



Bentonville, Van Buren and Mena, AR

May 23, 2020

Speakers

Local Webcast –
9:30 am (cogwa.tv/webcasts/bentonville)
Split Sermon: Jack Willoughby
Split Sermon: Tom Clark
Webcast from Headquarters – 12:00

Upcoming Events

May 31 – Pentecost
June 6 – Regular services – all three congregations

Sunset time is for Alma, Arkansas	
Sunset tonight	8:20 pm
Sunset next Friday	8:25 pm

Announcements

Prayer requests/updates:

Bill and Aurora Gossett appreciate the prayers of their brethren. The pain in Bill's leg became very severe this week, and it was finally diagnosed as cellulitis. Further tests have been done to determine if there is any underlying problem in addition, but the doctors feel sure the medication will alleviate the cellulitis symptoms shortly. Thank you for your prayers!

Cyclone Update: Many of our members have seen or read about Cyclone Amphan hitting West Bengal, India. I would appreciate your prayers for Tarun and Seema Gosh (local members) as well as seven additional members that we have in the Sundarbans area of West Bengal. The Sundarbans area is very vulnerable since it is close to the sea. I have sent a WhatsApp message to Tarun this morning but have not received a response thus far. They may be without cell service. Yesterday when I heard from him they were experiencing light rain. However, I received this from another one of our Indian brethren this morning, *"Hi Mr Baker. Talked to Tarun yesterday and also today evening. He has some damage in his house. The front corrugated sheet and his kitchen window got damaged and his upper floor had lot of water due to heavy rain pressure. Other members are also worried as water level is rising."*

As you can see, the members there are very vulnerable to the damage of this cyclone in addition to the fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic. Your prayers for God's people in that area are greatly appreciated.

Services today: Local services will be webcast today at 9:30. You can find them online at: cogwa.tv/webcasts/bentonville. Services will also be webcast live on cogwa.tv from the Church office in McKinney, Texas, and will begin at 12 p.m., Central Daylight Time. For those calling in, the dial-in number is **605-472-5473**, and the participant code is **130095**.

Sabbath of June 6, 2020: This is our target date for resuming in-person Sabbath services in all three of our congregations!

Services will be as follows:

Van Buren: Services begin at 10:00 am at the Jubilee Christian Center. Normal time and location.

Bentonville: Services begin at 2:30 pm at the Hope Church. Normal time and location.

Mena: Services begin at 2:30 pm. However, due to some additional restrictions the Seventh Day Adventist conference has placed on the building, we will not start services in their building. Instead we will initially begin meeting at the Fellowship Church of God building (former WCG congregation). As the restrictions are modified, we will be able to return to the normal meeting location of the SDA Church hall.

Local Website: If you have missed any of our local sermons or you need to look back at an announcement bulletin or Sabbath note, be sure to visit our local website at:

<http://.bentonville.cogwa.org/>. We are working to keep the site up-to-date. FYI, Sabbath notes can be found under the “Announcement” tab.

Pentecost services: Pentecost services will be held in the same manner as we did for the two holy days of Unleavened Bread. We will have one service webcast from Headquarters beginning at 12 noon. All the connection information is the same as it has been.

Happy Anniversary! May Anniversaries:

Larry & Shirley Caldwell	18 th (35 years)
Tim & Lori Hull	24 th (33 years)
Bryan & Amanda Goethals	28 th (14 years)
Corwin & Rachel Petty	28 th (25 years)

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