

News from the Pastor's Desk

Thank You for Raising the Roof – Praise God! We have raised \$47,048 toward our goal of \$91,000 for our Capital Improvement and Roof replacement campaign. This puts us at nearly 52% of our Capital Improvement Fund goal!

Adventist Academy Surprises Cairo – It is not unusual to see children romping in towering mounds of garbage on the dust-blown roads outside Nile Union Academy in Cairo, Egypt. In some areas, the trash rises to a height of eight feet (2.5 meters) and burns day and night with a toxic smoke, choking the neighborhood. But the scene has started changing over the past three months as students and faculty members of the Seventh-day Adventist school implemented an ambitious plan for waste disposal, recycling, and environmental education in the community...Continue reading this story be inspired to find ways to make a difference in your neighborhood at AdventistReview.org.

Funding the Mission – Rockwood Adventist is making a life changing impact in our community and the world thanks to those of you who are faithfully investing your time, talents, and treasures in our mission to grow disciples and prepare people to meet Jesus. Through community nutrition programs, food distribution, Adventist education, member development activities, mentoring, equipping and proclaiming the gospel we are making an eternal difference. Thank you for your ongoing support. The financial investment needed to operate our church in Rockwood will exceed \$123,000 in 2015. As of December 12th you have invested over \$113,300, which means we only need \$9,700 to finish this year with a balanced budget. Please prayerfully consider what God would have you contribute this month. Together we can put Rockwood in a position to do even greater things for the Kingdom of Heaven in 2016. Together as we invest in our Church Budget we can fund the mission God has given us. Help us fulfill God's dreams by giving through our offering envelopes or online at RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving. Let's end 2015 financially strong.

Week at a Glance

Today	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath Deaconess Meeting –by piano Gym Night at P.A.E.S.	4:29 pm 12:15 pm 5:00 pm
Sunday	Pathfinders	6:00 pm
Tuesday	Harvest Share NO Tuesday Morning Bible Study	7:30 am
Wednesday	Bulletin Information Deadline Prayer Power Group	3:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thursday	Christmas Eve Service	5:00 – 6:00 pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	4:32 pm
Next Sabbath:	Sabbath School Classes Offering: OC Youth/Ed Fund Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	9:30 am 4:33 pm

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

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Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



*Growing Disciples
Preparing People to Meet Jesus*

December 19, 2015



Exploring the Way

Small Groups

9:30 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.

Please visit our information desk in the lobby for a complete list of Sabbath School Groups. We invite you to join the group of your choice. We have groups for ALL ages!

Worship

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

Welcome		Pastor Gene
Praise Time		Harmony for Jesus
Children's Story		Pastor Gene
Our Gift to God	"Church Budget"	Everyone
Offertory	"Silent Night"	Harmony for Jesus
Worship in Song		Harmony for Jesus
	"Lilly of the Valley"	
Worship in Word		Pastor Gene
"Christmas Courage Part 2: The Courage to Surrender"		
Closing Song		"Standing Strong"
Prayer Garden		Todd Lincoln
Postlude		Harmony for Jesus
	"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	

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

Rockwood Community News

Short Meeting for All Deaconesses after the church service this morning. Please meet up by the piano.

Caring Card - Please stop at the lobby desk and sign the card for the Rivas family. Donna's mother passed away this week. There's also a card for Betty Patten who has been in the hospital following heart surgery.

Gym Night Tonight at 5:00 pm! Join us for an evening of fun at Portland Adventist Elementary School, 3990 NW 1st St, Gresham (across from Centennial High School). Bring gym shoes, your favorite snacks, and table games.

Transfers-1st Reading - IN: Sylvia Dande from Beaverton. OUT: T.J., Homeyra & Israel Gutierrez to Healing Hope; Kathleen Mengis to Pleasant Valley; Bill Dixon to Cairns North QLD, Australia.

Christmas Eve Service - Thursday, December 24, 5:00 to 6:00 pm. Come reflect on the Christmas Story, sing carols, share Christmas memories, and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate!

Mark Your Calendars! Our 2nd Annual New Year's DAY Agape Meal & Communion Service will be served on Friday, January 1. The meal will start at 5:00 pm. All is provided, so just bring yourself and your family and join us as we reflect on the cross and look forward to Jesus' soon return.

Shuttle Bus Drivers Needed - Our Sabbath morning shuttle bus ministry has gotten off to a good start but additional drivers are needed. Training is provided and no special license is required. Please email pastorgene@gmail.com if you are interested in driving once a month.

The Christmas Card Box is in the lobby and will be there through the second Sabbath in January, 2016. You may place your cards for other attendees in alphabetic order, by last name, in the box and save postage! Please remember to look for cards addressed to you.

Your Rockwood Treasurer is requesting the following: If you have had a change of Name, address, including zip code and phone numbers during this year (2015), please give this information to the church office ASAP! Your tithe receipts will be mailed by the end of January, 2016.

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.

Other News and Events

Stone Tower Adventist Church Christmas Concert on December 26 at 6:00 pm, 3010 NE Holladay Street, Portland.

ABC Holiday Sale - The Adventist Book Center's Holiday Sale is December 1-31. Loma Linda Gravy Quick is back just in time for the holidays! The details have been sent by email to those who have signed up. You can also get the details by downloading the sale flyer at www.abcflyer.com

Volunteers Urgently Needed! PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services) has an urgent need for morning truck drivers and riders, and general support volunteers in the food pantry. Apply online at pacsonline.org or call (503) 252-8500 and start helping people right away!

Portland Adventist Academy is hosting a free movie event at PAA on Saturday night, January 30, at 6:00 pm. "Do You Believe?" The lives of a dozen people are about to intersect unexpectedly, and they each are about to discover there is power in the Cross of Christ, even if they don't yet believe. Tickets are required and the tickets are free! Tickets may be picked up at PAA, PAES, or Pleasant Valley SDA Church.

Oregon Conference Prayer Retreat with Randy Maxwell at Twin Rocks, March 25-27, 2016. Call Tawny Sportsman at (541) 367-4913 to register or get more information, or online <http://orgcpersonalmin.netadvent.org/2016-prayer-retreat>