

Welcome to Milton Adventist!

- ❖ If you are new with us today we would love to know who you are. Please fill out a **GETTING TO KNOW YOU** communication card which you will find in the pew rack in front of you.
- ❖ Please share your **prayer requests or suggestions** on the communication card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of the church staff. We want to serve you in any way possible.
- ❖ If you wish a **CD of the morning sermon** please write your request on the CD Ministry Order Envelope available at the information desk or church office. You may drop the envelope in the offering or at the church office with a suggested donation of \$3 per CD.
- ❖ We have **assisted listening devices** and **lap blankets** available at the Information Desk in the foyer.
- ❖ The **“loose offering”** always goes for the Milton Church Budget. If you want to give specifically to any other ministry you must place it in the Giving Envelope and write the name of the ministry.

Why We Live

At the Milton Seventh-day Adventist Church we live to glorify God. He is our Creator, Savior and Friend. There is no greater joy in life than *really knowing God personally*. We live for Him and... we live to introduce others to our Best Friend too!

Milton Seventh-day Adventist Church

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The Milton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Baffled by Best Christmas Ever

Sabbath
December 26, 2015

Bible Study Groups

“Study to show yourself approved unto God...” 2 Timothy 2:15

9:30am – 10:35am

Deep and lasting friendships grow out the study of God’s Word; that’s what is so compelling about our 9:30am Bible study groups. We have classes for all age groups. Pick the one below that most fits your needs. There are several adult classes to choose from. May God bless you abundantly as you build your life on His eternal Word.

Children’s Divisions	Hall/Room
▪ Beginners (0-3 Years)	Southwest / #4
▪ Kindergarten (4 Years –1 st grade)	Southwest / #5
▪ Primary (2 nd – 4 th grade).....	Southwest / #6
▪ Juniors - Earliteen	Northwest / #3
▪ Senior High.....	Northwest / #2

Adult Bible Study Classes	Hall/Room
<i>Side Hall North of Sanctuary</i>	
▪ Guest Teacher	Room #4
▪ Vernon Putz/Nancy Stolz.....	Room #1/2
▪ Doug Versteeg	Room #5/6
<i>In the Sanctuary</i>	
▪ Ed Taylor	Left Back Corner
<i>Other Locations</i>	
▪ Lorin Wentland/LeRoy Waggoner.....	Fellowship Hall
▪ Gen-X.....	Youth Chapel

Welcome to Worship

Does God baffle you? Do you baffle God? What was your best Christmas ever? Was it with family, friends, on a trip, was it the best present received? What made the best Christmas “best” for you? Isn’t it baffling how God sent His Son from the glories of heaven into our world as a little baby and then watched Him grow up and die in our place so we can be with Him forever! I can’t imagine how it could take place, but one day we can hear about it from our Redeemer.

Pastor Lloyd

Worship Service

“Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD...” Psalm 95:6

10:45am – 12:15pm

Song of Welcome Praise Team
 ▪ “Joy to the World” Hymn 125

Welcome & Prayer Pastor Lloyd

Church Alive! Ben Tucker
 ▪ “Let’s Get Acquainted Card” – Guest Luncheon
 ▪ Membership Transfer – 2nd reading
 ▪ JAM moved to January 9

Celebrating Children
 ▪ Children’s Song: “Away in a Manger” Hymn 124
 ▪ Children’s Story: Nancy Stolz

Worship in Giving
 ▪ Today’s Giving Focus: **Conference Budget** Ben Tucker
 ▪ Offertory Coral Bates

Songs of Praise
 ▪ “There’s a Song in the Air” Hymn 120
 ▪ “Angels We Have Heard on High” Hymn 142
 ▪ “O Little Town of Bethlehem” Hymn 135

Worship in Prayer
 ▪ Prayer Song: “Thank you, Lord” Praise Team
 ▪ Morning Prayer Richard Jenkins

Worship in Music Don Ehrhardt

Sermon:	“Baffled by Best Christmas Ever”	Pastor Lloyd
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Closing Song: “Silent Night, Holy Night” Hymn 143

Benediction Pastor Lloyd
Praise Team: Shirley Eslinger, Evelyn Mitchell, Sara Nye
Pianist: Coral Bates, Organist: Pearlene Wick
Lead Elder: Ben Tucker

News Notes

INTEGRATING ONE'S FAITH AND THE ARTS

There is a colloquium presented by Center for Media Ministry at Walla Walla University on **January 6, 5:30pm** in the Chan Shun Pavilion #154—Award-winning filmmaker Martin Doblmeier, shares his lifelong interest in religion with a passion for journalism. His films: *The Power of Forgiveness*, *The Adventists*, and *Blueprint*, examine how belief can lead individuals to extraordinary actions, how spirituality creates and sustains communities and how faith is lived out in challenging times. Questions? Please contact: Serena Dewey at 509-527-2832.

REMEMBERING

Jack Holt passed away on November 21. He and Thelma were married on Christmas Day 36 years ago. In Thelma's words: "...had a wonderful life together." Contact information for Thelma: 1101 S. Scheuber Rd. Unit 28, Centralia, WA 98531-8855.



Send a letter to someone and make them feel special!

Milton Church Life Calendar

Sunset Today – 4:13pm

Sunset Next Friday – 4:18pm

"From evening unto evening you shall celebrate the Sabbath" Lev. 23:32

Today, December 26

- 12:45pm Hospitality Luncheon hosted by Church (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:30-1pm Milton Church Library Open (Thelma Fleshman, Librarian)

Sunday, December 27

- 1:00pm Memorial Service: Mark Koskenmaki (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, December 28

- 10-4pm Adventist Community Services Open (541-938-9188)
- 9-12pm **Church Office Closed**

Tuesday, December 29

- 9-12pm **Church Office Closed** (*Staff Worship & Meeting 9:30-11am*)
- 1:00-3:00pm Milton Church Library Open (Thelma Fleshman, Librarian)
- 7:00pm BLAST Youth Group (Chapel)

Wednesday, December 30

- 9-12pm **Church Office Open at 4:00pm**
- 12 noon** *Church Bulletin Information Due*
- 6:15-7:45pm Next Pathfinder & Adventurer Club January 6
- 7:00pm Prayer Meeting: Mark 9 continued

Thursday, December 31

- 9-12pm **Church Office Hours**
- 10-4pm Adventist Community Services Open (541-938-9188)

Friday, January 1, 2016

HAPPY NEW YEARS!

Sabbath, January 2

- 12:45pm General Potluck. Everyone Welcome! (Fellowship Hall)

Communion is scheduled for Sabbath, January 9, 2016.

Membership Transfers Out – 2nd Reading

- Joani & Richard Burnett to Stateline Adventist Church
- Brenda Treadway to WWU Adventist Church

Announcements

WELCOME to Milton Adventist Church. *Happy Sabbath!*

A BIG THANK YOU for all the visits, cards, flowers, plants, and phone calls. It made the month plus in the nursing home a whole lot better. And a thank you to those for covered my duties at the church. We have a very caring and wonderful church.
 -- Colleen Nilsson

JAM

Jesus and Me Children’s Church has been moved from January 2 to **January 9** due to the holiday weekend.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Benjamin James, son of Shirley and David James, will be on **Sabbath, January 9, 3:00pm** in the Milton Adventist Church.

RECONNECTING MINISTRY

Those who are involved or want to be involved in helping non-attending members to reconnect and fellowship with us again, please note that we will meet once per month during Sabbath School Class time (9:30am) in Class Room #2 (next to Vernon Putz’s class) starting Sabbath, **January 16, 2016**.

WOMEN’S PRAYER GROUP

A Women’s Prayer Group meets on **Wednesdays from 9:00-10:00am** in the home of Marci Evans: 116 SE 15th Ave, Milton-Freewater. “I want to spend a few minutes each week reading a prayer from the Bible and discussing it and then launching into a time of prayer of thanksgiving and for the needs of our families, community and world.” Women of all ages are invited!



Generosity Quotes

“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” *2 Corinthians 9:7*

“The spirit of liberality is the spirit of Heaven. Christ’s self-sacrificing love is revealed upon the cross. That man might be saved, He gave all that He had, and then gave Himself.” *CS 14*

Milton SDA Church Giving

	Title	Milton Church Budget
2014 Giving Total	\$ 420,514	\$ 143,832
2015 Monthly Giving Goal for MCB		\$12,185
Received for December		\$8,953
Needed for December		\$3,232
Short January-November		\$15,428

Various Milton Church Giving Projects

Milton Giving Project	(In Hand)	Still Needed
1. ReNew Milton – Phase I – Foyer – Thank you		\$Paid in Full!
2. Worthy Student Aid.....	(\$11,149).....	\$ 8,851
3. Outreach Coordinator	(\$22,446).....	\$ 15,554
4. ReNew Milton - Phase II – S Parking Lot (\$29,817) ...		\$ 38,183
5. Church Roof	(\$2,000).....	\$ 16,000
6. New Church Lighting	(\$142).....	\$ 19,858

RECEIPTS

If you would like a receipt for this year, all donations (including online donations) must be **postmarked by Thursday, December 31, 2015**.

Prayer Requests

If you have prayer requests, Milton Adventist Church has prayer warriors who will take your concerns and bring them to the Lord. Please contact Nancy Stolz: (541) 938-6681 or (509) 520-5442.