Cincinnati – Dayton Congregation

Announcements January 28, 2012

Sermonette – Tim Foster
Sermon – Lyle Welty

Potluck Social Today: This evening’s social will be an International themed potluck. After sunset we will have a Bunco night for those who are interested. If you have not played before, Bunco is an easy, fun, fast-paced, dice game enjoyable for all ages. Plan to join us for a night of food, fun, and fellowship with your church family.

The social committee would like to compile the recipes everyone is making so that those who are interested can reproduce the dishes they enjoy at home. Please either email your recipe(s) to Erin Tootle at erin.tootle@gmail.com or bring a printed copy to services this Sabbath. We will compile the recipes and make them available to those who are interested. Thank you in advance and we look forward to sharing the evening with you!

Challenger Program: The Challenger Program material for young adults was attached to the Church announcements and updates that was sent out earlier today.

Sabbath School Classes: Sabbath School Classes will be held this Sabbath at 1:30 p.m.

Teen Bible Study: The Teen Bible Study will be held this Sabbath at 1:30 p.m.

Church Calendar: The sunset times shown on the monthly calendar are for central Cincinnati. It was brought to our attention that times could vary by several minutes, especially in the summer, for your community. If this is a concern then you may want to check an online calendar, using your location, for your actual sunset times. The web site for the U.S. Naval Observatory is http://www.usno.navy.mil/USNO/astronomical-applications/data-services/rs-one-day-us. You can check there if you wish.

One Accord is now online! We are pleased to announce the first edition of the e-newspaper for the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, is ready to view, and can be found at this link: http://members.cogwa.org/one-accord. This is the first of what will be a monthly publication highlighting news of the church and congregational activities, inspirational articles, member milestones, announcements of upcoming activities, and much more—all designed to help keep us connected in “one accord.”

Northeast Ohio Young Adult Weekend Retreat, March 2-4: This event is coming very quickly, and they’re very excited to have a group of young adults planning to gather for a great weekend together! The purpose of this event is to provide the young adults of the Church of God, a Worldwide Association, with an opportunity to fellowship together, build relationships with others of like mind, and learn how to better fulfill the roles of husband and wife that God has designed for us. The theme of the weekend is “Preparation and Dedication: Practical Wisdom on Being a Godly Spouse.” Whether you are married or single, there will be valuable information and a joyful social atmosphere for all. To top it all off, we have the opportunity to meet together in a beautiful and peaceful setting in the Amish country of Berlin, Ohio.

It is very important that you make your hotel reservations and return your completed registration form before the February 2 deadline. Attached you will find an information sheet with more specific details regarding hotel information, seminars, costs and planned activities or there are copies on the Information Table. So let us know if you are planning to attend! Room rates and vacancy at the Berlin Grande Hotel are only guaranteed through February 2 due to another event in the area the same weekend, so reserve your room soon. If you have questions you may contact Zach Smith at zsmith1124@yahoo.com or call 330-685-0425.
**Teen Prom, April 21:** The Pittsburgh Teen Prom this year will be on April 21, with the after-prom picnic on the 22nd. As in recent years services will be at 1:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel in Moon Township (the west side of Pittsburgh). At this point we’re planning for a beautiful day on Sunday, so the after-prom will be at a local park. All the details will be posted on our website and more information will be sent soon. Those who want to attend can register online.

**Parkersburg, WV Ox-Roast/Rafting, June 30-July 1:** Believe it or not, it is time to begin plans for Ox Roast 2012. So get out your calendar and mark this date. JUNE 30, 2012. It is being planned a little earlier this year so that hopefully it won't be so HOT and the river should be much more fun and challenging. The White Water Rafting trip is being planned for the following day, JULY 1, 2012.

It is rather early to make a commitment but they are letting us know so we can think about it. The rafting company has not yet been contacted but they have always been very cooperative in the past. If you think you would be interested, but not yet ready to make a commitment, please send an email to Ali Harper, arharper356@yahoo.com, so they can get an idea for numbers that might be attending.

**Volunteer opportunity—Jordan 2012-13:** Are you looking for a way to serve the work in an international capacity? Four volunteers are being sought to serve in Amman, Jordan, from August 2012 to June 2013. Volunteers will serve young people in the country at the invitation of the Jordanian royal family. Both married couples and singles are welcome to apply. Please contact Cory Erickson at ericksoncc@comcast.net if you have any interest. More information will be forthcoming.

**Announcements:** If you would like an announcement placed in the announcement sheet, please send an e-mail, including the announcement, to Jerry Merritt at merrittjs@gmail.com by Thursday afternoon. If you do not have Internet access, you may call him at 513-924-1044 by early Thursday evening. He would prefer an e-mail so as not to have to rekey the announcement.