



# United Church of God an International Association Cincinnati

## Announcements – October 17, 2026

|                                                                | <u>East – 11:00 A.M.</u> | <u>East – 2:30 P.M.</u> | <u>North – 2:30 P.M.</u> |
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| <b>Songleader</b>                                              | Brian Tinkler            | Mitch Moss              | Luke Williams            |
| <b>Pianist</b>                                                 | Heidi Braun              | Carol Clementson        |                          |
| <b>Sermonette</b>                                              | David Browning           | Rudy Rangel             | Garrett Wayne            |
| <b>Special Music</b>                                           | Ronda Creech             | Vocal Quartet*          |                          |
| <b>Sermon</b>                                                  | John Elliott             | John Elliott            | Scott Delamater          |
| *Amber Duran, Andy Duran, Justin Kovanis and Kayleen Schreiber |                          |                         |                          |

**Blessing of Little Children, Today:** The annual Blessing of Little Children ceremony will be held during AM services.

**Adult Choir Rehearsal, Today:** The Adult Choir will meet for rehearsal in the Recording Studio at 1:15 p.m.

**Feast Photos Online:** As we look back on the wonderful Feast memories made this year, it's time to share your photos with brethren in the "UCG Photos" Facebook group! Photos may be selected for inclusion in United News or other Church publications, so we encourage photographers of all ages to get involved!

**Post-Feast 2026 Member Surveys for U.S. Sites:** We hope everyone experienced a spiritually rewarding Feast of Tabernacles. In this survey for members who attended a U.S. Feast site, your individual comments are important and helpful. If you haven't already completed the surveys during the Feast, *the links will remain open until October 16.*

- General Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FOTGS26>
- Housing Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FOTHS26>

**Youth Instruction/Sabbath School, 10/31:** Sabbath School begins a new year on October 31! Classes will be held at 1:25 p.m. in the following locations: Classes 1 and 2 – the Warehouse; Class 3 – the Conference Room; Class 4/Pre-Teens – the Library.

| Class | Lesson                                    | Teachers                                      |
|-------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1     | God Created the Sabbath Day               | Jennifer Phelps, Courtney Creech, Heidi Braun |
| 2     | We Go to Church to Worship God            | Eric de Campos, Christina de Campos           |
| 3     | God's Power Helps Us Do Right             | Lucy Tannert, Melody Moss                     |
| 4     | Love for God: The First Four Commandments | Duane Phelps, Lisa Phelps                     |

The Children's Choir will rehearse in the small conference room (formerly Katherine Rowland's office) immediately after class. Lauren Buchanan is the Director.

**Cincinnati East Winter Volleyball – Sign Up by 11/07:** A sign-up list and participation handout are at the Information Table for those interested in playing or helping with our volleyball social activity this year. Due to popularity, participants must regularly attend the United Church of God or be a dependent or spouse of someone who regularly attends UCG. We have a new location this year, the games will be played at Elite Athletics Sports Complex (1155 Old State Route 74, Batavia, OH 45103). The fee will be based on the number of teams playing but should range between \$35 and \$50 per person. We are planning for all games to be held on Saturday nights: November 21, December 12 & 19, January 23, February 20 & 27. *Please sign up by November 7.* If you have any questions, please contact Duane Phelps.

**Houston Regional Family Weekend, 10/31-11/1:** We are thankful to once again gather for a warm, "Feast-like" atmosphere of joyful fellowship and spiritual encouragement. Our theme this year is "Knit Together in Love" (Colossians 2:2), reminding us that God's Church is more than a congregation—we are a spiritual family.

Our featured guest speaker this year is Micah Gunn. The weekend will include Sabbath worship services onsite, group Bible discussions for adults, teens and preteens, delicious meals provided throughout the weekend and activities for all ages.

There is no charge to attend, but we kindly ask everyone planning to attend to complete the registration form so we can prepare accordingly.

- **Dates:** Oct. 30–Nov. 1
- **Location:** Camp Lone Star in Tomball, TX.
- **Register:** [forms.gle/MkwWJqb4CCRtkSTFA](https://forms.gle/MkwWJqb4CCRtkSTFA)
- **Information and Schedule:** [ucg.org/houston-regional-family-weekend](https://ucg.org/houston-regional-family-weekend)

We hope you will join us!

**Winter Family Weekend – Registration and Hotel Updates:** With the Feast of Tabernacles behind us, planning for Winter Family Weekend 2026 is in full swing! We are thrilled to invite you and your family to join us from Dec. 22–27 at Champion Mill in Hamilton, Ohio. If you have not yet registered, now is the perfect time to head over to [wfw.ucg.org](http://wfw.ucg.org) and secure your spot for an unforgettable week of spiritual growth, fellowship and fun.

This year's theme is "Household of Faith," with a primary focus on deep biblical growth culminating in our Sabbath worship. The seminar schedule is designed to transition dynamically from deep, doctrinal foundations early in the week to practical application as the Sabbath approaches. Heading into the Sabbath, we will feature three dedicated generational seminars: an adult seminar on Friday evening, followed by young adult and teen seminars on Sabbath morning.

➤ **Weekend Highlights Include:**

- Community Meals: Breaking bread together at our signature Friday Night Family Banquet and our Sabbath Fellowship Breakfast.
- Activities and Socials: The high-energy Family Olympics, Jelly Live!, Teen Dance, Young Adult Social and our grand finale Saturday evening Family Dance.
- Sports: Basketball and Volleyball tournaments, plus Pickleball open play and tournament.
- Fellowship Spaces: The Board Game Lounge, Special Occasion Dress Boutique and Nail Boutique for preparation, relaxation and quality time together.

➤ **Warehouse Hotel Waitlist:** Our primary room block at the Warehouse Hotel is currently sold out. If you were hoping to stay at this location, please call their front desk directly at (513) 273-8300 to request to be added to the waitlist in the event of any cancellations.

➤ **Overflow Hotel Booking:** Accommodations are still available at our overflow property, the Courtyard Hamilton (Marriott). To ensure you receive our group discount rates, please do not attempt to book rooms directly over the phone with the hotel. Once you complete your event registration online, you will receive a confirmation email containing the dedicated booking link to secure your room at the Marriott.

Start making your plans now—we can't wait to welcome your family into our Household of Faith this December!

**ABC Student Housing for Next Year:** An international applicant for next year's ABC class is looking for a non-standard housing arrangement. The student is from Australia, and she will be 64 years old when the next school year begins in August. She would like to be able to have a bit more privacy than our normal student housing allows, and it could be ideal for her to share housing with another older, single woman—or perhaps with a married couple that no longer has children at home. If any members of the congregation think they may be interested in such an arrangement, please contact Frank Dunkle.

**Beyond Today Program:** The *Beyond Today* program is available through our app on Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV and other connected TV platforms, as well as our YouTube channel. If you haven't already done so, download the *Beyond Today* app on your mobile device from the Apple App or Google Play Store. You'll find not only *BT* episodes, but also ABC classes, sermons, seminars and other biblical content. As always, you can access this content via our main website, <https://www.ucg.org>.