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

Everyone loves a good story. From ancient times as people gathered around the cooking fire after a long day in the fields, recounting stories of their history, to present day as people gather around televisions to explore worlds imagined by creative artists, we have always enjoyed stories.

It was for this reason that Jesus taught in story. Story engages the imagination, story communicates truths, story inspires creativity, story recounts history.

There's another purpose of story, as well: to recount God's faithfulness. In Revelation 12 the Spirit and John tell us that our story is essential for our victory in the spiritual battle. This Sabbath we're taking a break from our Creation series to hear a story about God's faithfulness. I hope you can join in!

As always, you're welcome to worship in person, please wear a mask because of our present pandemic situation.

If you aren't feeling well in any way please join in online at our **YouTube Channel**.

I pray that this Sabbath you experience the rest of Grace and Rejuvenation that God desires you to have!

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: January 22, 2022 Pastor Eric Sayler and a baptism and testimonial

Next Weekend: January 29, 2022: Pastor Eric Sayler

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, January 22, 2022

9:00am – 10:0	0	Every Man A Warrior; Men's Class
10:00am – 11:00am		Sabbath School Study
11:15am – 12:15pm		Worship Service; speaker; Pastor Eric Sayler
		Baptism, Ronnikka Hurst
Sunday, January 23	8:00am	Men's Ministry Breakfast
Wednesday, January 26	6:30pm	Our Weekly Prayer Meeting – Fellowship Room
Thursday, January 27	7:00pm	Youth Gathering – Fellowship Room
Sabbath, January 29	11:15am – 12:	:15pm Sabbath Service

Prayeradigm Weekend Event – Coming February 25 & 26:

Join us for an inspiring prayer weekend from the comfort of your own homes and churches! Experience a weekend that will leave you refreshed, challenged and connected as we seek to know God more deeply and understand His "Prayeradigm". Messages from Pavel Goia will be made available on-line. You are invited to meet as small groups to journey through the weekend together.

For More Information on how to register as an individual or small group visit the website at PrayeradigmShift.org

Eastgate SDA Church will host a "small group" here at the church. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.!

Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week

Worship Service 11:15am 01-22-2022 Link to: ~ Eastgate Church: YouTube

Gathering Song Praise Team
Community Life Rob Becker

Kids Korner

Children's Song Praise Team
Children's Story Dennis Reed
Baptism Ronnikka Hurst
Songs of Praise & Worship Prayer Rob Becker

Testimony Ronnikka Hurst

God's Word God's Faithfulness: Pastor Eric Sayler

Scripture: Revelation 12:11

Song of Response Praise Team
Benediction Rob Becker

Worship Team today

Lead Elder: Rob Becker
Praise Team Leader: Luke & Keri Self
Pianist: Erika Sanderson
Greeters: Brian & Liana St Claire

Lead Deacon: Dwight Bartlett Lead Deaconess: Brenda Arriola

AV Team: Kevin Renshaw & Dennis Anderson

Live Streaming: Jim Schultz & Daniel Craig

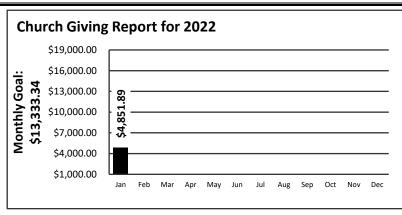
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OFFERING OF THE DAY

<u>January 22, 2022. ~ Upper Columbia</u> <u>Conference Advance</u>

Appeal: Isaiah 43:11 "I, even I, am the Lord, and apart from me there is no savior."

Full Restoration: We worship God with our best resources because God has provided what we need the most, salvation: "apart from me there is no savior." And His salvation embraces all aspects of life; in Him, there is full redemption.



This was the experience of a man named Roger. His dad was a fisherman, and his mother died during his early childhood. Roger coped well because of the love and support of his dad until something terrible happened. While at sea, his dad had to climb to the top of the mast. He fell into the water and was nowhere to be found. At the age of 14, Roger was an orphan with no one to pay for his

school fees. He became partially homeless, spending some nights at some relatives' homes, some nights sleeping in fishing boats by the sea, and other nights sleeping in trees! He would steal raw vegetables from people's gardens to fill his empty stomach. He was so poor that he had to wear all three pairs of his pants, one on top of the other, to cover himself. To escape this harsh reality, he started drinking alcohol, and rapidly, he became a heavy drinker. But one day, Roger heard about the Gospel and accepted Jesus as Savior. His life was transformed. He was healed of his painful emotions, quit alcohol, settled in a job, ran his own business, grew a happy family, owned a house, sent his kids to school, and lived with a life's purpose of introducing others to His savior.

In response to the exceptional redemption he experienced, among other things, Roger decided to worship God by faithfully returning his tithe and offerings until he died. What has the Savior accomplished in your existence? This week, as we worship with our tithe and regular offerings, let us show an appropriate response to His salvation.

Prayer: Lord, we are thankful for the complete salvation provided to us and to Roger. Help us to worship you with our transformed life and generosity with our resources.

Eastgate Church News & Events

Long Range Planning – September ~ Camp Wooten

We have requested through the Washington State Parks Retreat Center Program the use of Camp Wooten for a weekend retreat again this coming Autumn 2022. The tentative dates are September 16, 17 & 18. We will confirm which dates we are assigned in a couple of weeks. We wanted you to start to think about setting aside time in your calendars to attend this special all church campout weekend!

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

This group will be meeting every Wednesday. Due to weather we may have to occasionally cancel an evening. Questions? Please call Carol at 1-509-200-0587. Our next meeting? January 12, 2022.

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

~ Sermon Archives ~ Bulletin Library ~ our weekly e-NewsLetter ~ Events Calendar ~ Offerings

EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: <u>Eastgate Church</u> or type out the address shown below. We are looking for 100 subscribers! https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpi0ESiTONVM7uw9dcRxUHO

EASTGATE SDA ON FACEBOOK Like and follow our page on FB!

Prayer Shawl Ministry ~ A New Group meeting during Sabbath School in the Library

If you like to crochet or knit, or have ever wanted to learn, this quarter we will be making prayer shawls and lap blankets for hospice patients or community members who are experiencing a difficult time and are in need of comfort and healing. No experience or supplies is necessary but donations of full skeins of yarn, knitting needles, and crochet hooks are appreciated.

Shawls and lap blankets are created in prayer and given as a reminder that the recipient is not alone in the midst of their loss or great sadness and to provide them with a sense of God's peace and love.

We will be meeting at 10 AM in the library each Sabbath. If you are not able to meet during this time, you can still participate at home and can drop off your completed shawl/blanket at a later date. Contact Keri.Self@gmail.com with any questions.

EASTGATE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

We are taking on several projects in the coming year with which we could use some well skilled do-it-yourselfer types! We will list projects here in the coming weeks. Thank you for checking back!

We will be having some professional tree trimming done in the next few weeks. As a result, we will have a substantial quantity of maple wood available for firewood. If you would like the firewood we would ask you to clean up all of the twigs and small branches and relocate them to a future burn pile near the back corner of the church property. Please call the office to make these arrangements. When the weather warms we will be looking for someone to paint the Parking Lot Lamp Bases.

School News & Children's Ministry Items

<u>Milton-Stateline Adventist School Eighth Grade Class:</u> We, the eighth-grade class at Milton-Stateline Adventist School, are collecting recyclable cans and bottles to raise funds for our eighth-grade trip and graduation. Please help us by dropping off your cans and bottles at the school. Thank you!

NAD Children's Ministries Retreat — January 19-20, 2022

This year, the North American Division Children's Ministries Retreat will be held in Portland, Oregon, Jan. 19–22, 2022. For more information or to register, visit news.uccsda.org/childmin122.

Collegiate & Young Adults

Sabbath Morning Bible Study

This group is a vibrant collection of 20 - 40 ish believers who are currently studying 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 Room 145 every Sabbath ~ 9:00 AM

Every Sabbath a group of Eastgate Men continue a special Sabbath Morning study group – yes, for men only. The *Every Man a Warrior* guide book. It is designed specifically to deal with the issues that men face and need to succeed in. It has been used with men of all ages from teens to men in their 70s. Toby Slater will lead in studying and share the role with others as they progress.

Sunday, January 23, 8:00am ~ Men's Ministry Breakfast ~ Eastgate Fellowship Hall

We are planning to resume our monthly breakfast meetings on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please continue to follow announcements regarding this event!

Walla Walla University

WWU Receives Grant to Upgrade Bioengineering Laboratories

Walla Walla University's School of Engineering has been awarded a \$351,000 grant by the M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust to redesign space and provide new equipment for bioengineering labs. The grant will be matched by generous WWU donors to provide more than \$700,000 to be invested in the new laboratories. Read more at news.uccsda.org/grant122.

Walla Walla Valley SDA News

The Walla Walla Northside Adventist Church

Is in need of a pianist to volunteer two Sabbaths a month. If you would be willing to consider volunteering please contact Richard Wimer by text or phone at 360-356-1812 or email to RichardWimer@gmail.com. Thank you, Richard Wimer, Church Clerk & Sabbath School Secretary.

Do You Want to Share Major Life Events with the Gleaner Readers of the Pacific Northwest??

When you have a significant major life event do you want to share it in the Gleaner? *The Gleaner* has provisions for announcements regarding the following:

- Anniversary Form
- Birth Form
- Birthday Form
- Obituary Form
- Wedding Form

You can follow these links or you can find them at www.nwadventists.com/contribute
You can report these major life events yourself or I can help you from our church office. If you need my help, please contact me either by email or our office phone during office hours. Stan

SONBRIDGE CONSTITUENCY MEETING: will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 10:00 AM. The agenda will include inspiring financial and development reports of God's blessings and an update of future plans. This constituency session is for designated delegates, but interested parties are welcome to attend! This will be both an In-Person & ZOOM meeting. Please contact SonBridge for an invitation and information. Thank each of you for your amazing support.

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News

Food and Mood: What We Eat Affects How We Feel

Depression rates among adults in the U.S. have tripled from a pre-pandemic rate of 8.5 percent to 32.8 percent. What are the contributing factors? Has the pandemic affected eating habits? Is there a biblical connection between lifestyle choices and mental health? The North American Division Heath Ministries' Joy of Eating Club discusses all this and more at news.uccsda.org/FoodMood122.

Pathfinder Teen Retreat Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for this year's Pathfinder Teen Retreat. The theme, "Within the Struggle," will address personal and spiritual struggles our teens are facing today. The retreat will be held January 28-30, 2022 at Camp MiVoden. For more information and to register, visit ucc.regfox.com/struggle

AMEN Northwest Conference — Registration Now Open

Registration for the AMEN Northwest Conference is now open! The conference, titled "Building on the Basics," will be held at the UCC office on March 11-13, 2022. For more information and to register, visit <u>uccsda.org/amenconference</u>.

Camp MiVoden Registration Now Open

Would you like to be in the great outdoors of the Inland Northwest and get to know Jesus and build a relationship with Him or strengthen your relationship with Him? We have an amazing program planned for next summer at Camp MiVoden. Our week schedule is going back to a 7 day week for our summer camps. Several of our camps are filling up, but we still have some space in our youth camps. Spaces will not last long in our Ultimate Camps. Please visit www.mivoden.com and register today for our 2022 summer camps. If you have any questions please email registration@mivoden.com.

January/February Issue of the Gleaner Available Online

Many parents and students feel pressure when making education choices. Sometimes, the simplest gestures or the grandest miracles can show God's calling. In this issue, discover 10 reasons Adventist Education is a good choice. Also, meet six students who felt guided to Walla Walla University on their unique path to Adventist education. Read online at news.uccsda.org/NWAdventists122.

Contribute Using the Lowest Fees Possible

Adventist Giving 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

Keeping the financial health of our church in mind ~ Giving Plan

How your local church budget fits into "My Personal Giving Plan"

Like every family, the local church family has financial obligations to meet. Some are easy to see like power and heat, but many are not so obvious: children's magazines, Sabbath School Bible study guides, teaching supplies, staff salaries, cleaning services, church school operating expenses, property insurance, worthy student fund, and community outreach. These are but a few of the costs that must be met month after month as the local church seeks to be a light in the community. Because these expenses are constant, My Personal Giving Plan recommends that 3-5% of one's income be set aside for the local church budget. This systematic giving ensures that all share both in the blessings and the responsibilities of the local congregation.

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

Local Church Budget: 3-5%Conference Advance: 1-2%

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

• World Budget: 1-3%

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North American Division

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY CAMPAIGN 2022: January 8, until March 31, 2022

This is an annual event which celebrates freedom of conscience, a heritage and the blessing we received from our Constitutional Founders, but one that requires continual vigilance to maintain.

In harmony with holdings by the U.S. Supreme Court, the Seventh-day Adventist Church believes that government at any level does not have the constitutional right to instruct anyone how to pray, when to pray, and who to pray to, let alone what religion to believe in – if any at all.

The founders of the nation wisely sought to guard against the employment of secular power on the part of the church, with its inevitable result – intolerance and persecution.

^{*}Visit www.personalgivingplan.com to see a more extensive breakdown for each category.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY CAMPAIGN 2022: January 8, until March 31, 2022 (continued)

"Jesus Christ came into the world to set men free, and to plant in their souls the genuine principle of liberty – liberty actuated by LOVE"

These words were written by Alonzo T. Jones, one of Adventism's most eloquent and effective religious liberty pioneers. In fact, it's the first sentence of the first chapter of his 1889 book *Civil Government and Religion*.

As you turn the pages of this extraordinary book, it soon becomes clear that to be a Seventh-day Adventist in the time of A. T. Jones could be a risky business. Take the case of Pastor James Scoles from Springdale, Arkansas. He volunteered to help finish painting his congregation's newly build church and decided to complete the work one quiet Sunday morning. "I went over to the church," he said later, "and finished up a small strip of painting on the south side, clear out of sight of all public roads; and here I quietly worked away for perhaps two hours." For this act Pastor Scoles was arrested and jailed. This was just one of many cases in which Adventists and other religious minorities were prosecuted under the state Sunday laws.

Fast-forward to today, and perhaps we've grown comfortable – could it be complacent? – in the knowledge that being an Adventist in the United States carries very little risk indeed. There's almost zero chance we'll be arrested for attending a Sunday morning church work bee!

But being comfortable can be dangerous. An attitude of vigilance, as Ellen White clearly foresaw, is by foresaw, is by far the most essential tool we have in the fight to defend and protect religious freedom for all. Speaking about the threats to religious liberty in her day, she wrote to the church: "O awake, I pray you, awake! For you bear the most sacred responsibilities. As faithful watchmen, you should see the sword coming."²

Today we must be vigilant. Recent events have shown us, once again, just how easily and willingly we relinquish civil liberties when safety and security are in the balance. And today even the idea of religious freedom itself is under attack as "discriminatory" or worse.

For almost 120 years *Liberty* magazine has spoken to lawmakers, public officials, and thought leaders. It shares a distinctly Adventist warning about the urgent need to guard this precious Godgiven right of religious freedom. Thank you for your generous and faithful giving, which is the bedrock of this mission. And thank you for your prayers as together we work to be faithful watchmen in these difficult times.

- 1: A. T. Jones, Civil Government and Religion (Oakland, California: American Sentinel, 1889), p.114.
- 2: "An Address in Regards to the Sunday Movement," *Review and Herald*, December 24, 1889.

Liberty Magazine:

You can subscribe to this publication for \$6.00 for one year. Or, you can donate to support sending *Liberty* to judges and lawmakers of your state. It is also often sent to administrators of colleges and higher educational institutions. Your donation may expose these educators to a different view regarding how public policies may impact their communities.

Pick up a flier from the table in the lobby and make your contribution during this campaign.

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!

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., Rod F., Debbie H., Daniel H., Dr. Gilly I., Tammy J., Susan M., Julie S., Toby S., Nancy R., Carolynn V., Sherry W.,

Rachel Drake – please pray for my friend Elijah who has sepsis and pneumonia.

Debbie P. – A friend in Colorado, Kathy, needs prayers for healing from pneumonia & COVID.

Religious Liberty Campaign until March 31, 2022

Kathy Joslin – has had to be hospitalized with COVID & pneumonia – she is the primary care giver for both of her parents who within the past year have suffered strokes. Now in Craig, CO.

Bill & Bonnie – from Dayton, both are hospitalized with COVID, prayers please

Bernice- pancreatic Cancer, request prayers

Jan R's husband, relief from post-surgical pain

Jay M. – Prayers for health challenges

Connie R. – Is experiencing some complications. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

Prayers for our members who serve our community on either Fire or Police Departments

Prayers requested for several members who are currently experiencing the effects of winter viruses, colds, flu and COVID. We ask that you continue to reach out to fellow members checking on their physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

Dan M. – appreciates your prayers for him.

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

Debbie P -prayers as 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 Megan E.'s - continued prayers for her parents

Stan's friend Bruce K. - Prostate Cancer, prayers for healing

Tami J. – Continues to ask for your prayers as she struggles and praises for successes in Christ Paul D. – As he is deployed on active duty away from family.

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!?!?

<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 is Hiring

Would you or someone you know like to join the WWU team? We are hiring in a variety of departments, including Academic Records, Facility Services, Information Technology, Nursing, Social Work, and others. You can see all available positions and apply at jobs.wallawalla.edu. Thanks for helping us spread the word!

Youth Recreation Manager at SonBridge

Coordinate youth recreation programs during the summer and after school for College Place by creating a safe, healthy, and fun environment. Use your passion for the wellbeing of children and youth to develop citizens who demonstrate collaboration, kindness, and resiliency. To learn more email search@sonbridge.org or call 509-529-3100. This is a full-time position with benefits.

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.

Family Seeking a Personal Chef

Do you like to cook? And would you like to be paid for your services? We are seeking a personal chef who knows how to prepare non-spicy & delicious plant-based meals. This person would need to prepare two main meals a week for an elderly couple, with enough leftovers to freeze for meals throughout the week.

Interested? Contact Dixie Cramer at 509-522-0379. (Or text at 509-301-2827).