

STAFWELCOME

“Through the Lord’s mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (NKJV)

I recently read the words of David Livingstone’s prayer he wrote in his diary. He was the pioneer missionary to Africa who is said to have walked more than 29,000 miles. His wife died early in their ministry. He faced opposition from his countrymen. His eyesight was limited. But this is what he wrote: “Send me anywhere, only go with me. Lay any burden on me, only sustain me. Sever me from any tie but the tie that binds me to Your service and to your heart.” That prayer is now my prayer too. Will you pray it also? **WELCOME TO STAF!** – *Pastor Ben*

STAFSTUF

TODAY

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Fellowship Lunch *
5:24p Sabbath ends
6:59p “The Myth of Darwin’s Black Box”

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TOMORROW
6:59p “If God is so Good, Why is the World so Bad?”

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TUESDAY, February 13
10a Food Store open/**Bulletin Announcements Due**
1p Church Office open until 5p
6p/7p Finance Committee / Church Board meet

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WEDNESDAY, February 14
6:30p Community Gym Night
7p Ken’s small group

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THURSDAY, February 15
1p Church Office open until 5p
6:59p “Fortune Tellers & the End of the World”

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FRIDAY, February 16
5:33p Sabbath begins
6:59p “Was Jesus God, Liar, or Mad Man?”

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SABBATH, February 17
6:59p “Rise of the Antichrist” & an extra topic *
8:30p Youth Game Night *

*See Announcements or News pages for details

LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Summary of our outreach goals for the next 5 years. Join us!

Kids	Missions	Attendance	Community
To provide outstanding children’s and youth ministries that teach, mentor, and prepare kids for Jesus’ soon return.	To sponsor 2 international mission trips to build up, edify, and expand God’s kingdom on Earth.	Grow to 500+ attending and involved in soul-winning and discipleship ministries.	To embrace diversity, reject racism, fight for the powerless, and break the cycle of poverty in our neighborhood.

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STAFMESSENGER

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A Place of Hope, Second Chances, and New Beginnings

HE GAVE
HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON
SO THAT
WE COULD LIVE
JOHN 3:16

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FELLOWSHIP LUNCH TODAY—GUESTS INVITED

If you are crazy for ethnic or foreign foods, you'll be happy with today's potluck. Members prepared dishes from their ethnicity or background!

NEW SABBATH SCHOOL SERIES STARTS TODAY

What does the Bible say about fallen angels? fathering giants? feast days? a Bible code? For answers & why it's important for you to know the truth, come to the Sanctuary class. Bring your questions for future topics to be discussed.

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THIS WEEKEND'S DEADLY MYTHS EXPOSED

Come tonight to hear why Darwinism is a myth and how we can believe the Bible account of Creation. Sunday answers the deep question so many ask—If God is so good, why is the world so bad? See STAFSTUF for more topics.

LIVING FAITH

we return our tithes & offerings

Today's offering focus is **Adventist TV Ministries**—supports the long-standing TV/online ministries of *It Is Written*, *Breath of Life* and *Faith For Today*.

Ways to give: tithe envelope in the pew
 online at www.stafonline.org

February Goal: \$11,000

Received (MTD) \$1,137

Annual Goal (YTD): \$22,000

Received (YTD) \$7,179



It's Okay to Share...

Connect and continue the conversation with us socially!

- SouthTacomaAdventist — check in and give us a like!
- @STAFonline — mention us with a picture post & feedback
- @stafonline — share your pics with us
- /stafonline — subscribe and share the Gospel to a growing world-wide audience



Be sure to check weekly for updates, news, and changes at our website: www.stafonline.org

VEGGIE TALES DVDS FOR KINDERGARTEN

If you have DVDs or cleaned toys from this series that you would be willing to donate to this children's Sabbath School class, please bring them by before or after class time.

"ALL IN" EVERY MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

If you aren't involved with a STAF ministry, you aren't using your Spiritual Gifts. *Note on a Connect Card where you'd like to be involved and turn it in with the offering today.* One-time, monthly and upcoming prophecy series opportunities need you.



SERVING TRAYS FOR FAMILIES

Cafeteria type trays are now available for adults with small children or who assist elderly people at Fellowship Lunches. Please ask for one as you start in line.

COMMUNITY GYM NIGHTS MOVE TO WEDNESDAY

For the duration of the "Deadly Myths" series, Community Gym nights are moving to Wednesday.

YOUTH GAME NIGHT TIME CHANGED

Next Saturday's event will start after the evening meeting. Please check next week's bulletin for exact time.

PLEASE COMMUNICATE WITH US!

How we can meet your needs? Can we pray for you? What STAF ministry do you want to be involved in? Did your phone #/address change? Communicate with the Pastor or Office Admin. by turning in your card with the offering.



OFFICE HOURS UNTIL MARCH 8

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1 - 5p.

JOHN 3:16

John 3:16. Twenty-five words to create the most remarkable summary of the Gospel. This most loved verse is the church's mission, its hope, and its reason for existence. If there were one verse Satan could blot out of the Bible, you can be sure it's this one. If ever there was one verse that could show the way to heaven and God—it's this one. So let's break it down and study it, word by word.

Series' Upcoming Dates / Title / Topics

Feb 17	"Design"	<i>The Plan of Salvation</i>
Feb 24	"Descendant"	<i>The Only Begotten</i>
Mar 03	"Duty"	<i>What It Means to Truly Believe</i>
Mar 10	"Destiny"	<i>Everlasting Life</i>

SAVE THE DATE!

February 21	— Free Community Dinner
February 24	— Italian-themed Fellowship Lunch
March 3	— A Special Fellowship Lunch — "Haystacks"
March 3	— Youth Bowl and Dinner
March 17	— Women's Fellowship Lunch
March 21	— Free Community Dinner
March 31	— Easter Service and Lunch

PREACHING SCHEDULE

17	Pastor Orian	<i>Design</i>
24	Pastor Orian	<i>Descendant</i>
03	Pastor Orian	<i>Duty</i>
10	Pastor Orian	<i>Destiny</i>



Today's message will be made available on DVD following the worship service. Find it in the literature rack in the Foyer. If you can't be with us in person, you can always join the live stream at our website.