

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

When I was a child, I did not attend church. We did not grow up knowing about Jesus, nor did anyone purposely oppose Him. Occasionally we got to attend Vacation Bible School in the summer. I LOVED going to Vacation Bible School! It was where I first got a taste of Jesus and VBS was definitely part of my journey to becoming a Christian.

This week our church put on a VBS that our church family should be proud of.

God was glorified here. Close to 1/3 of our participants were not Seventh-Day Adventist. We are impressing young minds to choose Jesus forever!

This Sabbath we will be sharing about how God moved in Vacation Bible School this week. We invite you to hear about the amazing things God has done using this church family. We are blessed because He chose us to serve .

Please come and be 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 [YouTube channel](#).

May God bless you with rest and peace this Sabbath!

~By Wendy Rick
VBS Registration Team Leader

This Weekend: August 12, 2023: "Fiercely Faithful" VBS Celebration!

Next Weekend: August 19, 2023: Pastor Eric Saylor; "Letter to the Hebrews..."

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, August 12, 2023

	9:00 – 10:05	Early Service, VBS Celebration
	10:15 – 11:15	Sabbath School
	11:30a – 12:45p	Second Service, VBS Celebration
Wednesday, August 16	6:30pm	Midweek Prayer Service, Youth Room
Friday, August 18	7:00pm	Prayeradigm at Rosalie Dickerson's
Sabbath, August 19	9:00 and 11:30	Pastor Eric Preaching

<u>Financial Report</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>NEED</u>
<i>Facility Beautification</i>	\$ 55,823.55	\$260,000	\$204,176.45
Student Aid goal for 2022-23	\$ 7,155.15	\$24,900.00	\$17,949.57
HVAC Up-grades	\$ 49,878.75	\$55,000.00	<i>Phase 1, 2 &3</i>

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

Church Secretary Position

We want to thank Stan for his years of service in the church office, his ministry has made a real difference! Starting this month Stan is shifting his focus to janitorial (which he has been doing) and broadening his role to include facility maintenance. This focus will bless the church as we work on the Facility Beautification process.

Because of this shift we are accepting applications for Eastgate Church Office Secretary. This position is 15 hours/wk and starts at \$18.00/hr. Applications can be found at <https://www.uccsda.org/jobs>, scroll down to “Employment Application.”

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:	\$176,038.50
Water Line Repair:	7,405.20 (completed!)
Concrete Repair and addition:	7,300.00 (completed!)
Worn Carpet Replacement:	58,898.14
Lobby Window Glass Replacement:	2,626.67
Entrance Door Security Updates:	8,000.00

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!

“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!

Today's offering: Church Budget
August 12, 2023

Imagine the scene recorded in Mark 10. A huge crowd was following Jesus. Voices buzzed around Him, clamoring for His attention. And then, a desperate shout reached Jesus' ears (or, perhaps, struck His heart).

“Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Jesus stopped in His tracks and called out to Bartimaeus. Immediately, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?”

Without hesitation, Bartimaeus declared, “Rabbi, I want to see!” Jesus answered, “Go, your faith has healed you!”

I love that we can share the mercy and grace of Jesus Christ with people who are blind or experiencing vision loss! Christian Record Services, a ministry of compassion of the Seventh-day Adventist Church since 1899, is serving nearly 18,000 members throughout the United States and in countries around the world.

Christian Record Services offers an array of services and programs, including Bible study lessons, books, magazines and Bibles in audio, braille, and large print from a library of more than 2,000 titles. Members can also deepen social, educational, and spiritual connections through PhoneFaith, scholarships for higher education, and National Camps for Blind Children.

These services and programs are free of charge to people who are legally blind. Your offerings will help further the mission to empower people who are blind to engage with their communities and embrace the Blessed Hope.

Outdoor Movie Night
Saturday Night August 26

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

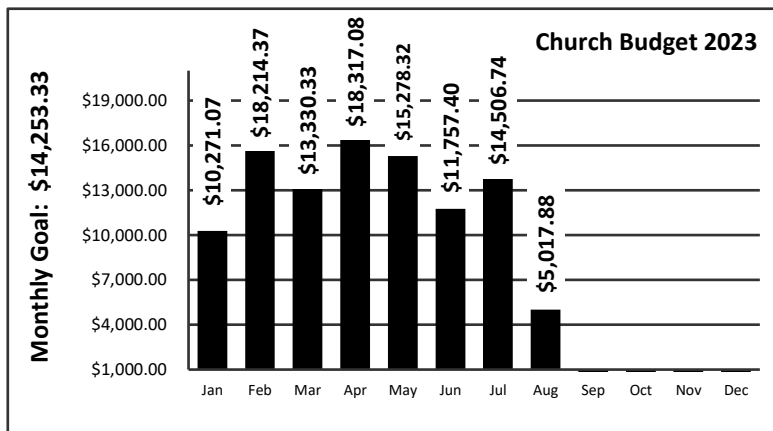
We will start with Vespers at 6:30pm. Mary Lynn and Richard Grizell, who were missionaries for many years in Alaska will share their very inspiring testimonies!

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 the 4th Monday of every month. 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 Saylor.

Eastgate Events Calendar Dates Up-coming!

- ~August 12, A Picnic at Pioneer Park, All of the church is invited to participate in this Social Committee sponsored Potluck Picnic! Bring your favorite dish and a chair.
- ~August 20, Church Work Bee
- ~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.]

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 miltonstateline.org.

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 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 christianaidcenter.org.

Upper Columbia Conference of SDA News

Did You Miss Camp Meeting? No Worries

Visit news.uccsda.org/CampMeeting2023 to listen to Carlton Bryd and David Jamieson share the importance of Serving One More. Visit news.uccsda.org/FernandoOrtega 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 pathfinding! 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 news.uccsda.org/outreachfair2023

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 news.uccsda.org/award723

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 news.uccsda.org/ephesians723.



Upper Columbia Conference Constituency Session Announced

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 Quadrennial 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 24-hour 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 news.uccsda.org/PrayerSummit1023. 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 kathym@uccsda.org.

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 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.

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 news.uccsda.org/connected1023.

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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YouTube: Eastgate Church ~ Our Church Service is now being broadcast on YouTube at the following Link: [Eastgate Adventist Church](#). 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.

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

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 Marilyn 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!

Eastgate Vacation Bible School



[Register](#) Your Child Now! or
Sign up to be a [Volunteer](#)!

<https://www.eastgatesda.org/ministries/vacation-bible-school>



