Greetings everyone:

It has been a record breaking cold winter in some areas of the USA. Some wind chill temperatures were around 50 degrees below zero. Things freeze very quickly under those conditions.

The latest news about the church is in the attached file. We are getting closer to the time when details about the summer camps will be coming out.

A Bible Study is scheduled for this Sunday at Kelly Stewart’s. Time: 1:00 PM. See the attached file for the February calendar.

See the information table for details on the auction in the Pittsburgh area on February 9th and the he annual social is scheduled for March 9th.

A potluck is scheduled for Parkersburg this week.

Have a great Sabbath!

Bill Jahns

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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/](http://parkersburg.cogwa.org/)

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

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FOUNDATION INSTITUTE

The faculty and administration of Foundation Institute are excited to announce the dates of this summer’s FI Continuing Education seminar. These weeklong seminars held each summer in the FI classroom have been very successful in providing an additional opportunity for biblical education for those who are able to attend. A number of people plan to return every year for the classes and fellowship.

This year we will be offering one seminar in the new building, which is in McKinney, Texas. The seminar will be five days long, beginning on Monday morning and ending on Friday afternoon. **The dates are July 15-19, 2019.** The seminar will offer 29 one-hour classes taught by a variety of instructors and administrators from the headquarters office. The cost for the classes is $75 per person or $125 per couple. As in the past, we plan to provide a light lunch each day at no additional charge.

Because of the move to the new building, we will not open registration until the month of February. This will allow us to ascertain the capacity of the classroom and know how many students we can accept, prior to registration. We will make a follow-up announcement explaining the registration procedure shortly after the office move is complete.

Thank you for your interest and support for Foundation Institute.
**Announcement:**

While general registration for all other COGWA Feast sites will commence in April, registration for the Feast of Tabernacles in Cortona, Italy, will take place much earlier. Cortona registration will be on Sunday, Feb. 10, beginning at 10 a.m. (Central time).

If you are planning to register for Cortona, take time in advance to make sure you have an account setup in the COGWA portal system. (The web address for the portal is https://portal.cogwa.org.)

Also, please **make sure the email address in the portal system is your current email** and that all information for family members and dependents is up-to-date.

Registrations will be accepted online only. If you are planning to register for Italy and do not have Internet access or need assistance registering, please contact your local Festival adviser, ________________, after services today.

On Sunday, Feb. 10, plan to sign in to your portal account at or after 10 a.m. (Central time). At that time the Feast registration button will become available under the “Upcoming Events” section. You may need to refresh the page for it to appear. Click the button to begin the registration process. **Make sure that you complete the registration fully by clicking the “Submit Registration” button.**

All successful registrants will receive a confirmation email right away. If you do not receive that email, you may not have properly completed the registration process. (You might also check your spam folder if you don’t see the email right away.) **Please note: This confirmation email does not mean you are accepted.**

Within five days you will be notified by email whether you have been accepted or whether you are on the waiting list for Cortona, Italy.

**If you are planning to register for Cortona, Italy—be sure to get a copy of the REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS from your Festival adviser or pastor. These instructions will assist you in properly completing your registration.**

Because of limited seating, only members who are accepted will be able to attend services in Cortona.

We are accepting members for Cortona based on the time order of their online registration, giving priority to those who were on the waiting list for Cortona last year and were unable to attend. Those who attended in Cortona last year will be accepted after those who did not attend. This seems to be the fairest way for everyone. But it means that Cortona may not be the best site for you if you want to attend the Feast together with a large number of extended family members or friends. We are not able to accept group registrations. Valid registrations will be single households—adult(s) and any dependents.

**Special note: If you registered last year and were unable to attend, you MUST STILL REGISTER before registration closes.** You will not be automatically registered. Registration will close on Wednesday, Feb. 13, at 5 p.m.

If you have any questions about registration, please see your local Festival adviser or your pastor.