# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué News & Announcements

Sabbath, November 24, 2018



# Greetings church family,

There were some ideas that I recently came across that I felt would be appropriate to share during this time of year. Here are seven reasons to be thankful:

- 1. **Life.** God gives life and sustains life. He gives to all life, and breath, and all things (Acts 17:25).
- 2. **His Word.** If things are going good or bad, if we are young or old, sick or in good health, God's Word is always the same and can be trusted.
- 3. **Salvation.** It doesn't matter where you have been or what you have done. The grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people (Titus 2:11).
- Blessings. We should focus more on what we have and not on what we don't. Even when we have little, we have the blessing of the Lord which makes a person rich (Proverbs 10:22).
- 5. Trials. You might be thinking, "thankful for trials?" Paul said, "We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love" (Romans 5:3-5).
- 6. Land of free. We still live in a land with religious liberty. Thank God every day. We should always remember the high price that has been paid for the freedoms we enjoy. Let us be grateful!
- 7. **Blessed hope.** There will come a time when He will wipe away every tear. A day when there will be no more tears, no more sorrows- just brand-new tomorrows. This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls (Hebrews 6:19).

I pray and hope you had a great Thanksgiving Day and found some reasons to be thankful. I hope these reasons have given you something more to be thankful for.

Blessings to you and yours,

#### Pastor Juan Fresse



Send your "shout-outs" to <a href="mailto:info@SunnysideAdventist.org">info@SunnysideAdventist.org</a> 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 deaconesses, particularly Dianne Glovatsky, our head deaconess. She does a phenomenal job of organizing and paying attention to details, making sure everything is in place for every event. Thank you, Dianne!

# **News & Notes**

#### THIS WEEKEND

Today's services are at 8:45 and 11:15 AM with Juan Fresse presenting our Bible messaged titled "Share the Love."

This afternoon at 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.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Please pray for the families of:

**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. A memorial service will be held December 2, 11: AM, here at Sunnyside Church.

**Clifford Ortner** who passed away December 15. Memorial plans are in process.

**Toy Drive** – Please bring an unwrapped, new toy for ages 5-11, 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.

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.

There will be a Celebration of Life service for Bill Wallace, Sunday, December 2, 2:00 PM, at Rockwood SDA Church. In lieu of flowers, donations towards the Rockwood door fund would be appreciated.

## **ADVENTIST EDUCATION**

Portland Adventist Elementary School

http://www.paes.com

Portland Adventist Academy

http://paasda.org

#### AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# November 29, 7:00 PM. Michael Allen Harrison Christmas Concert.

Enjoy a Christmas concert with renowned pianist, Michael Allen Harrison. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken on behalf of our Rockwood Pathfinder Club. There will also be a drawing for a free weekend at the beach!

Event Location: Rockwood Adventist Church.

# December 2, 4:00 PM: Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra Concert.

Plan now to enjoy the Christmas concert presented by the Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra featuring Jonathan DeBruyn, guest conductor. Event Location: Sunnyside Adventist Church.

# 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.

## December 8, 6:00 PM: Home and Heart Christmas Concert.

Make plans now to immerse yourself in the spirit of the Christmas

season with bluegrass and traditional songs performed by local artists. Refreshments to follow. All are invited to enjoy a time of down-home Christmas fellowship. This is a great opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors! Visit <a href="www.pvclife.com">www.pvclife.com</a>. Event Location: Pleasant Valley Church.

# 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.

269-815-8624, or email GCTours@mac.com.

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

# 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 <u>pacsonline.org</u> 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, <u>carol.james@pacsonline.org</u>, 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.