

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

Sabbath, November 7, 2020



Greetings church family,

I am writing this communicate on the day of our election, and with everything going on in our country I am praising God that we belong to the kingdom of Jesus Christ. Recently our pastoral staff was praying for our church, city, state, and nation during this tumultuous times and the election specifically when Pastor Wendy mentioned something that was powerful. While we vote for a new

president every four years, we have a great opportunity to vote for Jesus every day of our lives. Pastor Mark has also mentioned that empires come and fall but aren't we glad to be a part of the kingdom of Jesus!

Chelsea shared with me today a reading in one of her devotionals regarding the election. I would like to share it with you. "As an election looms, we must vote for someone to lead our nation. May we be reminded of the human limitations of any leader. Help us fight the temptation to place our hope in a leader. Help us fight the lie that a president can restore all that is broken. May we recognize and exercise our right to vote with diligence and thoughtfulness. But may we do so with trust and dependence, knowing that every elected president is established under Your rule and reign." (taken from the Daily Grace Blog, <https://dailygraceblog.com/a-prayer-for-election-day/>)

Last Sabbath I had the opportunity to speak on faith and how Romans 4 and the story of Abraham really give us an idea that our faith isn't just a belief in God but something of action. Reading Hebrews 11, and reading that seeing the way that God sees, actually has discernible actions like the Red Sea parting, the walls of Jericho falling, and ultimately by God accomplishing the impossible, defeating sin forever for you and me by the death, burial, and resurrection of His Son to be able to spend eternity with Him. That is a God that I would vote for!



In my message I also spoke about Genesis 12 and how the first three verses of Genesis 12 are like the mission statement for the remaining 1,000 pages of Scripture that show God relentlessly pursuing a reconnection with the Creator with His creation. The text of Genesis 12:1-3 reads, "The Lord had said to Abram, 'Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and **you will be a blessing**. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.'" Notice how many

times God acts in this statement and how many times we are supposed to act. God tells us that we are to be a blessing, and that He will bless and curse those that bless and curse us. This means we do not have to judge, we in fact leave it completely up to God. What a relief?!

Our NextGen group has taken the Genesis 12 text literally and we have created the Genesis 12 Project. This project will be ongoing and will be full of fun ways to bless our community around us. Our two ideas we are currently working on are sponsoring Porta Potties around the city for the homeless, as well as making care kits for the homeless. As a group we have a lot of ideas and some items but we need the church to rally around us to help us get the items we need. Items we would like to pack the care kits would include:

- water bottle
- socks
- crackers
- granola bars or cereal bars
- fruit snacks
- hand wipes
- hand sanitizer
- deodorant
- Kleenex
- toothbrush and toothpaste
- band aids
- nail clippers
- Chap stick
- ponchos
- combs
- notes of encouragement and uplifting Bible verses
- emergency blankets

If you would like to donate (financially or purchase any of the items above) please contact Pastor Billy. The NextGen group, and those it will benefit, thank you in advance.

For those interested, I have also attached my filled out Road Block map. Chelsea and I have had socially distanced meals with one of the couples, and plan for another as well. We continue to pray for them and try to build relationships to bless those that are closest to us. I pray that you are taking that challenge personally as well and are blessing those around you. I pray we get to see each other and worship together very soon!

Pastor Billy Hungate

News & Notes

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic all services and meetings at the church have been canceled until further notice. Stay connected! Check out our Facebook page and website. If you are not receiving our emails, please forward your email address to info@SunnysideAdventist.org, so we can keep you informed of our activities.

THIS WEEKEND

NEXTGEN Friday, November 6, 7:00 PM, NextGen hangout at Sunnyside Church.

Welcome to our worship service via streaming video at 11:15 AM. Pastor Mark Witas will present our Bible message titled "What Faith Produces."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for the following families:

Tim Adams whose brother, Randy, passed away this week.

Matt Mandrones whose father, Danny Mandrones, passed away last week.

Max Mace, founder and head singer of the Heritage Singers, who passed away Wednesday.

Finance Committee will meet Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 PM, via Zoom.

Church Board meeting will take place Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 PM, via Zoom.

Attention Children's Sabbath School leaders and teachers! We are currently taking an inventory and survey of necessary items for the children's divisions. Please take a moment to stop by the Kindergarten room and the basement to check off items you would like to keep. If you have any *questions*, contact Pastor Wendy.

The November/December Children's Sabbath Packets are available from the information desk in the church foyer. If you do not have a code to get into the church, contact Rosie at the church office, 503-252-8080. Packets contain lesson stories, memory verses, crafts and activities for each Sabbath in November and December. We have packets for Beginners, Kindergarten/1st grade, Primary 4th/5th grades, and Junior High.

Sunnyside Pathfinders will be assembling a limited number of Thanksgiving food boxes. If you are available to pick up a box for your family or someone you know, on Sunday, November 22, from 1:00-3:00 PM, please text Evelyn Hull at 503-560-9608 ASAP. We will need your name, phone number, number of people in the household and whether you are vegetarian or not. If you would like to help finance this project, please make your donation payable to The Family Resource Network.



Our NextGen hangout will be Friday, November 13, 7:00 PM, at Sunnyside Adventist Church. Join us if you're between ages 21-40, for good times together! This is an informal hangout to just belong and

become a community together. We will be social distancing so bring your masks (if you don't have one we can provide one for you.)

During this difficult time, if you are in need of financial help for rent, utilities, or other needs, the Family Resource Network stands by to help. Or if you know of a fellow church member that may need help and is hesitant to ask, let us know. Call the church office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org.

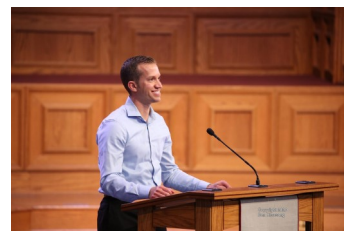


Directory Update — Thank you to all of those who have forwarded a recent photo for the directory — however, we are still missing many photos! We would love to have your photo in our directory. If you haven't given us one, please upload a photo through your Elexio app or send a snapshot to info@SunnysideAdventist.org. If you can't email it, mail it; we'll scan it, and return it to you. It does not have to be one that is professionally taken. We just want to be able to identify you with a photo! Thank you for your help with this.

LIFE ON THE SUNNYSIDE



Pastor Mark Witas



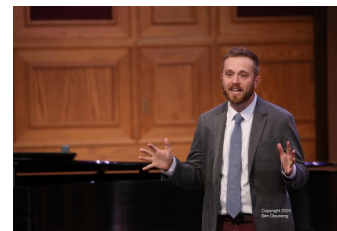
Marlan Glovatsky



Eternal Harmony Quartet
Troy Scholz, Marlan Glovatsky,
Jeff Dickerson, Dana Lester



Jeff Dickerson



Pastor Billy Hungate



Martha Natiuk

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<http://www.paes.com>

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If you're an Amazon shopper, you can add Portland Adventist Academy as your [AmazonSmile](#) charitable organization. Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchases to PAA. You can feel good knowing that you're helping our students receive a Christ-centered and character-driven education! Create your account at www.smile.amazon.com. Search charitable organizations for *Portland Adventist Academy*. Link: <https://paasda.org/news/amazon-smiles-at-portland-adventist-academy/>.

Thank you! to all those who responded to the call to help bring back PAA students whose families have been hit especially hard by the coronavirus pandemic. Because of the generosity of supporters like you, 24 students and their families were helped to close out their 2019-20 school bills. And, because of donors like you, the COVID-19 Relief Fund opened the doors for 26 students to return who would not have been able to afford this year's tuition. Without your support, these students would not have returned. In all, 37 individual students and their families were helped by the generosity of donors like you for their school bills for last year, and to help many of them to return this year. More than \$86,000 has now been distributed to students and their families for their PAA school bills.

You're invited to join us for the 16th Annual Portland Adventist Academy Student Scholarship (PAASS) Auction.

Because of coronavirus restrictions, this year's auction will be all online. So you can join us from your home or wherever you are! PAASS Auction Registration Opens Sunday, October 25, 2020. Go to: www.paasda.org/auction (Registration web page will be live Oct. 25) Mark your calendar! November 8, 2020, 5:30 – 7:30 PM, "Be True to Your School" Coming to a screen online near you! [Read more.](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

Adventist Book Center's Fall Case and Book Sale extends from October 11 to November 8. Download their flyer to view the sale items. [ABCflyer.](#)

PACS NEWS: (*Portland Adventist Community Service*)

PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN Mon-Fri from 9:00-11:00 AM. We are still operating with social distancing and social responsibility. If you or someone you know needs food please tell them about us. If you cannot make it to PACS please send a note with someone and they can get you food. Any questions please call PACS at 503-252-8500 or email pacsfood2020@gmail.com. Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220

PACS Thrift Store is OPEN - we have temporary hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00 AM-5:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 PM.

Our donation drop-off center is open and we value your donations but due to a high volume of donations please call ahead to see if we are accepting, 503-252-8500. Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

PACS Thrift Store - At Home Shopping:

www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthritstore

Empty Egg Cartons? PACS Needs Them!

If you have any 12-count empty egg cartons we would love to take them off your hands to use in our food pantry! Please drop them off at our Office or Donation Receiving. Thank You In Advance!

Job Openings at PACS

Full-time Development/Marketing Associate - Seeking a candidate who can effectively communicate the PACS mission and vision to our community, constituents, volunteers, and donors. See full job description visit, <http://www.pacsonline.org/job-openings>

Room/Apartment Needed:

If you have a spare bedroom to rent or a 1-bedroom apartment, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?



Jason & Elle



Sam & Talia



Stephanie



Olga & Dima



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Becky



Anne



Courtney



Jessica

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