# Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church! A message from Pastor Eric Sayler

In Mark 6 Jesus' disciples had just returned from ministering among the people: preaching, healing, helping, and teaching. As they met up with the master they were full of stories, excited about what God had done through them. But as Jesus listened to their stories He knew they needed something special: They needed time away in nature.

Mark records in verse 31: "He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while,' for many were coming and going, and they had no leisure, even to eat."

Sometimes we just need to pause, get away, enjoy time in nature with loved ones, without the pressures of life.

This weekend is designed to be that kind of experience. We're gathering in nature, at camp Wooten, where we can enjoy time together, share food, reflect of God's love, and make memories.

Because we'll be out in nature we will not be holding services at the Eastgate building, nor will we have a livestream.

Feel free to drive up for the day or come for the weekend!

You can register here.

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May God bless you with rest and peace this Sabbath!

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: September 9, 2023: Church Campout at Camp Wooten

Next Weekend: September 16, 2023: Pastor Eric Sayler

Week At A Glance				
Friday, September 8		Church Campout at Camp Wooten through Sunday		
Sabbath, September 9	Sabbath Services at Camp Wooten			
	Note: There will be no services held at Eastgate Church			
Monday, September 11	7:00pm	Facilities Committee Meeting		
Tuesday, September 12	6:30pm	Church Board Meeting		
Wednesday, September 13	6:30pm	Midweek Prayer Service, Pastor's Office		
	6:30pm	Pathfinder Club Meeting		

Thursday, September 14	7:30pm	Men's Bible Study, Pastor's Office
Friday, September 15	7:00pm	Prayeradigm at Rosalie Dickerson's
Sabbath, September 16, 2	023	
9:00	- 10:05	Early Service
10:1:	5 – 11:15	Sabbath School
11:30	0 – 12:45	Second Service

Financial Report	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>NEED</u>
Facility Beautification	\$ 56,945.96	\$260,000	\$203,054.04
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 10,314.88	\$37,400.00	\$27,085.12
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 50,313.75	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

To support the ministry of Eastgate feel free to donate online or drop your gift in the offering box in the church lobby.

https://adventistgiving.org/donate/ANIINV



# Eastgate Church News & Events

## "My City: God's City" 40 days of prayer.

Starting this Sabbath we will begin a 40-day prayer journey as a church in preparation for Sep 30-Oct 7 "We All Have Hope" series. Be sure to pick up your copy of "My City. God's City." by Roger Hernandez so you can be a part of this focus! You can also find <u>a PDF version here</u>.

## "We All Have Hope" Evangelism Series

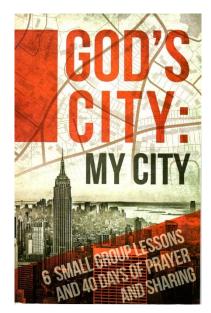
Starting September 30 and running through October 7 Roger Hernandez will be with us, sharing a series of messages to invite our friends, families, and neighbors to follow Jesus. Please keep this series in your prayers, and consider who you might invite to this amazing set of truth-filled, inspiring messages!

## **Church Facility Beautification**

There are aspects of our church facility that have become worn through years of heartfelt, effective ministry. If these walls could speak, the stories of changed lives they could tell!

At our recent church business meeting we voted to update and repair a number of things around the facility:

Parking Lot Resurface, Reseal and Striping: Water Line Repair: Concrete Repair and addition: Worn Carpet Replacement: Lobby Window Glass Replacement: Entrance Door Security Updates: \$176,038.50 7,405.20 (completed!) 7,300.00 (completed!) 58,898.14 2,626.67 8,000.00

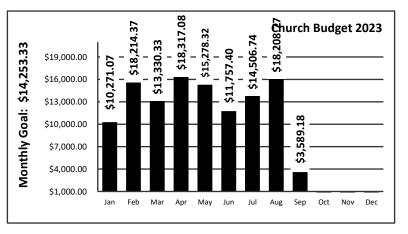


Because of your faithful, mission-minded generosity we have already raised \$56,895.96! This is awesome! If you would like to support this vision of making God's Worship and Ministry Center more appealing and usable you can mark your offering "*Facility Beautification*" and it will go toward this process. Thanks for your ministry-minded support!

## Today's Featured offering: World Budget

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is a worldwide church, and the world budget is our contribution to this global mission.

From the earliest days of the Adventist Church, men and women have responded to Christ's Great Commission by looking beyond their own shores. Today, Seventhday Adventists make up one of the fastest growing Christian churches in the world,



with more than 3,000 people being baptized every day! In more than 200 countries and in more than 600 languages, the message of Jesus's soon return can be heard. Working together, we can make sure the good news of Jesus' love and soon return continues to be preached worldwide.

# **Christian Aid Center Service Opportunity!**

Do you have a heart for service? Are you looking for a way to become involved in your community? The Eastgate church is working with the Christian Aid Center (CAC) to help provide, prepare and serve dinners for the less-fortunate population in our community. If you are being called to serve in this way, please contact Pastor Eric, Carol Hargreaves, or Rob Becker to volunteer, from 4:00-6:00 pm, for one of the following dates:

- 1. September 25, Monday
- 2. November 30, Thursday

But wait, that's not all, there's more! Starting in January 2024, we (the Eastgate church family) will REGULARLY be serving dinners at the CAC <u>the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month</u>. Thank you in advance for your heart of service.

# Seeking Additional Landscaping Volunteers at Eastgate SDA Church

Carol Hargreaves is looking for individuals with some unique skill sets. The church has a mole/gopher problem. Both the front yard and back yard have resident rodents that we would like to remove. If you have that special skill set, we would love to receive your assistance!

There are several other special projects Carol is looking to accomplish. Visit with her and find out what she is looking for, how you might be able to help! Thank you for your time.

# <u>Sabbath Morning Bible Study – Young Adults Group</u>

Collegians and young adults (or young at heart) are invited to come for breakfast at 9:30am every Sabbath morning and stay for an engaging Bible study. We read a chapter of the Bible together and then dig deep to discuss the hard questions and figure out life applications. Come visit us at Classroom 115 and bring a friend! We are currently studying the book of Nehemiah. For more information text Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

## Attention Primary Division Parents ~

Primary age children are invited to go directly to the classroom following early service. *Craft Time Activities* will be provided to engage the children.

## Men's Ministry: Thursday Night Men's Group ~ 7:30pm

Leader: Rob Becker, meet in Pastor's Office. This is a Bible study group for men, led by men, praying for men studying together. If this interests you please contact Rob Becker or Pastor Eric Sayler.

## Women's Ministry: Women's Care 101.2

Women's Ministry will be continuing the study begun in the spring of the Beatitudes and how to apply them to the various roles women carry. This Bible study group will meet once a month this fall in the fellowship hall beginning September 17. Contact Barbara Henderson for more information.

## Florescent Bulbs and Ballasts for Free!

The church is gradually transitioning our lighting fixtures from florescent to led bulbs. This will help with both labor and expense over the coming years.

Because of this we have a surplus of used yet working florescent tubes and ballasts that are looking for a good home. If you are interested please check in with Stan Maxted.

## Needlepoint Art!

Evon Austin is gifted in needlepoint and other decorative arts. If you are interested in purchasing or commissioning a work give her a call! (509) 540-8347 or justtherightwords@gmail.com



# Eastgate Events Calendar Dates Up-coming!

~September 8 – 10, All Church Camp out at Camp Wooten Retreat. [Note: we request that only genuine, certified service animals be brought.]

- ~Sept 30-Oct 7, Evangelistic Series! Invite your friends!
- ~October 7, Fall Festival

# Walla Walla Valley Adventist Schools

## Milton-Stateline Adventist School News:

MSAS NEWS: We are excited that the paperwork for Learning Tree Christian Preschool is complete. Our kindergarten and preschool programs are now separate, and both have full-day opportunities. We would be grateful if you could take a moment to visit our Facebook page and show your support by hitting the "Like" button. By doing so, you will play a significant role in helping us reach a wider audience. If you have questions about our school, please contact us at 541-938-7131 or visit our website at miltonstateline.org.

## Walla Walla Valley Academy ~ Auditorium Remodel Campaign

WWVA is raising \$1 million to update their auditorium. This project will serve many purposes on campus and houses special moments in many people's lives. This special space has served thousands of people throughout our WWVA and Walla Walla community. It is well-used and well-loved, but the time has finally come for some much-needed updates. To find out more, and how you can participate, visit <u>news.uccsda.org/wwva1122</u>.

# Walla Walla University

## Walla Walla University is looking to partner with you for Thanksgiving.

Some students are not able to go home for Thanksgiving and Walla Walla University is looking for those willing to host a few students for Thanksgiving dinner or able to provide a dish that would be served for Thanksgiving dinner at the residence halls. If this is something you can help with, please contact the Director of Residential Life and Housing, Jon Nickell at (509) 527-2539 or email Jon at jon.nickell@wallawalla.edu.

## Walla Walla University is Hiring

Walla Walla University is hiring for both faculty and staff positions. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team, visit **jobs.wallawalla.edu** to learn more and apply.

# Walla Walla Valley News

## SonBridge Center for Better Living Open House (College Place, WA) — September 10

Celebrating Helpline's 50 Years of Service. On Sunday, September 10 between 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 1200 SE 12th Street, Collge Place. Join us to celebrate Helpline's 50 years of service to our community, hear more about SonBridge, take a tour of our facility and shop at our Thrift&Gift Store, games, and more! For more information, call (509) 529-3100 or visit <u>sonbridge.org/openhouse</u>. All are invited!

## SonBridge Hiring Communications Associate

Do you enjoy writing, posting to social media, gathering information for newsletters, hearing a story and writing it down for magazine publication? Do you have an eye for graphic design to create flyers, posters, brochures and photo directories? Do you have a heart for service and enjoy planning and helping with events? Then SonBridge needs you. For more information, please visit sonbridge.org/job-opportunities or call 509-529-3100.

# The Christian Aid Center has the following volunteer opportunities and paid positions:

We have the following volunteer opportunities at the Christian Aid Center:

--Registered Nurses to help in our Health & Wellness Center (Thursday mornings).

--Van Driver to pick up donated food (Saturday mornings)

--Barber

--Mentors for men in our recovery program.

For more information, contact Jeannette Regalado, Community Engagement Director at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. You can also fill out an application at christianaidcenter.org.

## Walla Walla Community Hospice offers Grief Support

Understanding Your Grief is a 10 week adult group facilitated by grief support specialists. Tuesday evening classes are from 5:30-7:00 and will run from September 5<sup>th</sup>- November 7<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday midday classes are from 11:30-1:00 and will run from September 6<sup>th</sup>- November 8<sup>th</sup>. Both groups will close to new members after the second meeting.

Drop in in-person or zoom grief support is available every Tuesday from 11:30am-12:30pm. No RSVP required.

Identifying & Navigating Loss workshop and Q&A with Dr. Karen Wyatt will be held at Sonbridge October 9 from 5:30pm-6:30pm. RSVP required.

All support from Walla Walla Community Hospice is free for those grieving a loved one. For more information, contact Walla Walla Community Hospice at 509-525-5561 or info@wwhospice.org.

# **Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News**

#### **Did You Miss Camp Meeting?** No Worries

Visit news.uccsda.org/CampMeeting2023 to listen to Carlton Bryd and David Jamieson share the importance of Serving One More. Visit news.uccsda.org/FernandoOrtega to listen to Fernando Ortega sing.

## **2023 Caring Heart Awards**

Fifteen academy students across NPUC exemplifying the spirit of the Caring Heart — a willingness to serve others — received the Caring Heart Award scholarship. To read about each of the students visit news.uccsda.org/award723

## **Fresh Granola for Sale**

"Thank you all who bought our granola.

Our FRESH batch of fruity granola is ready for sale. We are blessed with this learning experience. My son has learned some principles of work and money management.

We have 20 bags ready to go. These are the ingredients: oats, almonds, sea salt, cinnamon, organic coconut oil, organic maple syrup, organic coconut flakes, vanilla extract, and dried cranberries.

Because this is our last BATCH, we would like to see them go for \$8 for each bag of 15 oz. You can text me at (678) 683 2917. Yes, or you can email maru.huamaniq@gmail.con Thank you for being so supportive!"

~Maria Huamani

# **Exploring Ephesians with John McVav**

John McVay, president of Walla Walla University, recently authored the Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guides for the third quarter of 2023. To supplement and promote the use of the study guides on Ephesians, McVay will be leading a variety of online sessions, recording podcasts, and teaching lessons for Sabbath School classes, the School of Theology, and camp meetings. For more information visit news.uccsda.org/ephesians723.

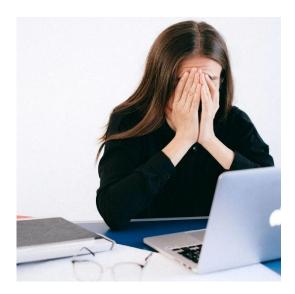


# <u>Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session</u> <u>Announced</u>

Notice is hereby given that the quadrennial session of the Upper Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene at the Upper Columbia Academy convocation center in Spangle, Washington, on Sunday, September 24, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to receive from the officers and department directors of the Conference reports pertaining to the work carried on within its territory since the last Quadrennial session; to elect for the ensuing term officers, department

directors, and the Conference Executive Committee; and to transact any other business that may properly come before the delegates in session. Each church shall be represented at the sessions of the Conference by two delegates for the church organization and one delegate for each 75 members, or major fraction thereof, each of whom shall be a Seventh-day Adventist member in good and regular standing of the local church, which he or she represents.

David Jamieson, president Rodney Mills, vice president for administration



## **Health Tip: Burnout Prevention**

Cindy Williams, RN, health ministries coordinator hopes everyone enjoyed the long weekend and encourages everyone to take a vacation. "Did you take a vacation this summer? I hope that the answer is yes! Over and over research has shown that there are significant benefits when you take an extended break from your work routine." To read more about burnout prevention visit <u>news.uccsda.org/burnout923</u>.

## UCC Pathfinder Camporee (Sheridan Meadows) — September 15-17

Do I have a place in God's Kingdom? Do I even matter in the Kingdom picture? Am I needed in the church? This year's "Puzzled Adventure Camporee" will help Pathfinders discover the answers to some of these questions through challenging adventure, service, fun, and team building. The Adventure Camporee is our event teams' effort to maximize the natural beauty of the northeast corner of our conference and create a memorable learning experience for our Pathfinders. For more information, contact your club directors or visit <u>ucc.regfox.com/puzzled-23</u>.

## Vertical: 24-10 Prayer Experience — September 15-24

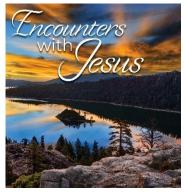
Local church prayer leaders have invited the whole Upper Columbia Conference to participate in praying together corporately for 24 hours a day for 10 days for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Those who sign up will receive a daily devotional. Plan to pray with others each day in a daily 24hour zoom. Sign up to participate and learn more about it visit uccsda.org/vertical. Additional resources including zoom links can be found at <u>https://www.uccsda.org/verticalresources</u>.



# <u>UCC Prayer Summit — October 13-15</u>

Mark your calendar for the first annual Prayer Summit, October 13-15. All individuals, including prayer leaders within UCC Churches, as well as those interested in fostering prayer growth within their respective churches, are cordially invited to attend this event. Beginning Friday, October 13, at 5:00 p.m. at the Upper Columbia Conference headquarters. Listen to keynote speakers, Karen Martell, an experienced prayer leader trainer, from Central California Conference; and David Jamieson, Upper Columbia Conference president. Lodging will be available near the conference headquarters. Register by visiting <u>news.uccsda.org/PrayerSummit1023</u>. If you are willing to open your home to attendees and you live in the Spokane, Airway Heights, or Cheney area, please contact Kathy at <u>kathym@uccsda.org</u>.

## UCC Women's & Young Women's Fall Weekend Retreat (Camp MiVoden) - October 27-29



Early bird registration is now open for UCC Women's & Young Women's Fall Weekend Retreat at Camp MiVoden — October 27-29. Join keynote speaker, Lindsey Haffner, for a spiritually enriching weekend in fellowship, praise and music, good food, and fun on the beautiful shores of Camp MiVoden! To register visit <u>uccsda.org/womensretreat</u>.

## **Offerings Accepted for Eastern Washington Fire Response**



Several large fires devastated the Spokane area recently. The most significant of these were the Gray Fire in Medical Lake and the Oregon Fire in Elk. More than 300 homes were lost, including homes to Adventist families. To donate to the UCC fire response, please mark your tithe envelope with UCC Fire Response. To donate online, go to <u>news.uccsda.org/giving</u> under the category UCC Disaster Response – NW Fires and indicate "UCC Fire Response."

## Additional Giving Opportunities in the Upper Columbia Conference

## <u>Maui Fire</u>

Many of you may be familiar with the Hawaiian word 'ohana' which encompasses the idea of an extended family support system of caring individuals. We have the opportunity to be brothers and sisters to those living in Maui suffering enormous loss due to the recent catastrophic fire. Monetary donations are needed to cover even basic necessities for many families. No offering code will be created for donations. Members are encouraged to search for "Hawaii Conference Church" on Adventist Giving where they have 'Maui Fires Relief' listed as a local offering. There is also a giving link on the Hawaii Conference's website. Checks should be mailed to Hawaii Conference of Seventh-day Adventists - 2728 Pali Hwy, Honolulu HI 96817

https://www.hawaiisda.com/ https://adventistigiving.org/donate/ANPBB1

### Serve One More

During Camp Meeting, Elder David Jamieson, Upper Columbia Conference President, invited members to be part of the "**Serve One More**" initiative in raising \$2 million by December 31, 2023. This fund will enable our churches, schools, radio stations, summer camp, and anyone else, young or old, who wishes to "**Serve One More**" to make a greater impact for the Kingdom of God by serving others through relevant, practical, and innovative community services. Offering code: Creative Evangelism #77006

# North American Division

### North American Division Adventist Community Services — Grant Opportunities

This week North American Division Adventist Community Services launched three new grant opportunities for Adventist Community Services ministries/outreaches. The three grants are an Innovation Grant, Youth Initiative Grant, and Immigrant Grant. A link to information about these grants is found at <u>news.uccsda.org/acsgrants523</u>. If interested in applying, please contact Patty Marsh, UCC Director for ACS, at <u>Pattym@uccsda.org</u> to discuss possibilities. Please note the first submission deadline is July 31, 2023.

### NAD Women Clergy Retreat (Washington, D.C.) — October 9-12

There are 339 women clergy currently serving in the North American Division. The Ministerial Association is hosting a division-wide women clergy retreat October 9–12, 2023. For more information visit <u>news.uccsda.org/connected1023</u>.

### Reconstructing Religious Liberty (Collegedale, TN) — October 20-21

The NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty ministry is excited to announce its upcoming October 20-21 conference "Reconstructing Religious Liberty in a Time of Religious and Secular Extremes." Hosted by the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church in partnership with Southern Adventist University, this two-day event will explore new ways to talk about religious freedom within a culturally and politically polarized America. Registration is now open with an early-bird rate of just \$49! For more information visit religiousliberty.info/events.

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## EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: <u>Eastgate Adventist Church</u>. Thank you for subscribing!

Prayer Time ~ Cherishing People ~ "Pray for one another."

We are inviting you to pray for members and friends of our church family each day. Please keep this in a place that will make it easy for you to remember to pray for one another.

"... we do not make requests of *You* because we are righteous, but because of *Your* great mercy. *O* Lord listen! O Lord forgive! O Lord hear and act!"

(Daniel 9:18 & 19. NIV)

### Anonymous:

Do you have an anonymous prayer request? Please state it via email to the church office, or on a communication card dropped in the offering box. We will share it here anonymously for the body to provide prayer support!

Prayers from a father for his two teen children – that they stay safe in Christ!

Praises and Prayers of thanksgiving for members of this church who care for each other, for their children, their grandchildren and their church.

Two of our male members are dealing with prostate cancer in the early stages. Please keep these men in your prayers.

Prayers for older members who are struggling to maintain their independence and dealing with realizing their increasing need to rely on others.

Prayers for a brother who is struggling with addiction, trying to stay clean and sober while looking for a healthier work environment.

## **Requests: - What are your prayer requests?**

Please keep Melissa Cadieux and family in prayer as they mourn the loss of Art Cadieux who passed away on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please pray for the Rick family. Tyler's father, Glenn Rick has suffered a stroke and is in need of healing.

Please pray for Stephanie Coble who is experiencing significant health concerns.

Please remember Connie and Randy Roger's as they journey through treatment and travel to and from the treatment center. If you wish to assist financially? Please follow this link: <u>www.GoFundMe.com/w4pcx8-love-for-Connie</u>

Prayers requested for Kristy & Dwight B. as they travel a road of treatment. They will be making weekly trips to Seattle for treatment for the next year. If you wish to assist financially? Please follow this link:

www.gofundme.com/f/kristys-cancer-medical-treatment

Prayers for Tudy (and Richard) Carlton as she receives treatment for cancer.

Prayers for Marylin Kovach who is experiencing health concerns. She appreciates visits and calls!

Prayers for Shawn K. as he faces serious heart problems. Pray for healing and continued blessings and faith as they go through this trial.

Prayers for our families ~ there are several couples who have recently become estranged, relationships lost, families broken. Pray for strength and healing of individual hearts.

## **Praises!! - What are your Praises for your Heavenly Father?**

Thank you for your ongoing prayers for Dixie Cramer's former academy classmates, Steve & Donna Tanner. We are praising God for His healing power in Donna's brain cancer! Last Monday the MRI showed the tumors greatly reduced by at least 80%. Please pray for God's continued healing for Donna, & for His strength for both her & her husband.