



East Salem
CHURCH

FALL

EAST SALEM SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM PASTOR CHAD

Dear Church Family,

I don't know about you, but I'm very much looking forward to this Fall and Winter. Now, understand me, I'm a transplanted California boy who loves warm weather, but there is just something about the beauty of the seasons which are approaching. The bright colors as the leaves pop on the trees around us. The crispness in the air. And, of course, no more lawn mowing! OK, maybe that's just me.

I'm also excited because we, our church family, are embarking on a major evangelistic opportunity this Fall to reach our friends, neighbors, and family with the Good News of Jesus Christ. The series, called "Your Story" launches in just under two months. You can get more information through the links just to the right.

If I may ask a favor of my church family: Pray. The enemy hates that we're doing this Fall. He is already attacking so many, trying to cause discouragement. He's also going after your pastor, as he really doesn't like what I will be sharing about the Kingdom of God. So, let's pray for each other - our church family praying for God's protection, God's perseverance and courage, God's wisdom on how best to reach those we know and love, God's grace to look past the noise of the enemy, and, most importantly, that God will grow His Kingdom because of our church.

Pastor Chad



PENTECOS
2025

Pentecost 2025 is a time to connect with our community through training, outreach events, and practical services. These events are open to anyone in our church and surrounding community. The final event is a 5-night seminar with the finale ending during our Sabbath service. For more information, check out our church app, church website, or contact the church office.

The Word Alive: October 11th ~ 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Learning to Study the Bible for Yourself:

This afternoon session will be taught by Pastor Chad. This class is free of charge, but registration is required.

[The Word Alive Registration Link](#)



Sharing the Word: October 18th ~ 12:30 - 3:00 PM

How to Give Bible Studies with Confidence:

This afternoon session will be taught by Pastor Chad and lunch will be provided to the attendees. The class is free of charge, but registration is required.

[Sharing the Word Link](#)



Your Story: November 17th - 21st ~ 7:00 - 8:00 PM

You Were Made for More

Have you ever wondered if your life is part of something bigger? This six-part series explores how your life intersects with God's story of love, rescue, and hope. Join us as we journey through this story together. Free childcare will be provided. Watch your inbox and the bulletin for registration options coming soon.

ACTS Ministry

Greetings church family from the ACTS Ministry team!

To say we have been busy in the community is an understatement. We have completed 85 projects so far this year with many more planned.

This ministry has shown us the great need in our community and compels us to help whenever we can. An example of this is when I recently met with a 36-year old women with MS. Her husband is working out of state in Florida where they plan to move, but this leaves her to take



care of their property. She told me there are days she can't even get out of bed, so consequently their yard is now out of compliance with the City of Salem.

This reminds me of the question, what would Jesus do? I believe the answer is in the questions: "DO". When we are "doing" that is when we

have seen God "do" more to help us to serve others.

Your prayers, participations, and financial support are appreciated!

Love, Give, Serve

Blessings, Derrick Teague (503) 507-0476



Your Women's Ministry is planning the coming events for the Fall, Winter, and Spring. We need your help, please fill in the Women's Ministry Survey at the end of this newsletter or the survey found in the foyer. And give it to Marlene Tucker, Susie Kurz, or the church office.

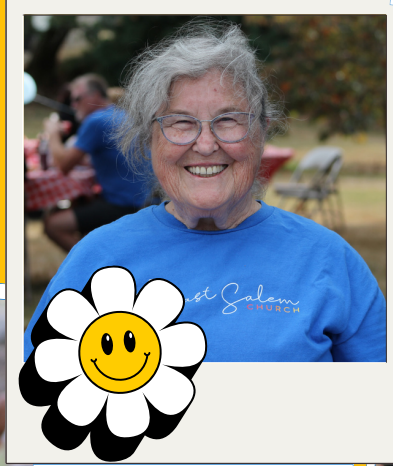
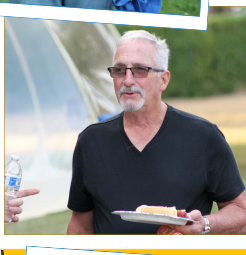
NEW

Morning
PRAYER GROUP

Every Sabbath Morning at 9:00 AM in the Chapel

*A time to pray for our church and for the latter rain!
following the format of "Praying for Rain"*

End of Summer
BASH
Highlights



Family Life
• ministry •

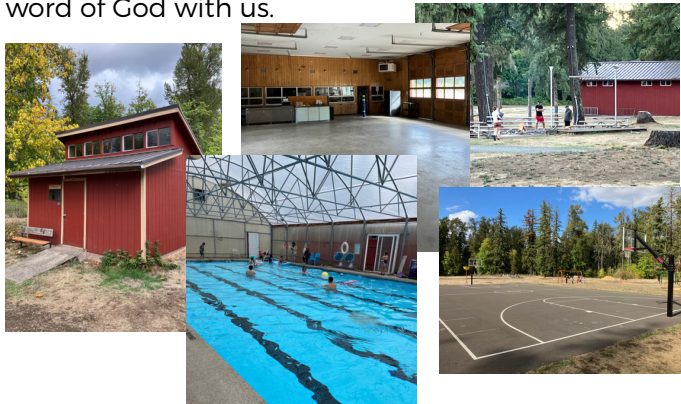




Family Life
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Fall CAMPOUT

The church campout was such a marvelous weekend! Tammey Steenson from the Oregon Conference, was a wonderful speaker and she shared the biblical importance of mending broken relationships and reconciliation. There was not a dry eye in the room when she shared with us the loss of a friend, who was a mother, daughter, and a wife. We were thankful that she took the time to share her amazing insight and love for the word of God with us.



Camp Taloali was an amazing location. There were trails to hike along the gorgeous river, an amazing playground for kids, and open areas for yard games like spike-ball and corn hole. The 8 person ADA cabins were heated and spacious with 4 sets of brand new bunkbeds and new luxurious mattresses. Each one also had a refrigerator and electric outlets for fans! The Pavilion was the perfect space to have our service/meals and the covered pool was a hit with the children!



Not only were the amenities awesome, but so were the staff. The camp is a non profit that hosts youth summer camps for the deaf and hard of hearing. All of their staff are also hard of hearing, but that doesn't stop them from being extremely sweet and helpful. What a joy to support this wonderful group financially!



For our services, there was Sabbath School for both children and adults plus church service and a vespers to wrap up each evening. Both the breakfast bar and potluck lunches filled everyone to the brim with delicious food. It was great roasting s'mores around the campfire and joining in laughter over games, conversation, and play. Most importantly of all, it was marvelous to see everyone sharing and shining their lights for Jesus in the way they communicated and worked together. Spending extra quality time is such an integral part of forming a close knit community so we will definitely do this again next year at the same place! Hope to see you there!

Mishaël Tolan



SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS

These classes meet every Sabbath and are open to everyone. Join a class this week and learn more about the Word of God. For more info, contact the church office.

ADULT QUARTERLY STUDY:

- Meets in the Chapel with music beginning at 9:45 AM and study at 10:00 AM.

FAMILY LIFE SABBATH SCHOOL:

- Meets in the front half of the Fellowship Hall starting at 9:45 AM. Studying the people in the Bible with chaos in their lives, who yet rest on the Father.

FINDING JESUS IN DANIEL & REVELATION:

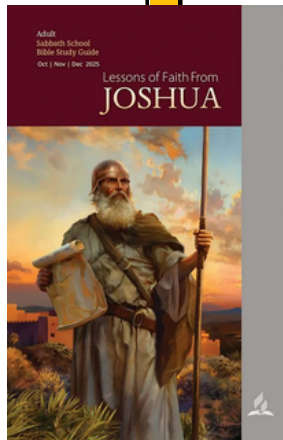
- Meets in the back half of the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 AM. This class is facilitated by Lori Hathaway.

DANIEL EXEGETICAL STUDY:

- Meets in the Library starting at 9:30 AM. This class is facilitated by Gene Starr.

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH SABBATH SCHOOLS:

- Starts at 10:00 AM - Ask a greeter or deacon for directions.



4th Quarter of 2025

Lessons of Faith From **JOSHUA**

Sabbath School Quarterlies are now available. We ask for donations to cover the cost of \$ 3.75 per book. Just put your payment in a tithe envelope, write in your name and mark it "Sabbath School Expense", then give it to Debbie so a book is reserved for you.

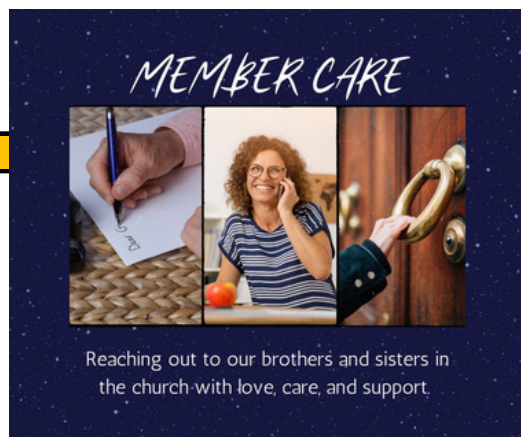
Large print quarterlies are available for those who request them at the cost of \$7.34 per book. Also, available are the

Ellen G. White Notes, "helps" to the quarterly, for \$5.86. Just contact Debbie in the church office to order your copy.

Free Option: If you choose, you can get the quarterly online for FREE through the General Conference website at: <https://absq.adventist.org>.

If you are able to help with the cost for others, make a donation to the "Sabbath School Expense" fund. If you need assistance with the cost of your quarterly, speak to a pastor or elder who will make sure you receive a copy at no charge.

*** We have a very limited number of quarterlies ordered for the next quarter, so sign up today to save your copy.*



Jesus' calling of disciples is summarized by these powerful words of invitation and hope:

"The time has come! The kingdom of God is near! Repent and believe the good news. Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Mark 1:15-17)

Jesus' invitation was not only extended to the first twelve disciples, but to all who listen to Jesus. (Matthew 4:17, 23-25)

SALT AND LIGHT

To a small, mostly uneducated and inexperienced group of men, women and children, Jesus taught something remarkable. He said, "You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world." Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus' followers then and today are like salt, preserving and adding flavor to society. Like light, we are to prayerfully dispel darkness and help reveal God's character of love. We have an influence for Jesus.

Many of us sang in Sabbath School as children, "This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine." Let's shine for Jesus at home, at church, and in our community today.

Rick Casebier, *Member Care and Prayer Ministry*



WHAT IS SACS?

Salem Adventist Community Services

Lemon Drop and Prayer

August 20, 2025, a typical Wednesday morning at Salem Adventist Community Services (SACS)... We opened the doors at 9 AM and welcomed 30 families, coming in with smiles and instructions *(by end of day 81 families will have been served)*. At around 10:30 AM, a child around seven years old sitting in our waiting room with his family put a large lemon drop candy in his mouth and soon began to choke on it and turned blue. One of our amazing volunteers *(a retired nurse)* very calmly gives the child the Heimlich maneuver and dislodges the candy, saving the child. Our volunteer was a blessing to be sure! Then shortly after, another volunteer sat down with the family and they all prayed together.

About an hour later a client was waiting for her number to be called and when we went to greet her, she appeared to be sleeping. But no! She said, "I was praying".

And then... one of our food room volunteers was talking to a client handing him his food and the client said he was having a very bad day. So they prayed together on the loading dock. Wow! What an amazing group of 28 volunteers we are blessed with and all their amazing skills and love of God. God is sure in this building you can feel His presence every day.

Thank you for all your prayers, support, and donations - God is a blessing!

OPEN Wednesday

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

DONATIONS ONLY DURING BUSINESS HOURS

Thank you!

Salem Adventist Community Services

1860 Summer St NE, Salem OR 97301 (503) 363-8893

SACS

GOD is a blessing!

SACS Update:

If you or someone you know is in need of food: clothing, diapers, hygiene and/or household items, please refer them to SACS, open Wednesday mornings 9 AM to Noon.

Currently we are in need of children's winter items: coats, clothes, shoes, toys and also women feminine products.




House of
PRAYER

Wednesday's
7:00 PM
in the chapel

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Join us as we connect
through scripture, sharing
of praise, and prayer.




THRIBE

A COMMUNITY FOR DOING WHOLE PERSON HEALTH TOGETHER

Join us

3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM

At the Sayre-Smith's home

Please RSVP to Marolyn Sayre-Smith at marolynss@icloud.com

A community for those seeking to do 'healthy' together.

Whole person health! Community and connection first!
Whole food plant based potluck get togethers!
Shared learning! Figuring things out together!

THRIVING!

Bring a dish to share at the plant-based potluck.



Homeless Ministry

Our East Salem Homeless Ministry serves over 150 people each Sunday at "Marion Square Park" on Commercial Street in downtown Salem starting at 5:00 PM.

We need volunteers to prepare the meals and/or to serve the meals. Even one Sunday a month would help. Contact Kevin Gray for more information at (503) 990-3874.

W.E. C.A.R.E.



Women of East: Caring Affirming Relational Experience

Ladies,

Do you have a desire for more meaningful connection of sharing and support with an emphasis on spiritual growth?

If so, you are invited to join a group of adult women who also want to journey in an affirming, safe, and spiritually focused support. We meet every other Monday evening in the Young Adult Classroom at 7:00 PM. We would like to invite you to join us.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

October 6th & 20th
November 3rd

For more information, contact LuDell Parrett at (503) 580-0644 or the church office.



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
7:00 PM
LIVINGSTONE ADVENTIST
ACADEMY GYM
5771 FRUITLAND RD NE

WEDNESDAY BASKETBALL MINISTRY

Sponsored by East Salem Church



Children's Church

the 1st Sabbath of each month

Open to all children of the East Salem Church and surrounding community. We hope you will invite children of your friends and family to come have fun with us in Children's Church. This service features fun songs, games, stories, and snacks!
Open to all kids ages 0 - 12.



LIVINGSTONE ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Hello, East Salem!

The 2025–2026 school year is off to an exciting and spirit-filled start at Livingstone Adventist Academy!

Before classes began, our faculty and staff joined with school board members for our annual **Prayer Walk**. This meaningful tradition allows us to dedicate the school year to God—praying over each classroom, teacher, and student who will walk through our doors.

Our **Junior High and High School students** kicked off the year with campouts designed for bonding, team-building, and spiritual connection in the beauty of nature. Junior high students traveled to Cape Lookout on the Oregon Coast, while high schoolers enjoyed their time at the Laurelwood Academy campus in Jasper. Meanwhile, our **elementary students** celebrated the start of the year with an exciting on-campus picnic featuring bounce houses and water slides!

Our school theme this year is **LOVE**. The first part of our mission is to *know God*—and as 1 John 4:16 reminds us, *God is love*. We are called to share the Gospel with the world and to reflect God's character through the way we live. This is how the world knows we are Christ's followers (John 13:35) and what ultimately draws all creation to Him (John 12:32).

Scripture gives us a clear definition of love in 1 Corinthians 13:4–6, describing fifteen attributes of what love truly is. This year, we will take a deep and practical look at each of these attributes—guiding principles we are eager to explore and live out together as a school community.

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of what love is found in 1 Corinthians 13:4–6. We will be doing a detailed dive into these 15 attributes of love described — a guiding principles we are excited to explore and live out together throughout the year.

A Powerful Start: Bible Camp 2025

Thank you all for your prayers and support in making this year's **Bible Camp** a powerful success! Whether or not you attended, the impact of the trip will resonate across campus all year as we pursue our mission to **Know God, Seek Wisdom, and Serve Others**.

Bible Camp was truly a **blessing** for students and staff alike. Over four incredible days, students deepened friendships, connected with God, and experienced His presence in life-changing ways. Most notably, **ten students made the decision to be baptized**, with some baptisms taking place at Washington Family Ranch and others planned within their home church communities.

Beyond those public declarations of faith, **many more students** chose to take new steps in their walk with Jesus—committing to Bible study, intentional prayer, spiritual mentorship, and community involvement. As we return to the rhythm of classes, athletics, music, and activities, we do so with **renewed purpose**. Our commitment to nurturing students as followers of Jesus remains central to everything we do. The Holy Spirit is alive and active on our campus, and we, as staff, parents, church members, and supporters, are all part of the ongoing work. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus in our community.

Staff Updates

We're excited to welcome **four new team members** to LAA this year:

- **Carissa Ness** – 3rd & 4th Grade Teacher
- **Linda Kirby** – PK–12 Music Teacher
- **Parker LeClerc** – English, U.S. History, Government/Economics, and Music Ministry
- **Marcy Perry** – English, Bible, World History, and Yearbook

Each brings a heart for students and a passion for Christian education—we're blessed to have them!

Campus Refresh & Sports Season

Over the summer, our campus received several exciting updates thanks to **generous donor support**. Landscaping at the front entrance has been refreshed, and a **new school sign** is on the way. We also upgraded our **soccer field** to meet standards—just in time for the fall season.

Volleyball and soccer seasons are underway, and we invite you to check out the schedule at www.livingstone.academy to cheer on our student athletes!

First Service Day

On **September 17**, our 5th-12th grade students participated in the year's first **Service Day**. Partnering with East Salem's ACTS team, helping with **county road cleanup** on Fruitland Road, and caring for our own school grounds, students demonstrated what it means to **serve others**—part of our core mission at LAA.

Get Involved

We are always eager to welcome new volunteers and partners. If you feel led to contribute—whether through time, talents, or resources—please don't hesitate to reach out or visit us in person. One of our greatest strengths is our **constituent church family**, and we're grateful for your ongoing support.

We remain committed to providing a high-quality, Christ-centered education—and we know we can't do it without you.

With deep gratitude,

The Livingstone Adventist Academy Team

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Women's ministries wants your input...

Here are some activities we 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.

	Days of Week and Times
Women's Bible study	
Women's health workshop	
Cooking classes or canning	
Parenting class	
A Tea	
Time together to watch the livestream of 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 _____