

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

Sabbath, November 17, 2018



*God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.*

*Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give
way and the mountains fall into the heart of the
sea, though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.*

*There is a river whose streams make glad the
city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.*

*God is within her, she will not fall;
God will help her at break of day.*

Psalm 46:1-5

Dear Family,

It has been quite a week for our community. The fires that have been raging in California have shocked us with both their ferocity and proximity. There are very few of us who do not personally know someone whose life has been devastatingly affected. It is distressing and scary. While we mourn for those affected, we are also reminded of the fragility of our own world.

But within the devastation and pain, there is also incredible hope. Stories of courage, of generosity, of goodness, remind us of God's nearness, His kingdom being lived, even in the darkness. I found myself riveted as I read of people risking their lives for others: hospital employees choosing to stay to ensure that all patients were evacuated, even as flames closed in; community services risking their lives as they worked to protect their community; strangers looking after each other as they battled to escape the flames. And then in response, the wider community rallying to be of tangible help as these communities recover.

This Sabbath, churches in the Oregon Conference are collecting a special offering to support the victims of the Camp Fire in Paradise, California. 100% of the money collected will be delivered to the Northern California Conference to provide support for those suffering after this tragedy. If you would like to contribute to this, there are three options:

- 1) Mark your tithing envelope "Paradise Fire Recovery". Oregon Conference offering code #7518.
- 2) Give online at AdventistGiving.org. – Look for the "Paradise Fire Recovery" offering.
- 3) Or mail a check to the Oregon Conference (19800 Oatfield Rd., Gladstone, OR 97027) marked "Paradise Fire Recovery."

I am glad to belong to a family that rallies around those in need and in the face of life's hardships, courageously holds on to God as our sure refuge and hope.

Pastor Kara Johnsson



Shout-Out

Send your "shout-outs" to info@SunnysideAdventist.org so we can include them in next week's Communiqué. This is a place you can recognize someone for doing well or going beyond expectations.

Shout out to our landscape crew for keeping the leaves raked and our grounds looking sharp. Thank you!

News & Notes

THIS WEEKEND

Today's services are at 8:45 and 11:15 AM with Pastor Kara Johnsson presenting our Bible message titled "An Economy of Abundance."

This afternoon, 3:00 PM, there will be a memorial service for Nita Martin here at Sunnyside Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for the families of:

Stan Ochs who passed away Wednesday, October 24.

Memorial plans are still being made.

Jack E. Betz who passed away October 20, at the age of 97, a life-long member of Sunnyside and principal contractor of Sunnyside Church. A Celebration of Life service will be held here at Sunnyside Sunday, December 16, 1:30 PM.

Kathy Manley who passed away November 14. Memorial plans are in process.

Pastor Don Reynolds wishes to thank you for your prayers and condolences at this time of unspeakable loss of his companion, Lyla, whom he says was the perfect pastor's wife for more than 70 years.

The ReNew Committee is beginning its final phase.

Subcommittees have been formed for efficiency. They are the Platform Function Committee and Lighting. If you need to know who to talk to, you will find a ReNew Sunnyside Committee Protocol sheet on the Narthex table.

Toy Drive – Please bring an unwrapped, new toy, and place it in the box located in the foyer. We will collect toys until December 10 for students at Cherry Park School. (The students at Cherry Park live in our community.)

Children's Ministry has placed tables in the children's wing containing new and gently used clothing for babies and toddlers. Feel free to take what you need or if you know of someone who could use the clothing, please share with them. If you have any questions, contact Jackee Duvall at 503-309-9400 or

jackeeduvall@hotmail.com.

A special International program is being planned for Sabbath, January 26. We want to feature all the nationalities represented in our Sunnyside Church. A comprehensive list can only be developed if you, our members, will contact Rosie, our secretary, with your country of birth or the country you identify with. . Call 503-252-8080 or email: info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



Devotional books! It's time to order your new devotional book for 2019. Check the table in the Narthex to see the available books, and sign up for the books you desire. By ordering through the church, you will receive special pricing. These make great Christmas gifts! They will be ready for pick up Sabbath, December 22. If you should need them sooner, please contact the office at 503-252-8080 or Lorrie Wescott.

Sunday Breakfast for the homeless – Every Sunday we serve breakfast to approximately 500 homeless, hungry, and poor. We need your support with the following donations: 8" paper plates (Chinet), 8 oz paper cups, plastic forks (Solo 500 count), Costco napkins, coffee, chocolate, creamer, large size of syrup, catsup, oil, pancake mix; and/or tax deductive \$\$ donation payable to Sunnyside Adventist Church, memo " Sunday Breakfast." For more information contact **Ardina Wang** 503-255-0075.

On Sabbath, November 24, 4:00 PM, we will enjoy Evensong, featuring Robert Schmidt at the organ and James Robertson with the spoken word. Plan now to attend this spiritually enriching event.

During the month of December and the first Sabbath of January, we will be having only one worship service. Our Bible study classes will begin at 10:00 AM and our worship service will begin at 11:15 AM.

December 21, 7:00 PM, the 37th Annual Family Christmas program will be here at Sunnyside. Invite your friends and enjoy an evening of Christmas music presented by some of Portland's finest musicians. Bring your musical score and participate in the finale – Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from "Messiah." An offering will be received to support feeding Portland's homeless each Sunday morning in downtown Portland. Refreshments will be served after the program.

Family Resource Network – Thank you for your continued support that has helped so many people in their time of need. Place your funds in an envelope marked Family Resource Network, account number 488.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

Portland Adventist Academy

<http://paasda.org>

Christmas Wreaths! Help support PAA's Class of 2019 by purchasing a wreath made from mixed evergreens. Multiple round wreath sizes are available as well as a candy cane shape. Order deadline: Sunday, November 18; pick up will be at PAA Monday,

December 3 from 3:30-5:30 PM. To place an order you may call PAA at 503-255-8372 or go online to www.paasda.org and look for the Wreath web link. Make checks payable to PAA, memo – Class of 2019. Orders will be filled once payment has been received.

PAA Job Opportunities:

Maintenance Assistant

Development Director

View at <http://paasda.org/news/new-job-postings-paa/>.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 5, 8:00 PM: Jaime Jorge In Concert.

Jaime Jorge, a world-class violinist will present a free concert, "Silent Night, Holy Night." A free-will offering will be taken.

Event Location: Adventist Community Church of Vancouver.

January 15-19. Adventist Agriculture Association Conference.

The Adventist Agricultural Association's (AdAgrA's) 5th annual conference is coming to the Pacific Northwest! Through short courses, seminars, plenaries, and networking, the conference offers information and inspiration for how and why Adventists need to be in the garden.

June 21-July 4, 2019: 2019 Great Controversy Tour.

Dr. Gerard Damsteegt, a specialist in church history and development of prophetic interpretation, will lead this tour. See the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation come alive. Visit Rome and the Reformation sites in the Waldensian Valleys, Switzerland, France, and Germany. These tours give you a new vision of how to inspire church members for Jesus' coming and future challenges. A most exciting experience! Call 269-815-8624, or email_GCTours@mac.com.

HOUSING NEEDED

One of our senior couples is in need of housing. They need just a small unit, room, or basement. If you know of anything available, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Help someone by volunteering: PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services) has volunteer opportunities available. Apply online at pacsonline.org or call 503-252-8500 and ask for Kellie for more information.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services) Now hiring part-time **Dental Front Office**, and part-time

Dental Hygienist

Volunteer positions open:

Dentists

For more information contact Carol James, Dental Clinic Manager, carol.james@pacsonline.org, call or text 503-758-1892.

The Oregon Conference Treasury Department is hiring a full time **Moving Van Driver**. For the job description, please visit oregonconference.org, click the tab Departments, Human Resources, and then click on Employment. Or go directly to oregonconference.org/employment-home.