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

#### Happy almost Thanksgiving!

This coming week families and friends will gather, both in person and virtually, for a special meal of gratitude, thankful for each other and God's blessings.

This reminds me of an ancient meal around which friends and families gathered the time of Moses: the first passover.

This first passover came at a time of great turmoil for both Israel and Egypt. God was doing a miraculous work of deliverance, freeing His people from slavery and the final plague was about to drop.

In the midst of this crisis, this deliverance, this transformative time God called his people to take a step of faith.

Please join in this Sabbath as we explore the story of the Passover and how God's people demonstrated their trust in the coming redeemer as He delivered them from slavery.

As always early service is at 9:00, Sabbath school starts at 10:15, and Second Service will begin at 11:30. If you aren't feeling well or can't worship in person you can join in on YouTube.

See you then!

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: November 18, 2023: Pastor Eric Sayler Next Weekend: November 25, 2023: Richard Edison

## Week At A Glance

#### Sabbath, November 18, 2023

9:00am – 10:05am	Early Service
10:15am — 11:15am	Sabbath School
11:30am – 12:45pm	Second Service

Sunday, November 19	9:30am	Women's Care 101.2 Brunch & Bible Study
Monday, November 20	7:00pm	Nominating Committee, Pastor's Office
Sabbath, November 25		Sabbath Services – Richard Edison
	1:00pm	All Church Thanksgiving Potluck

## **Up-coming Eastgate Events!**

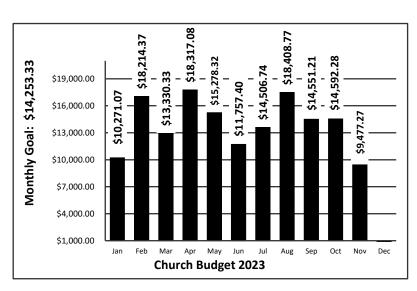
November 25 All Church Potluck
November 26 Service for Rob Becker
November 27 Nominating Committee
November 30 Serve Dinner at CAC

December 2 Children's Ministries Hot Cocoa Social

December 9 Christmas Brunch

## This Sabbath's Featured offering: Church Budget

Paul wrote, "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come, no collections will have to be made" (1 Cor. 16:2). Because Paul didn't come by the Corinthians' church each Sabbath, the people started each week by putting God first with their personal giving.



#### **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! We have voted to update and repair a number of things around the facility:

Parking Lot Resurface, Reseal and Striping: \$176,038.50 (work completed)
Water Line Repair: 7,405.20 (work completed)
Concrete Repair and addition: 7,300.00 (work 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 \$63,421.42! This is awesome! This leaves just over \$196,000 needed to complete these projects. 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!

Financial Report	RECEIVED	GOAL	NEED
Facility Beautification	\$ 63,421.42	\$260,000	\$196,578.58
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 16,457.27	\$40,400.00	\$ 24,296.85
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 50,738.75	\$55,000.00	\$ 4,261.25

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 Jeremias Cruz Jr!!

Jeremias is joining us as a student pastor! He is Puerto Rican and was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. Jeremias attended public school until 7<sup>th</sup> grade and then began homeschooling. Jeremias' goal is to pastor full-time and serve part-time as a chaplain.

Jeremias "looooooves" football and is a fan of the Chicago Bears although he loves and plays just about every sport. When not playing sports, he loves to play video games. His favorite is Spider Man on his PS5 which, he would argue, is the best console. His favorite character, though, is Sonic. His favorite color? Sonic blue of course!

Jeremias has two favorite meals:

- White rice with beans, corn, veggie scallops, and chicken
- Empanadas

Welcome Jeremias! We are excited to have you be a part of our church and to get to know you better!

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Collection Week continues until November 20th. Please pick up boxes and labels in the foyer so you have time to fill them and return them before the 20th. This is a fun way to bless children around the world! Carol also needs more volunteers to help! For more information about Operation Christmas Child, visit the table in the foyer, talk with Carol Clay, or visit <a href="https://www.samaritanspurse.org">www.samaritanspurse.org</a>.



#### **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 or Carol Hargreaves to volunteer.

We are scheduled to serve dinner on Thursday, November 30th from 4:00pm-6:00pm.

Then, beginning in January 2024, we (the Eastgate church family) will REGULARLY be serving dinners at the CAC the 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

Located in the Pastor's office. This is a Bible study group for men, led by men, praying for men. If this interests you please contact Pastor Eric Sayler.

#### Massages!

#### **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 <a href="mailto:justtherightwords@gmail.com">justtherightwords@gmail.com</a>



## Walla Walla Valley Adventist Schools

#### 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 <a href="mailto:news.uccsda.org/wwva1122">news.uccsda.org/wwva1122</a>.

## Walla Walla University

#### WWU Scores Well in Affordability Academic Rankings

Walla Walla University has been ranked as the second-best college for financial aid in Washington state and the 22nd-best college for financial aid in the nation by LendEDU. WWU has moved up six places on the list since the last report in 2019. WWU also ranked in the top 50 in the region for best value, a category that weighs both the affordability and quality of education. For more information visit nwadventists.com.

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

Some students are not able to go home for Thanksgiving and 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 <a href="mailto:jon.nickell@wallawalla.edu">jon.nickell@wallawalla.edu</a>.

#### Operations Supervisor Needed for New Office at Walla Walla University

The Adventist Information Ministry (AIM), a ministry of the North American Division, will be opening an office on the campus of Walla Walla University early in 2024. We are looking to hire an operations supervisor for this office. For more information, see <a href="news.uccsda.org/nadoperations23">news.uccsda.org/nadoperations23</a>.

#### Walla Walla University is Hiring

Walla Walla University is hiring for multiple positions! Benefits include free tuition, comprehensive medical, retirement and a generous paid leave program, and more! If you or someone you know is interested in an engaging new career, learn more and apply at <a href="jobs.wallawalla.edu">jobs.wallawalla.edu</a>.

### Walla Walla Valley News

#### Free Thanksgiving Dinner at DeSales High School

This free dinner is provided by St. Francis Cabrini, Salvation Army, and numerous churches in the Walla Walla valley. It will be November 21 from 4-7 at DeSales High School. Open to the whole community. Please contact Kay Barga at 509-529-3527 or email <a href="mailto:bargabk@charter.net">bargabk@charter.net</a> if you have any questions.

#### **Blue Zones Project- Address the Stress Presentation**

Did you know that stress is the #1 barrier to health and wellness in the Walla Walla Valley? This will be a short presentation on how you can finish your stress cycle and relieve symptoms of chronic stress. This presentation will take place Tuesday, November 21 from 5:30pm-6:30pm at SonBridge Center for Better Living, 1200 SE 12st Street in College Place.

#### Simply Grateful Fall Fundraiser- Blue Mountain Broadcasting

Tune in to Blue Mountain Broadcasting's special **Simply Grateful Fall Fundraiser** on Blue Mountain Television. This event features Voice of Prophecy productions "Shadow Empire" and "A Pale Horse Rides" with Shawn Boonstra, along with our musical guests The Advent Heralds. Tune in November 26 through December 2 from 8 pm to 9 pm each evening. Watch on cable 779, over the air, or Bluestream Media.

#### Walla Walla Valley Adventist Retired Denominational Workers\* (ARW)

Walla Walla Valley Adventist Retired Denominational Workers are cordially invited to attend our November meeting.

**Sunday, December 3. 1:50 – 4:00 pm** 

SonBridge Educational Center, College Place, WA

Potluck Buffet: Soup will be provided - please bring salads, sandwiches, or desserts

Program: "Old Fashioned Country Christmas"

Join us as we celebrate the Christmas season and the birth of our Savior. Music by the Lahti Family, Christmas carols and stories will inspire us as we fellowship together. Questions re ARW? Call Sharon Heinrich (813) 997-1704 or Barbara Bohlman (509) 540-4771.

\*Any person or spouse who has worked for the denomination or one of its entities.

#### The Blue Zones Story: Your Pathway to Better Health (College Place, WA) — December 5

Do you want to learn the secrets of the Blue Zones that have kept people healthy and happy for thousands of years? Do you want to learn new and practical habits for a healthier new year? Come join Winston Craig, PhD, MPH, adjunct professor at Loma Linda University as he presents "The Blue Zones Story: Your Pathway to Better Health" at SonBridge Center for Better Living in College Place, WA, on December 5 from 7-8 p.m. Dr. Craig has more than 40 years of experience in health education to bring to your fingertips!

#### **College Place ABC Adds New Hours**

The Adventist Book Center in College Place has added new hours to their store. The store is now open Monday 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

#### **SonBridge Volunteer Opportunity**

Come join the SonBridge Thrift&Gift Store team and serve our community as a Craft Enthusiast. Our volunteers enable the vital services of Helpline@SonBridge and SonBridge Dental Clinic. Take action at <a href="mailto:sonbridge.org/volunteer">sonbridge.org/volunteer</a>. 509-529-3100 or 1200 SE 12th St., College Place.

#### **The Christian Aid Center**

The Christian Aid Center has an immediate opening for a **Men's Services Emergency Housing Director.** 

For more information, contact Jeannette Regalado at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. You can also fill out an application at <a href="mailto:christianaidcenter.org">christianaidcenter.org</a>.

## **Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News**

#### **Know Someone Who Has Experienced a Recent Loss?**

Adventist Community Services is offering a free newsletter particularly targeted towards those that are experiencing hardship from a loss of a loved one. Peace Be Still offers a weekly uplifting message along with a prayer, scripture reading, and music selection to help someone in need. To sign up, go to <a href="https://www.uccsda.org/peacebestill">www.uccsda.org/peacebestill</a>.

#### Elders Retreat (Camp MiVoden) —February 2-4

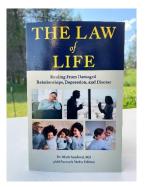
Serving as an Elder is both a privilege and a significant responsibility as you work alongside your pastor to provide spiritual care and leadership for your local church. You are invited to Camp MiVoden on February 2-4 for Large Church/Single Church District. You are invited to take some time apart from the business of leading the church to do what Steven Covey called "sharpening the saw." Set in the beauty of Camp Mivoden you'll have the chance to recalibrate, rest, and plan together with your fellow elders and your pastor. We'll talk about the partnership between pastors and elders and how to support each other as you face the challenges of ministry together. You'll receive practical tools for worship planning and building a biblical sermon in the midst of a busy schedule. You'll discover helpful ways to provide pastoral care to your members, including how to do a meaningful pastoral visit without taking hours to do it. You'll receive more than \$50 in free resources and tools that can make your job easier. Best of all, we'll have plenty of time to relax and fellowship together. The cost is \$50, though scholarships are available, if needed. To register, go to news.uccsda.org/eldersretreat23.

#### Center For Youth Evangelism Cruise — December 8-15, 2024

CYE is happy to invite you to an incredible cruise mission adventure to the Caribbean on December 8-15, 2024 and "Level Up". CYE mission trips give youth and young adults a chance to put their faith into action with mission work opportunities at each stop. Registration is open so don't wait! There is more information to come, but in the interim, questions can be emailed to cwm@cye.org.

#### **Volunteers Needed at the International Pathfinder Camporee**

Discovery Mountain Broadcast is looking for volunteer anchors and reporters to complete their oncamera cadre for the Discovery Mountain Broadcast Pavilion at the International Pathfinder Camporee. Are you the perfect fit to join our team in Gillette, Wyoming, summer 2024? For more information and to audition visit <a href="mailto:news.uccsda.org/audition1123">news.uccsda.org/audition1123</a>.

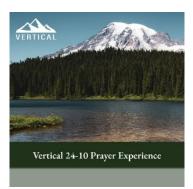


#### He's Alive Ministries Releases "The Law of Life" Media Series

He's Alive Ministries, based in Spokane, WA, has released a new media series focusing on how to biblically improve your physical health, mental health, and overall life. The series, "The Law of Life Media Edition: Healing from Damaged Relationships, Depression, and Disease" is based on a 278-page book written by Mark Sandoval, MD, founder and president of New Paradigm Ministries. The media series includes more than 16 hours of in-depth instructional videos, in addition to the book. To continue reading and for more information visit news.uccsda.org/Hesalive1123.

#### Watch the Prayer Summit: Blessings of Prayer Now

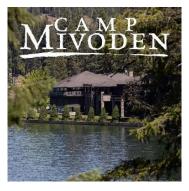
Each session of the Prayer Summit from this past weekend is now on Youtube. We invite you to watch the powerful praise, worship and sermons from the First Annual Prayer Summit. Watch on the UCC Youtube channel: <a href="mailto:news.uccsda.org/Prayer1023">news.uccsda.org/Prayer1023</a>. You can also find the printed program for the prayer summit at <a href="mailto:uccsda.org/prayersummit">uccsda.org/prayersummit</a>.



#### **Vertical 24-10 Prayer Experience**

Grateful for your unwavering dedication in prayer! If you've been enjoying the Vertical 24-10 daily readings, the journey continues on our website at uccsda.org/verticalmedia#prayerexperience.

You can also sign up for our prayer newsletter at <u>uccsda.org/vertical</u> to stay in the loop. Exciting news: we've also opened morning and evening prayer rooms, you can find the links in the emailed devotional's under supplemental material. Thank you for keeping the flame of prayer burning for the infilling of the Holy Spirit and for the outpouring of the later rain!



#### 2024 Registration Now Open

Camp MiVoden registration for summer 2024 is open. Don't miss out on an amazing summer at camp, you can register for camp and submit applications for summer camp staff 2024, now. Please visit our website for registration, and new 2024 camp schedule at <a href="mivoden.com">mivoden.com</a>. Any questions, please email <a href="micoden.com">registration@mivoden.com</a>.

#### **Open Positions at UCC**

- Sales Associate ABC College Place (part-time)
- ABC Bookkeeper/UCC Accountant
- Sales Associate ABC College Place (Federal Work Study Student Position) For more information and to apply, see uccsda.org/jobs.

## North American Division



#### **GC Vice President Maurice Valentine Passes Away**

On October 20, 2023, Maurice R. Valentine II, a dedicated servant of the Adventist Church, passed away, leaving a legacy of unwavering commitment to his faith and an impressive career of leadership within the Adventist Church. He was 63. Valentine was a general vice president of the General Conference (GC) at the time of his death. To read more visit <a href="mailto:news.uccsda.org/Valentine1023">news.uccsda.org/Valentine1023</a>



#### **ADRA Continues Disaster Response**

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is responding to the catastrophic earthquakes and multiple aftershocks that demolished the Herat province in Afghanistan on October 7, 11, and 15. The 6.3 magnitude earthquakes and powerful tremors, affected nearly 2 million people, causing significant destruction in hundreds of villages, and displacing thousands of people in the region. To continue reading visit <a href="mailto:news.uccsda.org/earthquake1123">news.uccsda.org/earthquake1123</a>.



## <u>ADRA Offers Aid to Families and Displaced Survivors in Mexico</u>

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is on the ground in Mexico responding to the devastation caused by Hurricane Otis that struck on October 25. According to UN agencies, more than 1 million people, including 300,000 children, need humanitarian aid. To read more visit news.uccsda.org/Otis1123

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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 7ime ~ 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 for our families ~ there are several couples who have recently become estranged, relationships lost, families broken. Pray for strength and healing of individual hearts.
  - 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 pray for Margie McCubbins who is experiencing health issues
- Please pray for Patti Becker and the entire family as they mourn the loss of Rob.
  - Please pray for Kaitlyn Harmon who is experiencing health issues.
  - Please pray for Matt & Judy Lombard as Matt is experiencing health issues.
- Please keep Melissa Cadieux and family in prayer as they mourn the loss of Art Cadieux.
  - Please pray for the Rick family who are displaced due to a house fire.
    - Please pray for the Cobble family and relationships in this family.
- 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 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.

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

"Is any among you afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merry? Let him sing psalms."

James 5:13

Praise God!! Thank you for your prayers for Dixie Cramer's former classmates, Steve & Donna
Tanner. Donna has been declared cancer-free, to the apparent surprise of her oncologist! In November,
Donna will be going through stem-cell therapy. Please continue to pray for Donna & Steve and thank
God for His blessings.