

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.

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!

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The Milton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Wise Men Still Seek Jesus

Sabbath
December 3, 2016

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**

- Beginners (0-3 Years)..... Southwest
- Kindergarten (4 Years –1st grade)..... Southwest
- Primary (2nd – 4th grade) Southwest
- Juniors - Earliteen Northwest
- Senior High..... Northwest

Adult Bible Study Classes **Room**

Side Hall North of Sanctuary

- Class 1: Vernon Putz/Nancy Stolz..... Room #1
- Class 2: Loren Fenton Room #4
- Class 3: Vaun Miller Room #6

Other Locations

- Class 4: Ed Taylor.....Sanctuary-Right Back Corner
- Class 5: Jeremiah Burt (Gen-X)..... Youth Chapel
- Class 6: Lorin Wentland/LeRoy Waggoner..... Fellowship Hall

From the Pastor’s Heart

If Jesus commanded you only once *not to do something* would that be enough... for you to obey Him? What if He explicitly told you five times? Would you then not do it? Or, would you rather choose your own way? This morning we will unpack this very important command from Jesus in a way that will help us not only be in obedience to Christ, but will help us enjoy the Christmas Season as never before.

Welcome to worship on this Sabbath day. Please fill out the “Getting to Know You” card in the pew racks to let us know how we can serve you. Today is JAM (Jesus and Me) Sabbath so our younger children will be gone to the Youth Chapel during church for the special service designed just for them.

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 (*Please stand for opening song*) Praise Team
 ▪ “Oh Come, All Ye Faithful” Hymn 132

Welcome & Prayer Pastor Lloyd

Church Alive! Gary Vietz
 ▪ Getting to Know You Card/Fellowship Meal: General Potluck
 ▪ Thank You to Church Decorators
 ▪ Journey to Bethlehem Marja McChesney

Celebrating Children
 ▪ Children’s Song: “Praise Him, Praise Him” Praise Team
 ▪ Children’s Story Jacob Tucker

Worship in Giving
 ▪ Today’s Giving Focus: **Milton Church Budget** Gary Vietz
 ▪ Offertory—*Playing the Electronic Wind Instrument* Bob Sepolen

Songs of Praise Praise Team
 ▪ “Holy, Holy, Holy” Hymn 73
 ▪ “Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart”

Call to Prayer Pastor Lloyd
 ▪ Prayer Song: “Seek Ye First” Praise Team
 ▪ Prayer Marja McChesney

The “Miracle Baby” Baby Dedication—Parker Kendall
 Presented by A.J. & Brianna Walker-Wentland and big brother Keagan
 Song: “Thank God for Kids”

Sermon **Pastor Lloyd**
“Don’t Worry, the Miracle Baby Is On the Way!” – Part 1

Song of Commitment: “Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus” Hymn 524

Blessing-Sending Pastor Lloyd

*Praise Team: Bob Sepolen, Loren Fenton, Bob Stuart, Don Ehrhardt;
 Keyboard: Gladys Wentland
 Lead Elder: Gary Vietz*

News Notes

MILTON-STATELINE ADVENTIST SCHOOL



- MSAS's third and fourth graders are running a pet food drive for the Blue Mountain Humane Society. All classrooms compete for the most poundage of cat and dog food. The winning classroom receives an ice cream party! **The contest ends December 16.** Please bring donated food to the school office designating the classroom which it is for. Thank you for helping us feed these adoptable pets.
- MSAS invites you to attend our annual Christmas Concert on **December 8, 7:00pm.** We are collecting non-perishable food for some needy families. If you would like to help, you may bring it with you to the concert. Thank you for helping us make a family's holiday a little brighter.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

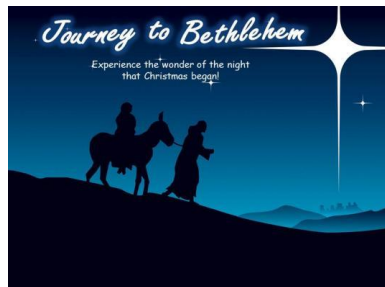
Bonnie Meske's memorial service will be **Sunday, December 4, 10:00am** at the University Church. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to either the University Church Benevolent Fund or the Christian Aid Center.

RETIRED DENOMINATIONAL WORKERS' POTLUCK

This potluck is on **Sunday, December 4, 5:00pm** in the Village Church Fellowship Hall. A fee of \$1.50 gets you a ticket for the bus to Cordiner Hall for the "Feast of Carols". The admission fee for the program is a can of food or a cash donation.

SYMPOSIUM ON SPIRITUAL CARE AT WWGH

Save the date for the 7th annual Spiritual Care Symposium at Walla Walla General Hospital. Philip Watkins, PhD, will speak on "Gratitude: An Essential Foundation for Spiritual Well-being" Friday, **January 27, 2017, 8:30 - 4:30 p.m.** in the WWGH auditorium.



JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

You are invited to walk through the live nativity set on **December 9, 10, 11**
6:00-8:00pm

Refreshments are served at the end of the journey in the Fellowship Hall
Bring Your Friends!

It is all about Jesus!!

Milton Church Life Calendar

Today, December 3

- 8:30am Prayer time with the church Elders (Youth Chapel)
- 10:45am JAM: Children's Church "No Room for the King" (Youth Chapel)
- 1:00pm Fellowship Meal: General Potluck. Everyone Welcome! (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:10pm Sunset—"From evening unto evening you shall celebrate the Sabbath" Lev. 23:32

Sunday, December 4

- 2:30-4:00pm Happy, Healthy Holiday Cooking Class (Blue Mt. Valley Adventist Church, Hwy 11, Athena, OR)
- 4-6pm Journey to Bethlehem Costume Fitting (Youth Chapel)

Monday, December 5

- 9-12pm **Church Office Hours**
- 10-4pm ACS & Thrift Store Open (713 S Main St. Milton-Freewater)

Tuesday, December 6

- 9-12pm **Church Office Hours** (*Staff Worship & Meeting 9:30-11am*)
- 6-7pm Support Group: "It Too Shall Pass" (Junior Room)
- 7:00pm BLAST Youth Group (Youth Chapel)

Wednesday, December 7

- 9-12pm **Church Office Hours**
- 12 noon** ***Church Bulletin Information Due***
- 6:15pm Pathfinder & Adventurer Clubs (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00pm Prayer Meeting: Three Steps to Christmas – Matthew 2 (Junior Room)

Thursday, December 8

- 9-12pm **Church Office Hours**
- 10-4pm ACS & Thrift Store Open (713 S Main St. Milton-Freewater)

Friday, December 9

- 6-8pm Journey to Bethlehem Tours of Live Nativity Set
- 4:08pm Sunset—"From evening unto evening you shall celebrate the Sabbath" Lev. 23:32

Sabbath, December 10

- 8:30am Prayer time with the church Elders (Youth Chapel)
- 10:45am Pastor Lloyd: A Christmas Paradoxical Paradigm Shift
Ben Gish & WWVA Orchestra
- 1:00pm Fellowship Meal: Invite someone to your home
- 4:09pm Sunset—"From evening unto evening you shall celebrate the Sabbath" Lev. 23:32
- 6-8pm Journey to Bethlehem Tours of Live Nativity Set

Sunday, December 11

- 6-8pm Journey to Bethlehem Tours of Live Nativity Set

Announcements

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM December 9, 10, 11; 6:00-8:00pm.



- ❖ **Costume fitting** and assignments is on Sunday, **December 4**, 4:00-6:00pm (Youth Chapel)
- ❖ **Scripts**, if needed, are available at the Church Office.
- ❖ **Shops** are decorated and furnished on Friday, **December 9**.
- ❖ **Information**, please contact Marja McChesney, Church Office: (509) 386-6071.

COOKIES, SOUP, CIDER FOR JTB

Sign-up sheets are at the Church Office weekdays
And in the church foyer on Sabbath
Please contact Denise Carr at 541-938-7702

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



A special come-and-go birthday celebration for Irene Engelhart will be held in honor of 97 years. It will be held at Caring Hands Adult Home on **December 17, 3:00-5:00pm**. Cards appreciated and memories shared. Address: 618 SW Evans Ave, College Place. If you have any questions, please contact Dianne Cook,

daughter, 509-240-2203.

ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES & THRIFT STORE



If you are interested in donating clothing and miscellaneous household items, you may drop them off at 713 S. Main Street. The Thrift Store hours are: **Mondays and Thursdays between 10:00am - 4:00pm**. Funds received support our worthy students, church and community outreach. Phone: 541-938-9188.



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: 509-520-5442.

COATS & WARM CLOTHES



If you have new or gently used winter coats, gloves, mittens, scarves, stocking hats to give to the homeless and low-income folks, please bring them to the Wesley Methodist church. Pastor Tillie MakePeace is getting requests and will be giving them away locally. (Pastor Tillie's cell: 541-701-1925)

Today's Giving Focus

Matthew 6:21: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."



During our morning worship service we include, as part of our commitment to praise God, a time for receiving an offering. An "OFFERING" is just that—we offer to God our gratitude for His gifts to us. Through prayer, singing, and worship we "offer" all of ourselves to Him. We are His! We also provide an opportunity for us to give financial offerings as well. Our Milton Church Budget is an ongoing emphasis which funds the core of our ministries here in this community.

- ❖ **Today's Giving Focus:** "Milton Church Budget" – This giving opportunity provides funds for our local church needs. We have special projects you can designate or give to the general budget.
- ❖ 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.

Milton SDA Church Giving

	Tithe	Milton Church Budget
2015 Giving Total	\$416,378	\$132,532
2016 Monthly Giving Goal for MCB		\$11,719
Received for November		\$6,630
Short for November		\$,5089

Various Milton Church Giving Projects

Board Approved Projects	(In Hand)	Still Needed
1. Sanctuary Stage Lighting.....	(\$3,863).....	\$ to be determined
2. South Parking Lot.....	(\$65,137).....	\$ 2,471

Children's Offering Report

Every week children bring forward an offering which is used to help with Student Aid (Worthy Student Fund). The funds given week-by-week make a big difference. Here is a report on how much funds have come in the last three Sabbaths. You can also give directly to Milton Student Aid.

- ❖ *Sabbath, November 5* 105.00
- ❖ *Sabbath, November 12* 161.00
- ❖ *Sabbath, November 19* 167.31
- ❖ *Sabbath, November 26* 58.21