

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

The other evening our family set aside time for a family date. It was awesome. The central experience was a tasty meal at a local pizza establishment. As I oversaw the creation of my personalized meal I started with a base model, then added things like onions, jalapeños, artichoke hearts, roasted red peppers, rosemary, and many other wonderful ingredients.

It was lovely. In fact, I loved it.

Love. It's a funny word. Such a broad range of applications.

Yes, I loved my pizza, but obviously my love for that tasty meal is eclipsed by my passionate love for the family I ate it with. There is no comparison.

In John 15 Jesus says "[there is] no greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

This Sabbath we're exploring this "greatest" of all loves, this love that eclipses all other loves.

Join in this Sabbath as we fellowship and explore this topic together at Eastgate, Early Service starts at 9:00, Sabbath School at 10:15, and Second Service at 11:30. We'll be live-streaming second service at our [YouTube Channel](#). Check it out if you can't be with us in person!

Sabbath blessings!

~Pastor Eric

This Weekend: *May 20, 2023: Pastor Eric Saylor ~I*

Next Weekend: *May 27, 2023: Student Pastor Isaac Peterson*

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, May 20	9:00 – 10:05am	Early Service Worship,
	10:15am – 11:15am	Sabbath School
	11:30am – 12:45pm	Second Worship Service, Pastor Eric
	1:00pm	Adult Sabbath School Leaders Meeting ~ Fellowship Room
Monday, May 22	3:00pm	Fellowship Room Reserved for community group
Tuesday, May 23	afternoon/evening	Providence Cardiac Rehab Healthy Cooking Class
Wednesday, May 24	6:30pm	Midweek Prayer Service, Youth Room
Friday, May 26	7:00pm	Prayeradigm at Rosalie Dickerson's
Sabbath, May 27	9:00am – 12:45pm	Isaac Peterson Sermon

1:00pm All Church Picnic Potluck in our Back Yard! Bring hot dogs, patties, salads, fruits and summer desserts! Dogs and Patties will be oven heated for our meal.

Eastgate SDA Church Service this Week ~ Second Service Outline

Worship Service 11:30am 05-20-2023 [Link to: ~ Eastgate Church: YouTube](#)

Gathering Song	Praise Team
Community Life	Lenard Wittlake
Kids Korner	
Children's Song	Praise Team
Children's Story	Casey Cramer
Songs of Praise & Worship	Praise Team
Prayer	Lenard Wittlake
God's Word	Pastor Eric Saylor
Sermon Title:	No Greater Love ...
Scripture:	John 15:13
Song of Response	Praise Team
Benediction	Lenard Wittlake

Worship Team today – First Service

Lead Elder: Lenard Wittlake
 Praise Team: Casey Cramer & Friends
 Pianist: Dixie Cramer
 Greeter: Erik Johnson & David Meyer
 Lead Deacon: Harry Arriola
 Lead Deaconess: Birdie Einig
 AV Team: Ryan Daniel & Bob Daniel
 Live Streaming: No live-stream early service

Worship Team today – Second Service

Lead Elder: Lenard Wittlake
 Praise Team: Casey Cramer & Friends
 Pianist: Dixie Cramer
 Greeter: Jim Hall & Julie Hall
 Lead Deacon: Whitney Johnson
 Lead Deaconess: Heather Wimer
 AV Team: Dennis Anderson & Curtis Culp
 Live Streaming: Brian & Rachelle Hartman

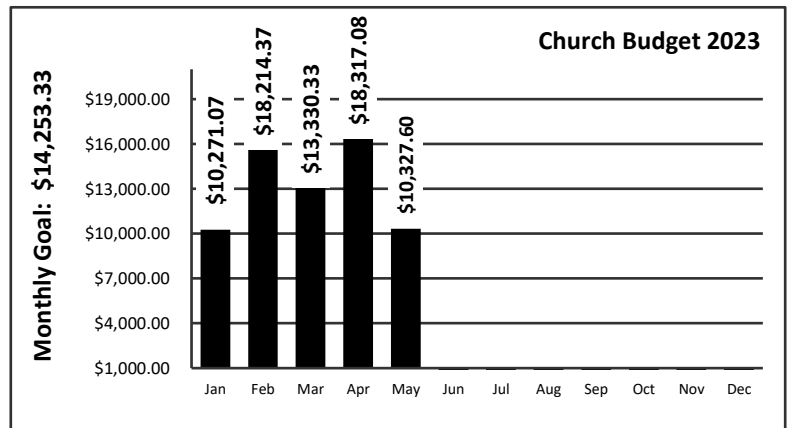
<u>Financial Report</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>NEED</u>
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 29,395.50	\$25,271.50	\$(4,124.00)
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 47,505.49	\$55,000.00	<i>Phase 1, 2 &3</i>

Eastgate Church News & Events

May 20, 2023

Local Church Budget

Sometimes when people go to visit another person or family, they take a gift for the host. Were you invited for a special dinner? Then take a pie or a bouquet of flowers. Were you invited on Saturday night for some table games? Maybe you'll take some snacks — sweet, salty, or healthy! This simply demonstrates good manners. The gift isn't more than the meal you receive, but it acknowledges a relationship that isn't merely one-way. Good relationships involve both give and take.



When David successfully took the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem, he gave everyone in Israel gifts of food, with a much larger gift to God. David also gave his music leader a song, found in both Ps. 96 and 1 Chron. 16, which includes this modern way of singing it:

Bravo, God, Bravo!
Everyone join in the great shout: Encore!
In awe before the beauty, in awe before the might.
Bring gifts and celebrate,
Bow before the beauty of God,
Then to your knees—everyone worship! (Ps. 96:7-8 MSG)

We have come to worship God at His house on this Sabbath. This includes bringing our gifts and celebrating in worship. No, we don't give as much as God gives us, but we give because that's part of the relationship we have with our great God and part of the worship we practice each week.

Prayer: God, please accept our gifts at this time. Bless our humble offering we give to you today in Jesus' name, Amen

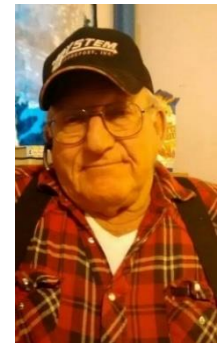
Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Announcing an All Church Business Meeting ~ June 3, 7:00pm

We need to consult with as many of our members as possible regarding the future of our Mission here at Eastgate SDA Church. We will gather for an evening worship thought before moving into the discussion of *Major decisions we need to make regarding our church*. More details will be announced as we get closer.

Celebration of Life for Jim Colvin will be May 20, 2023 from 11:00am

The location will be at the Rotary Shelter in Fort Walla Walla. Jim passed away at Providence St Mary Medical Center on March 31, 2023.

Jim was a long-time member of the Eastgate congregation. He is survived by his wife, Robin Colvin. Jim had five daughters; Delia, Misti, Jodi, Heather and Kassi. He was grandfather to nine grandchildren and several great grandchildren. This will be a come and go event beginning at 11:00am until the family feels like those who desire to come will have had a chance to stop in.



Armed Forces Day Event this Sabbath

In recognition of the men and women who have served in uniform, we are planning a special recognition Sabbath on Armed Forces Day, May 20th. Sabbath we will display photos of those in our church community or their family members who have been in service, and recognize them for their dedication. Thank you to those who submitted photos.



Problems Accessing our On-line Church Directory?

If you used to access our on-line church directory through our church website ~ try going directly to the hosting site:

www.instantchurchdirectory.com . Select Member Sign In and follow the procedures you have used in the past. 😊

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 !!!**

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.

If you have an idea you would like to lead out in, please reach out to Carol Hargreaves, Pastor Eric or Stan in the church office. Thank you for your considerations!

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 II Kings. For more information text Josh Boram (541) 870-4661 or Mary Castrejon at (360) 349-7126.

Women's Ministry & Men's Ministry Sunday Morning Brunch series hiatus for the summer

Both of these two groups will take a summer hiatus as many individuals will be spending more time in their yards and gardens and away on summer trips. Both groups will restart again in *September*.

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 Saylor.

June 5 to 9 ~ Contractors and Construction Work at the front church entry ~ Eastgate SDA

This week we will have contractors working on replacing old scaling concrete at our front entry. They will also be forming up a new emergency exit sidewalk at the back of the church. And, we will also be excavating for a water line replacement. We plan to be finished and ready for Sabbath, June 10.

We appreciate you for taking special care to park vehicles out of the working areas. If you need to visit the church this week, please park to the extreme East or West away from the work zones. Thank you!

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

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

EASTGATE SDA ON FACEBOOK Like and follow our page on Face Book!

<https://www.facebook.com/Eastgate-SDA-Church-206126468203> **[Eastgate SDA Church](#)**

EASTGATE SDA CHURCH ON YOUTUBE

YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: **[Eastgate Adventist Church](#)**. Thank you for subscribing!

Eastgate Events Calendar Dates Up-coming!

- ~May 27, **Outdoor Potluck Picnic** style at the church following second service. The ladies will provide the buns for either burgers or hot dogs plus condiments. Please bring Summer Salads, fruits, desserts of your choosing, hot dogs and/or patties. These last two will be oven heated.
- ~July 22, Outdoor Church at Harris Park up the Southfork of the Walla Walla River out of Milton-Freewater, Oregon
- ~August 12, A Picnic at Pioneer Park, All of the church is invited to participate in this Social Committee sponsored Potluck Picnic!
- ~August 26, Saturday evening, Church backyard, Social Committee Movie Night

~September 8 – 10, All Church Camp out at Camp Wooten Retreat. [Note: All dogs must be registered/certified service animals according to park regulations.]

Walla Walla Valley Adventist Schools

Ben Gish Retirement Farewell, Sabbath, May 20

A potluck lunch in the dining hall at Walla Walla Valley Academy (after church, around 1:30 p.m.) Drinks and Dessert provided. Bring potluck dishes to share. After 42 years of teaching (30 at WWVA!) Mr. Gish will be retiring from the orchestra program that he built at WWVA. Join us in a fellowship meal and the opportunity to share your appreciation to Mr. Gish!

Milton-Stateline Adventist School

The *kindergarten class* of Milton-Stateline Adventist School invites you to their graduation on Thursday, May 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the school gym.

The *eighth-grade graduating class* of Milton-Stateline Adventist School would be honored by your presence at their graduation on Thursday, June 1, at 6:30 in the Milton Adventist Church, 1244 N. Elizabeth St., Milton-Freewater.

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

Walla Walla University School of Theology Annual Book Sale

Next week – May 22 – 25. Sale hours are: Monday – Wednesday: 10:00am – 12:00 Noon
Monday – Thursday: 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Location: Walla Walla University School of Theology Administration Building – 3rd Floor.
All books are \$0.25 each. Please bring change and your own bags.

The Walla Walla University Music Department is pleased to invite you to the following events:

- Wind Symphony Concert: Saturday, 13 May 2023, 4:00 p.m. ~ Walla Walla University Church
- Senior Student Recital: Yena Cho, piano, Friday, May 19, 2023 2:00pm FAC
- Spring Choral Concert: Saturday, 20 May 2023, 5:00 p.m. ~ Walla Walla University Church
- Vocal Minor Recital: Alexandra Bazan, Chase Wiedemann, Larissa Edmister, Benjamin Griffin
Sunday, 21 May 2023, 7:00 p.m. Melvin K. West Fine Art Center (FAC)
- Symphony Orchestra Concert: Thursday, 25 May 2023, 7:30 p.m. ~ Walla Walla University Church
- Steel Band Concert, Wednesday, May 31, 2023 7:00pm, FAC
- Senior Student Recital: Hannah Gordo, soprano, Friday, June 2, 2023, 7:00pm, FAC
- Senior Student Recital: Jamie Palmer, clarinet, Friday, June 9, 2023, 2:00pm. FAC
- Senior Student Recital: Stefano Fratianni, piano, June 9, 2023, 4:00pm, FAC
- Evensong: Saturday, 10 June 2023, 8:00 p.m. ~ Walla Walla University Church

Free admission. Donations accepted. To donate online visit wallawalla.edu/donate, select Choose Fund/Other and type Music in the designation field.

[Walla Walla Valley News](#)

Free Dental & Resource Fair — May 19 & 21

SonBridge Center for Better Living (1200 SE 12th St., College Place, WA) is hosting a free Dental & Resource Fair on May 19 & 21 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for uninsured or financially struggling individuals. Services, including extractions, fillings, and denture adjustments, by appointment only for those 18 and older. In addition, the resource fair, presented by Walla Walla Valley, will discuss housing, utilities assistance, and health care. Free flu and COVID vaccines will also be available. Volunteers, such as professional dental workers, including dentists, hygienists, and assistants, as well as general volunteers, are still needed for both days. Contact (509) 593-5342, email freeclinic@sonbridge.org, or visit sonbridge.org/freeclinic for more information, to make an appointment, or to volunteer.

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

Barber	Dinner Server	Dinner Group (monthly commitment)
Handyman	Nurse	

For more information, please contact Jeannette Regalado, Community Engagement Director, at (509) 525-7153 ext. 114. You can also visit our website at christianaidcenter.org to fill out an application.

Recovery Programs Director, Women & Children Services

We have a job opening for a Programs Director in our department of 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.

Community Life Specialist, Women & Children Services

This staff member provides a warm and friendly presence during the evening hours, while representing the organization and its philosophy. This individual also provides guest support and organizes activities to promote a sense of community. The job is part-time, typically from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, with some on-call time. Days of the week are flexible.

If you, or someone you know, is interested, please visit our website at christianaidcenter.org for the complete job descriptions.

[Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News](#)

Camp Meeting Volunteers Needed

We would love to have you volunteer at camp meeting and be a part of making this an awesome experience for everyone. To volunteer visit news.uccsda.org/CMvolunteer

Camp Meeting Registration is Open!

Are you excited about camp meeting? The 2023 Upper Columbia Conference camp meeting will be June 14-17, 2023, at Upper Columbia Academy. Don't miss out on the unforgettable array of events, seminars, concert by Christian music artist Fernando Ortega, and the profound messages from speakers Carlton Byrd and David Jamieson. Reignite your faith, connect with others, and create memories that will last a lifetime. For more details, announcements, and registration, visit uccsda.org/campmeeting



REGISTER TODAY
uccsda.org/campmeeting

Now Accepting Applications for 2023 Camp Meeting Exhibitor Booths

We are now accepting applications for 2023 camp meeting exhibitor booths. All booths will go through an approval process. Camp meeting will be from June 14-17 on the campus of Upper Columbia Academy. For more information and to apply, go to uccsda.org/campmeeting.

MAIN SPEAKER



Carlton Byrd
President, Southwest Region Conference



Carlton Byrd — Main Speaker

Meet Dr. Carlton P. Byrd, president of Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, in Dallas, Texas. Dr. Byrd has multiple degrees from various universities, including a master of business administration degree from Tennessee State University and a doctor of ministry degree from Andrews University, he has also served as the speaker/director of the Breath of Life Television Broadcast from 2010 to 2021. To read more about Dr. Byrd visit uccsda.org/campmeeting.

David Jamieson — Main Speaker

Meet Pastor David Jamieson, president of Upper Columbia Conference since January 2022. With more than 20 years of experience leading Church in the Valley, in Langley, BC, he obtained his master of divinity degree from Andrews University and later earned a doctor of ministry degree. He has a passion for evangelism and church growth, having spoken at conferences worldwide and served as the speaker-director for Faith Out Loud Canada, a popular radio program. To read more about Jamieson visit uccsda.org/campmeeting.

MAIN SPEAKER



David Jamieson
President, Upper Columbia Conference



Fernando Ortega — Musical Guest

Meet Fernando Ortega, an accomplished Christian composer and pianist renowned for his unique, earthy sound that weaves together Celtic, bluegrass, classical, and Latin American influences. With more than 25 years in the music industry, Fernando's repertoire includes modern hymns, liturgical songs, and inspirational praise & worship favorites, earning him three Gospel Music Association Dove Awards and a Billboard Latin Music Award. His latest album, The Crucifixion of Jesus, is a meticulously crafted project featuring 11 contemplative songs and six readings, taking the listener on a journey from Palm Sunday to the Crucifixion, making it his most devotional release yet. To read more about Ortega visit uccsda.org/campmeeting

MUSIC GUEST



Fernando Ortega
Singer-songwriter



Camp Meeting Meal Tickets are Now Available

Don't forget to purchase your meal tickets for 2023 Camp Meeting. Tickets are now available. An individual meal ticket can be used for any of the 10 meals, not including Sabbath lunch. There is a limit to Sabbath lunch tickets and no tickets will be sold on Sabbath. All tickets are \$10 per ticket, ages 0-3 are free. Delicious food awaits you. Visit news.uccsda.org/MealTickets to purchase your meal tickets.

News from Camp MiVoden

Camp MiVoden just opened Junior Survival Camp 2 – July 2-9, 2023, ages 10-12. Campers will learn how to build shelters and many other skills while in the woods of Mokins Creek area of camp. There are still openings in teen camps, ages 14-17, one additional girls cabin for adventure camp, ages 8-10, and family camps. Add your name to the wait list if the camp is marked as full, as MiVoden staff prioritize filling any open spots from the wait list before opening them to new registrations. Please visit mivoden.com or call (509) 242-0506.

UCC Pathfinder Outreach Fair ~ May 19 - 21

"Let's Go!" and celebrate a year of pathfinding! This weekend UCC hosts the Pathfinder Outreach Fair. This years fair reflects on pathfinder achievements and embraces the spirit of service and sharing. Pathfinders will bring their projects and service displays to showcase the incredible work their clubs did this year. On Sabbath afternoon, a service project will take place, on Saturday night

UCA presents their Acro Home Show, and Sunday morning drill teams will dazzle viewers with a captivating performance. Please pray for this event and for these young people.

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. Registration opens soon.

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 news.uccsda.org/acsgrants523. If interested in applying, please contact Patty Marsh, UCC Director for ACS, at Pattym@uccsda.org to discuss possibilities. Please note the first submission deadline is July 31, 2023.

Great Controversy Animation Film — May 19

Hope Channel International presents a new animation film that challenges industry norms: The Great Controversy premieres May 19 on Hope Channel International. To read more about this film and the event visit news.uccsda.org/controversy523.

Collegiate DiscipleTrek Experience (South Dakota) — Deadline May 29 — July 3-23

If you are in college/university and in public school, Adventist Christian Fellowship (acflink.org) and the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists has a great opportunity to offer you! At no cost to you, you can participate in a 3-week ACF/ Collegiate DiscipleTrek experience. The experience provides an amazing opportunity for personal growth and a spiritually refreshing time for each person participating. With only 30 spots available you will want to register right away. The event is July 3-23 in Flag Mountain Camp, South Dakota with a registration deadline of May 29. There are some interest webinars as well as general and registration information about this opportunity on the website discipletrek.life.

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 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.

Please remember me and my family in prayer during a terrible crisis situation we are going through.

Please Pray that we have a favorable outcome. Thank You and May God Bless You! Anonymous

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

Stephanie & John ask for prayers for their blending of families
John request prayer for his grandfather, Robert ~ declining health

Prayers requested for Kristy & Dwight B. as they travel a road of diagnosis and 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 Marilyn Kovach who is experiencing health concerns, she recently fell and broke a leg so will be off her feet for the next 3 weeks. She appreciates visits and calls!

Prayers for Birdie E. as she regains strength following treatment for her diagnosis.

Please keep Pam S. Zachrison-Fry and family in your prayers as they grieve the passing of her father, Leonard "Len" Zachrison.

Praises:

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