

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Church of God Big Sandy

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July 20, 2019 • 2:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:25

### Bible studies and classes

Interactive study (1:00)	Jon Coffee
Bible study (2:00)	Jon Coffee
Teen class	Carol Bald

### Order of service

Song leader	Ron Avey
Pianist	Dixon Cartwright
Scripture reading	Acts 27:1–44
Sermon	Wayne Woodring

### Quick takes

1. Board meeting tonight—President Ron Avey has scheduled a board meeting tonight.
2. Interrelating with other congregations—Today, Dave Havar is giving two presentations in Decaturville, Tenn. (Last night, many of the group met in their church building for a meal and for an interactive Bible study moderated by Mr. Havar.)
3. Invitation to the 2019 Feast of Tabernacles—The Church of God Big Sandy invites people to attend one of the festival sites sponsored by our congregation. Pastor Dave Havar writes: “If you are looking for a small, friendly site that has inspiring messages and excellent fellowship, we invite you to come join us.”
4. Feast coordinators—Here are the Feast coordinators at the four Feast of Tabernacle sites.

■ Big Sandy	Ron and Linda Avey
■ Destin	Neil and Martha McIver
■ Myrtle Beach	Lyle and Kathy Kerby
■ Grand Junction	Dennis and Karen Benson

5. Reminder about Feast housing—Please make your Feast housing at Destin and Myrtle Beach soon so that you will be able to receive the discounted price before the rooms are released from our room block. (We do not have any discounted room blocks in Big Sandy or Grand Junction.)
6. Interactive study this week—The topic of the interactive Bible study this week is scheduled to be “The Gift of Giving” (Romans 12:8) moderated by Jon Coffee.
7. Interactive study next week—The topic of the interactive Bible study next week is scheduled to be “The Gift of Leading” (Romans 12:8) moderated by Dave Havir.
8. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “Guarding the Baggage” by Lenny Cacchio.
9. Among Friends—This week’s article is “Comments About Romans 12:13” by Dave Havir.
10. Eye on the World—This week’s “Eye on the World” is 12 pages.

## Prayer updates

This week, **Willie Choate** is scheduled to see two separate heart doctors. (Mr. Choate mentioned that he has missed attending the church and he is hoping to attend the church service today.)

**Neil McIver** reports that the catheterization last Wednesday resulted in the doctor placing a stent in one artery. He was restricted from driving until last Thursday night. He is restricted from lifting 10 pounds for seven to 10 days. He and **Martha** appreciate your prayers.

Please remember **Eli Benedict**, who is once again dealing with a rash (some on his back, but more troublesome on his legs).

Please remember **Sonny Rosenberger**, who regularly deals with breathing challenges and a host of other health problems.

On Thursday (July 11), **Laura Moran** went to an allergy doctor. During this past week, Mrs. Moran was dealing with shortness of breath. She reports that she did not gain weight this week.

As was mentioned last Saturday, **Ron Feaker** moved to rehab at Legend Oaks Nursing Home on Friday, July 12. He is in Room 412.

**Betty Foster** continues to rehab at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater. She is in Room 418-A.

**Elaine Holloway** continues to rehab at Legend Oaks Nursing Home in Gladewater. She is in Room 109.

**Marilyn Boston** continues to rehab at Park Place Rehabilitation Center in Tyler (2450 E. Fifth St.). She is in Room 218.

Please remember **Emma Lou Bacher** of Frisco, who has been diagnosed with dementia.

## New prayer requests

On Tuesday, **Shannon Griffin** (husband of **Jessica** and son-in-law of **David** and **Joyce Coleman**) was hospitalized with pain. (The ER initially suspected a bowel obstruction or a kidney stone.) On Thursday, the doctor suspected an infection and sought to release him from the hospital.

**Andrew Reed** of Trussville, Ala. (father of **Jeff Reed**), died on July 10. Please remember the family in your prayers.

**Richard Pinelli** of Vancouver, Wash., died on July 14. Please remember his wife, **Mary**, and the rest of the family in your prayers.

**John Vierra** of Phoenix, Ariz., died this past week. Please remember his family in your prayers.

## Four Feast sites in 2019

The Church of God Big Sandy will sponsor four festival sites for the observance of the 2019 Feast of Tabernacles. Our congregation will have church services from Monday, Oct. 14, through Monday, Oct. 21.

- Big Sandy, Texas, for the 25th consecutive year. We meet in our church building.
- Destin, Fla., for the 22nd consecutive year. We meet at the Pelican Beach Resort. Book housing by calling Linda Cartwright at (903) 636-4779.
- Myrtle Beach, S.C., for the 17th consecutive year. We meet at the Avista Resort. The rates are lower this year, because the dates this year are not considered within the busy season.
- Grand Junction, Colo., is our rotating western site in 2019. We will meet in the building owned by the Christian Church of God in Grand Junction. In 2015, we were able to host a Feast site in Grand Junction. We return this year because of its access to various natural wonders. This year, we will be planning a special feature at this Feast site—there will not be a church service on the fourth day (Thursday) or the seventh day (Sunday) to give families the opportunity to spend a day visiting some of the natural wonders about 90 miles away. (Of course, people who want a church service on those days have the opportunity to watch a church service on the Internet.) Two popular destinations are:
  - Arches National Park—Moab, Utah
  - Dinosaur National Monument—Jensen, Utah

## Thought for the week

“Do not lay hands on anyone hastily, nor share in other people’s sins; keep yourself pure.”—1 Timothy 5:22

## “Comments About Romans 12:13”

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website, churchofgodbig sandy.com. It was posted for the weekend of July 20, 2019.

**By Dave Havir**

**B**IG SANDY, Texas—Recently, I began a discussion about the words of the apostle Paul found in Romans 12. It is my perspective that Paul’s writings in chapters 1-11 could be classified more as comments about doctrine and spiritual concepts, whereas the words in chapter 12 can be viewed more as Christian-living topics.

Last week, we discussed Romans 12:12. This article will discuss Romans 12:13.

### Positive words

Notice what Paul wrote in Romans 12:13.

**Romans 12:13**—“Distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.”

### Distributing to needs

Here are some verses that discuss distributing to the needs of the saints.

**Matthew 6:1-2**—“Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.”

**Acts 9:36**—“At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did.”

**Acts 11:27-30**—“And in these days prophets came from Jerusalem to Antioch. Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.”

**Romans 15:25-28**—“But now I am go-

ing to Jerusalem to minister to the saints. For it pleased those from Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor among the saints who are in Jerusalem. It pleased them indeed, and they are their debtors. For if the Gentiles have been partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister to them in material things. Therefore, when I have performed this and have sealed to them this fruit, I shall go by way of you to Spain.”

**Hebrews 6:10-11**—“For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister. And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end.”

### Given to hospitality

Here are some verses that discuss being given to hospitality.

**Luke 14:12-14**—“Then He also said to him who invited Him, ‘When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just.’”

**Acts 16:14-15**—“Now a certain woman named Lydia heard us. She was a seller of purple from the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God. The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul. And when she and her household were baptized, she begged us, saying, ‘If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.’ So she persuaded us.”

**Acts 16:40**—“So they went out of the prison and entered the house of Lydia; and when they had seen the brethren, they encouraged them and departed.”