



Bible Study Groups – 9:30am – 10:30am

For Kids ages 0-	Mary Teeters, Vonnie Olesen	Beginners Room
For Kids Kg-Prim	Eileen Stuart, Becky Rac, Shauna Larsen	Kindergarten Room
For Our Junior	TBA	Junior Room
For Our Youth	TBA	Fellowship Hall Classroom
Adult Class 1	Steve Rae ?	
Adult Class 2	Lorin Wentland/Ron Murphy	Youth Room
Adult Class 3	Vaun Miller	Sanctuary Side Room #6

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Milton SDA Church Mission Statement

We are Christ's hands bringing HOPE to our community.
 Healing – Opportunity – Peace – Encouragement

Pastor Howard Tello -- Office

Appointments are available through the Church Office:
 Monday-Thursday
 541-938-3066 or 509-386-6071 / office@miltonsda.org

**The Milton
 Seventh-day Adventist Church**



**Sabbath
 April 4, 2026**

Tellogram Thought

What's your favorite story? The story that you could listen to today in and day out? The story that keeps you at the edge of your seat every time you listen to it? I'm a bit biased: my favorite story is the resurrection of Jesus! Think about it, it's a story that has drama, action, conflict, resolution, hope, and above all...that sense that when everything is going wrong in our lives...God has never lost control!

There are moments in our lives when we are surrounded by darkness that seems never ending. In the Pilgrims Progress by John Bunyan there is a part of the story where Christian travels in the valley of death and darkness. It's deep, it's scary, it's daunting...but there is an end to that...it's never continuous with no end! Praise the Lord for that reality! Now I get it...when we're in the darkness it doesn't feel like there's an end.

But there is, there has to be! Why, because that's what hope provides for those that choose it. Hope provides you to see the end when you can't see it. Hope allows you to realize that the darkness and pain you are facing now is fleeting and God has a resurrection experience for you. One in which you come out better than you would have ever thought possible.

So far as I know...I don't know of anyone or anything else that can do that for a human being. God can. God has. And God will continue doing so on behalf of all those that choose Him. So, why wait to choose God. Do it now! Do it the moment you sense your need of Him. You won't regret that decision!

So, until the next time this is Pastor Tello reminding you that thoughts do change lives!

Pastor Howard Tello

UCC WOMEN'S & YOUNG WOMEN'S SPRING ONE DAY – May 2

The retreat keynote speaker is Tamyra Horst; director of communications, women's ministries, and family ministries for Pennsylvania Conference. She has authored ten books. We invite and hope for you to join us for rich inspiration, beautiful music, fellowship, give-aways, and a delicious meal. For questions, please contact Wendy Urbin at (509) 242-0628 or email wendyu@uccsda.org. Register at www.uccsda.org/womensretreat.

WWU MUSIC DEPARTMENT

You are invited to two special free programs coming up next week. Both events will take place in the Melvin K. West Fine Arts Center Recital Hall.

Piano Festival Guest and Faculty Recital

Tuesday, 7 April 2026, 7 p.m.

This recital features guest artists Dr. Elinor Freer and Dr. Andrew Harley, both on the faculty at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York, with pianist and WWU music department chair, Karlyn Bond. All works are for piano four hands — piano duets, that is! — and will include both original works and arrangements by Bach, Schubert, Brahms, Dvořák, Bernstein, and Rossini.

Piano Student Master Class

Wednesday, 8 April 2026, 7-9 p.m.

In this event, Drs. Freer and Harley coach our own students in solo and chamber works. Student performers will be Mia Chai, Miah Davis, Brooklyn Gerber, Austin Price, Kayla Hastings, Zane Tungesvik, Jordan Butcher, Amanda Kitto, and Cristina Showalter. Composers featured include Bach, Mozart, Brahms, Borodin, and Chopin. All pianists in this event are piano majors.

Giving at Milton

As part of our commitment to praise God, we receive a love offering during the morning worship service. **Loose offering goes for Milton Church Budget. Online giving** is a great option. You can click on adventistgiving.org and then Milton Adventist Church (enrolled) and follow the directions.

Milton Church Budget (MCB)

Needed in 2025 (per month)	\$ 14,378
January-December 2025.....	157,035
January	10,223
February.....	10,857
March	14,158

Children's Offering

January-December 2025.....	\$ 4,941
January	865
February.....	452
March	620

The Children's Offering helps fund our Worthy Student Assistance. You can also give Milton Student Aid directly. These funds are helpful to the students.

Thank you for donating to the Student Aid Fund.

News Notes

ADVENTIST BOOK CENTER

Each week there is a story time for children on **Wednesdays from 10:15am – 10:45am**. Bring your children and neighbor's children and anyone who enjoys stories young and old!

ADVENTURE CAMP

Experience adventure and faith at Camp MiVoden's Adventure Camp for kids ages 8–10! Campers join small cabin groups to enjoy climbing, ziplining, canoeing, and fun team activities, all while growing in faith and learning about God's creation. Financial assistance is available. Register today at www.mivoden.com.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Jim James Celebration of Life service will be on Sabbath, **April 11, 3:00pm** at Stateline Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is an open event. A meal will be served afterward.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Paul E. Gilliland, formerly of Milton-Freewater, Oregon, passed away November 16, 2025. A Celebration of Life, with a potluck following the service, will be held on **April 25, 2026, at 4:30 pm**, in the Stateline SDA Church Friendship Center. Address is 53730 Stateline Road, Milton-Freewater, OR.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

You are invited to join us on **April 5, 6:30am** at Ireland-McRae Ballpark (next to Yantis Park near the pool). This service is offered by the Milton-Freewater Ministerial Association.

GOSPEL OUTREACH is seeking qualified Adventist volunteers to support our mission of sharing the gospel with the unreached in the 10/40 Window. If this interests you, please check out our job openings at goaim.org/volunteer.

MILTON CHURCH CAMPOUT

Save the date: August 15! This will be our church campout at Harris Park. For campsite reservations, please call 541-938-5330. The campsite is \$35.00.

MILTON STATELINE ADVENTIST SCHOOL

Our school needs you! MSAS needs substitute teachers and volunteers! You don't need a college degree to substitute or to volunteer. Experience the joy of helping our precious children in their learning and development. If this sounds interesting to you, call 541-938-7131 or email office@miltonstateline.org

Worship Service 10:50am – 12:15pm

Prelude: The Water is Wide – James Swearingen
WWVA Band

Welcome & Prayer: Pastor Howard Tello

Opening Song: Beautiful Savior – James Swearingen
WWVA Band

What's Happening? Pastor Howard Tello

Worship in Giving – Milton Church Budget: Steve Rae
Offertory: Precious Lord, Take My Hand – Robert W. Smith
WWVA Band

Kid's Feature and Offering: WWVA Band

Praise Songs

In Christ Alone
He Lives
Because He Lives

Worship in Prayer

Prayer Song: Beautiful
Prayer: Braydon Vogt

Special Music

Meadow & Wiser Stuart

Message: To Be Determined

Hannah Tello

Benediction: Hannah Tello

Postlude: Choose Joy – Randall Standridge
WWVA Band

Music: Walla Walla Valley Academy Band

A-V Tech: Austin & Martin Coronado

Sound Tech: Gwen Burt

Lead Deacon: Jeff Johnson

WWU Theology Student Intern: Pastor Isa Carrillo

Church Events & Information



AA SUPPORT GROUP

Anyone who is interested may join this group which meets each **Tuesday evening at 7:00** in the Fellowship Hall. For information: 541-938-3066.



ACS COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE

Location: 713 S. Main St. in Milton-Freewater, Phone: 541-938-9188.
Hours: **Mondays & Thursdays, 10:00am to 4:00pm**. Your donations of clothing & household items help support our students, church, and community.



BIBLE STUDY / PRAYER MEETING

Please join us on **Wednesdays at 7:00pm** for these mid-week services:
Bible Study/Prayer Meeting with Pastor Howard Tello (Conference Room & Zoom) **Zoom Address: 511 961 3903, Password: 144000**

MILTON SDA CHURCH

Church Family Bulletin Board next to the church office is for member requests and information. Bring items to the Church Office to be posted.

Getting to Know You communication cards are in the pew rack in front of you for visitors, prayer requests, transfers, and other information.

Pictorial Directories are available at the church office.

Listening devices & lap blankets are available in the foyer.

Verified Volunteers is an SDA Screening Verification required of all those working with children. Instructions are available at the Church Office.

PRAYER MINISTRIES

Prayer Circle: Meets in the church foyer **Thursday mornings at 7:00**.

Prayer Group for Moms: Any mothers who would like to come to my house and pray for their kids, just contact me. We will meet on **Mondays at 6:30pm**. Please call Marci Evans: 509-301-8339.

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.

SMALL GROUPS

A variety of small group activities where you may volunteer to lead out, co-lead, or participate in, are available. Please contact the Church Office for more information: 541-938-3066.

WEBSITE FOR MILTON SDA CHURCH

You may find the following items on this QR Code: events, sermons, mission statement, bulletins, on-line giving, and other information.



Milton Church Calendar

Today, Sabbath, April 4

- 9:30am Bible Study groups for Children & Adults
- 10:50am Youth with Hannah Tello (Sanctuary)
- 12:30pm Church Potluck & Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 3:00pm Sabbath afternoon services (CP Brookdale Senior Living)
- 7:25pm Sunset— Lev. 23:32

Sunday, April 5

- 6:30am Easter Sunrise Service at Ireland-McRae Ballpark (next to Yantis Park near pool)

Monday, April 6

- 9am-12pm Church Office Open
- 11:00am Pastoral Staff meeting (Pastor's Office)
- 10am-4pm ACS Thrift Store Open (713 S Main St. Milton-Freewater)

Tuesday, April 7

- 9am-12pm Church Office Open
- 7:00pm AA Support Group (Fellowship Hall classroom)

Wednesday, April 8

- 9am-12pm Church Office Open
- 12 noon Church Bulletin Information Due**
- 7:00pm Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (Conference Room)

Thursday, April 9

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

Friday, April 10

- 7:33pm Sunset— Lev. 23:32

Sabbath, April 11

- 9:30am Bible Study groups for Children & Adults
- 10:50am Speaker: Pastor Howard Tello (Sanctuary)
- 3:00pm Sabbath afternoon services (CP Brookdale Senior Living)
- 7:34pm Sunset— Lev. 23:32

Sunday, April 12

- 8am-2pm Nana's Closet giveaways (Fellowship Hall)

April Events

- April 4 Church with Youth and Hannah Tello
- April 4 Monthly Church Potluck (Fellowship Hall)
- April 5 Easter Sunrise Service (Ballpark near Yantis Park) 6:30am
- April 11 Speaker: Pastor Howard Tello
- April 12 Nana's Closet giveaways (Fellowship Hall) 8:00-2:00pm
- April 14 Finance Committee (Library) 6:0pm
- April 14 Church Board (Conference Room) 7:00pm
- April 18 Speaker: Pastor Howard Tello
- April 18 Fellowship Potluck (Haney's Home) 1:00pm
- April 19 MSAS Spring Gala (Fellowship Hall)
- April 25 Speaker: Augustin Herrera
- April 27 Newsletter mailing