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

In Mark 11 the evangelist tells a story where Jesus enters the temple in Jerusalem and there finds the court of the gentiles being used as a sale yard for sacrificial animals and currency exchange.

Jesus' heart was broken. This was the only space on the temple mount where non-Jews could worship God and it had been coopted as an animal auction house.

Full of passion for his home, Yahweh in human flesh chased all the vendors out and quoting Isaiah, "My temple will be called a house of prayer for all nations..."

My temple.

That ancient temple is long gone, destroyed in 70Ad, but God still has a temple on earth: you, me, us, His church, His people. (1 Corinthians 3:16, 17)

And like the physical temple of old we are called by God to be a house of prayer, to seek Him, to abide in Him, both individually and corporately.

This Sabbath we're focusing on our calling that God has given for us, together, to be this house of prayer. I hope you are blessed, encouraged, and inspired.

Early service starts at 9:00, Sabbath School is at 10:15, and Second Service begins at 11:30. If you can't worship in person please join in for second service online at our <u>YouTube channel.</u>

May God bless you with rest and peace this Sabbath!

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: August 26, 2023: Prayer Team; "Praying in Faith"

Next Weekend: September 2, 2023: Elder Shahbaz; Presentation on ministry to Muslims

Week At A Glance				
Sabbath, August 19, 2023				
	9:00 - 10:05	Early Service		
	10:15 - 11:15	Sabbath School		
	11:30 - 12:45	Second Service		
Sun, August 20	8am-noon	Church Work Bee		
Wed, August 23	6:30pm	Midweek Prayer Service, Youth Room		
Thurs, August 24	7:30pm	Men's Group Bible Study, Pastor's Office		

Friday, August 25 7:00pm Sabbath, August 26 9:00 and 11:30 Prayeradigm at Rosalie Dickerson's Elder Shahbaz

<b><u>Financial Report</u></b>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>NEED</u>
<i>Facility Beautification</i>	\$ 56,895.96	\$260,000	\$204,176.45
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 7,643.83	\$37,400.00	\$17,949.57
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 50,213.75	\$55,000.00	Phase 1, 2 &3

To support the ministry of Eastgate feel free to donate online or drop your gift in the offering box in the church lobby.

https://adventistgiving.org/donate/ANIINV

# Eastgate Church News & Events

#### Welcome to the New Church Office Secretary

Jodie Dupuis has accepted the position of Eastgate Church secretary, starting this Tuesday. You might have met Jodie before, she's lived in the Walla Walla area for a number of years and is an active member of a sister church in our valley. Feel free to greet Jodie as you touch bases with the office and welcome her to our church's team!

### "My City. God's City." 40 days of prayer.

Starting this Sabbath we will begin a 40-day prayer journey as a church in preparation for Sep 30-Oct 7 "We All Have Hope" series. Be sure to pick up your copy of "My City. God's City." by Roger Hernandez so you can be a part of this focus! You can also find <u>a PDF version here</u>.

#### "We All Have Hope" Evangelism Series

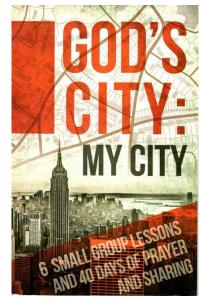
Starting September 30 and running through October 7 Roger Hernandez will be with us, sharing a series of messages to invite our friends, families, and neighbors to follow Jesus. Please keep this series in your prayers, and consider who you might invite to this amazing set of truth-filled, inspiring messages!

#### **Church Facility Beautification**

There are aspects of our church facility that have become worn through years of heartfelt, effective ministry. If these walls could speak, the stories of changed lives they could tell!

At our recent church business meeting we voted to update and repair a number of things around the facility:

Parking Lot Resurface, Reseal and Striping: Water Line Repair: Concrete Repair and addition: Worn Carpet Replacement: Lobby Window Glass Replacement: \$176,038.50 7,405.20 (completed!) 7,300.00 (completed!) 58,898.14 2,626.67

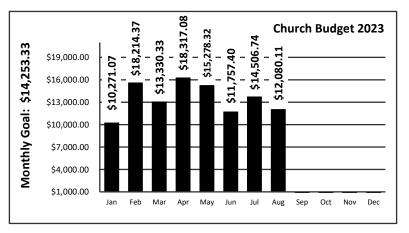


Because of your faithful, mission-minded generosity we have already raised \$54,600.03. This is amazing! If you would like to support this vision of making God's Worship and Ministry Center more appealing and usable you can mark your offering "*Facility Beautification*" and it will go toward this process. Thanks for your ministry-minded support!

#### <u>Today's Featured offering:</u> <u>Conference Advance Projects</u>

We are blessed to be a part of a sisterhood of churches in the "inland northwest" who work together for the advancement of the Gospel in our region and around the world.

This Sabbath we have an opportunity to support God's work in our region through our loose/undesignated offerings. These offerings will go to support mission endeavors such as our schools, youth



evangelism, summer camp and many other ministries that make an eternal difference. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might support these impactful outreaches.

#### **Outdoor Movie Night**

This Saturday Night August 26

This is a free event and is a favorite event of our church!

We will start with Vespers at 6:30pm. Mary Lynn and Richard Grizell, who were missionaries for many years in Alaska will share their very inspiring testimonies!

Please bring your lawn chairs or blankets to sit on and dress warmly! Social Committee is providing Italian Sodas, popcorn, and movie style candy all for your authentic movie experience.

We look forward to celebrating with you!!!

## Lifeguard Needed for Church Campout at Camp Wooten

We need a Life Guard! Saturday evening at Camp Wooten we would like to open the swimming pool for kids of all ages to relax and have fun. But, in order to do so, we must have a Life Guard – with active certification – to assure swimmer safety. Are you currently certified as a Life Guard or know someone who is and would be willing? The church would reimburse gas mileage and pay a gratuity for this service. If you would be willing to volunteer or know someone who may, please contact Pastor Eric, Wendy Rick, Erika Serl, or leave a message on the church office phone.

#### **Christian Aid Center Service Opportunity!**

Do you have a heart for service? Are you looking for a way to become involved in your community? The Eastgate church is working with the Christian Aid Center (CAC) to help provide, prepare and serve dinners for the less-fortunate population in our community. If you are being called to serve in

this way, please contact Pastor Eric, Carol Hargreaves, or Rob Becker to volunteer, from 4:00-6:00 pm, for one of the following dates:

- 1. August 28, Monday
- 2. August 31, Thursday
- 3. September 25, Monday
- 4. November 30, Thursday

But wait, that's not all, there more! Starting in January 2024, we (the Eastgate church family) will REGULARLY be serving dinners at the CAC <u>the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month</u>. Thank you in advance for your heart of service.

#### Seeking Additional Landscaping Volunteers at Eastgate SDA Church

Carol Hargreaves is looking for individuals with some unique skill sets. The church has a mole/gopher problem. Both the front yard and back yard have resident rodents that we would like to remove. If you have that special skill set, we would love to receive your assistance!

There are several other special projects Carol is looking to accomplish. Visit with her and find out what she is looking for, how you might be able to help! Thank you for your time.

#### Sabbath Morning Bible Study – Young Adults Group

Collegians and young adults (or young at heart) are invited to come for breakfast at 9:30am every Sabbath morning and stay for an engaging Bible study. We read a chapter of the Bible together and then dig deep to discuss the hard questions and figure out life applications. Come visit us at Classroom 115 and bring a friend! We are currently studying the book of Nehemiah. For more information text Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

#### Attention Primary Division Parents ~

Primary age children are invited to go directly to the classroom following early service. *Craft Time Activities* will be provided to engage the children.

#### Seasons of Service

Are you continuing to read this little worship and action booklet? Are you collecting stories of how this has impacted your life? We encourage you to do so!

- S Spiritual Revival
- **E** Engaging Youth & Youth Adults
- **R** Reaching out to Others
- V Vibrant Church Revitalization
- E Excellence in Adventist Education SERVE → One More

#### "Season of Service" Daily Devotionals and Service Activities.

If you have not yet picked up your family copy, please stop by the table in the lobby to get your copy. If they appear to be gone, please ask a deacon or

greeter if there may be others.

Remember; the challenge is to read it, follow it and share it. We want to hear what you are doing to SHARE !!!

## 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, led by men, praying for men studying together. If this interests you please contact Rob Becker or Pastor Eric Sayler.



#### Florescent Bulbs and Ballasts for Free!

The church is gradually transitioning our lighting fixtures from florescent to led bulbs. This will help with both labor and expense over the coming years.

Because of this we have a surplus of used yet working florescent tubes and ballasts that are looking for a good home. If you are interested please check in with Stan Maxted.

#### Needlepoint Art!

Evon Austin is gifted in needlepoint and other decorative arts. If you are interested in purchasing or commissioning a work give her a call! (509) 540-8347 or justtherightwords@gmail.com



# Eastgate Events Calendar Dates Up-coming!

~August 26, Saturday evening, Church backyard, Social Committee Outdoor Movie Night ~August 27, Sunday evening, "Back-to-School Luau" presented by Children's Ministry

~September 8 – 10, All Church Camp out at Camp Wooten Retreat. [Note: we request that only genuine, certified service animals be brought.]

~Sept 30-Oct 7, Evangelistic Series!

~October 7, Fall Festival

# Walla Walla Valley Adventist Schools

#### Milton-Stateline Adventist School News:

MSAS NEWS: Many things are happening around MSAS this summer! We have completed a raised garden bed where students will be able to do some gardening. Later in July as you drive by the school you may see new fencing going around our property. We are also excited that the paperwork for Learning Tree Christian Preschool is complete. Our kindergarten and preschool programs are now separate, and both have full-day opportunities. We would also be grateful if you could take a moment to visit our Facebook page and show your support by hitting the "Like" button. By doing so, you will play a significant role in helping us reach a wider audience. If you have questions about our school, please contact us at 541-938-7131 or visit our website at <u>miltonstateline.org</u>.

#### 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 <u>news.uccsda.org/wwva1122</u>.

# Walla Walla University

#### Walla Walla University is Hiring

Walla Walla University is hiring for both faculty and staff positions. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team, visit **jobs.wallawalla.edu** to learn more and apply.

# Walla Walla Valley News

#### SonBridge Hiring Communications Associate

Do you enjoy writing, posting to social media, gathering information for newsletters, hearing a story and writing it down for magazine publication? Do you have an eye for graphic design to create flyers, posters, brochures and photo directories? Do you have a heart for service and enjoy planning and helping with events? Then SonBridge needs you. For more information, please visit sonbridge.org/job-opportunities or call 509-529-3100.

#### The Christian Aid Center has the following volunteer opportunities and paid positions:

We have the following volunteer opportunities at the Christian Aid Center:

--Registered Nurses to help in our Health & Wellness Center (Thursday mornings).

--Van Driver to pick up donated food (Saturday mornings)

--Barber

--Mentors for men in our recovery program.

For more information, contact Jeannette Regalado, Community Engagement Director at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. You can also fill out an application at <u>christianaidcenter.org</u>.

# **Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News**

## Did You Miss Camp Meeting? No Worries

Visit <u>news.uccsda.org/CampMeeting2023</u> to listen to Carlton Bryd and David Jamieson share the importance of Serving One More. Visit <u>news.uccsda.org/FernandoOrtega</u> to listen to Fernando Ortega sing.

#### UCC Pathfinder Outreach Fair — Review Video

The 2023 Pathfinder Outreach Fair "Let's Go!" was to celebrate a year of pathfindering! May 19-21 UCC hosted the Pathfinder Outreach Fair which reflected on pathfinder achievements and embraced the spirit of service and sharing. To watch the review video visit <u>news.uccsda.org/outreachfair2023</u>

#### 2023 Caring Heart Awards

Fifteen academy students across NPUC exemplifying the spirit of the Caring Heart — a willingness to serve others — received the Caring Heart Award scholarship. To read about each of the students visit <u>news.uccsda.org/award723</u>

#### Fresh Granola for Sale

"Thank you all who bought our granola.

Our FRESH batch of fruity granola is ready for sale. We are blessed with this learning experience. My son has learned some principles of work and money management.

We have 20 bags ready to go. These are the ingredients: oats, almonds, sea salt, cinnamon, organic coconut oil, organic maple syrup, organic coconut flakes, vanilla extract, and dried cranberries.

Because this is our last BATCH, we would like to see them go for \$8 for each bag of 15 oz. You can text me at (678) 683 2917. Yes, or you can email <u>maru.huamaniq@gmail.con</u> Thank you for being so supportive!"

~Maria Huamani

## **Exploring Ephesians with John McVay**

John McVay, president of Walla Walla University, recently authored the Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guides for the third quarter of 2023. To supplement and promote the use of the study guides on Ephesians, McVay will be leading a variety of online sessions, recording podcasts, and teaching lessons for Sabbath School classes, the School of Theology, and camp meetings. For more information visit <u>news.uccsda.org/ephesians723</u>.



# <u>Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session</u> <u>Announced</u>

Notice is hereby given that the quadrennial session of the Upper Columbia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists is called to convene at the Upper Columbia Academy convocation center in Spangle, Washington, on Sunday, September 24, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to receive from the officers and department directors of the Conference reports pertaining to the work carried on within its territory since the last Ouadrennial session; to elect for the ensuing term officers, department

directors, and the Conference Executive Committee; and to transact any other business that may properly come before the delegates in session. Each church shall be represented at the sessions of the Conference by two delegates for the church organization and one delegate for each 75 members, or major fraction thereof, each of whom shall be a Seventh-day Adventist member in good and regular standing of the local church, which he or she represents.

David Jamieson, president Rodney Mills, vice president for administration



#### **Summer Health Tips**

Is there a word that summarizes summer for you? Vacation. Hiking or backpacking. This is part one of a short series of summer-related health tips by Cindy Williams, RN, health ministries coordinator at UCC. In this article Williams shares the real concerns of food poisoning. "Food poisoning affects people year-round but, here in the United States, it seems like it is more common during the summer months." To read more

visit uccsda.org/summer-health-tips

## **Empowering the Next Generation**



When young people are provided with supportive church environments and opportunities to lead, it can positively affect both the individual and the church. Read as six young adults share their stories, approaches to ministry and perspectives on the importance of young adults in the church. To read more visit news.uccsda.org/empowering723

# Vertical: 24-10 Prayer Experience — September 15-24

Local church prayer leaders have invited the whole Upper Columbia Conference to participate in praying together corporately for 24 hours a day for 10 days for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Those who sign up will receive a daily devotional. Plan to pray with others each day in a daily 24hour zoom. Sign up to participate and learn more about it visit uccsda.org/vertical



#### UCC Prayer Summit — October 13-15

Mark your calendar for the first annual Prayer Summit, October 13-15. All individuals, including prayer leaders within UCC Churches, as well as those interested in fostering prayer growth within their respective churches, are cordially invited to attend this event. Beginning Friday, October 13, at 5:00 p.m. at the Upper Columbia Conference headquarters. Listen to keynote speakers, Karen Martell, an experienced prayer leader trainer, from Central California Conference; and David Jamieson, Upper Columbia Conference president. Lodging will be available near the conference headquarters. Register by visiting <u>news.uccsda.org/PrayerSummit1023</u>. If you are willing to open your home to attendees and you live in the Spokane, Airway Heights, or Cheney area, please contact Kathy at <u>kathym@uccsda.org</u>.

# North American Division

#### North American Division Adventist Community Services — Grant Opportunities

This week North American Division Adventist Community Services launched three new grant opportunities for Adventist Community Services ministries/outreaches. The three grants are an Innovation Grant, Youth Initiative Grant, and Immigrant Grant. A link to information about these grants is found at <u>news.uccsda.org/acsgrants523</u>. If interested in applying, please contact Patty Marsh, UCC Director for ACS, at <u>Pattym@uccsda.org</u> to discuss possibilities. Please note the first submission deadline is July 31, 2023.

#### NAD Women Clergy Retreat (Washington, D.C.) — October 9-12

There are 339 women clergy currently serving in the North American Division. The Ministerial Association is hosting a division-wide women clergy retreat October 9–12, 2023. For more information visit <u>news.uccsda.org/connected1023</u>.

## Reconstructing Religious Liberty (Collegedale, TN) — October 20-21

The NAD Public Affairs and Religious Liberty ministry is excited to announce its upcoming October 20-21 conference "Reconstructing Religious Liberty in a Time of Religious and Secular Extremes." Hosted by the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church in partnership with Southern Adventist University, this two-day event will explore new ways to talk about religious freedom within a culturally and politically polarized America. Registration is now open with an early-bird rate of just \$49! For more information visit religiousliberty.info/events.

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## EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: <u>Eastgate Adventist Church</u>. Thank you for subscribing!

Prayer Time ~ 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 from a father for his two teen children – that they stay safe in Christ!

Praises and Prayers of thanksgiving for members of this church who care for each other, for their children, their grandchildren and their church.

Two of our male members are dealing with prostate cancer in the early stages. Please keep these men in your prayers.

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

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

# **<u>Requests: - What are your prayer requests?</u>**

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: <u>www.GoFundMe.com/w4pcx8-love-for-Connie</u>

Prayers requested for Kristy & Dwight B. as they travel a road of treatment. They will be making weekly trips to Seattle for treatment for the next year. If you wish to assist financially? Please follow this link:

www.gofundme.com/f/kristys-cancer-medical-treatment

Prayers for Tudy (and Richard) Carlton as she receives treatment for cancer.

Prayers for Marylin Kovach who is experiencing health concerns. She appreciates visits and calls!

Prayers for Shawn K. as a series of medical procedures are needed and funding for medical expenses are difficult ~ Thank you.

Prayers for our families ~ there are several couples who have recently become estranged, relationships lost, families broken. Pray for strength and healing of individual hearts.

Former academy classmates of Dixie Cramer, Steve and Donna Tanner, have been going through a series of major crises, the latest of which is a new of lymphoma in Donna's brain. Please pray for healing for her and for courage, strength and peace for them both and for the family.

# What are your Praises for your Heavenly Father?

Share the Victories where Jesus Christ, God the Father & the Holy Spirit have blessed you these last few days or weeks. Let us know of the blessings that flow to His believers!