Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church!

A message from Pastor Eric Sayler

There's an old story about a king who sent his servants across the land with one directive: find something that will make a happy man sad and a sad man happy.

After several weeks his servants returned, all empty-handed. The king called them one by one before him to give report of what they had found, or failed to find. Each one was discouraged and told the same story: there is nothing that makes both a happy man sad and a sad man happy.

Finally, the king came to the last servant.

This servant approached the throne, empty-handed, yet with a smile on his face.

The king, puzzled, asked "you are not carrying anything, I assume your success is the same as all the others, you came up empty. But why are you not disappointed?"

The servant responded, "Because I found the answer, my king! But it is not a gift, a possession, nor any form of item."

"What is it, then?" asked the King.

Pausing for a moment, the servant drew his breath and spoke carefully, "It is this, 'This, too, shall pass."

Wasn't the servant right? No matter our situation "this too shall pass." Whether we are discouraged and seem to be losing in life, or whether we are having great success, this too shall pass.

This is good news in the midst of social distancing, when we are limited in our personal contact. This, too, shall pass!

But there is coming a day when there will only be good forever, when the good will never end.

David spoke of this time at the end of Psalm 23, "I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." What a neat thought.

Join this Sabbath on Facebook or YouTube for a study of this hope-giving phase. May God bless you,

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: April 25, Pastor Eric Sayler; "The House of the Lord: Psalm 23 miniseries ~ Part 4" Psalm 23.6b

Eastgate Church News & Events

Previous recorded Messages available for viewing

Message for March 21, "The Tie that Binds"

https://www.voutube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHO

Message for March 28, "Blessed be: The persecuted"

Message for April 4, "The Lord is my Shepherd"

Message for April 11, "In the Dark Valley"

Message for April 18, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life..."

Message for April 25, "The House of the Lord"

Remember, to view the sermon(s) prepared by Pastor Eric, please follow the link: <u>YouTube channel</u> or <u>Facebook</u> Also please see the note on page five regarding subscribing to the YouTube channel.

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. We will share it here anonymously for the body to provide prayer support!

A Male Friend on his spiritual journey

Requests: - What are your prayer requests?

Prayers for all of our Health Care providers in our fellowship that they may be protected from infection from COVID-19

Heather D. – Prayers for Paul on his current deployment. Prayers for Heather as Paul is on his current deployment. Jeff W. – Healing and adapting during his stroke recovery

Asher P. - As he is treated for *Aplastic Anemia* and the Peterson family as they walk this journey.

Heidi E. - Prayers for healing through her time of physical therapy

Marlien A - prayers for strength in her continuing battle against cancer.

Harry & Brittney A. - prayers for trust and to fully lean on God.

Baby Adler - 1 month old, kidney not draining properly, prayers for healing Holly J. - Prayers as she recoups post-surgery

Donna S. - prayers for continued healing and strength

K & N Canwell, - Keith is now home on hospice, Strength for Nancy

Debbie S & Debbie P – both of these ladies for health, healing & strength

Mary Jane S. – Having some health issues, praying for good balance.

"D" Underwood - continued prayers for daughter

Prayers for our elder population that look forward to Social Interaction and Physical Therapy types of activities where they can once again interact with people.

Megan E.'s - continued prayers for her parents Tami J. - Continued unspoken prayers April and May 2020 Evangelism Plan

In Military Service - Continual Prayer for those serving

Diane U. – Grandson in the Marines Evon A.'s daughter; Anna Harris

Praises:

Anonymous – Praise for an increase in Food Stamps allowance! Thank you Jesus!

Debra M. – Praises that two family members have completed quarantine after being exposed to

COVID-19 virus ~ virus free!

What gift causes you to praise the name of God our Heavenly Father today? We know you are being blessed so please, share your praises to God here so others can see the real life ways that God's people praise His name!

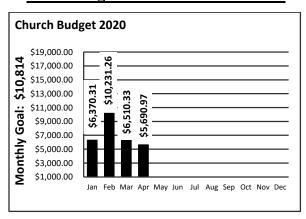
Eastgate SDA Church Happenings!!

We thank you for supporting your local church budget in addition to the world church?

<u>Financial Report</u>			<u>GOAL</u>
Combined Budget: f	for the month of April	\$ 5,690.97	\$10,814.00
Student Aid:	received	\$ 8,878.15	\$13,200.00
Maintenance Reserve 2	2020 received	\$ 482.27	\$14,000.00

Praise the Lord for members who can and do financially support the local mission of this church!

Our Giving to Date this Current Year



How Can I continue to give my offerings during this unique time?

Q: What methods are available for giving offerings?

A: 1) Online giving is always available no matter where you are. You can go to the church website; www.eastgatesda.org, select Online Giving and it will automatically take you to Adventistgiving.org and specifically for Walla Walla Eastgate Adventist Church. Here you will find a "tithe envelop" which will allow you to designate a portion to all aspects of church support; Tithe, Local Church Budget Items, Conference/Union Offerings or World Church. There you will be asked to set up an account. You can determine your method of payment and make your contribution.

- A: 2) You can mail a check to the church office.
- A: 3) You can drop by the church office and leave your donations.

No matter what method you choose, as a body of Christ, we will continue to appreciate your financial support for all of the ministries of the local, conference, union, division and world church. Thank you for your support.

Offering Schedule for the coming weeks

April

25 Outreach Coordinators for the Local Church – "Share the Life"

<u>May</u>

- 02 Local Church Budget
- 09 World Budget (Emphasis: Disaster & Famine Relief)
- 16 Local Church Budget
- 23 UCC Advance
- 30 Local Church Budget

April 25 Offering - "If It's What the Bible Says, We Want to Follow It"

A young couple started attending the Spokane Linwood Seventh-day Adventist Church about a year ago. They had been life-long members of the Baptist church, who, through their own study, realized that the Bible Sabbath was Saturday. After a bit more study, they decided to observe the Seventh-day Sabbath. This led them to look for others who kept the Sabbath as well. In their search, they found the Spokane Linwood Seventh-day Adventist Church where they were later married and welcomed as members.

After getting married, they wanted to study deeper to understand the differences between Adventist and Baptist beliefs. The local Bible instructor studied with them, and they were amazed to find that other than the Sabbath, there were quite a few other differences. Though some of the new truths they learned were challenging, they determined to remain faithful to God's Word. "If it's what the Bible says, we want to follow it," they said.

When you give to support outreach coordinators in the Upper Columbia Conference, you are directly supporting Bible work in the conference territory. There is a ripe harvest of souls, and through this ministry, our Bible instructors are enabled to gather them in.

~Petra Dotson, Administrative Assistant, UCC Church Ministries & Discipleship

In giving to the Lord's Work during this crisis use your local church website or go to UCC Giving site: https://www.uccsda.org/donations

AdventistGiving Bulletin Insert - English Brochure or Spanish Brochure

AdventistGiving Donor Instructions - English Spanish

<u>The North American Division encourages the use of the "My Personal Giving Plan.</u> This plan was developed as a guideline to assist members in systematic giving. The plan suggests that, in addition to returning 10 percent of a member's personal income as tithe, certain percentages may be dedicated as offerings to three main categories:

• Local Church Budget: 3-5 percent

• Conference Advance: 1-2 percent

(Education, evangelism, VBS, summer camps, and union magazines)

• World Budget: 1-3 percent

*Visit https://www.personalgivingplan.com to see a more extensive breakdown for each category.

The <u>My Personal Giving Plan</u> encourages each of us to renew our commitment to the principles of Christian stewardship. While it blesses the church as a whole, its real impact is on us as individuals in our faith-based covenant with God.

Everything in God's creation is orderly and purposeful. The same can be said of *My Personal Giving Plan*. Like all plans, it requires thought and consideration. No great work can be built upon emotional or sporadic giving.

Church Educational Publications – My Little Friend, Primary Treasure and others

For parents and adults; all of our educational materials are available in our church lobby. These include publications designed for Sabbath, March 21 and those through the end of April. Adults, we have our adult Sabbath school quarterly which we will be starting to use with the first weekend of April. Please feel free to stop by during regular office hours, come in at the office entrance, make your way to the lobby and help yourselves. We do ask that you only take the publication that you or your child(ren) normally receive. Thank you!

Young Adults willing to Assist our Elder and Physically challenged members.

The Young Adult group is hoping to offer help to our older generation who might be worried to run errands or go into the grocery store because of the infection risk to an older person. If you or anyone you know needs help running errands like picking up groceries please reach out by calling 541-425-1919 or contacting Rachel Boram. Our young adult church group would love to help!"

YouTube Channel for Eastgate SDA Church Communication – Subscribe now!

In this newsletter you will have seen a reference to Pastor Eric creating videos to up-date us and help to create a sense of community. If you have a gmail account, or a YouTube account, you can subscribe to the Eastgate Church Channel. <u>YouTube channel</u> or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHO

When you find this site, log in with your gmail account and touch the red Subscribe button. It will not cost you anything and you will easily be able to find the most up-to-date information in video form. When we get 100 subscribers, we will be able to have a specific name for our channel instead of all of the letters and numbers.

Thank you for your support!

Blue Mountain Television

BMTV has been on the air for 30 years! During this time of "Sheltering at Home" please consider tuning to Blue Mountain Television for updates regarding a celebration planned for the future and for your spiritual television viewing.

Women's Study Group

Mondays, 7:00pm. Ladies - it's time for a spiritual growth for women and faith in Christ. This group of ladies invites you to join them as they read and discuss. If you are interested in joining them, please call Rhoda Ehrman at 509-200-2826. *Find out what the latest up-dates are related to the social isolation with COVID-19*.

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EASTGATE SDA WEBSITE! - https://www.eastgatesda.org

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SPECIAL MUSIC at Eastgate

Would you like to serve the church in song? Maybe you would be willing to provide a special music on any given Sabbath? You can either contact the church office or Kim Boyd. He will once again be leading a team of individuals who will arrange for special music.

Collegiate & Young Adult Class

Enterwoven: New Young Adult Communication Available

Our young adult group based here at Eastgate SDA church has started a new Group on Facebook. If you are a member of that demographic, seek them out as indicated in these announcements or on Facebook.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

This group is taking special action and measures to minimize the spread of COVID-19 so please check ahead of time with the phone numbers at the end of this announcement. They will be meeting on the ZOOM platform. Bible study each week with Wade Brook. They are on a study journey through the book of Romans. To join this group and be in the know of how to meet, call Wade at (509)-525-2445 or Nicole M. at (541) 282-4803 or Josh Boram (541) 870-4661.

Enterwoven willing to assist individuals with Errands

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Monthly Friday Night Vespers, Next One – Hopefully sometime in April

The Physical Activities of the group have become restricted due to Health Issues of this time. This study group communicates through Facebook and/or Messenger. They share food and song and great discussions. To connect with them, visit the Young Adult Sabbath school class and get acquainted! They often plan a potluck supper so check with them for the plan for the evening. For an address contact Wade Brooks at (509)-525-2445, or Josh Boram at (541) 870-4661 or Nicole M. at (541) 282-4803.

Currently this group is maintaining social distancing and are meeting on the Zoom Platform.

School News

Milton-Stateline Adventist School is asking for sponsors for our annual Walkathon. We will be having "Walkathon at Home" this year. The kids will be walking laps in their houses and yards and keeping track of how many they do on May 24th! We are using these much needed donations to fund our financial aid for next school year and some of the funds will go to upgrading our outdated lighting throughout the school. If you would like to help by sponsoring a student or contribute a donation please go to https://www.miltonstateline.org/make-a-donation before May 24th. Thank you so much for helping to sponsor our kid's hard work!

Walla Walla Valley Academy Constituency Meeting Postponed

The annual constituency meeting had been scheduled for May 12, however, due to the current International Health concerns, this meeting has been postponed. Please watch for up-dates and they become available.

Adult Sabbath School Crossword Puzzle Key

Adult Sabbath School - 2nd Quarter (2020) Lesson 3, April 11 - 17: "What did Jesus and followers think"



Adult Sabbath School Crossword Puzzle for Lesson 3 of second quarter 2020

For those of you who enjoy working crossword puzzles here is the answer key to the puzzle posted in last weeks' Newsletter on the last page.

Remember, should you have difficulty printing just the last page of the newsletter, there will be one dozen printed puzzles left in the lobby on the table with the visitors bags. We hope you enjoy the process! (editor)

SDA Valley Community News & Events:

Unaware of any special news at this time.

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News

Your Patience is Appreciated

Due to the fact that the Upper Columbia Conference experienced a cyber-attack a little over a week ago, we are still working on our getting our phone system up and running. You can still reach the main desk at 509-838-2761 and you can still fax the office at 509-838-4882. Please remember that even though the physical office complex is closed, all UCC departments are available and working for you. Regular hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 to 5:30. All department emails are working again and we continue to post news on a new UCC website https://www.uccsda.org/

Making Connections with Young Adults

The Youth and Young Adult department have started a virtual platform called BRIDGE. It is a movement to connect with God, each other, and the world around us. Bridge was built as a means of making connections and offering support to allow the collegiate/young adult community to thrive. There are many collegiate/young adults out there who are involved in ministry. We want to help them connect with others and use our resources to help them be successful. On the website at www.bridgenw.org and associated social media sites, you'll find a growing list of people in our Bridge community who are involved in ministry. We dare you to join them.

UCA Holds Virtual Academy Day

On May 17 at 6:00 p.m., Upper Columbia Academy will host an online **Virtual Academy Day** with live facilitators and with recorded segments from many of the faculty. An overview of the school program will be shared with specific details on registration, scholarships, and plans for the 2020-2021 school year. Thank you for sharing this information with your church congregation, local community, and all friends and family who may be interested in UCA. More details will soon be on their website.

A New Kind of Camp Meeting 2020

Exciting plans are being put into action in preparation for Camp Meeting 2020. This year's event will be completely online during the dates of June 17-20, 2020. Spokane Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church will host the event, featuring Lee Venden as the main speaker and the music of Buddy Houghtaling. Online seminar options and children's programming will also be offered. The full schedule of events and other details will be announced in the coming weeks. For those who previously made reservations for the physical 2020 camp meeting, we will hold your spots for June 16-19, 2021 at Upper Columbia Academy. Those who would like to cancel their reservation will receive a full refund, if you contact us prior to June 30, 2020. Please contact campmeeting@uccsda.org if you have questions. Looking forward to seeing all of you virtually at this event!

UCC Virtual Offices Extended to May 5

In compliance with the mandate from Washington Governor Jay Inslee, the Upper Columbia Conference will extend its virtual offices until May 5. The mandate also affects all churches and schools in the conference. Conference employees, including staff, pastors, and teachers continue to work from home and other isolated areas to maintain church and school functions. We are open for business through phone and email. Even though the physical office complex is closed, all UCC departments are deployed, available and working for you. Please feel free to contact the office at (509) 838-2761 if you need anything. Regular hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 to 5:30.

UCC Club Ministries Presents New Website Focused on Activities for Kids

Looking for a way to serve your friends and neighbors while keeping your "Social Distance"? UCC Club Ministries has developed a web site for sharing. www.ActivityOutpost.com is a hub of activities, ideas, encouragement, and resources for parents who are adjusting to having their kids at home all the time. This site is targeting your neighbors but Adventists are welcome! Share on your social media platforms and partner with us to serve families in your community. https://l.uccsda.org/AGinstructionsSpanish

Want to Teach Kids Birding? Share this Hub of Activities for Kids!!

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Parents! - Looking for Ideas?

Are you looking for activities to do with your children? For worship, for play? Look no further and go here for a great list of ideas? https://www.uccsda.org/Child

Mark May 9 for Disaster Relief Offering

When you give to ACS, YOU make it possible for the Adventist Church to respond immediately to help survivors of hurricanes, fires, floods, earthquakes, famine, and other crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic which is affecting the world today. Find out more about how ACS Centers are meeting the needs of local communities in response to COVID-19 <u>Click here</u> The May 9 offering is your opportunity to help in this effort. <u>Disaster Famine & Relief Offering</u>. <u>ACS OFFERING POSTER</u>

Medical Staff still needed for this summer for Camp MiVoden

We still need a couple of registered nurses or doctors to assist with a couple of our youth camps this summer. We ask our volunteers to stay for the whole week and your children get to attend camp for free in exchange for volunteering to assist with our camper's medical needs. If interested please contact Denise Kinney at 509-242-0506 or email: denisek@uccsda.org

Want to Work at Summer at Camp?

Camp MiVoden is currently taking applications for Summer Staff 2020. Please go online to www.mivoden.com to apply.

Camp Meeting in the Upper Columbia Conference - June 10-13

***Our understanding is there has been no decision YET for cancelation ***

Save the date and register for lodging for the 2020 UCC camp meeting on June 10-13, 2020. Lee Venden will be the morning and evening speaker accompanied by musician Buddy Houghtaling. Please note the camp meeting date is one week earlier than last year. For camp meeting information, go to https://www.uccsda.org/campmeeting. For camp meeting questions write to campmeeting@uccsda.org.

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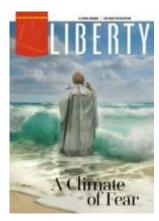
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RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Do you struggle to explain your convictions about Sabbath or labor unions to your employer? Are you being asked to work on Sabbath? The Northwest Religious Liberty Association can help. Call Greg Hamilton and Rhonda Bolton at 360/857-7040.

PRAY ONE MISSION is a North American Division initiative calling us to focused prayer for people who need Jesus. Do you know of one or two such people? As you pray for these individuals, please consider sending them a subscription to *Signs of the Times*® at 800/545-2449. Prayer and the printed page are great teammates and proven soul winners. http://www.signstimes.com/?p=issue











MISSION 360° MAGAZINE Several publications, such as *Mission Post* and *Frontline* have merged and expanded to create a new official mission magazine of the Seventh-day Adventist church called Mission 360°. It will be published quarterly and you can sign up for an online version at Mission360Mag.org.

Job Network

Looking for a position? Looking to Hire? Please let us know so we can assist in getting the word out!

Milton-Stateline Adventist School

~is accepting applications for the following openings for the 2020-2021 school year:

- A part time 5th & 6th Science and Social Studies teacher.
- A part time Special Education Aide.

These two positions could be filled by one person. Call 541-938-7131 or email info@miltonstateline.org

Positions Available in UCC

UCC is now hiring the following positions. If you know anyone who may be interested in one of these positions, please direct them to the website for a full job description and the application process or have them contact the HR Department

ITS Associate Director

ABC Sales Associate - On Call

Evangelism Director

https://sp.uccsda.org/English/HR/Pages/Job-Openings.aspx

Job Opportunities in the Oregon Conference

Looking for work in the Oregon Conference? Check the following for job postings: www.oregonconference.org/employment-home

Job Opportunities at Walla Walla University

Looking for work at the University? Check the following for job postings: https://www.wallawalla.edu/resources/human-resources-payroll/

Classified Ads, Services & Needs

Are you in a service industry? Would you like your church family to be aware of what services you can provide? Please consider placing an ad in this space. At this time, to place an advertisement here will not cost any money. It should only be basic text with no illustrations or photos. To add graphics may or may not be possible based on time and graphic software available. Thank you, Office Manager.

Submit your service ads to the following email address: office@eastgateadventist.church weekly Deadline: Items must be received prior to 8:00am Wednesday mornings.

Thank you for your positive feedback and comments. Sincerely, Eastgate SDA Office Manager

REALTOR: Thinking about buying or selling your home? Want a Christian Realtor to be your advocate and guide? Let me serve you with the best resources and service in the business. Call or text Sarah Bergman at John L. Scott, Walla Walla at 509-240-6826 or reach me by email at sbergman@johnlscott.com for a no-obligation consultation and market analysis. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Call us and leave a message or text us – We will get back to you as soon as possible

DO YOU NEED CHILDCARE THIS SUMMER? We still have a few spots available for our Summer School-Age Day Camp...

Details: *Hosted by Little Lambs Christian Childcare, located in Milton-Freewater (possible transportation to/from Walla Walla available).

*Program dates: June 8-August 14. Hours: 7AM-5:30PM (additional hours avail)

*Must be 5 years old and/or entering Kindergarten in Fall 2020 (Preschool age available for additional charge)

*Fun and educational field trips! Swim daily at Milton Freewater Aquatic center (pass included in field trip cost). Daily learning and curriculum time.

Rates: Full time: \$125/week. Part time: \$40/day

~Field trip rates coming soon...

~Rates include USDA equivalent breakfast, lunch, and two snacks.

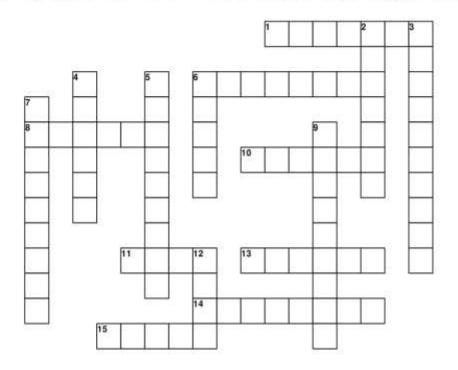
*\$10 application/enrollment fee (for tee-shirts) *\$50 non-refundable deposit to hold spot (credited towards first week tuition)

**Limited spaces available, so text, call, or e-mail today! Contact Stephanie— Phone: (509) 540-5244 (text or call) -OR- E-mail: steph1.good@gmail.com

Adult Sabbath School Crossword Puzzle

The answer key will be posted next week. ©

Adult Sabbath School - 2nd Quarter (2020) Lesson 4, April 18 - 24: "The Bible is the Support for All"



ACROSS

- the way that life is conducted around us everyday
- 6 something that faith and culture can do
- 8 it is not the foundation of knowledge
- 10 what our experience must do in reference to the Bible
- 11 what the Bible is for everything in life
- 13 things that the human brain has
- 14 special things that some claim come from the Holy Spirit
- 15 something that we must say the Bible has

DOWN

- 2 what the Word becomes if substituted by our own teachings
- 3 something that our faith is
- 4 an ability that we have to think
- 5 one of the preventative measures for the virus (SDA health alert)
- 6 he ate showbread according to the scriptures (last week)
- 7 the manner in which things were done before
- 9 the Bible is filled of these
- 12 that which the Lord spent with people