

KINDRED SPIRITS

EAST SALEM SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
CHURCH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

*Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice!
Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise!
Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy!
Let the trees of the forest sing for joy...
Psalm 96:11-12 NLT*

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR CHAD

Greetings family!

What an adventure it's been over this past year. Yes, believe it or not, I've had the privilege of being your lead pastor for a whole year now! Wow! I thought time was moving very slowly during the pandemic. It turns out, I was wrong!

Over this past year, we've endured church closures, face masks, church openings, and then closings again; not to mention no potlucks in over a year. (Yikes!) We've learned how to broadcast well, and many of you learned how to cast YouTube to your TV, or simply watched on your device. We enjoyed drive-in church, outdoor church, house church, and pre-recorded church. In all, we've been through a lot in the past 16 months! But, by the grace of God, here we stand. We need to give a shout out to Jesus for his faithfulness and goodness to us.

As we emerge from under the cloud of the pandemic, things are really starting to look brighter and clearer these days. Hopefully, within a few days of publication of this newsletter, we'll be done with all COVID restrictions, including those masks that we all adore. We can remove the ribbons from every other pew and enjoy full capacity, shoulder to shoulder in worship once again. The potlucks of milk and honey will provide us with their bountiful blessings once more! Oh, man I'm ready. How about you?

Additionally, I've got more exciting news. We've got a new Assistant Pastor on the way! His name is Jared Frost. Some of you may know him, as he is a very friendly guy who has served at Big Lake and has been studying at Walla Walla. I've personally known him for eight years and am genuinely excited to have him joining our church family as part of our pastoral team. Jared generally goes by his nickname, "Frosty," so, he's OK if you want to call him "Pastor Frosty" or just "Frosty." He will be joining us officially on July 1, with his first sermon coming on July 10. I'll share some more details about Frosty on our church's social media platforms in the near future.

Finally, as we breathe a sigh of relief having come to this point in time, we can also be excited, energetic even, about what is to come. Moving into this summer, and a new post-COVID reality, we have the opportunity to make the light at the end of the pandemic even brighter for our Salem community. Pray that God will use this church community, and each one of us individually, to help bring Jesus to our friends, family, and neighbors.

Pastor Chad



WELCOME

to our
Newest Members

Transfers & Profession of Faith

Travis & Marleen McFee
Carlos & Nicoleta Rosales
Bill Jr. & Janet Tapley

Baptisms

Cameo Corbett
Isabelle Corbett
Emily Wagner
Vanessa Clutter
Tikoya Thompson
Efren Wolfsen

CONGRATULATIONS

Wedding

Ed Kurz & Susie Fox



GRADUATES OF 2021



Andrew Basto
BS in International
Rescue and Relief
*Union College
and Air Force Basic
Training*



Pierce Kroschel
BS Business
Adminstration with
*Finance Concentration
Walla Walla University*



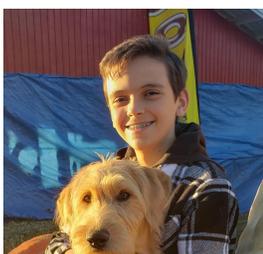
Sarah Thornton
Bachelor of Arts in
Religion
*Walla Walla University
heading to Loma Linda
University for a degree in
Occupational Therapy*



Nate VanKirk
Senior
*Livingstone Adventist
Academy*



Grace Robins
Senior
*Skyview High School
Vancouver, WA*



Justin Perry
8th-Grade
(home schooled)



Jaely Vasti Gabriel
8th-Grade
*Abeka Academy
(home schooled)*



Lauren Robins
8th-Grade
*Gaiser Middle School
Vancouver, WA*



**Livingstone
Adventist Academy**

High School Seniors

Madelyn Fish
Lara Halvorsen
*Chaudye Ayala
Kaleb Brown
Levi Burkleo
Katie Doll
Aspen Forshee
Jeremy Leichner
Mindy McAdams
Caiden Personius
Jennifer Porras
Jeremy Stockwell
Jasmine Wyatt*

8th Grade Students

Liam Jensen
Gislaine Reynoso
Emily Wolf
*Rudee Cantu
Isaac Chavez
Matthew Eder
Jonathan Garcia
Dryden Harness
Juan Sanchez*

Congratulations to all the graduates in the Family of East! We are proud of you and look forward to seeing what you do in your future.

The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. Isaiah 58:11

Sabbath School Options

Adult Quarterly Sabbath School

Join Jerry Magee for this Adult Sabbath School as he leads the study of the Adult Quarterly "Rest in Christ". This class is held in the Chapel every Sabbath morning and begins at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome and the Quarterlies are supplied to everyone attending.



Family Life Sabbath School

In the Family Life Sabbath School class, we do part sharing our Christian walk and part Bible study. The Bible study topic: The Science of Salvation is a practical application from parables to prophecy.



This class meets every Sabbath morning in the Fellowship Hall starting at 9:45 AM. All are welcome!

Children's Sabbath School Primary & Kinders

If you are PreK, Kindergarten, or under 9 years of age, come on downstairs to our Children's Sabbath school. This Sabbath School starts at 10:00 AM every week.



Adult Sabbath School

This is an Adult Sabbath School class studying the book of Romans. We are studying the letter which Paul wrote to the early Christian church in Rome using historical, cultural, and linguist study tools. We study contextually Paul's teaching of Christ's ministry to all nations.

We meet virtually from 9:30AM - 10:45AM every Sabbath. Contact Gene Starr for more information at: 541-660-4327 or beachcomberzen@hotmail.com.



Children's Sabbath School Juniors & Earliteens

For those of you ages 10 - 14, we have a Sabbath School just for you. Come join us in the Junior Room every Sabbath starting at 10:00 AM.



More Adult Sabbath School's from the Conference Office

You can find even more options for Adult Sabbath School classes by going to East's website and clicking on Ministries and Adult Ministries.

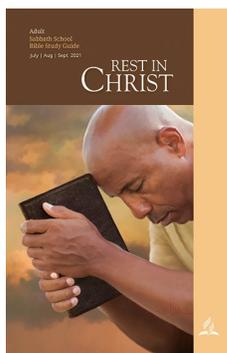


Quarterlies "Rest in Christ"

Sabbath School Quarterlies for the 3rd quarter of 2021 are now available. You can get your quarterlies in several ways: you can pick one up after Sabbath service, during church office hours, or contact Debbie and she will see one is delivered to you.

Quarterlies are also available online through the General Conference website at:

<https://absq.adventist.org>



Large print quarterlies are available for those who request them. If you would like one for the next quarter, just contact Debbie at the church. These are free to members of East.

Also, available are the Ellen G. White Notes, helps to the quarterly, for \$4.45. Just contact Debbie and she will order one for you for the next quarter.

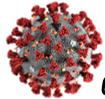
Ministry Updates

Women's Ministry



As your Women's Ministry leader, I am interested in what activities you would like to participate in this year. You can help me by filling in the form at the end of this newsletter (or on the counter in the church foyer) and returning it to me via the offering box, email, or mail.

Also, Max Lucado is offering a free bible study on the book of Romans titled "Romans in the Grip of Grace". If any of the ladies would like to join me in this study, give me a call or email me at: marlenetucker@hotmail.com



Health Ministry

**Covid Questions? Not sure what to believe?
Do you want reality-based answers?**

Join Dr. Braman on June 26th in the Fellowship Hall immediately following church service. He will be answering questions about all things medical and biological regarding Covid, masks, vaccinations, etc.

Below is a Zoom link to join the meeting online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87323620760?pwd=VFpsSzRka2RJeEs4ay90VytiKzhzUT09>

Homeless Ministry

The Homeless Ministry feeds about 100 people every Sunday at 5:30PM at The Arches on Commercial Street. We desperately need people to help serve the hot meals. Even if you are only available one Sunday a month, it would help.

If you would like to help in either preparing food or serving, call Kevin Gray at 503-990-3874. To support this ministry just mark your Tithe Envelope "Homeless Ministry".



OUTDOOR CHURCH

Join us the 2nd Sabbath of every month through the summer, as long as weather permits. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy worship in the beautiful outdoors.

Please note: on these weekends there will be no livestream. So come in-person.



House of Prayer

Connecting with God and others...

Join us for **HOUSE of PRAYER** on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM in the Chapel. Here you can enjoy some good fellowship, connection through scripture, and prayer.

Label Redemption

Did you know that each label on some of your favorite foods is worth .25 cents each to the church. To redem your Loma Linda, Worthington, Tuno, or Kaffree Roma labels, just save your labels, cut out the UPC symbol, and bring them to the church.

Accepted food labels: Loma Linda, Worthington canned foods, Tuno, and Kaffree Roma.

No longer accepted: Morning Star, Norpac foods, Hertiage Health Foods, Worthington frozen foods, Cedar Lake, or Campbells.

We only need the UPC Symbol/Bar Code, please do not bring in the whole label.



ADDITIONAL NOTES

We no longer collect postage stamps due to the difficulty we were having in selling them online.

Livingstone Adventist Academy does collect BOX TOPS.
So save all your Box Tops for our school.



*You rule the swelling of the sea;
When its waves rise, You still them. Psalm 89:9*

LIVINGSTONE SEE'S CANDY SHOP

When you purchase your See's candy online through the "Livingstone See's Candy Shop", you will be supporting LAA and our students. Up to 50% of the proceeds go straight to our school.

It's easy, go to the school website:
www.livingstone.academy/waystohelp
and click on the link at the bottom of the page.

See's CANDIES



LIVINGSTONE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Dear East Salem Church Members,

As I write this letter, we are just a few days from finishing the 2020-21 school year. We are excited to hear that Covid-19 guidelines will be loosening soon and are already looking forward to the coming year so we can get back to a normal school year which will include all the activities and music programs that Covid-19 took from us.

This last weekend, we were able to have a large attendance outdoor graduation for fourteen Seniors and nine eighth graders. We are so proud of our all of our students, and would love to share a few interesting statistics about our current graduating Seniors. This class had an average GPA significantly higher than any previous class in the last 15 years. Our current graduating Seniors also had the highest percentage of honors students compared to the last 15 years of classes before them. Congratulations to our graduates!

We are receiving interest and enrollments from several new students to LAA, we currently have space in all classes/grade levels for next year. However, we do want to encourage those that are considering enrolling students to LAA to do so sooner than later as we have had classrooms fill the last several years.

We are excited about several new staff members joining us next school year and look forward to introducing them and providing more information about them in the near future.

Thank you East Salem Members for you continued prayer and support.

Have a blessed Summer!

Mr. George Personius, Principal
Livingstone Adventist Academy

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LIVINGSTONE FOUNDATION 4 EDUCATION UPDATE

As many of the members of East Salem SDA Church know, an endowment foundation has been formed to help with the financial needs of students who want to attend Livingstone Adventist Academy. Livingstone Foundation 4 Education was incorporated in 2019 as a 501(c)3 charitable organization to raise, prudently manage and steward an Endowment Fund. The sole purpose of the Endowment is to award scholarships to qualified young people making it possible for them to engage in Livingstone Adventist Academy's life-transforming education.

Thanks to generous donations, Livingstone Foundation 4 Education was able to bless two families with a financial scholarship for the 2020/2021 school year. It is exciting to know that God is leading and blessing as the Livingstone Foundation 4 Education continues to grow. We look forward to how God will continue to guide and bless the efforts of Livingstone Foundation 4 Education. The 2021/2022 school year is just a few short months away, and the Foundation is already preparing to help families so that their children can experience God through Christian education.

If you would like more information about Livingstone Foundation 4 Education and how you can change the lives of students please visit our website livingstonefoundation4education.com. We ask that you pray for this mission as God leads and blesses His children.

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omen's Ministries wants your input...

For some activities you think might help develop and deepen relationships among the sisters of the church. Here are a few ideas. Please check the ones that interest you and tell us what days and times of the week work best for your busy lives. You can choose as many as you like and add ones of your own. You can put your survey in with offering or in the offering box in the lobby this week or next. If you have any questions you can call Marlene Tucker at 503-390-0610.

	<u>Days of Week and Times</u>
Women's Bible study	
Women's health workshop	
Cooking class on bread making or canning	
Parenting class	
A Tea_	
Gathering together to watch life stream the Women's retreat	
Craft night	
Game night	
Fashion show	
Working on a community service project	
Secret pals	
Book club	
Holiday events such as cookie exchange, ornament making	
Music group	
Other:	
Other:	

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Email _____

Return to Marlene Tucker by:

- putting in the Offering Boxes at the church
- by email: Marlenetucker@hotmail.com
- or by mail: 1645 Sister Court NW, Salem, OR 97304