

News from the Pastor's Desk

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Thank you! -In the last few weeks of 2013 I've been blown away by the way God's people have grasped their financial fears with the hand of faith. If you have traveled with children you have no doubt heard the question, "are we there yet?" Well, 2013 has taken Rockwood Adventist on a journey into territory we had not seen in over a decade - financial independence from renters and complete dependence on God. With only ten days left in 2013 I'm excited to say, YES! We are almost there - our financial destination of a balanced budget for 2013 is in sight - thanks completely to God and your faithfulness to his leading in your life.

Your continued generosity during the final ten days of 2013 will not only help us balance our budget but every dollar over our \$25,000 goal will help us replenish the financial reserves that were depleted during the great recession of 2008-2012. Thank you for your continued support of the mission of Rockwood Adventist. God will richly reward you for your faithfulness and live in our community will be changed for eternity!



777 - Mark your calendars for our 2014 Week of Prayer. January 1-7. Praying for 7 days at 7am and 7pm. See your bulletin insert for additional information.

Unlocking Revelation - Hope, Meaning, & Purpose

Please plan to bring a friend and join me in our newly equipped youth room for an exciting look at the book of Revelation Friday-Monday evenings January 10-27.

Week at a Glance

Today	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:30pm
Sunday	NO Pathfinders	
Tuesday	NO Tuesday Morning Bible Study	
Wednesday	NO Prayer Power Group	
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	4:34pm
Next Sabbath:	House of Prayer Experience	9:30am
	Sabbath-School Classes	10:00am
	Worship Service	11:00am
	Offering: OC Youth/Ed Fund	
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:35pm

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.

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www.RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving

Ministers	Everyone	ask-them
Lead Pastor	Gene Heinrich	(503) 781-5799
Secretary	Kamille Ross	(503) 661-4100
Deacon Team Leader	Today	Constantin Moisescu

Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



Growing Disciples Preparing People to Meet Jesus

December 21, 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
"Happy Birthday, Jesus" – Joyce & Jane	
Our Gift to God	"Church Budget" Everyone
Worship in Music	Stephan Ilie
Worship in Word	Pastor Gene
"Wishing Versus Praying"	
Closing Hymn	
Prayer Garden	Kamille Ross
Organ/Piano Postlude	Joyce Bredemeier & Jane Roe

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

Rockwood Community News

Caring Card – Please stop at the desk in the lobby and sign the card for Larry Journey. His brother passed away.

Pathfinders - Christmas Lights at P.I.R. – Tonight the Pathfinders will take a bus to PIR for the light show. Games and snacks here afterward. The charge is \$10 per person. Meet here at 4:30 pm. They have room for 15 more people! **Portland-Area coupon books (only \$20!)** are available through the Pathfinders – They're great stocking stuffers!

Rockwood's Christmas Card Box is in the lobby. Please place your cards for Rockwood attendees in alphabetic order. Also, don't forget to check for cards placed there for you!

Ladies – The first half of your fee (\$70) for the May 16-18 retreat is due February 1st. Our guest speaker is Kay Rizzo. If you have questions please talk to Shirley Jordan (503) 667-0230 or Kamille Ross (503) 328-8482.

Special Thanks – "Dear Church Family, thank you for your telephone calls, condolence cards and kind words you expressed to us at the recent loss of my mother." – **Carl & Barbara Fulton**

Choir Music – If you have choir music in your possession please return to the church, placing it in the sanctuary piano bench. Thanks!

Children's Safety is a priority at Rockwood Adventist. The Child Protection Policy and Guidelines are available on the bulletin board. Parents please escort your children to the restrooms and be aware of their whereabouts at all times.

Starting on January 4, 2014 all of our Sabbath school classes, adult and children's divisions, will start at 9:30 am.

Big Lake Snow Trip – January 31 to February 2, 2014. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board or register online at www.RockwoodAdventist.com

Name, Address, Phone or Email Changes this Year? If so, please turn these changes in to the church office before the end of 2013. The 2013 tithe receipts will be mailed out the 3rd week of January, 2014, to the name and address on file.

First Reading/Transfer In: Brent Sumaraga from Stockton Fil-Am SDA Church, CA.

2014 Devotional Books – Rockwood is not ordering books this year. You will need to go directly through the ABC. Their number is (503) 850-3300.

Other News and Events

Interested in Going on a Mission Trip this Year? OHANA Adventist Church is sponsoring a mission trip to Costa Rica March 23rd - April 7th, 2014. The project will include building a church, providing dental services, a health fair, vacation bible schools and an evangelistic campaign. If interested call Doug at (503) 658-2084 or email ohanachristian@gmail.com

"Adore Him" – Christmas Cantata by Healing Hope Choir on December 21, 4:00 pm at The Village Retirement Center, 401 W. Powell Blvd., Gresham. They will also be at the Columbia Life Center, 27938 SE Stark St., on December 24, 7:00 pm.

Heart Help (The Mode) – This 10-week small group starts mid-January, on Thursdays, from 6:30-8:30 pm. It focuses solely on rejection and its devastating impact on our everyday thoughts, feelings and behaviors. Groups are confidential and gender specific, and the series is held at Healing Hope SDA Fellowship, 15150 NE Glisan. To register call (503) 957-0809.

Oregon Conference Prayer Conference March 28-30, 2014 – Mark your calendar now for this weekend with featured presenter Pavel Goia, author of the book "One Miracle after Another". It will be at Twin Rocks. To register please visit <http://orgcpersonalmin.netadvent.org/2014-prayer-retreat>