



## **Parkersburg & Morgantown, WV and Athens, OH for March 9, 2018**

Greetings; everyone:

The Brookhaven Hall is finally going to be available for us to meet in again. The first week we can return is on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. This week Morgantown is going to meet in Washington, PA with Pittsburgh and Wheeling. On March 17<sup>th</sup> services will again be held at the Springhill Suites at 10: 30 AM. We will also meet in Brookhaven for Passover and the Night to Be Much Observed.

Morgantown will be meeting with Pittsburgh this Sabbath. See Mr. Hanson's update below for more information.

Mr. Franks explains more about the Passover Service in his latest letter which is in the attached file. We are only a few weeks away from the Spring Holy Days. See below for the schedule and the Information about camp.

Cheryl and I will be out of town for a few days next weekend visiting in Florida with Rachael and her family. We will be gone from next Wednesday until Monday,

March 19<sup>th</sup>. I can be contacted by email if necessary.

We are very thankful for the very successful auction we had in Belpre last Saturday evening. We collected over \$1200 in auction proceeds and donations. The local fund is now in good shape. Thanks to everyone who helped bid and donated at the auction.

Daylight Savings Time starts this weekend. Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday evening.

Cheryl and I plan to be in Belpre this Sabbath.

Have a great Sabbath.

Bill Jahns

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[http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/uploads/Member\\_Letter\\_Mar\\_8\\_2018.pdf](http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/uploads/Member_Letter_Mar_8_2018.pdf)

<http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/uploads/MarchMay2018-Final.pdf>

<http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/uploads/March2018Calendar.jpg>

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## **LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS      03/10/18      Sunset: Parkersburg: 6:27 PM**

**CHURCH INFORMATION** – Church of God, a Worldwide Association has a website where you can get the latest information.

Donations can be sent to: Church of God a Worldwide Association, P.O. Box 731480, Dallas, TX 75373-1480

Local donations can be sent to: Church of God, Parkersburg, P.O. Box 181, Davisville, WV 26142

**WEB SITE** – Parkersburg, Athens and Morgantown have their own website which can be accessed for the schedule, announcements and other information. The URL is: <http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/>

**PRAYER REQUESTS** – See the information table for the latest prayer requests.

MORGANTOWN is scheduled to meet with Pittsburgh on March 10th 3:00 PM. Location: South Strabane Fire Hall, 172 Oak Spring Rd, Washington, PA. A potluck will be held. Everyone should bring a main dish. Those whose last names end from A to M should bring a desert. Those with names from N to Z should bring a salad or extra dish.

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### **ATHENS, MORGANTOWN & PARKERSBURG SCHEDULE**

Date:	Function
February 24	Morgantown Auction
March 3	Athens-Parkersburg Auction
March 29	Passover
March 31	1st Day Unleavened Bread
April 6	7th Day Unleavened Bread

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### **HOLY DAY SCHEDULE**

#### **Passover**

**Athens- Parkersburg** Belpre Sr Citizens Center      Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, Time: 8:00 PM

**Morgantown** – Brookhaven Hall      Time: Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Day of Unleavened Bread**

##### **Athens--Parkersburg**

Holiday Inn, 555 East State Street, Athens, OH      Time: Saturday, March 31, 2:30 PM

##### **Morgantown**

South Strabane Fire Department Station 2  
172 Oak Spring Road, Washington, PA      Saturday, March 31, 2:30 PM

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Day of Unleavened Bread**

##### **Athens-Parkersburg with Charleston**

Calvary United Methodist Church,  
205 Court Street, Ripley, WV      Time: Friday, April 6, 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM

##### **Morgantown**

South Strabane Fire Department Station 2  
172 Oak Spring Road, Washington, PA      Friday, April 6, 10:30 AM & 2:30 PM

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**ANNOUNCEMENT:**  
**2018 Camp Applications**

The camp application system is now open. Simply go to your COGWA portal account, look under the Events area on the bottom left of your account main page and click on the “Click Here to Apply.” If you do not already have a COGWA portal account, go to the “Apply” page of the camp website (<http://camps.cogwa.org/apply/>) and click the link in the second paragraph for instructions on how to set up your portal account. Details about each camp can be found on the individual camp pages of the camp website.

Please note that we need a NEW photo (taken within the three months before an application is submitted) of each person that applies for camp to use in case of a medical emergency. If you need to upload a new photo, go to your portal account home page, find the name of the person applying for camp at the top right of the page under the “Household Members” heading and click the camera icon. Follow the instructions to upload a new photo and make that the default profile image.

We would also like to remind everyone that we want all COGWA attendees who wish to attend camp to have that opportunity. To help ensure that, we offer scholarship help (generally a partial tuition scholarship) to those who need it to be sure they can attend one camp this year. Simply contact the camp director to request a scholarship to get the process started.

Ken Treybig

CYC Overall Coordinator

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From Don Henson:

Greetings,

This is just one final reminder about the plans for the upcoming Sabbath: Teen Speech Club (1:00 pm), Sabbath service (3:00pm), potluck dinner (5:30'ish) and Fun Show (6:45'ish). It promises to be a full day, with something for everyone.

It looks like there will be a very enjoyable and full program for the Fun Show.

In the past we have also included an Arts & Crafts display for those who would like to share their handiwork skills and talents. I'm sorry we didn't mention that in previous announcements – an oversight that is my fault. But anyone who would like is welcome to bring samples of their arts/crafts skills, which will be displayed during dinner and the talent program. If you would like to bring something for the arts/crafts display, contact Bill Kyle. He'll be organizing the display. You could email him at [jkyle@hughes.net](mailto:jkyle@hughes.net) or see him before services on the Sabbath. Please provide a 3 x 5 card that includes your name and a description of your display.

I've also attached Mr. Franks' member letter for March. In it he reviews the significance of the foot washing portion of the Passover service. You'll also find some reminders about our observance of the Night to Be Much Observed and a listing of what is and what is not a leavening agent. There is also a copy of a Personal Correspondence form letter describing the importance of removing leavening from our homes for the Days of Unleavened Bread. I know most of us are very familiar with these things, but a reminder never hurts – and there is more detail than we might be able to review in the next few weeks.

A couple of prayer request updates: Becky Miklas was discharged from the hospital today. Her inflamed pancreas is stabilized and doctors feel she should be OK. Linda Schrimp is somewhat improved, recovering from complications from her colon surgery last week. She is still uncomfortable, but at least the drainage tubes have been removed. She will begin eating soft foods over the next couple of days – if she is able to handle that, she should be able to go home over the weekend. Both asked me to tell you they're thankful for your prayers on their behalf.

The weather looks cool-ish but decent on Sabbath. I'm thankful we should all be able to travel safely.

See you soon –

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