

United Church of God, IA-East Texas/Texarkana

Announcements • June 2, 2007

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SABBATH SERVICES

Song Leader – Steve McNeely

Sermonette – Ellis Stewart

Sermon – Ken Treybig

Texarkana – 10 a.m.

Song Leader – Mark Weiss

Sermonette – Ed Weiss

Sermon – Ken Treybig

WEEKLY HALL SCHEDULE

June 9, Big Sandy HS 2:30 pm

June 16, Big Sandy HS..... 2:30 pm

June 23, Big Sandy HS..... 2:30 pm

June 30, Big Sandy HS..... 2:30 pm

PRETEEN EVENTS

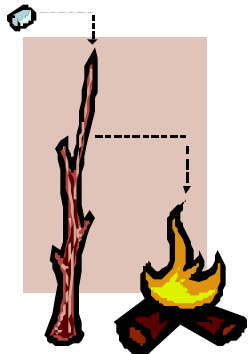
Sabbath School Graduation



Congratulations to those who will be graduating from Sabbath School **today!** After services, all Sabbath School children and their parents are invited to the cafeteria for refreshments. Parents, thank you for sharing your children with us. It has been rewarding to work with them this year!

TEEN EVENTS

Teen Camping Trip



Teens, get out the camping gear! We're hitting the road soon for our

teen family camping trip to Beavers Bend State Park near Broken Bow, OK. We'll leave Thursday morning, June 7, and return Sunday evening, June 10. Please meet with John Flynn at the stage right after services today to finalize our list of who is going and for some final details.

Sound Help Needed

We're in special need of help with the sound system next Sabbath when the teens and their families are camping. If anyone can help run the system next Sabbath, please see John Flynn *today*, before services if at all possible, so he can show you what needs to be set up.

FEAST OF TABERNACLES

Festival Housing & Pass Code

Members may begin making hotel phone reservations for the Feast of Tabernacles beginning this Sunday, **June 3**, at 10 a.m. in the time zone of the site you are attending.

Members attending **Branson, Kerrville, and Steamboat Springs** need to be aware of a new procedure for those sites. A pass code will be required for specific properties. See your festival adviser or pastor for the list of properties and pass code.

Although the pass code may seem like an inconvenience, the purpose is to prevent people from calling early or others booking up rooms reserved for the United Church of God. The pass code is only required on June 3. Those making reservations *after* June 3 will not need a pass code.

All sites remain available for transfer except for Panama City Beach and Steamboat Springs. Anchorage has a few openings, but a special application is required.

Ample housing bookings were made at each site so that all members will be able to find a suitable accom-

modation. Experience shows that those who wait a few days to make reservations or even wait through the summer nearly always find what they prefer.

If you do have difficulty finding an appropriate accommodation, notify your festival adviser. You will be contacted in two or three days with personal assistance.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tonight's the Night! Put On Your Favorite Hawaiian Outfit!!!

Morris & Linda Foster are throwing an "ISLAND LUAU" at their home, **tonight, June 2!** Sabbath-appropriate music will begin at 7:30 p.m., with light food being served. After sunset, there'll be **Limbo Contests, Dancing to Live Music** by "Texas Heart & the One Night Band," **Jungle Tours, Friends, Food, Drinks,** and more! Flyers are on the Information Table with all the details. See you there! Aloha!

Parenting Class

For those who signed up for the "Growing Kids God's Way" class, the next class will be Friday night, **June 8**, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the home of John and Dee Trotter.

Deacon/Elder Meeting

As a reminder to deacons, elders, and their spouses, our next meeting will be Monday, **June 11**, beginning at 7 p.m. at Hillcrest.

Hillcrest Bible Study

A Bible Study and potluck meal will be held at Hillcrest Manor on Wednesday, **June 13**, beginning at 11 a.m. All are welcome!

White Water Rafting

The Cleveland, TN congregation will be hosting the annual white water Ocoee rafting trip on Sunday, **August**

5, at 11 a.m. As in prior years, the church will be utilizing the services of Ocoee Inn Rafting as outfitters for the trip. Participants must be at least 12 years old (Tennessee law) and in good health. Those with bad backs or other similar injuries should not participate due to the strenuous and jarring nature of the activity. Due to the inherent risky activity, all participants must sign a liability waiver. Those under 18 will need a parent or legal guardian's signature before they can participate.



We have reserved a block of rafting spots. In order to guarantee that you have a seat, please send a signed liability waiver and a check payable to the United Church of God, Cleveland for \$25 per person to the following address: Allen Dance, 9201 Cobblestone Hill Drive, Ooltewah, TN 37363.

Please clearly identify each participant, church area, and a phone number where you can be contacted. We must have your deposit to reserve you a spot. Generally in the past, all slots have been filled and late requests were added to a waiting list. It is on a first-come, first-served basis, so send it in *as soon as possible*. This activity takes place regardless of the weather. If you have any questions please contact Allen Dance at (423) 855-0868 or allendance@hotmail.com.

Camping and cabin facilities are available in the area. The Church does not sponsor a group campsite, but individual families are welcome to take advantage of the opportunities to camp at their own risk if they so desire. Mr. Bruce Gore will once again conduct a Camp Bible Study on the Sabbath in the Chilhowee Recreation Area.

More detailed information on camping, housing facilities, and church services will be available soon.

Houston Music Festival 2007

The Third Annual UCG Houston Music Festival will be held on Sunday, **September 2**, over the Labor Day weekend, at 20737 Broze Road, Humble, TX. Last year 300 people, including 45 musicians, enjoyed a full day of rock, folk, country, and blues music while visiting and relaxing. Attendance grew by 33% last year, and this year we anticipate a larger crowd. We have made several changes this year including the addition of a second stage and a new canopy system.

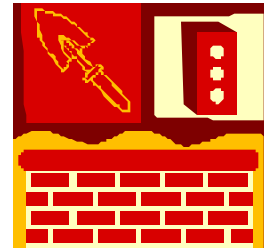
Out-of-town musicians can use stage equipment provided by local musicians, including a drum set, amplifiers, keyboards, congas, bongos, timbales, microphones, and monitors; guitars may be available by special arrangement. Musicians interested in participating in the Houston Music Festival 2007 should contact David Buchanan by e-mail at BuchananEnvironmental@earthlink.net (please use Subject: Houston Music Festival to avoid deletion of your correspondence), or by telephone at 281-852-2438, no later than July 31st. Musicians must be members or attending one of the Sabbath-keeping churches of God – exceptions will be made for non-member musicians in a backup role. All musicians must conform to Church standards for dress, grooming, and conduct.

For attendees who must avoid the sun, several canopies will be erected, but most will bring a chair or blanket and sit on the lawn. Local brethren will bring extra lawn chairs for visitors. Our concessions stand will sell food, drinks, and snacks. Festival entry is free, however donations will be accepted to defray expenses; extra funds will be donated to the United Church of God. The starting time will be announced at a later date. Hotel accommodations may be found in Humble, TX approximately five minutes from the church building. There

will be no rain-out in the event of rain; performances will be held in the building auditorium.

BUILDING UPDATES

Work Progress



This week we pulled all the Cat5E cabling out of the building (nearly 9,000 feet) and replaced it with new cable, which we tested before installing. The TV cable was also tested, and some final detail work was done on the glass panels over the main doors in preparation for sheetrocking. Thanks to all who helped! It is deeply appreciated! Vendors were also selected for installing insulation and for the sheetrock work. Sheetrocking is set to begin on Monday. We'll start spending a lot of money quickly now that we're starting with contractors, so we **really** appreciate those who are making monthly donations to the fund right along with those who have been volunteering their labor!

We will have another brick work party tomorrow, **June 3**, starting at 7:30 a.m. We made a lot of progress last time and with lots of help we hope to do as much this weekend!

Check out the latest building photos on our local Web site at <http://www.ucgeasttexas.org/cpg/home/index.php> along with the link at <http://www.ucgeasttexas.org/cpg/home/thumbnails.php?album=4> for the furnishings, including some recent acquisitions and donations.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Contributions to the Building Fund this past week totaled \$30. During the month of May, the Building Fund increased by \$1,145.

Our current total of funds collected is \$251,551.

To make donations, checks should be made out to United Church of God,

East Texas and mailed to Sarah Baker,
P.O. Box 1111, Hawkins, TX 75765.

PRAYER UPDATES

Your prayers are requested for **Betty Foster** (Morris' mother). She is to be scheduled for surgery within the next week to have two growths removed from her bladder. Please pray that Mrs. Foster be comforted through this trial, and that she be healed completely.

1404 Valley Drive
Longview, TX 75647

Payton Hahn had his stitches removed on his visit to the surgeon this week, and they increased the therapy. Please continue to pray for Payton's full recovery and healing and for complete use of his hand.