

News from the Pastor's Desk

Funding the Mission – Only \$7,039 to reach our Goal!

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 19th you have invested over \$115,961, which we are only \$7,039 away from reaching our goal. However, there are only a few days left in 2015.

Please prayerfully consider what God would have you contribute. 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.

2016: A Year Without Fear – Our worship and teaching theme at Rockwood for 2016 is living without fear. As Christians if Jesus is Lord of our lives we will face great challenges and opportunities. Kingdom advancement has never been and never will be for the risk adverse. Most Christians in America never experience the adventurous life God has waiting for them. This must change if we are to become the church that ushers in the second coming of Jesus. Throughout 2016 we will learn from some of the greater and lesser-known risk takers in Scripture. Along the way you will also hear from some of our own members who are partnering with God and living the adventure.

Week at a Glance

Today	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	4:33 pm
Sunday	NO Pathfinders Today	
Tuesday	Tuesday Morning Bible Study	11:30 am
Wednesday	Bulletin Information Deadline Prayer Power Group	3:00 pm 7:00 pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath Agape Feast & Communion	4:38 pm 5:00 pm
Next Sabbath:	Sabbath School Classes Offering: Church Budget Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	9:30 am 4:39 pm

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

Contact Information

Office Hours: 9-4 Tues. & Wed., 9-3 on Thurs.
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Lead Pastor	Gene Heinrich	(503) 781-5799
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Deacon Team Leader	Today	Bill Wallace

Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



Growing Disciples Preparing People to Meet Jesus

December 26, 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	Praise Team
Children's Story	Pastor Gene
Our Gift to God "Oregon Conference Youth & Education Fund"	Everyone
Offertory/Worship in Song	Stephan Ilie
Worship in Word "Christmas Courage Part 3: The Courage to Seek Community"	Pastor Gene
Closing Song	"Standing Strong"
Prayer Garden	Orrin Lundy
Organ Postlude	Joyce Bredemeier

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

Rockwood Community News

The Church Office will be Closed December 25, 2015, through January 3, 2016. If you have an emergency, please call Bob Hessong (503-667-4875) or Kamille Ross (503-0328-8482). Voice mail messages will be picked up periodically.

Transfers-2nd 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.

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. Please place your cards for other attendees in alphabetic order, by last name. Also, please remember to look for cards that are addressed to you!

Thank You for Raising the Roof - Praise God! We have raised \$47,429 toward our goal of \$91,000 for our Capital Improvement and Roof replacement campaign. Our goal is to have our loan paid in full by December 2016. Your sacrificial giving this year has helped us reach 52% of our Capital Improvement Fund goal! Praise God!

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.

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.

Other News and Events

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

NW Veg Community Potluck on Jan. 10, 5:30 pm in the Healing Hope SDA Fellowship gym. Please bring a Vegan dish to share (fruit & veggie trays work well also), a copy of your recipe, and your tableware. Potluck at 5:30 pm & demonstration at 6:30 pm. Jeanne Schultz, Plant-Based Cooking Instructor & NW VEG Volunteer, will conduct a plant-based food demonstration on how to prepare tofu in two ways – a tofu egg salad and a tofu chocolate mousse. Delicious samples and recipes will be given out! Healing Hope is located at, 15150 NE Glisan St., Portland, OR. For questions, call the church office @ 503-253-8595

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>