# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué News & Announcements

Sabbath, May 11, 2019



# **Greetings Church Family,**

Billy Joel is a songwriter that expressed in words what so many of us have struggled with. The words of one of his many hits go like this:

If you search for tenderness
It isn't hard to find
You can have the love you need to live
But if you look for truthfulness
You might just as well be blind
It always seems to be so hard to give

Honesty is such a lonely word Everyone is so untrue Honesty is hardly ever heard And mostly what I need from you

It seems that the world lacks for good honest people anymore. It's been asked, "How do you know if a politician is lying?" The answer is, "Their lips are moving."

Of course, it's not only politicians that have a problem being transparent, it's children and adults, teens and senior citizens, Christians and Atheists—it seems to be a part of being human.

We lie to get out of trouble. We lie to make ourself look good. We lie to get what we want. Truth, the naked unadulterated truth, seems to elude us. More and more, we don't receive the truth because we only want to believe what we want to believe.

Jesus spoke about truth and being a person of truth. His idea of a healthy community that reflects God's character is one of being full of people whose word can be relied on, people who are truthful AND loving toward each other. I want to be a truth teller. I want to be a reliable person who people can trust. I want to be like Jesus. How about you?

#### Pastor Mark Witas



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.

A special shout out to our deaconesses for working so diligently to make the memorial services go smoothly.

Shout out to Guy Dove for stepping up at the last minute and filling in on sound this last weekend.

# **News & Notes**

#### THIS WEEKEND

**This Sabbath our worship services are at 8:45 and 11:15 AM.**Pastor Mark Witas will be presenting the Bible message for our worship services titled "All About Jesus / Honesty is Such a Lonely Word."

This afternoon at 1:30 we will meet at Happy Valley Park, Area B for an all-church family picnic. Bring your favorite picnic lunch and lawn chairs. Frozen fruit bars will be provided. There are covered shelters, a nice playground for the kids, as well as many walking paths to enjoy. Pets are also welcome.



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are actively seeking volunteers to join our Audio team. Experience is not required. If you would like to join the team, please contact the church office, 503-252-8080, or email info@SunnysideAdventist.org.

One of our church family members has a walker for loan if you or you know of someone that needs one. It is a rolling walker with a seat. There is no cost for its use. Contact the church office if this is something you can use: 503-252-8080.

**May 18, 6:00 PM, Evensong** will present another inspirational evening with Martha Natiuk at the organ, and Phyllis Woods with the spoken word. Add this to your calendar.

On May 20, 7:00 PM, the annual Portland Adventist Elementary School Constituency meeting is scheduled in the PAES library. PAES constituent delegates please attend.

**-We would like to congratulate our graduates!** If you are graduating this year, or know of someone graduating (8th grade, high school or college) we would like to include your name in our Communiqué. Please forward the name, a photograph, the school name, and degree you will be receiving to the church office at <a href="mailto:info@SunnysideAdventist.org">info@SunnysideAdventist.org</a> or call 503-252-8080, not later than May 28.

**SunnyCity Children's Fair with Ben Roy,** the science guy, will be on Sunday, June 23 from 1:00-4:00 PM, on the campus of Portland Adventist Academy. This is Sunnyside's outreach to the local neighborhood. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Elise Holcombe at 503-575-9845 for more information.



Vacation Bible School will be conducted the weekend of June 29. To register go to https://vbspro.events/p/events/ffeb99.

**Church Library** - The church library has a wide selection of books available for our members to borrow. Where Are We Going? by Jan Paulsen provides a former GC president's perspective on leadership and unity.

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. Immediate needs are: Living room / dining room set, kitchen items, and blankets — any house furnishings will help.

The Family Support Network Committee has voted to partner with the nearby Cherry Park School in giving support to their 500 students, from preschool through the 5th grade. A large number of these children live below the poverty level.

The principal, Kate Barker, has identified to us several pressing needs—one is for basic hygiene/toiletry items such as toothbrushes/toothpaste, soap, shampoo, lotion, etc. and the second is for underwear and socks.

If you would like to participate in this outreach ministry and would be willing to donate these items, baskets will be positioned on the shelf outside Rosie's office window, to collect such items.

Thank you so much. You will be such a blessing to these dear neighbors of ours.

#### ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School
<a href="http://www.paes.com">http://www.paes.com</a>: Check out our new website!

And our Facebook page at:

https://www.facebook.com/PAESPanthers/ or use the QR code

# The PAES Drama Club presents:

*Jacob: A play of forgiveness and redemption.* Come join the Drama Club of Portland Adventist Elementary School for a play that will make you laugh and warm your heart at the same.

Any donations will be accepted. All proceeds will be going to ADRA. Snacks available during intermission. Schedule:

Wednesday, May 8, 8:15 AM Thursday, May 9, 4:00 PM Friday, May 10, 6:00 PM Monday, May 13, 1:15 PM

Portland Adventist Academy

http://paasda.org

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

Come be part of the team! Do you want to have a great time helping others and being part of a team that feels like family? If so,

consider volunteering during Camp Meeting this year! We're looking for hard working individuals who want to serve God through service to others... and who want to have fun doing it! We need volunteers for Hispanic Camp Meeting (July 11-13) and Gladstone Camp Meeting (July 16-20) in a variety of areas including hospitality, shuttle service, safety, and security. We will also need licensed RNs, EMTs & paramedics. Whether you can work one day or all week, we'd love to have you on our team! To volunteer,

visit <a href="http://volunteers.OregonAdventist.org">http://volunteers.OregonAdventist.org</a> or contact Lisa Rodriguez at lisa.rodriguez@oc.npuc.org or at 503-850-3350.

Children in the Primary Tent at Oregon Camp Meeting this year will have a special service project opportunity to help pack a gift box for a child going into the foster system. We need your help! We are collecting donations of kids toiletries, small toys, puzzles, books, socks, and more. We will be accepting donations until Camp Meeting but our goal is to have as much as possible by May 1, for our organizing event! Please drop off your donations at the conference office or call the Oregon Conference Children's Ministries 503-850-3538 with questions.

May 19, June 23, 10:00 AM—Noon. Free estate planning workshop co-sponsored by the Hood View Church's Care Ministry and Senior Ministry.

**Part 2 - May 19** Why is it important to have an Advance Directive and how to fill one out using the 2019 Oregon Advance Directive form.

Presenter: Corrine Ramirez, MSW, LCSW, medical social worker.

**Part 3 - June 23** Learn the options for long-term care. A representative from a long-term care facility will be available to answer questions and what the costs of care look like. Presenter: Corrine Ramirez, MSW, LCSW, medical social worker.

Event Location: Hood View Church.

May 31-June 2: Men's Summit – Men, save the date! The Oregon Conference Men's Summit is featuring Dave Schwinghammer, Oregon Conference VP for Administration. At-The-Door rate is \$140.00. Have any questions? Please call me, Bret McKay at 503-577-4686 or send me an email at bret\_mckay@fulfillmentcorp.com.

Event Location: Grove Christian Camp.

# June 8, 5:30 PM: Newbold College Alumni Meeting.

Dr. John Baildam, Principal of Newbold College, invites you to an alumni and informational meeting on Sabbath afternoon, June 8, 2019, at 5:30 PM. Hear current Newbold news, renew memories of your time at Newbold College and enjoy an English Tea. If you know of someone who attended or is interested in attending, please invite them. Please respond to this invitation by texting 909-239-5779 by June 6, 2019. Local Hosts: Bert (attended Newbold 65-66) and Evelyn Connell and Newbold College Councilors.

Event Location: Pleasant Valley Church.

### June 21-July 4: 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 <a href="mailto:emailto

# June 26-30: FaithCamp West, Hayden Idaho.

Jesus for Asia is hosting Faith Camp West at Hayden Lake Adventist church in Hayden, Idaho. Register now at <u>faithcamponline.org</u> to attend. Lodging and meal information is available on the website. Come have your faith encouraged by people who are trusting God's word to the extreme. Plan now to attend! Bring your friends and family! We look forward to seeing you there! Contact us at 423-413-7321 with any questions.

# July 2-6: 2019 Light Bearers Convocation.

Genesis is a book of beginnings—the beginning of the world as God made it to be, the beginning of all human misery, the beginning of God's plan to set things right, the beginning of God's covenant plan, to be enacted in history through a covenant people to bring forth a covenant Savior. Genesis takes us back to the beginning so we can understand the present and the future from the vantage point of the beginning. Please join us in Jasper, Oregon for the 2019 Light Bearers Convocation as we explore the book of Genesis. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.lightbearers.org">www.lightbearers.org</a>.

# Event Location: Jasper, Oregon

# September 22-26: Deaf Christian Women's Retreat.

In 2002, a group of deaf women decided to start a Women's Retreat for deaf women in the Pacific Northwest. The deaf women are members of a completely different people group with their own rich language and culture. There is an average of 20 women attending the Deaf Women's Retreat, and the deaf women who attend come from as far as the east coast. They enjoy gathering together - it's like a family reunion. This year they are hoping to rent a bus to take the women to the coast for the day; however, they do not yet have the funds for this to happen. Also, this year, for the first time, they will be selling shirts with their logo on them to help raise funds for future events. They are hoping and praying they will be able to earn enough money so they can pay the expense for the weekend, and bring in a speaker from another state. If you would like to help sponsor the retreat, you can send a check made payable to "Tabernacle Adventist Church" and mark it for "Deaf Christian Women's Ministries," 26 SW Condor Way, Portland, OR 97239.

Event Location: Camp Tilikum, 15321 NE North Valley Rd, Newberg.

#### JOB OPPORTUNITIES

International Children's Care is looking for someone that is very accurate, has good organizational skills and is efficient for a part-time (possibly more if needed) position performing financial data entry in our Vancouver office. This is a very important role at ICC and we are looking for someone that can start ASAP. Work hours are negotiable. Please contact Doug Congleton at (360) 573-0429 to schedule an interview or come by our office to fill out a job application. We look forward to seeing who God chooses for this position of importance for the children.

#### PACS DENTAL CLINIC GETTING CLOSE TO OPENING!

We are ready to hire our staff! We are looking for:

\*Dental Front Office 3-4 days per week, 28-32 hours/wk, \$15-\$18/hr DOE. Some dental front office experience is preferred.

\*Dental Hygienist 4 days per week, 28-32 hours/wk, \$32-\$40/hr DOE. New grads welcome.

For more information, contact Carol James, Dental Clinic Coordinator, at carol.james@pacsonline.org or 503/758-1892 (call or text).