Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church! A message from Student Pastor Rachelle Martling

This past Monday, in the process of providing help to someone, Pastor Eric was exposed to the COVID 19 virus. Since that time he has quarantined himself so as to protect family and community should he be carrying or contract the corona virus. Pastor Rachelle has stepped up and volunteered to deliver words from scripture for us this Sabbath. editor

At the beginning of 2021 I was happy to be leaving 2020 behind. During 2020 many changes occurred across the globe with lots of negative chain reactions. These events led to many people including me asking if this was the end. In my search for answers to that question I began to study Matthew chapter 24. In this chapter Jesus is telling his disciples the events that will take place before the destruction of Jerusalem and the Seconding Coming. I was sure I would find some answer among all the texts that describe our world today. Instead, I found a peace that no matter if now is the end or not God holds the future.

This Sabbath, I hope we can study this passage together and instead of focusing on the terrible things happening in the world today or finding more reasons to be afraid of the future, we can draw closer to Jesus.

Join in this Sabbath, we welcome you to worship in person, *please* wear a mask if you come. Our healthcare system is stretched to the breaking point. We need to do everything we can to care for each other and support our healthcare providers.

You can also join in online through our <u>Facebook Page</u>. Leave a comment if you do!

This Weekend: September 18, 2021 Pastor Rachelle Martling
Next Weekend: September 25, 2021 Elder Rob Becker ~ Church will NOT be live-streamed. We will be meeting at Harris Park on the South fork of the Walla Walla River. (see page 3)

Week At A Glance

September 18, Sabbath: 9:00am Every Man A Warrior; Helping Men Succeed in Life

10:00am Live Sabbath Schools in the Church for most generations!

- ~ Lenard Wittlake Sabbath School Adult Quarterly > Rest in Christ; Longing for More Lesson#11
- ~ The Builders Adult Class > Hebrews, Room 140
- \sim The Word is a Zoom \sim Hybrid Sabbath School > the Book of Isaiah Chapters 5-7
- ~ Young Adult Sabbath School, also a Zoom ~ Hybrid class studying about David ~ II Samuel
- ~ The Cradle Roll class is waiting until Sept. 18 until they meet again, all others groups are meeting in their respective areas.

11:15am – 12:15pm Worship Service – Pastor Eric Sayler

Sunset 6:58pm

September 20, Monday Evening: 7:00pm Hope Group on Zoom

September 21, Tuesday:

September 22, Wednesday 6:30pm Face-to-Face Prayer Meeting in the church fellowship rm

September 23, Thursday: 6:30pm Zoom Prayer Meeting

7:00-8:15pm Youth Face-to-Face Meeting

September 24, Friday Sunset ~ 6:46pm

September 25, Sabbath: Outdoor Church at Harris Park,

78689 S. Fork Walla Walla River Rd, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862

Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week

Worship Service	11:15am	<i>09-18-2021</i>	Link to Facebook
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Gathering Song Praise Team
Community Life Dennis Reed

Kids Korner

Children's Story Dennis
Songs of Praise & Worship Praise Team
Prayer Dennis Reed

God's Word Pastor Rachelle Martling

Sermon Title: My Words Will Never Pass Away

Scripture Text: *Matthew 24:35*

Song of Response Praise Team
Benediction Dennis Reed

Worship Team today

Lead Elder: Dennis Reed

Praise Team Leader: Tess Craig & Friends

Pianist: Josue Galan

Greeters: Les & Anita Cunningham

Lead Deacon: Buz Flegel

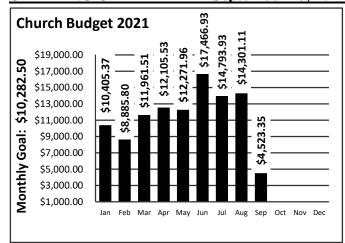
Lead Deaconess: Christine Wittlake

AV Team: Dennis Anderson and Kevin Renshaw

Live Streaming: Ryan Daniel

Financial Report	RECEIVED	GOAL	NEED
Student Aid goal for 2021-22	\$ 6,719.06	\$16,300.00	\$10,180.94
HVAC Up-grades	\$13,342.03	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

OFFERING OF THE DAY ~ September 18, 2021 ~ Local Church Budget



One day a fisherman was fishing on the edge of a lake when a grey heron landed next to him. The bird looked into his bucket and saw a feast. When the bird tried to take the fish from the bucket, the fisherman tapped him with the end of his rod and made a deal with him.

"Every other fish I will give to you on the condition that you don't steal." The fisherman named the bird Henry.

So the fisherman caught a fish and tossed it to Henry. The next catch went into the bucket. Henry waited for his turn. In an hour, he must have eaten at least 10 to 12 fish. Then he flew

away. Each time the fisherman returned to that lake, Henry would fly and land next to him.

The fisherman didn't have financial resources to give to the local church budget. But he wanted to contribute to the ministries of the church. He donated the fish in the bucket to the new immigrant people who were attending his church. The fisherman questioned if this ministry was a way of working for God since he had limited resources. Henry was God's answer to him.

In the Bible, God uses animals to touch our lives:

"And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there." 1 Kings 17:4

Giving can also come in many forms: time, talent, or tender.

Eastgate Church News & Events

New Face-to-Face Prayer Meeting to Gather weekly at the church Fellowship Room!

For all of you who have been feeling like you want a closer connection with friends and other church members, and are seeking an opportunity to meet and pray together, let's plan to meet at 6:30pm Wednesday evenings in the Fellowship hall at the church to pray and hear some from God's word.

It is a time to share God's goodness and answers to prayer, a time to "give fresh heart" to our fellow prayers. God encourages us to pray together. Let's gather for our prayer group at the church 6:30pm in the Fellowship hall. God bless all of you.

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.

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

~ Sermon Archives ~ Bulletin Library ~ our weekly e-NewsLetter ~ Events Calendar ~ Offerings <u>EASTGATE SDA ON FACEBOOK</u> Like and follow our page on FB! <u>https://www.facebook.com/Eastgate-SDA-Church-206126468203</u>

Outdoor Church coming September 25 at Harris Park, South fork of the Walla Walla River

Plan to join the gathering up the South fork of the Walla Walla River on Sabbath September 25. Plan to gather in small groups at 10:00am and spend time in our Sabbath School study subjects. At 11:15 we will start our church service with praise singing. Bring your instruments to add praise! We may need a sweater or light jacket but we will enjoy the first weekend of autumn after this summer of heat! (current forecast 81)

Following our worship service we will feast on the picnic meals which we prepare for our family units. This is NOT a potluck meal. We will share the outdoor dining facilities of open green grassy spaces!

Some may organize a walk/hike up the river trail for a time during the afternoon or you may choose to stretch out in your lawn recliners and spend some quality social time. Create an interactive social time that will introduce yourself to members you may not yet know!

We, EAC, will have the area reserved for our use all day so you may plan for a picnic supper too if you are so inclined!?! If possible, please car pool as the parking is limited.

Harris Park is 40 minutes from the Eastgate church and 21.7 miles. It is specifically located at 78689 S Fork Walla Walla River Rd, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862



Social Committee Presents Fall Festival 2021

Fall Festival this year will be on Sunday, October 3 with a camp fire pit reserved for 11:30am. We can bring a sack lunch and eat together around the fire. No outside food is allowed anywhere except at the fire pit. Families can stay as long into the afternoon as they like. Fair Style Food is available for purchase. Visit the following link to see all of the activities and things available to do. The entry cost is \$12 per adult and children 18 and under will be paid for by the Social Committee if they sign up ahead of time. Middleton Fall Festival

For more information please contact a social committee member.

School News & Children's Ministry <u>Items</u>

Dear Cradle Roll Class Parents

Due to the higher incidence of the COVID 19 virus in our community and the age of your little ones, we will continue to suspend our class for another week. Then

we will evaluate the risk. Please Check Facebook Website to update. Plan to resume on September 25 if conditions allow.

Youth Face-to-Face Weekly gathering has been moved to Thursdays

Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:15pm our Youth meet here in the Fellowship Rm or outside.

Collegiate & Young Adult Events

Sabbath Morning Bible Study

This group is once again meeting in a hybrid Face-to-Face/Zoom format. Their current study is II Samuel as they study the life of David. To join this group and be in the know of how to meet, visit classroom 115 or call Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

Men's Ministry

Each Sabbath Morning: Every Man A Warrior; Helping Men Succeed in Life Please Meet in the Library this Sabbath ~ 9:00 AM

This Sabbath the Eastgate Men's Ministry Team will continue a special Sabbath Morning study group – yes, for men only. The *Every Man a Warrior* guide book has a total of 27 lessons and according to the publisher may be the most practical Bible study most men will ever do. It is designed specifically to deal with the issues that men face and need to succeed in. Field tested for 2 years, it has been used with men of all ages from teens to men in their 70s. Toby Slater will lead in studying the first week and share the role with others as they progress. **Please remember to come early.**

HEARING IMPAIRED ??? HOW MAY WE HELP YOU "HEAR" OUR SERVICE BETTER?

Are you aware that we have a number of individuals within our congregation who suffer some level of hearing impairment? Several rely on their "Lip Reading Skills" to hear our conversations, greetings and the ability to exchange ideas in our Sabbath School Classes.

As a classroom teacher I remember learning that one of the 15 year old girls in my class had a 60% hearing loss. Every time I turned my back to the class as I wrote on the chaulk board, I was impairing her ability to "hear" what I was presenting. I was unaware of her unique concerns. It was not until I became aware of her specific need that I was able to modify my presentations to meet her needs.

Are we unaware of your hearing concerns or limitations?

As we are making changes to our Audio/Video System, we need to understand the needs of our congregation so we can move to provide the best possible solutions to meet all of our needs? Will you please share with us what systems or mechanisms or software work best for you?

If you or a family member has special needs, we your church family need to know so we can improve our communication with you. Maybe all it takes is to make sure that we are turned so you can see our face as we speak. Maybe we need to be aware that you cannot "hear" two people speaking at the same time!

Please share what you have learned with us. The best contact point is our church office. Our office manager will communicate with our leadership so that the Worship Team can best communicate with each and every member of this our Eastgate SDA church family. Thank you!

<u>office@eastgateadventist.church</u> or text message with Stan at 503-869-8510. Please leave a message as to who you are and how we can best reply to you.

Walla Walla Valley SDA News

Adventist Retired Denominational Workers (ARW)

Title: "We Saw Paradise Burn!" & "The Chart in the Attic"

Presenters: Marcel & Bonnie Grondahl (newly located ARWs from Northern California)

Time: 2:00 - 4:00, October 3, 2021; "Meet & Greet" with displays, starting at 1:15

Place: SonBridge Education Center, 1200 SE 12th St, College Place, WA

For Info re Yearly Dues and Dinner Reservations, please call: Barbara Bohlman, (509) 540-4771 or Juanita Neal, (509) 520-2813.

Happening at the College Place Village Church

If you have children you would like to be involved in these club groups, please reach out to these groups. The Village Church Discovery Club is beginning inperson club meetings on September 1, 2021 at 6pm. Registration is also September 1st! Come a little early to register your littles one(s) for Baby Birds (ages 1&2), Little Lambs (age 3), Curious Cubs (age 4), Eager Beavers (ages 5&6, unless in 1st grade). They look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions please email them at

villagechurch.discoveryclub@gmail.com

Late registrations welcome asap!

Club Registrations



Discovery Club—September 1, 6:00 pm, Village Church foyer.



Adventurer Club—September 1, 6:00 pm, Village Church foyer. We are moving forward in faith that a new leader will be chosen soon



Pathfinders—September 1, 6:30 pm, Village Youth Center.

The Christian Aid Center has the following volunteer opportunities:

- Receptionists are needed in our Women & Children's Shelter. Morning and afternoon shifts are available.
- Childcare helpers are needed on weekday mornings ~ Two-hour shifts are available.

• Registered Nurses are needed to help in our Health & Wellness Center. For more information, please contact Jeannette Regalado, Volunteers Director, at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. You can also fill out a volunteer application online at christianaidcenter.org.

The College Place Village Church is looking for someone to Manage "THE CENTER"

The center is a second hand store located on the property of the Youth Center at the corner of 8th St. and Bade in College Place. This is a labor of love as 100% of the proceeds from this store go to support Student Aid in our Adventist Educational institutions here in the valley. If you are interested please contact the office of the College Place Village SDA church.

Office Assistant Needed at Gospel Outreach

Gospel Outreach in College Place, WA., seeks an office assistant with a heart for missions who can work 20 to 30 hours per week. This position supports the treasurer with accounting tasks, data input, scheduling and answering the phone. The ideal candidate will be computer-literate, detail-oriented, able to multitask and have bookkeeping experience. Gospel Outreach is a volunteer organization, and God has blessed. To help support further growth, this position comes with an hourly stipend paid by specific donors who have seen the unmet need for an office assistant. Call for more details (509) 525-2951

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News

Maranatha Mission Story Event — September 18

On September 18, Maranatha presents its annual convention event, Mission: Maranatha, straight from your living room. This two-hour broadcast special will feature volunteer testimonies, stories of the work that crews are doing in the mission field, and ways that you can stay involved in the mission. The annual gathering inspires and informs all who attend. You will be blessed to learn how the mission is being moved forward around the world—even through a pandemic—and how you can help. The event begins at 2:00 p.m. PST. For more information and to watch, see news.uccsda.org/maranatha9121.

Congress on Social Justice — October 14-16

The Congress on Social Justice is designed to bring attention to global issues of imbalance as well as the biblical solutions that address them. Discover the link between caring for creation in its fullness and beauty and proclaiming the Three Angels' Message of Revelation 14. This event is scheduled for October 14-16 on the campus of Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Choose between in-person and virtual registration options. Read more about it and register at news.uccsda.org/congress72821.

Society of Adventist Communicators Convention — October 17-19

The 2021 Society of Adventist Communicators convention will be held virtually Oct. 17-19. University students studying communication, PR, marketing, graphic design, media production, or similar fields are invited to attend free of charge! Corporate, nonprofit, freelance, higher education, and Church professionals, as well, will be blessed with keynotes and workshops from industry experts. Register at www.adventistcommunicator.com.

Women's and Young Women's Virtual Retreat — October 23

"Destined for Joy," is the theme for keynote speaker, Carla Gober Park, for the Women's and Young Women's Virtual Retreat on Sabbath, October 23, 2021. Another special presenter for the day will be Shari Ferrier. You will marvel and gain courage as she shares her story, "Moments in Time." The day includes special outreach sharing moments including guest, Ginger Church, and others. Listeners will be blessed by musician Natalia Nesteruk. Join us for this free event and be blessed! Registration is required and begins today at www.uccsda.org/womensretreat.

Prayeradigm Shift Retreat - October 29-31

Join us for the Prayeradigm Shift Retreat @Camp MiVoden! You are invited to join with church members from around the Upper Columbia Conference for a powerful prayer retreat. Experience a weekend that will leave you refreshed, challenged, and connected as we seek to know God more deeply and understand His "prayeradigm." Pavel Goia will be the keynote speaker. Churches are invited to participate by sending 2-4 people. If you are interested in coming from your church, talk to your pastor. Childcare is provided and scholarships are available. For more information visit www.PrayeradigmShift.org.

Contribute Using the Lowest Fees Possible

AdventistGiving negotiates the lowest possible fees for online giving. These costs are shared by the local conference (70%), union conference (10%), North American Division (10%), and General Conference (10%). When donating, please consider using ACH (electronic check or savings) as your payment method to help keep costs to a minimum.

For your reference (1st quarter 2020 fees):

- ACH (electronic check or savings account) averaged 19 cents each
- Debit cards averaged 0.63% of the amount donated
- Credit cards averaged 2.18% of the amount donated

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Bible Tours Offered in 2021

We are excited to once again offer Bible Study Tours led by Dr. Carl Cosaert, Dean of the School of Theology and Professor of Biblical Studies at Walla Walla University. Below is a list of tours in 2021 for you to consider:

December 13-23, 2021 – The Egypt Bible Tour will find you standing in front of the ancient Pyramids of Giza experiencing the same awe that Joseph felt when he stood before them nearly four thousand years ago. Visiting the spectacular monuments in ancient Thebes you will impress you with the courage and faith Moses had to have in God in order to stand up to the mighty Pharaoh of Egypt.

You will encounter many more experiences than those listed. Dr. Cosaert will be both your teacher and guide for all three tours. He has carefully chosen the best sites, hotel accommodations and restaurants to ensure your tour will be an amazing experience. For a complete itinerary and cost for the tour or tours you would like to join, please email Sharon Searson at sharons@uccsda.org or go to www.adventours.org.

LLU Health President: We've Been Here Before

Richard H. Hart, MD, DrPH, president of Loma Linda University Health, shares his view of how he sees a way forward through the COVID pandemic. Read the full story at news.uccsda.org/llu9821.

UCC Administration Response to Recent Mask Mandates

The administration of Upper Columbia Conference released a letter in response to the recent reinstatement of the mask mandates across the states of Washington and Oregon. The letter concerns religious liberty issues and how those relate to church worship and mask mandates. To read the full letter, see news.uccsda.org/letter82421.

Adventist Health Provides Vaccine Fact-Finding Resource

Adventist Health in Portland created a resource page to provide the latest information related to COVID-19 and the vaccine. As disinformation continues to swirl around regarding the vaccine, these kinds of resources from trusted medical experts are desperately needed. To see the frequently asked questions, go to news.uccsda.org/faq9821. Adventist Health has also developed a series of videos at news.uccsda.org/video9821.

God's Call to Live in Healing and Harmony

The North American Division released a statement that supports the principles outlined in the General Conference statement, "One Humanity: A Human Relations Statement Addressing Racism, Casteism, Tribalism, and Ethnocentrism." This document offers a biblical response to the issues specific to the NAD, contextualizes the "One Humanity" document into the North American setting, and faithfully reflects the biblical understanding of social justice and Christian responsibility. The read the full statement, see news.uccsda.org/NAD82521.

Four Things to Know About Vaccine Personal Religious Exemptions

Andre Wang, legal counsel of North Pacific Union Conference, reveals the key takeaways that you need to know about filing a personal religious exemption for vaccine requirements. To read his article, see news.uccsda.org/exemption82521.

North American Division Position on Religious Exemptions

The NAD has posted its position regarding religious exemptions regarding vaccines, in addition to several other resources relating to COVID-19. For more information, see news.uccsda.org/resources82521.

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North American Division

Charles Bradford, first NAD President, Passes to His Rest

Charles E. Bradford, first president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America (NAD), passed away on Thursday, September 9, 2021, in Huntsville, Alabama. He was 96. To read the rest of his story, see news.uccsda.org/bradford91521.

First Seventh-day Adventist Woman Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel

Wanda Acevedo became the first Seventh-day Adventist woman to be promoted to lieutenant colonel in the United States Army Reserve during a special ceremony at Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico, on April 28. With this rank, Acevedo becomes the deputy command chaplain overseeing all religious support and chaplaincy teams that serve more than 5,000 soldiers at the base. For the full story, see news.uccsda.org/chaplain91521.

NAD Religious Liberty Department Webinar On Current Events

Did you miss the NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty department's interactive webinar, "Christian Witness in an Era of COVID-19, Christian Nationalism, Racial Injustice, and the Equality Act?" Topics included Vaccines and Religious Objections; COVID-19 Pandemic and Local Church Closings (including Canadian perspective); Racial Stereotyping; Christian Nationalism; and The Equality Act and Religious Freedom. The full program can be viewed at news.uccsda.org/parl32421.

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

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 www.Mission360Mag.org





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!

Three of our church women are fighting breast cancer.

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

Seth A., Evon A., Kristy B., Jen B., Rachel B., Cal B., Jamie C., Stephanie C., Jen D., Guy E., Heidi E., Rhonda E., Rod F., Debbie H., Daniel H., Dr. Gilly I., Tammy J., Susan M., Julie S., Toby S., Nancy R., Carolynn V., Sherry W.,

Prayers for the Harmon Family who all have COVID

Prayers for the family of John Foote, he fell asleep in Jesus Friday evening, August 27. Prayers for our members who serve our community on either Fire or Police Departments Erik J. – Prayers for continuing to make positive life changes.

Joe M. – strength to remain close to Jesus as he starts a new life in Portland, OR. Prayers for Grace B – recently fell and broke her arm.

Debra M. – prayers for a nephew Danny who is heavily suffering from COVID Dan M. – appreciates your prayers for him.

Mary A-C. – Prayers for her & family as her mother recuperates from recent medical treatment.

Maggie M. - Prayers for improved health

Holly J. - Prayers as she continues the fight against cancer.

Asher P. – Special prayers as his treatment has taken him home and improvement takes place Prayers for Asher and his family while they strive to stay infection and virus free!

Debbie P – for health, healing & strength, it is harder to get around

Debbie S – continued health & strength

"D" Underwood – continues to be thankful for your continued prayers for her daughter & son "D" U. – prayers for her daughter who is suffering breathing difficulties from COVID Megan E.'s - continued prayers for her parents

Tami J. - Continues to ask for your prayers as she struggles and praises for successes in Christ

In Military Service - Continual Prayer for those serving

Diane U. – Grandson in the Marines Paul D. – Army Reserves Evon A.'s daughter; Anna Harris ~ Navy Seth A. – Air Force Reserves

Praises:

What do you have on your heart that you would like to share as Praise to the Lord!?!?

Deb K. – for improving health

<u>Job Network</u>

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

Job Opportunities in the Oregon Conference

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

New Positions Open at UCC

Upper Columbia Conference may have openings available. For more information and to apply see uccsda.org/jobs.

Walla Walla University Job Positions

STAFF: https://www.wallawalla.edu/resources/human-resources-payroll/staff-employment/
FACULTY: https://www.wallawalla.edu/resources/human-resources-payroll/faculty-employment/

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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

Need Electrical Work Done? Power Solutions Electric

Casey Werner and Trent Fowler may be your solution to your electric wiring and repair projects. Contact Heidi or Tara at pselectric01@gmail.com or 509-540-2656. It's always good to know your electrician!

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.

Wild Woodland Lavender Farm

Eggs, fresh free range farm eggs. We sell them for \$3 a dozen. Carrie Bergherm; 509-540-2412

Obituary: Shirlee Marie (Lauer) Neisner, age 63, passed away peacefully from cancer on April 26, 2020, surrounded by her family.

Shirlee was born on October 16, 1956, in Creston, Iowa, to Duane and Wanda Lauer. She was the oldest of six children. Her childhood years were spent in Iowa, Alabama, and Arkansas, and she was a true hardworking Midwest girl with a large extended family. Her lifelong love of music began at an early age and she started playing the piano and organ for church services at age 13. She later took up the accordion, clarinet, and French horn.

She attended college at Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, TX, Union College in Lincoln, NE, and Loma Linda University in CA, graduating with her nursing (1978) and then dietetics license and MPH (1982). She cherished many wonderful memories and friends from her college years and delighted in keeping up with everyone through Christmas cards.

Shirlee married Dan Neisner on June 10, 1979, and they spent 40 beautiful years together. Their three children - Sara, Heidi, and Steven - were the center of her life and she was their biggest fan. The family lived in Japan, California, Hong Kong, and Washington, and Shirlee devoted her life to helping others in her roles as mother, pastor's wife, pianist, children's programming leader, and more. She was unfailingly generous and kind with friends and strangers alike, and her life was defined by her love for others and her care for those in need.

After moving to Walla Walla in 2001, Shirlee became involved in the Walla Walla Valley Bands, eventually serving as the band President for a number of terms. She worked as a nurse at the VA and then decided to become a nurse practitioner, completing her training while continuing to work. After finishing her training in family practice she went to work at Washington State Penitentiary here in Walla Walla as the first female medical provider and the first nurse practitioner. She loved her patients there and they deeply appreciated her motherly care.

While working at the penitentiary, she saw the deep need for mental health care and went back to school to become a psychiatric nurse practitioner. After graduation, she fulfilled a lifelong dream by opening her own private practice - Surely Goodness Healthcare - which provided integrated medical and mental health care. The name for her practice was a play on her own name and one of her favorite verses: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life..." She loved her patients and was deeply committed to helping them find wholeness. Her patients will truly miss her.

Shirlee enjoyed a variety of outdoor activities, including gardening, picnicking, camping, cross-country skiing, sailing, snorkeling, hiking, and hosting bonfires in their backyard. She loved to travel and made friends everywhere she went; her friendships were truly spread around the globe. She loved the two weeks each summer she took off to serve as nursing coordinator at Redwood Campmeeting in California. Every time the family got together, she was always planning a trip to another country, the Oregon Coast, or the mountains.

Shirlee was a woman of faith and prayer, and a committed member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She and Dan have been active in ministry at the Good Neighbor Church for many years, serving as leaders in children's programs and the Lunch On Us outreach to the community. Shirlee loved her church family deeply and had a special place in her heart for her fourth "child," Nicolas. Her faith was deeply part of who she was and was evident to all who knew her through her giant smile, warm hugs, and constant care and kindness.

Shirlee is survived by many who loved her - husband, children, grandchildren, parents, siblings, and friends. We are united by a shared love for an extraordinary woman and the hope of seeing her again in the Morning.

We invite you to gather with us to celebrate the life of Shirlee Neisner on Sunday, September 26, at 2 PM, at the Walla Walla Valley Academy auditorium. Guests are encouraged to wear bright colors as Shirlee loved to do.

Obituary ~ John Foote: August 25, 1950 – August 27, 2021

John Benjamin Foote 71 died August 27, 2021 at his NY home under Hospice Care, Springport, NY.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, September 19th at 1:30pm at the Union Springs SDA Church 31 USA Way, Union Springs, NY. Calling hours are September 18th 2-5 pm in the church fireside room. Burial will be in the Foote Cemetery, Canton, NY on September 26 at 1:00 pm on Old Dekalb Road. The service can be seen on the church's YouTube channel, Union Springs SDA Church.

In lieu of Flowers, a memorial contribution may be made to a scholarship in John's name to Union Springs Academy, PO Box 524, Union Springs, NY 13160 or www.unionspringsacademy.org

John was born August 25, 1950 in Canton, NY to William and Ethel Boyd Foote. He graduated from Union Springs Academy in 1968. In 1969 he earned a certificate in Building Construction from SUNY Canton. He received a BS degree in Physical Education in 1975 from Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, MA. While attending AUC, he started to learn the broom business. In 1992 he had earned his CRLE (Certified Residence Life Educator) and renewed it in 2002.

He married Teri E Dana in August 1971, on the 8th of this past August, they celebrated their 50th anniversary. September 1973 their son Joseph was born. In 1976, after a year helping with the family farm, John and Teri moved to Newbury Park, CA where John assisted at the academy industry broom shop. July 1977, just 2 weeks after daughter Amy was born, the family returned to New York State to run Union Springs Academy Broom shop, after 10 years the family moved again and took residence in Capman Hall when John became Dean of Boys. July 1997 another cross country move to College Place, Washington, where John took the position of Assistance Dean of Men at Walla Walla (College) University. He served as Associate and Head Dean until 2012, when he took leave because of health issues, cancer which had been diagnosed in 2009.

John was a member of the Walla Walla University Church where he served as a deacon. He loved to serve and volunteered for many things. One of his favorites was Senior Survival, a class bonding experience in the mountains for Walla Walla Valley Academy with high school seniors. He drove bus for class trips, mission trips, sports trips, and other outings. He loved to help people. John enjoy coin collecting, hiking, camping, canoeing, playing sports, panning for gold, and working with wood, just to name a few. He was a lifetime Yankees fan and a fan of the Buffalo Bills.

John leaves his wife Teri of College Place, son Joseph of Syracuse, NY, daughter Amy Main (Max) of Union Springs, NY; his mother Ethel Foote, 4 brothers, Jim (Rhonda), Benny, Carl (Kerry-Jo) of Canton, NY, Daniel of Cleveland, NY, and sister Joan Fischer (Steve) of Canton NY. As well as his brother in laws, Eugene (Eleanor), Tim, Fred (Lorrie), George, Richard and his mother in law Jeanette Andrews. He was proud to have numerous precious nieces and nephews and their children.

He was preceded in death by his father, William, brothers Henry and David, and his father in law, Eugene H Dana.

Condolences may be made at www.brewfuneralhome.com