Welcome to Eastgate SDA Church! A message from our Guest speaker, Jody Washburn

This time of year there are plenty of opportunities to look outside of ourselves for a magical solution to our problems. The days are short; there are plenty of dark hours when many of us find ourselves staring at screens rather than romping around outside like we may be doing in a couple of months. Recently I've been struck again by the sheer volume of messaging: "Take two gummies a day and watch the pounds melt away;" "Click here for the simple trick that will forever transform your relationships;" "Take my workshop (which costs \$300, but you don't realize that until you've scrolled through pages and pages of filler) and learn the secret for dealing with that difficult person in your life;" "5 expert tips for a fulfilling spiritual life."

The examples are endless, so if these samples don't click for you, you can probably think of similar messaging that's come your way recently. As we finish out Valentine's Day week, I am particularly aware of how relationship challenges are a universal part of human experience, and how often we get the message that the tools we need are outside of us and expensive or just out of reach.

This weekend I want to explore with you some of the relationship tools that God put within us when we were formed from the dust of the ground and received the breath of life in our lungs. God who is both beyond us, and right here with us, the Living Presence, not only made us with in-built resources but also walks with us as we navigate the ins and outs of our messy and beautiful lives. Join me to both reflect on and celebrate together the ways God made us for connection.

All the best, Jody

This Weekend: February 18, 2023: Dr. Jody Washburn Next Weekend: February 25, 2023: Pastor Eric Sayler

Week At A Glance

Friday, February 17	7:00pm	<u>"What</u>	We Already Have", Dr. Jody Was	shburn	
Sabbath, February 1	8 9:00am	"Being	g and Becoming the Image of God	<u>"</u> Early Service	
	10:15-1	1:15am	Sabbath School Study		
	11:30am – 1:00pi	m <u>Being</u>	and Becoming the Image of God"	Second Service	
1:00pm - A Special gathering of the Green Smoothie Group ~ Fellowship Room					
6:00 - 8:00pm (reservations required) Catered Banquet with child care available final weekend presentation: <u>"A Case for Curiosity"</u>					
Monday, February 13	6:0	00pm	Feathers, Hares & Hooves 4-H -H	Fellowship Rm	
Tuesday, February 14 <i>Cardiac Rehab Healthy Cooking</i> – Fellowship Rm reserved				Rm reserved	
	6:3	30pm	Church Board Meeting ~ Library	•	
Wednesday, February	15 6:3	30pm	Prayer Meeting, Youth Room		
Friday, February 17	6:0	00pm	Special Vespers ~ Prayer & Musi	ic	
Sabbath, February 25	•		morning services with Pastor Eric Sayler – 12:45pm		
1:00pm All Church Potluck ~ Fellowship Room Bring your favorite Soups, Salads, Breads or Sandwiches & Desserts!					

Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week ~ Second Service Outline

Worship Service 11:15am 02-18-2023 Link to: ~ Eastgate Church: YouTube

Gathering Song Praise Team Community Life Carol Hargreaves

Kids Korner

Praise Team Children's Song Carol Hargreaves Children's Story Songs of Praise & Worship Praise Team

Carol Hargreaves Prayer

God's Word Dr. Jody Washburn

Sermon Title: "Being and Becoming the Image of God"

Scripture: Leviticus 19:18b

Song of Response Praise Team Benediction Carol Hargreaves

Worship Team today – First Service

Worship Team today – Second Service Carol Hargreaves Lead Elder: Carol Hargreaves Lead Elder:

Praise Team Leader: Melody Sjoren & Friends Praise Team Leader: Jimmy Schultz & Friends

Mary Castrejon Nellie Alford Guitar: Pianist: Greeter: Harry & Brenda Arriola Greeter: Len & Sue Laabs Lead Deacon: Lead Deacon: Casey Cramer

Lead Deaconess: Jen Royer Lead Deaconess: Carol Reiswig

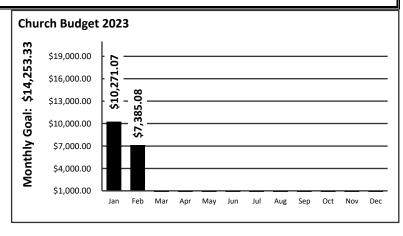
Kevin Renshaw & Bob Daniel AV Team: Dennis Anderson & Curtis Culp AV Team: Live Streaming: No live-stream early service Live Streaming: Brian & Rachelle Hartman

Financial Report	RECEIVED	GOAL	NEED
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 22,069.72	\$25,271.50	\$ 3,201.78
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 42,776.01	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

February 18, 2023 Church Budget

"Tithes and offerings." What are they?

"Tithe" literally means one-tenth, or 10%. If you have \$10, one tenth would be \$1. If you have \$1,000, one-tenth would be \$100. People who "tithe" take their income, like their paycheck or their profit when they sell something, and give 10% of it to God as their tithe. Malachi 3:10 says, "Bring ye" or "you bring." For those in a relationship with God, this



statement means, "If you love me, bring the tithe into the storehouse."

In the Seventh-day Adventist Church, tithes and offerings are received at the local church, and then the tithe begins its journey. There is an immediate benefit to the local church from the tithe in the form of a full-time or part-time pastor, teacher/principal, disaster response, and access to the Conference, Union, Division, and General Conference leadership and services. The journey continues and tithe is sent to the Conference (storehouse) where approximately 65% remains to fund ministries and workers in the territory. We follow the New Testament teaching that those who preach the gospel should live

from the gospel (1 Cor. 9:14). The rest is sent to fulfill the mission of the gospel to reach the world everywhere.

"Offerings" are any donations you make beyond the return of tithe - 10%. The majority of offerings remain at the church for various ministries and church budget operations which include church upkeep and special offerings important to your congregation, your community, or you, personally.

Let's be faithful with tithe and offerings so that none of these vital ministries are neglected.

Eastgate Church News & Events

Relationship Weekend featuring Jody Washburn, Associate Professor of Theology @ WWU ~ February 17 & 18

Social Committee has planned a relationship weekend for February 17 and 18. They have invited a special guest, Dr. Jody Washburn, to speak for Friday night vespers, during both services on Sabbath, and at an elegant catered Valentines banquet on Saturday night. Babysitting and pizza for the kids will be provided during the banquet. They encourage everyone to attend these events, whether you are part of a couple or not. What you'll learn will be valuable for all your relationships. Because space is limited at the banquet, they have asked that you sign up for the Saturday evening event. They will have vegan/gluten free options available as needed. Please note that there is a suggested donation of \$15 per person for the banquet, but they encourage everyone to attend, no matter if you can donate or not. If you forgot to sign up please contact Erika Serl to assure space is available.

February 17; Friday Evening, a presentation titled: "What We Already Have" February 18; Sabbath morning, presentation titled: "Being and Becoming the Image of God" Banquet, Saturday evening by reservation only: a catered banquet. Babysitting for children during the banquet from 5:45-8:15

Who is Dr. Jody Washburn?

Jody Washburn is a teacher, writer, musician, and life-long wonderer. Her training is in the languages and cultures and stories of the world of the Bible. Recently, her primary area of interest is in bringing together research from the social sciences about human relationships with material from the Hebrew Bible. Jody especially enjoys facilitating classes and workshops focused on practical aspects of living well in the messiness and complexity of being human together. She loves living in the Pacific Northwest not only because it's home, but also because there are so many opportunities to get outdoors with her husband Chad, daughter Danielle, and dogs Cello and Sunny.



Coming Sabbath, March 4 ~ Dr. Roger Seheult will share two presentations titled:

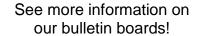
Simon's Feast and Light as Medicine

The first presentation will be shared at the 9:00am & 11:30 am worship services.

The second presentation is geared for all in the community and will be shared at 3:00pm. Bring a friend to hear:

Average Americans spend 93% of their lives, indoors ...

- What are we missing as a result?
- Exploring the invisible light spectrum.
- Latest research on the health benefits of exposure to sunlight.
- It's about more than vitamin D!



Outdoor Projects – Your Assistance Requested – Work Bee Sunday March 5 – 9:00am >noon.

We will be preparing for spring by doing winter time trimming of shrubs and trees. We will need your assistance again in some cases to trim and in other cases to pick up what has been trimmed! If you could assist it will save from having to hire contracted help as we move forward with several projects such as Parking Lot expansion and several other projects. Thank you!

We would also appreciate your help in taking care of our church facilities. If you participate in an event where food or drink are part of the process or inside<>outside traffic is involved; will you help by making sure that spills are cleaned up immediately? If we could monitor our comings and goings so as to reduce excess yard debris being tracked indoors? When spills, mud, dirt, etc. are left for someone else to clean long term damage often occurs. Thank you for your conscientious acts of service.

Spring/Summer Grow Groups?

Planning for a New Group or a Repeat Group?

There have been some amazing groups that we have seen impact our church and local community since Pastor Luke started us down this pathway of Small Groups or Grow Groups. We invite you to start thinking about what type(s) of group(s) you would like to create and share in for the summer!

Collegiate & Young Adults

Sabbath Morning Bible Study

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 II Kings. 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

Leader: Rob Becker, meet in Pastor's Office. This is a bible study group for men, lead by men, praying for men studying together. If this interests you please contact the group leader Rob Becker or our Pastor Eric Sayler.

Men's Ministry Monthly Breakfast and Worship Time: Next UP – February 26 @ 8:00am

Join the men at 8:00am for physical and spiritual food to share! This will always be the last Sunday of the month unless otherwise noted.

Women's Grow Group: Rhoda Ehrman invites you to join a group of women studying together.

They meet on Monday evenings starting at 7:00pm. They have begun a new book: "<u>A God Shaped Heart</u>" by Timothy Jennings. Contact her at 509-200-2826. They will be meeting at Donna Street's home, 910 SE Parkside Place in College Place.

Expansion of Support Teams for Audio/Video and Live-Streaming ~ Help Needed!

Our Audio/Video teams could use more help. This is one area of ministry where more experienced operators would help to lighten the load.

Brian Hartman who leads the Live-Streaming Team is also looking for one or two more individuals who would be willing to learn and assist in the ministry of our On-line Worship Service.

There are those who use our YouTube as an option for viewing for a variety of reasons. We need to expand the teams. The Team Leaders would gladly speak to anyone who might be interested. Contact Brian Hartman or Bob Daniel if you might be interested in learning.

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 Adventist Church</u>. Thank you for subscribing!

Walla Walla Valley Academy

Walla Walla Valley Academy ~ Auditorium Remodel Campaign

WWVA is raising \$1 million to update their auditorium. This project will serve many purposes on campus and houses special moments in many people's lives. This special space has served thousands of people throughout our WWVA and Walla Walla community . It is well-used and well-loved, but the time has finally come for some much-needed updates. To find out more, and how you can participate, visit news.uccsda.org/wwva1122.



Walla Walla University

The WWU Department of Music is preparing many exciting concerts for you. Mark your calendar and come can join us!

Young Artist Night Concert; Tuesday, 21 February 2023, 7:00 p.m. Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center

Choir and Orchestra Winter Concert; Saturday, 4 March 2023, 4:00 p.m. Walla Walla University Church

Voice Student Recital; Thursday, 7 March 2023, 9:00 a.m. Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center

Big Band Concert; Wednesday, 8 March 2023, 7:00 p.m. Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center

Free admission, donations accepted. All welcome!

WWU Vice President for Student Life Announces Retirement

Doug Tilstra, vice president for student life at Walla Walla University, has announced plans to retire in July after 44 years of service to the Adventist Church. Read more by visiting news.uccsda.org/tilstra223

Dr. Jon L. Dybdahl memorial service

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, Feb. 26, at 11 a.m. in the Walla Walla University Church for former Walla Walla University president, professor, Dr. Jon Dybdahl.

Walla Walla Valley News

Blue Mountain Television – Volunteer Opportunities

Prayer Volunteers (1) one hour once a week Landscape/garden volunteers

Front Desk Volunteers; 1pm-4pm once a week Landscape/garden volunteers

Job opportunity: Janitorial job (2) two hours a week. Call Carmen Kearns at 509-529-9149

<u>The Christian Aid Center currently has three job openings.</u> For complete job descriptions, please visit our website at <u>christianaidcenter.org</u>.

Recovery Programs Director, Men Services

We have a job opening for a Programs Director in our department of Men Services. This staff member oversees the delivery of our various recovery programs. The job is full-time with benefits.

Recovery Programs Director, Women & Children Services

This staff member oversees the recovery program by providing leadership to reach program goals, implementing a culture of recovery, understanding the process of transformation, and enforcing program policies and procedures. The job is full-time with benefits.

Business Manager, Administration

Our business manager will oversee general bookkeeping and accounting for the Mission, as well as database management and human resources responsibilities. This is a full-time position, with benefits.

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News



Evaluating the Ministry of Camp Meeting

Camp Meeting has traditionally been a place where we are reminded of our faith in God, gather with our larger UCC community, and recognize the need for evangelism and discipleship. On behalf of UCC, the communications department has developed a survey for all of UCC about the Ministry of Camp Meeting. Please take a moment to fill out the survey at news.uccsda.org/cmsurvey23.

Thank you!

AMEN Northwest Conference Registration Open

Registration is open for the AMEN Northwest Conference being held at the Upper Columbia Conference office March 10-12, 2023. The theme this year is "Optimizing Mental Health: A Biblical Perspective." Keynote speakers are Dr. Daniel Binus, Dr. Tim Riesenberger, Dr. Eric Shadle, and Cynthia Stark. For more details and to register, please visit uccsda.org/amenconference

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NPUC ACS/DR Training — February 23-26

All are welcome to join, but especially all those individuals involved in community services to a NPUC, **SonBridge**, **Center for Humanitarian Engagement** training seminar weekend, **February 23-26** at **Walla University**. Over the weekend receive Disaster Response CERT, attend a thrift store summit, or earn an Emotional & Spiritual Care Certification. To register and learn more about this weekend, visit bit.ly/NPUCtraining.

NAD Health Summit — April 2-8

Join us at the 2023 "Power to Heal" NAD Health Summit to refresh your skills, gain more tools and resources for health ministry, connect with others who are passionate about health, be inspired as you

serve others, be reenergized, and so much more! Registration is open, and space is limited. Make your plans now for this live, in-person conference, to be held in Lexington, Kentucky, on April 2-8 by visiting nadhealth.org/summit.

<u>Upper Columbia Conference Camp Meeting — June 14-17</u>

After three years of online and hybrid camp meeting, UCC is happy to announce that there will be inperson camp meeting this year from June 14-17 at Upper Columbia Academy. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for additional announcements and registration.



Conversations with UCC

In advance of the Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session scheduled for Sept. 24, 2023, at Upper Columbia Academy, there will be several Conversations with UCC throughout the conference territory. Conversations with UCC are for every member to come and hear what is happening in our territory. This year we will have a meal, a devotional, prayer time, and Q & A together. For more information and dates visit news.uccsda.org/conversations123.

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Ministry+ Resources

No matter what ministry you're involved with, Ministry+ can help provide the resources you need to do it well! Find free Quick Start Guide PDFs, ministry descriptions, Pathfinder honor requirements, a ministry directory, and more! Let us connect you with quality Christian resources to help fulfill your church's mission. Find resources at news.uccsda.org/resources223.

North American Division of SDA

Mental Wellness Sabbath — February 18

Many souls are frantically searching for a "Light in the Dark." For our neighbors, friends, family, and even fellow church members, the stress and strains of society can lead them down a dark and lonely pathway — perhaps at the cost of their lives. It's time to share the light! Join the NAD and <u>It Is</u> <u>Written</u> for <u>Mental Wellness Sabbath</u> on February 18. For resources and more information visit <u>news.uccsda.org/wellness123</u>



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 a brother ~ Chris

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.

Prayers for older members who are struggling to maintain their independence and dealing with realizing their increasing need to rely on others.

Prayers for a brother who is struggling with addiction, trying to stay clean and sober while looking for a healthier work environment.

Requests: - What are your prayer requests?

Please remember Connie and Randy Roger's as they journey through treatment and travel to and from the treatment center. If you wish to assist financially? Please follow this link:

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

Jared asked that you please pray for a neighborhood friend, Aiden
Elijah asked that you please pray for his teacher, Mr. J.
Stephanie asks for prayers for siblings; Michelle, Candace, Heather & Michael.
John asks for prayers for family, Nick & Casey
Stephanie & John ask for prayers for their blending of families

Prayers requested for Kristy & Dwight Bartlett as they travel a road of disease diagnosis and treatment. Kristy returned home this past week.

Prayers for Birdie Einig as she has begun receiving treatments for her illness.

Prayers for Carol R. as she continues her recovery and adjustment to the loss of one of her eyes.

Prayers for traveling mercies for members of our faith community:

Prayers for a young man who is living in the homeless camp hoping to secure housing soon. – Shaun

Maggie M. & daughter Alana G. may still be away for a trip to India and ask that you remember them in your prayers as they work with a group of about 300 orphans.

Praises:

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

Job Network

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.

Open Positions at UCC

- Sales Associate ABC College Place (College Place)
- Administrative Assistant KEEH Shine 104.9
- Sales Associate ABC (4 Federal Work Study Student Positions) (College Place) 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/

Job Title: Administrative Assistant Click Here

Department: **Social Work/Sociology** Hours per Week – 20 hours a week

Job Title: Office Manager & Recruitment Coordinator Click Here

Department: Social Work/Sociology

Hours per Week: 40

Earthquake Tragedy in Turkey & Syria — ADRA International

ADRA is deeply saddened by the recent earthquakes that have struck the border region of Turkey and Syria, killing thousands of people, causing widespread destruction, and leaving thousands of people in need. They are actively working to respond to the needs of those affected and urge the international community to come together to support those in need at this critical time. Please keep those affected by this devastating disaster and the emergency responders who are on the ground in your prayers. To read more visit news.uccsda.org/adra223.