

## HAPPY SABBATH!

Sabbath Services Today: 2:30 PM  
Future AM Services: December 1

VIP Day Service  
855 N. Mart-way Dr.  
Olathe, KS 66061  
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### Assignments:

Pianist:  
Song Leader:  
Sermonette:  
Sermon:

Heather Hare  
Kurt Whynaucht  
Larry MacArthur  
Caleb Froedge

**NEXT SABBATH, November 24, Services at 2:30 PM**

**Sermon for November 24<sup>th</sup> will be:**

Music in the Church by Mr. Dave Myers

### Refreshments for November 24th:

Drinks: MacArthur

Snacks: Froedge, Cook, and Scarborough

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Nov 22 Thanksgiving

Dec 21-25 Winter Family Weekend

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### **Winter Family Weekend, Louisville, KY:**

December 21 – December 25, 2018

This year's Winter Family Weekend is just weeks away. Many of the same activities that have provided families with such an enjoyable few days together in the past are again planned for this year. At the same time, there are a few new additions. In some cases, it is very important that we have as accurate a count as possible in advance. For example, it is essential that we have an accurate count for the YALW reception on Sunday morning. What this means is, **if you plan to attend the Winter Family Weekend (WFW), please take a couple of minutes this week to register and be sure to fill in the areas you plan to participate in.** You can find registration information at <https://members.cogwa.org/wfw/> or go directly to the registration portal at <https://portal.cogwa.org/acct/>.

Here are a few other items that will help you in planning and help us in preparing:

- The schedule of events is now available online at <http://members.cogwa.org/wfw>.
- This year we are offering a song leader/pianist workshop designed to help song leaders and pianists sharpen their skills. That will take place on Sunday evening, Dec. 23.
- Stay connected on any of the following:  
Facebook: [facebook.com/cogwaWFW](https://www.facebook.com/cogwaWFW)  
Twitter: @cogwa  
Feel free to share with one another using #cogwawfw
- There will again be a clothing boutique for all mothers and grandmothers. If you have gently used children's clothing you would like to donate **or** if you need some gently used children's clothing, you can bring it and find it on Saturday night (Dec. 22).

- Don't forget the themes of the Saturday night dances if you are interested in possibly winning a free night's stay or cash.
- If you would like to sing with the choir or are interested in sharing special music, please contact Dave Myers at [dave.myers@cogwa.org](mailto:dave.myers@cogwa.org).

### **Friday Night Live--COGWA Bible Study for Young Adults**

Join us this Friday evening, Nov. 16, for our "Friday Night Live" webcast Bible study, which will begin at 8 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (7 p.m. Central, 6 p.m. Mountain and 5 p.m. Pacific).

Please join Scott Lord as we explore what Scripture says about the vital importance of being sober-minded.

### **From David Register, pastor, Redding, Sacramento & Stockton, CA:**

I have received a few calls and emails about the **fires in California** and how they may be affecting our members. Here is a brief update on the fires.

There are currently 15 wildfires burning in California. National news coverage is giving a lot of attention to the Woolsey Fire in the Santa Monica Mountains and the Camp Fire in the Paradise/Chico areas. The situation is dire in California, as we are deep in a drought cycle that has continued over the state for several years. The prolonged drought has caused millions of trees in our forests to die and the grasslands to be extremely dry. It has been over 200 days since we had any significant rain in California. When the winds blow, it creates a very hazardous fire danger. One spark can cause a fire to start, and it often rages out of control within minutes and creates its own weather, including fire tornadoes and hurricane-force winds, burning everything in its path.

This is what happened this past week in Northern California in the Paradise area north of Sacramento. Thousands of residents had only a few moments to flee the rapidly moving fire. Traffic jams occurred on the narrow roads and highways, and many burned in their cars or in their homes. There are still over 300 people missing, even as remains are being discovered daily in the burned homes and cars in the area. Remains of nearly 60 people have been recovered so far. The stories of the survivors are horrific and apocalyptic. Over 10,000 structures (most of them homes) have been destroyed. Once the fire is out, it is estimated it may take eight to 10 years to rebuild the city of Paradise, which is over 95 percent destroyed. This has become the most disastrous, deadly and costly fire in California history!

Thankfully, we have no members in the areas directly affected by the Camp Fire. We have one family that lives north of Paradise. While they have been evacuated, as far as we know, their ranch is still not burned. However, we have heard of a few members of other Church of God groups who have lost their homes, but thankfully, they were evacuated safely.

One of the current concerns is the smoke and soot that has filled the atmosphere from the fire. Smoke and air pollution have drifted south and east into the Sacramento, Stockton and San Francisco areas and are affecting many of our members. Because of current weather patterns, an inversion layer has been created, trapping the smoke in the valleys where the cities and towns are mainly located. The prolonged air pollution is causing respiratory problems for some people, especially older people and children. Several schools have closed, and some outdoor events have been canceled because of the air pollution.

Prayers would be appreciated for these fires to be completely put out before more lives and property are lost and for the air pollution to blow away from populated areas.

**From Paul Carter, pastor, Bakersfield & Los Angeles, CA:**

**Fires** have been burning in the Malibu area for more than a week. Fortunately, it is not in an area that is affecting our current membership, and all of our members appear to be safe. We still pray for those who have suffered such great loss.

For the first four or five days, the smoke was carried out to the ocean, which kept smoky air from being a problem in the valleys.

While we were attending the camp directors' meetings, a few smaller fires popped up. One of these was only a couple of miles from our home, but firefighters were able to quickly get it under control.

Thank you all for your prayers.

**BIBLE QUIZ – Offerings in the Bible** (Answers below)

1. What offering did Cain bring to the Lord? (*Genesis 4:3*)
  - a. Silver
  - b. Seven bullocks and seven rams
  - c. The fruit of the ground
  - d. None
2. Who did God tell Abraham to offer for a burnt offering? (*Genesis 22:2-3*)
  - a. His son Ishmael
  - b. His son Isaac
  - c. His servant Eleizer
  - d. His wife Sarah
3. Psalms 51 tells us, "The sacrifices of God are ..." (*Psalms 51:17*)
  - a. Silver and gold
  - b. The firstfruits of the crop
  - c. Obedience and a listening ear
  - d. A broken spirit
4. God gave very specific directions about what the peace offering was to be like to be accepted. What was it? (*Leviticus 22:21*)
  - a. It could be maimed, but it could not be blind.
  - b. It did not matter if it had diseased skin but it was not to be old.
  - c. It was not to be less than three years old.
  - d. It should be perfect and without blemish.
5. Who made the promise to the Lord? "Then it shall be, that whatsoever comes forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the Lord's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering." (*Judges 11:30-31*)
  - a. Jephthah
  - b. Jeconiah
  - c. Jeroboam
  - d. Joab
6. This man and his wife looked on while the angel of the Lord "did wondrously" to their offering (in that when the flame went up from the offering, the angel ascended in the flame of the altar) (*Judges 13:19-20*)
  - a. Manasseh
  - b. Manoah
  - c. Melchisedec
  - d. Meshach
7. The Lord told Samuel, "I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be purged

with sacrifice nor offering for ever." What was the reason He said this? (*1 Samuel 3:13-14*)

- a. Eli and his sons were secretly worshipping idols.
  - b. Eli's sons had both died on the same day.
  - c. Eli's sons were vile and Eli did not restrain them.
  - d. Eli's wife had slept with her sons.
8. Saul did not wait for Samuel to arrive at the appointed place, but offered the burnt offering himself. What was Samuel's response to this? (*1 Samuel 13:9,10,13*)
    - a. He commended Saul for his initiative.
    - b. He told Saul that he had done foolishly and that his kingdom would cease to Israel.
    - c. He called down fire from heaven to consume the peace offering.
    - d. He would not attend the ceremony but went straight to Gibeah.
  9. The Lord spoke to Job's three friends and told them that he was angry with them, and that they should make a burnt offering and get Job to pray for them. Why? (*Job 42:7-8*)
    - a. They had told Job to curse God and die.
    - b. They had told Job that his wife should curse God and die.
    - c. They had not spoken of God what is right.
    - d. They had accused Job of sinning.
  10. How have we been sanctified? (*Hebrews 10:10*)
    - a. Through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.
    - b. Through the offering of our prayer for the necessity of the saints.
    - c. Through the offering of our good works.
    - d. Through the offering of our love for one another.

Answers:
1. c
2. b
3. d
4. d
5. a
6. b
7. c
8. b
9. c
10. a