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Getting to Know You: Kursten Patrick

By Amanda Whiting



Kursten Patrick is a life-long Adventist who grew up in the Renton Highlands and attended the Renton SDA church. She attended KSDA from grades 3-9.

She says “My first career and ‘dream job’ was raising my 3 amazing kids and homeschooling them until they were old enough to start high school where they then attended PSAA.” Kursten recently graduated as a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and has accepted a job at the University of Washington medical center on their kidney transplant floor. That is where she and her husband, Steve,

were cared for when Kursten donated her kidney to him, so it is very special to her.

When asked about her church involvement, Kursten says “I have been one of the teachers in (in my opinion) one of the best Sabbath School classes that meets in the social hall every Sabbath, as well as a Pathfinder leader for many years.” She also has served in children’s Sabbath School, and as a VBS crew leader. She is taking a break from her official positions this next church year as she gets settled in her new job.

As far as community involvement outside of church, Kursten says “I have not done as much in the community as I would like. I have volunteered at the Issaquah food and clothing bank a number of times (a wonderful organization), but beyond that I have only participated in outreach in the community through a number of Pathfinder events.”

She and her family started attending the Bellevue church sometime around 2007. She says “Bellevue church has been such a wonderful family to us. I have felt their love and support for not only me, but my husband and children as well. I am looking forward to the day when we can all worship together again in person!”

Red Cross Blood Drive

By Kayla Mellon

Last week, we opened up our church, for the first time in months, to the American Red Cross to put on a much needed blood drive for our community. Their previous location in Bellevue fell through, so thankfully we were able to provide them with a space that met their needs.

The day was full of (socially distanced and masked) conversations with people from around the community and with some of our own church members that came out to donate as well. Not only were people helping others with their donations, but we were helping each other mentally and spiritually with the much needed time to converse in what is happening right now in the world, the pros/cons of church at home, and how much more we appreciate the time that we have with others.

The Red Cross team was so thankful for our help and said that it was one of the smoother run blood drives they have had in awhile (despite being one tech down and running a little behind schedule). I am so thankful for our church and that we could help out in this way.

