

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

Sabbath, September 12, 2020



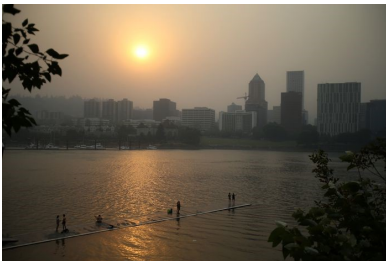
Greetings church family,

This week we had some interesting challenges with heavy winds, power outages, and yes, a thick blanket of smoke from fires surrounding us from multiple states. It gave an apocalyptic feeling, especially in the midst of a pandemic. I had a hard time sleeping Monday night as the wind created quite a racket of banging and moaning against our house in Happy Valley.

Inside our house there were no competing sounds of a radio, a fan, or music, because our power was out. We normally have fans and a sound machine going to create white noise to lull us into a heavy sleep.



Since sleep was evading me, I was thinking how thankful I was to be inside and not outside in the elements. I could breathe the air in the



house and not the tainted smoke from outside. Yet I had a heightened awareness of the storm attacking my home and community. Even though the wind was up to 60 miles an hour at some points, I was unhurt inside the safety of our house. Does that make

you think of any spiritual application?

The Bible says that the devil goes about like a roaring lion seeking to devour and destroy — like a storm that feels ominous and overwhelming. This can seem intimidating.



The good news is, we do not have to live in fear of this adversary. One of my absolute favorite Bible verses is Isaiah 26:3 NKJV which gives an amazing key to endure any storm in life. ***“You will keep in perfect peace those whose mind is stayed on You, because he (she) trusts in you.”***



Our mind is a powerful thing. If we dwell on the storm around us it can destroy our joy, our peace, and our resolve to

choose God’s way of love and trust. Our own mind can be our worst enemy when it comes to facing storms. Yet, when we focus on the ONE, then all the rattling and moaning and scariness attacking outside, cannot touch the peace that God gives which passes all understanding.



That peace is my prayer for you my wonderful church family. You may feel a bit frazzled, weary, and maybe even a bit frightened, however, when you focus on the Rock of our salvation, our only hope in times of need, only then, will peace beyond understanding help you ride the storm to the other side to see a new dawn of hope. Jesus is able to calm your storm right now! You can trust him!

Pastor Wendy Witas

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

Welcome to our worship service via streaming video at 11:15 AM. Pastor Billy Hungate will present our Bible message titled **“Calling.”**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for the family of: Glenn Hudkins, who passed away unexpectedly, Thursday, August 27.

Our prayers are with all of you during these difficult wildfire times. Many of you have been displaced. If you need help, please contact us at the church, 503-252-8080, or any of the pastors. We will quickly gather a group to help you.

The Gladstone camp grounds has opened as an evacuation point for Clackamas County fires as a place for RVs. They are asking for more help to staff the camp ground as we minister to evacuees from across our county. There are more than 50 RVs on

campus with many needs to attend to. If you can help, please contact Cindy Birmingham to volunteer. Just text her at 503-705-9234. Include your name and when you're available to help. THANK YOU! It takes a team to get this done.

Sunday, September 13, 9:00 AM, there will be a work bee at the church. We need help to carry out the rolls of carpet to the trailer for disposal and people to help scrape glue from the floor. The more volunteers we have, the sooner we'll get done! Yes, face masks will be required.

Sabbath School quarterlies are here! It's almost time for a new quarter. If you would like a new Sabbath School quarterly contact the church office and we will make sure you get what you need: 503-252-8080, text 971-238-9680, or email info@SunnysideAdventist.org. Or you may get it online at <https://absq.adventist.org/nextquarter#lessons>.

A Church Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 PM, via Zoom. Watch your email for your Zoom invitation.

You are invited to a baby shower on Sunday, September 20, 1:00-3:00 PM, for Chelsea and Marlan Glovatsky (baby girl) and Eva and Jeff Dickerson (baby boy) both due in November. With social distancing and wearing masks, it will be outside on the church patio (or in fellowship hall if it rains). Both are registered at babylist.com. Hope you can join us to celebrate.



There will be a Portland Adventist Academy special constituency meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2020, at 7:00 PM on Zoom. We will be emailing you the Zoom link, agenda, and meeting minutes ahead of time. Constituency members, please save the date!

Cherry Park Elementary School, a neighboring school we have partnered with to assist their students, has sent us their wish list for this school year. They have made it very easy to help by giving us a link to supplies at Amazon.com. These supplies will be delivered directly to the school. The children who attend are many who are in desperate need of any help available. So your help will be greatly appreciated. Here is the link: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2HOXYTT1LVQ3K?ref=wl_share. And here is a thank you from principal Kate Barker: "Thank you for always being so supportive. We are so grateful!"

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.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/PAESPanthers/>

Portland Adventist Academy

Substitute Teachers Needed!

Please consider joining the PAA team as a Substitute Teacher. To apply, contact Shawna Irvine at sirvine@paasda.org or 503.255.8372x214. Qualified applicants must be 26 or older or have a college degree. Qualified applicants must follow all safety protocols, including wearing a mask and maintaining physical distance when in-person. This job pays \$15.00 per hour (class time only). A resume is not required. Background checks are mandatory and paid by PAA.

Bus Driver needed for the Coming School Year!

Portland Adventist Academy is looking for a bus driver for the coming school year. The qualified applicant should have or be able to obtain, a commercial driver's license to transport students to and from PAA and Tualatin Valley Academy. The job pays \$20 per hour. To apply, contact Darcie Hordofa at 503.255.8372 or dhordofa@paasda.org. Learn more on the PAA website [HERE](#).

Rivergate Adventist Elementary School is looking for a qualified Lead Preschool and After School Care Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Must have a great love and patience for children. For information on qualifications and to submit a resume please contact School Principal Sharilyn Smith sharilyn@rgsda.org

Walla Walla University

Students at Walla Walla University will have three options for attending classes during fall quarter. The university announced on Aug. 11 that it will offer more than 100 online and dual-modality classes in addition to in-person classes. General registration will be on September 13; Freshman Jump-Start registration begins September 8.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

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/pacsthiftstore

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>

Housing Needed

We have received a request from an older adult single male that he is in need of housing in Multnomah County. He is interested in finding a room or sharing an apartment. If you know of something available, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080.