

# ANNOUNCEMENTS – Last DUB – April 15, 2020

*North Canton and Youngstown, Ohio; Pittsburgh, PA; and Wheeling, WV*

## **12:00 Noon - Local holyday webcast**

*Split sermons:*

John Miller - "When We Get to the End of the Red Sea Road"

Randy Stiver - "The Unleavened Life"

*(Please note: there will be a short pause between  
the two webcast messages, so stay tuned in!)*

<https://www.ucg.org/congregations/north-canton-oh/webcast>

Home office webcasts at 9:30 AM and 2:30 AM (EDT)

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## **1. HOLY DAY OFFERING Information**

### **Send by Mail**

For those who choose to mail their Holy Day offerings, please use the green Holy Day offering envelopes which were mailed to you earlier. Please use a separate check and envelope for each Holy Day offering. You will then need to place these envelopes into another carrier envelope and mail to the following address:

**United Church of God – HDO, P.O. Box 541027, Cincinnati, OH 45254-1027**

*For digital transfers of offerings, please see the details in this link:*

<https://www.ucg.org/members/news/us-holy-day-offerings-for-2020-days-of-unleavened-bread>

*-Ministerial and Member Services*

## **2. PHONE HOOK-UP to Home Office Webcasts**

If you need a phone hook-up to the webcast services from Cincinnati (2:30PM on Sabbaths, 2:30PM for 1DUB, and 9:30AM and 2:30PM for LDUB), here are the directions:

*Please call no earlier than 5 minutes before the service will begin. If the Home Office has not activated the meeting, the caller will be put on hold, and then asked to call again later.*

### **a. Normal Calling Directions for Home Office Webcast:**

b. For those who can pay for long distance calls or have an unlimited phone calling plan:

c. **Call: 1-508-924-1634**

d. No access code needed.

*If you know someone who could use the phone hook-up number, but does not get the announcements by email, please call them and pass along the information! Thank you!*

## **3. FEAST REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN!**

Over the next couple of weeks, members should begin receiving the Festival Planning Brochure in the mail. For an advance look, the Festival Planning Brochure is now posted online at [feast.ucg.org](https://www.feast.ucg.org).

Here are some key dates coming up over the next month:

Online Festival registration and early housing reservations HAVE begun.

*If you need assistance, please contact your local festival coordinator:*

**North Canton:** Freeman Kuhns and Mark Miller      **Pittsburgh:** Nathan Courtney

**Youngstown:** James Guy

**Wheeling:** Jim Kocher

**April 19 (Sunday):** General housing begins for U.S. & Canada (except for Panama City Beach and Lake Junaluska).

**April 21 (Tuesday):** General housing begins at Panama City Beach and Lake Junaluska.

**May 3 (Sunday):** Online Festival registration begins for Puerto Vallarta at 11 a.m. EDT.

*--Charles Melear, Overall Festival Coordinator*

#### **4. CORONAVIRUS - FEAST PLANNING CAUTIONS**

The Sunday, April 12, online Feast registration begins. Everyone is concerned about the coronavirus and how it might affect the Feast of Tabernacles. The Church will proceed with normal plans, but there are 3 major areas to consider.

##### **1. Registration**

We recommend that if you know where you plan to attend that you register for that Feast site as you normally would. This will help the Church in planning.

##### **2. Housing Reservations**

Making hotel reservations should be fine as they normally only require a one-night deposit and the cancellation without penalty is usually within a week of the Feast.

The majority of hotels are open for reservations and a list of those that are closed through the month of April will be provided, but you can always call to make sure.

Condominiums and homes normally require higher initial deposits and some are not refundable. Carefully review the cancellation policies of any condominium or homes before committing a deposit.

##### **3. Airfare**

There might be some great deals right now, but be sure you understand the cancellation policy. If an airline provides cancellation insurance make sure of the allowable parameters to receive a refund. Coronavirus might not be included.

*--Charles Melear, Overall Festival Coordinator*