

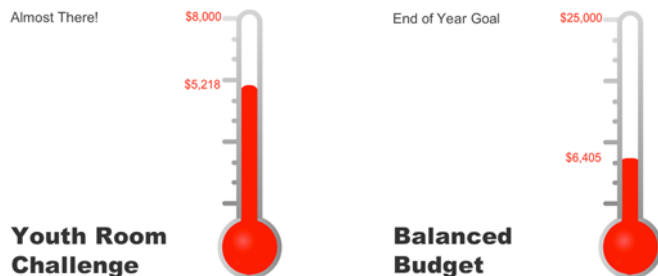
## News from the Pastor's Desk

*Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;  
His love endures forever.*

With 2013 fast escaping us God has give us several opportunities to face our fears and allow Him to grow our faith. The first challenge was an opportunity to re-equip our Youth room for multigenerational discipleship and evangelism. The budget for this project is \$8,000. Thanks to a gift matching opportunity every dollar donated up to \$4,000 will be matched dollar for dollar. Thanks to your generosity I'm excited to let you know that we are over half way to our goal. To date we have received \$2,609, which equates to \$5,218 once the matching funds are applied to your gifts. That means we only need \$1,391 in additional gifts to receive the remaining \$1,391 in matching funds and meet our goal!

The second challenge we have been given in 2013 is to fund the mission of our church without renting our facility on Sunday's to another congregation. As of November 15 we were only \$25,000 short of our goal of balancing our budget for 2013. As of November 22 I'm excited to say we now only \$18,595 away from meeting our goal of balancing our budget and funding the mission of our church.

As we have discovered recently faith and fear go hand in hand. I would like to thank everyone is partnering with us in our mission to be "growing disciples - preparing people to meet Jesus." Facing our fears - especially our financial fears may be the most frightening thing we can humanly do. However, nothing does more to spiritually develop disciples than choosing to trust God more than one's own ability to meet his or her financial needs.



## Week at a Glance

Today	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:33pm
Sunday	Pathfinders - Dress Uniform	4:00pm
Tuesday	Harvest Share	7:30am
	Tuesday Morning Bible Study	11:30am
Wednesday	Prayer Power Group	7:00pm
Thursday	Church Office Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!	
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	4:29pm
Next Sabbath:	House of Prayer Experience	9:30am
	Sabbath-School Classes	10:00am
	Worship Service	11:00am
	Offering: NAD Evangelism	
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:29pm

**Do You Have An Urgent Prayer Request?** To start the prayer chain please call the church office (503) 661-4100.

## Contact Information

### Church Office Hours

9-4 Tues. & Wed., 9-3 on Thurs.

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Please note that messages left on voice mail after office hours on Thursday will not be heard until Monday morning.

**Support Your Church Financially online at**  
[www.RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving](http://www.RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving)

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# Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



## Growing Disciples Preparing People to Meet Jesus

November 23, 2013



## House of Prayer Experience

9:30 A.M. to 9:55 A.M.

*Do you need hope? Do your friends, family, and/or neighbors need hope? Join us every Sabbath morning as we pray for our community, our church, and our families. If you are longing for hope in the midst of apparent hopelessness the House of Prayer Experience is for you.*

## Small Group Bible Study

10:00 A.M. to 10:50 A.M.

*Please visit our information desk for a complete list of Saturday Morning Bible Study Groups. We invite you to join the group of your choice.*

## Worship

11:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M

Welcome & Greeting Time	Pastor Gene
Praise Time	The Praise Team
Children's Story	Pastor Gene
Our Gift to God	"OC Youth/Ed Fund" Everyone
Organ Offertory	Barbara Specht
Worship in Word	Pastor Gene
	<b>"Faith Trumps Doubt"</b>
Closing Hymn	"In the Garden" #487
Prayer Garden	LeRoy Rieley
Organ Postlude	Barbara Specht

*Audio and Video Recordings of our weekly Bible Teachings are available online or through our media library located in the lobby.*

## Rockwood Community News

**It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas!** In you bulletins today you will find inserts for both our annual "Memorials and Thanks" and our "Wish List". Our "Memorials and Thanks" help fund our Christmas decorations. For \$15 you can have a loved-one remembered or something you're grateful for listed in our bulletin for the annual Christmas program on December 14. Also, please prayerfully consider our "Wish List" insert.

**Support Our Pathfinders!** -At 4:00 pm tomorrow the Pathfinders could use some additional help in putting together food baskets for those in need, and drivers to help deliver them. Please don't forget the "M&M" canister fundraiser for Oshkosh! A basket is on the table in the lobby.

**Help Decorate the Church for Christmas** - On Tuesday, December 3, at 1:30 pm we will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas. If anyone is able to help please contact Barbara Specht at (503) 698-2503.

**Rockwood and United Church of Christ Combined Choirs** will sing at Follow the Star on Friday evening from 6:10 to 6:40 on December 13.

**Our Annual Rockwood Christmas** is scheduled for December 14 this year. The morning starts with breakfast from 9:30 to 10:20 am. Please bring fruit or Christmas bread trays, TABLE READY! Hot food and drink will be supplied. The program itself starts at 10:30 am. There will be no Sabbath school classes. We schedule this early in December, before our families start leaving for Christmas holidays.

**Mark your calendars! - Mexican Fiesta Banquet** on Sunday, evening, February 16, 2014. Everyone is invited. Great food, entertainment and a silent auction. This fundraiser is sponsored by the Rockwood Pathfinders.

**Typhoon Haiyan Donations** - Please see your bulletin inserts for up-to-date information on making donations.

**Children's Safety** is a top priority at Rockwood Adventist. Copies of the Child Protection Policy & Guidelines are on the bulletin board. Parents please escort your children to the restrooms and be aware of where they are at all times.

## Other News and Events

**Pastor Jonathan Russell**, Assistant Pastor at Sunnyside Adventist Church, will be ordained November 23 at 3:00 pm. (10501 SE Market Street, Portland, 97216). All are welcome. Refreshments will follow.

**Tabernacle's Christmas Concert** -- Born a Savior, Born a King. All are invited to attend the performance of this beautiful cantata Friday evening, December 13, at 7:00 pm. This is a community outreach performance that highlights the fulfillment of prophesy for Christ's 1st Advent, with promise of His sure return. Refreshments will be served afterward. Tabernacle SDA Church, corner of SW Barbur & Hamilton in Portland (26 SW Condor Way).

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Follow-the-Star** - Bring your friends to the live nativity and holiday musical event December 6-8 & 13-15 at 19500 Oatfield Rd. in Gladstone. Free tickets are available at [www.followthestar.us](http://www.followthestar.us) but are going fast. A limited number of free tickets will be available at the door each evening for those who come without online reservations.

**Korean Exchange Students Attending PAES** - Homestay needed for a 7th grade Boy attending PAES January 6-March 2. Homestay for an 8th grade girl also attending PAES, beginning immediately through December 20th, possibly through Feb. 14th. Expense compensation will be provided. Call Barbara Plubell (503) 665-4102 for more information.

**Portland Adventist Community Services** needs turkeys, chickens, eggs and stuffing to provide to people through the food pantry. Donations can be dropped off at PACS 11-4 pm Sunday, and 9-5 pm Monday & Tuesday (11020 NE Halsey St, Portland). Thank you for your kindness!