

Announcements February 6, 2021

DONNA HENSLEY SURGERY FEB. 19

ANNOUNCEMENT – Marketplace upgrades – repeat announcement.

We were advised that Marketplace has and will be making security and repainting upgrades to the Kidz Place facility.

The following are a few things to expect:

- An emergency push pad has been installed to the door. This is to allow the door to be kept in a locked position from the outside but gives emergency exit from the inside. The door will also have the option to remain unlocked if position to do so.
- Security cameras will be installed soon.
- Repainting in several areas will be done.
- These things will be implemented over the next few weeks.

With the new security upgrades let's continue to be mindful to arrive before Sabbath Service begins each week. Also, we need to be careful in our actions as security cameras will be in place.

PREPARING FOR NTBMO

Hopefully you have started your preparations for Night To Be Much Observed. With the assumption that the Coronavirus will still be around to a degree by the end of March, we will not be planning any large group gatherings. It is recommended that people who live fairly close to each other should plan to have a nice dinner at the home of someone willing to host. Remember that this year NTBMO falls on a Saturday night, so it's likely some guests may simply go to your home after services to cut down on driving.

For those who may be thinking of gathering with a small group in a nice restaurant, you should consider making a reservation well in advance to insure you will have adequate seating with no wait. Again, keep in mind that this will be on a Saturday night and the nice area restaurants will normally be at capacity most of the evening.

PASSOVER AND UNLEAVENED BREAD LOCATIONS AND TIMES:**RALEIGH:**

- Passover** – March 26; 7:45pm – Regular Church Hall
- First DUB** - March 28; 2:00pm – Hilton Raleigh North Hills
3415 Wake Forest Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609
- Last DUB** – April 3; 1:30pm – Regular Church Hall

GREENSBORO:

- Passover** – March 26: 7:45pm – Regular Church Hall
- First DUB** – March 28: 3:00pm – Regular Church Hall
- Last DUB** – April 3; 3:00pm – Regular Church Hall

HICKORY:

- Passover** – March 26: 7:45pm – Regular Church Hall
- First DUB** – March 28: 2:00pm – Regular Church Hall
- Last DUB** – April 3; 10:30am – Regular Church Hall

CHARLOTTE: March 26, 7:45pm – Home 2 Suites by Hilton
5110 Piper Station Dr.
Charlotte, North Carolina 28277

NOTE: The Sabbath of March 27, services will be at regular times and regular locations.

NEW BIBLE STUDY COURSE

We are excited to have launched on Wednesday, Feb. 2, a major new program for preaching the gospel: the new Life, Hope & Truth Bible Study Course. This will undoubtedly be a helpful study tool for both new contacts and Church members.

We wanted to make all of you aware that there are two ways to access the course. The main way, which we are promoting publicly, is through the Life, Hope & Truth website (<https://bsc.lifehopeandtruth.com/>).

The other way is through the COGWA Members website:

<https://members.cogwa.org/education/type/bible-study-course/>

(or by going to members.cogwa.org, hovering over the “Education” link, and clicking “Bible Study Course”).

We prefer that users access the course through LHT because it allows us to monitor the effectiveness of the course and offer supplemental materials. But we know there are some who do not have an Internet connection or will find the LHT system challenging.

Since we don't have the capacity to print and distribute the entire course at this time, we are asking pastors to accommodate this need at the local level. We ask that you arrange to provide printed copies to members who can't access the course online, but desire to take it.

Again, you can access and print individual lessons from the member website. All of the lessons on this page have the quizzes included in the design so they can be taken by hand. (The quizzes on the Life, Hope & Truth website are taken electronically.)

Though we are not actively promoting this alternate way of accessing the Bible Study Course from the member site, we wanted you to be aware of it as a convenient way to access the entire course outside of the LHT login system.

We hope you, and the brethren, find this course to be a helpful tool!

2021 CAMP PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

From Ken Treybig, national camp coordinator:

We are happy to announce that the dates for our 2021 camps in the United States are now available on the home page of the camp website, <https://camps.cogwa.org/>. You will note that this year only two of our camps are scheduled to run at the same time—Camp Sequoia Preteen and Camp Cherokee. We were able to space all the others out so that they do not conflict.

We also wanted to let everyone know that because we did not run our in-person camps last summer, our teen camps will all be accepting 19-year-olds this year. The preteen camps will stick to their normal 6-12 age range.

Some enhancements for the application process are in the works—such as digital signatures—but we are not quite ready to announce all the details. We look forward to sharing those with you as we get closer to our early March starting time for applications.

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.coqwa.org/>

Some areas are for members only. Please contact pastor Ron Kelley at **(336) 757-2305** or rkelly8@roadrunner.com for login and password.