Suits – We follow the guidelines set down by our COGWA Youth Camps which means: No Speedo-type bathing suits for guys & modest one-piece bathing suits or tankinis for girls. Reasonable boy-cut shorts or standard bottoms; no French-cut or bikini bottoms; full coverage tops; no bare midriffs or exposed cleavage.

When checking in Friday, remember to ask for a late check out of 1 p.m. on Sunday!

Questions? Contact Larry Lambert @ larry.lambert@cogwa.org or Mary Jordan at coltraineclu@gmail.com