

Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church!

A message from Pastor Eric Sayler

Isaac's family was dysfunctional.

Really, Pastor Eric? Wasn't he a patriarch? The covenant son of promise? A man of faith? The one through whom the savior was to come?

Yes, he was all those things, and he had a dysfunctional family.

Family is hard and parenting is hard. No one is immune to the challenges that face families in this broken world, including Isaac.

But despite the universal problems there is hope.

This Sabbath we're exploring the story of Isaac's faith. We're exploring how despite dysfunction, problems, and issues, God worked through Isaac's faith to bless his sons, their descendants, and the world.

I hope you can join us!

Early service starts at 9:00, Sabbath School is at 10:15, and Second Service begins at 11:30. If you can't worship in person please join in for second service online at our [YouTube channel](#).

May God bless you with rest and peace this Sabbath!

~Pastor Eric

***This Weekend:** September 2, 2023: Pastor Eric Sayler: "Letter to the Hebrews: Isaac's Faith"*

***Next Weekend:** September 9, 2023: Church Campout at Camp Wooten*

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, September 2, 2023

	9:00 – 10:05	Early Service
	10:15 – 11:15	Sabbath School
	11:30 – 12:45	Second Service
Monday, September 4	6:30pm	Facilities Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 6	6:30pm	Midweek Prayer Service, Pastor's Office
	6:30pm	Pathfinder Club Meeting
Thursday, September 7	7:30pm	Men's Bible Study, Pastor's Office
Friday, September 8	7:00pm	Prayeradigm at Rosalie Dickerson's
		Church Campout at Camp Wooten through Sunday
Sabbath, September 9		Sabbath Services at Camp Wooten

<u>Financial Report</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>NEED</u>
<i>Facility Beautification</i>	<i>\$ 56,895.96</i>	<i>\$260,000</i>	<i>\$203,104.04</i>
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 8,381.88	\$37,400.00	\$29,018.12
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 50,263.75	\$55,000.00	<i>Phase 1, 2 &3</i>

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

Welcome to the New Church Office Secretary

Jodie Dupuis has accepted the position of Eastgate Church secretary, starting this Tuesday.

You might have met Jodie before, she's lived in the Walla Walla area for a number of years and is an active member of a sister church in our valley. Feel free to greet Jodie as you touch bases with the office and welcome her to our church's team!

"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 [a PDF version here](#).

"We All Have Hope" Evangelism Series

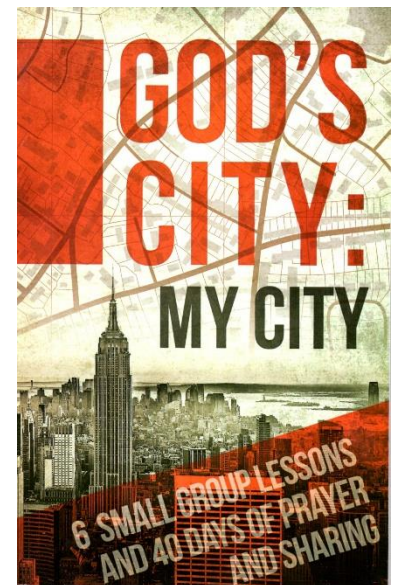
Starting September 30 and running through October 7 Roger Hernandez will be with us, sharing a series of messages to invite our friends, families, and neighbors to follow Jesus. Please keep this series in your prayers, and consider who you might invite to this amazing set of truth-filled, inspiring messages!

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

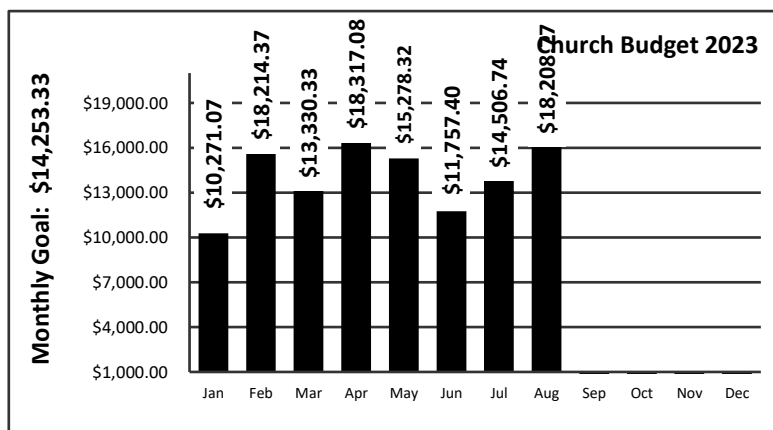


Because of your faithful, mission-minded generosity we have already raised \$56,895.96! This is awesome! If you would like to support this vision of making God's Worship and Ministry Center more appealing and usable you can mark your offering "*Facility Beautification*" and it will go toward this process.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

Today's Featured offering:
Church Budget

We are blessed so much by God through our local church! Our mission as a church is to connect, grow, and serve and the offering this week directly supports this mission.

As you celebrate Labor Day this weekend, reflect on the blessings God has provided. Put in spiritual terms, it is a time to give to God and others because we've already received so much! Our offering today provides the opportunity for you to give back to God and directly support the mission of this church.



Lifeguard Needed for Church Campout at Camp Wooten

We need a Life Guard! Saturday evening at Camp Wooten we would like to open the swimming pool for kids of all ages to relax and have fun. But, in order to do so, we must have a Life Guard – with active certification – to assure swimmer safety. Are you currently certified as a Life Guard or know someone who is and would be willing? The church would reimburse gas mileage and pay a gratuity for this service. If you would be willing to volunteer or know someone who may, please contact Pastor Eric, Wendy Rick, Erika Serl, or leave a message on the church office phone.

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 the 4th Monday of every month. 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.

Sabbath Morning Bible Study – Young Adults Group

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.

Seasons of Service

Are you continuing to read this little worship and action booklet? Are you collecting stories of how this has impacted your life? We encourage you to do so!

S Spiritual Revival
E Engaging Youth & Youth Adults
R Reaching out to Others
V Vibrant Church Revitalization
E Excellence in Adventist Education

SERVE → One More

“Season of Service” Daily Devotionals and Service Activities.

If you have not yet picked up your family copy, please stop by the table in the lobby to get your copy. If they appear to be gone, please ask a deacon or greeter if there may be others.

Remember; the challenge is to read it, follow it and share it. **We want to hear what you are doing to SHARE !!!**



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!
- ~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 news.uccsda.org/wwva1122.

Walla Walla University

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 sonbridge.org/openhouse. 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.

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.com

Thank you for being so supportive!"

~Maria Huamani

Exploring Ephesians with John McVay

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.



Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session Announced

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



Summer Health Tips

Is there a word that summarizes summer for you? Vacation. Hiking or backpacking. This is part one of a short series of summer-related health tips by Cindy Williams, RN, health ministries coordinator at UCC. In this article Williams shares the real concerns of food poisoning. "Food poisoning affects people year-round but, here in the United States, it seems like it is more common during the summer months." To read more visit uccsda.org/summer-health-tips

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

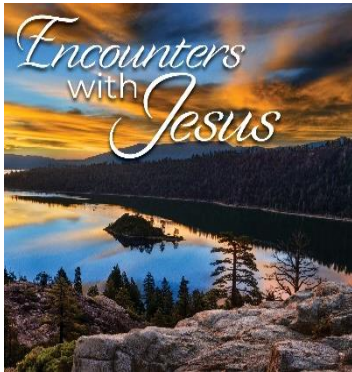
Local church prayer leaders have invited the whole Upper Columbia Conference to participate in praying together corporately for 24 hours a day for 10 days for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Those who sign up will receive a daily devotional. Plan to pray with others each day in a daily 24-hour zoom. Sign up to participate and learn more about it visit uccsda.org/vertical



UCC Prayer Summit — October 13-15

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 news.uccsda.org/PrayerSummit1023. 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 kathym@uccsda.org.

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 uccsda.org/womensretreat.

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 news.uccsda.org/giving under the category UCC Disaster Response – NW Fires and indicate "UCC Fire Response."

Additional Giving Opportunities in the Upper Columbia Conference

Maui Fire

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.hawaiiisda.com/>
<https://adventistgiving.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 news.uccsda.org/acsgrants523. If interested in applying, please contact Patty Marsh, UCC Director for ACS, at Pattym@uccsda.org 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 news.uccsda.org/connected1023.

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: [Eastgate Adventist Church](#). 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 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:

www.GoFundMe.com/w4pcx8-love-for-Connie

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 Marilyn Kovach who is experiencing health concerns. She appreciates visits and calls!

Prayers for Shawn K. as a series of medical procedures are needed and funding for medical expenses are difficult ~ Thank you.

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.

Former academy classmates of Dixie Cramer, Steve and Donna Tanner, have been going through a series of major crises, the latest of which is a new lymphoma in Donna's brain. Please pray for healing for her and for courage, strength and peace for them both and for the family.

What are your Praises for your Heavenly Father?

Share the Victories where Jesus Christ, God the Father & the Holy Spirit have blessed you these last few days or weeks. Let us know of the blessings that flow to His believers!