

Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

News & Announcements

Sabbath, January 8, 2022



Happy New Year Church Family!

I pray that the first week of 2022 has been a blessing for you and your family. Pastor Mark recently posted on Facebook about New Year's resolutions. I LOVE New Year's resolutions! It has always been a way to keep me motivated, to stay healthy, to be a better husband and friend. Most of the time they don't last but every year I keep making them. If you have

resolutions this year let me know what yours are and we can try to keep each other accountable for what we hope to achieve in 2022.

Back to Pastor Mark's Facebook post. He was mentioning that the best New Years resolution you can have is to make this world a better place in 2022 than it was in 2021. While I really do like New Year's resolutions, I would have to agree that this would be the ultimate resolution. It makes me think of the phrase, "Leave it better than you found it." The original quote came from Lord Robert Baden-Powell's farewell Message in 1941. Baden-Powell was the founder of *Scouting* and he is quoted as follows, "Try and leave this world a little better than you found it, and when your turn comes to die, you can die happy in feeling that at any rate, you have not wasted your time but have done your best."

I like that. In Romans 12:1-2, Paul gives us great ways to leave the world a better place than when we found it. Using The Message paraphrase we read, "*So here 's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.*"

Paul tells us here that to leave the world a better place than when we found it, this is what we should do:

1. We should take the ordinary actions of life and present them as an offering to God.
2. Embrace that what God does for us is the best thing that we can do for him.
3. Don't conform so easily to our culture.
4. Fix our attention on God and be transformed.
5. Recognize what he wants from you and do it quickly.
6. Develop well-formed maturity with the help of God.

So, if we were to take these six things Paul tells us to do to transform ourselves as well as the world around us, what would your resolutions look like now?

Here is my challenge for you. Find one way for each of Paul's advice, six in total. This will give you six New Year's resolutions to make the world in 2022 better than 2021. And you can be happy at the end of 2022 that you have not wasted your time, but you have done your best.

It is my prayer, and the prayer of the Sunnyside staff, that our church be a place where the members of this church create a better world today, and the lives of people who may not know Jesus Christ learn who He is, and say that they are better for it. Here's to 2022!

Love you church family!

Pastor Billy Hungate

News & Notes

THIS WEEKEND

Welcome to Sunnyside! In compliance with state regulations, please wear a mask over your nose and mouth the entire time you are in the building, both during Sabbath School classes and church service, as well as maintaining physical distancing. We want to do our part in promoting a healthy situation. Again, if you feel sick or have been around anyone that has been sick, we request that you stay home and watch our services on livestream.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for the following families:

Lillian Coppernoll who passed away December 18, 2021. A memorial service is not planned.

Bethany Baker who passed away this week. She is the niece of Raymond Baker.

The memorial service for Sid and Janelle Stafford, son and daughter-in-law of Tom and Brooke Stafford, can be viewed at stonetowersda.org. Click livestream; the memorial was on December 11.

January 15, 5:00 PM, Family Fun Night! Come join us for an evening of family fun. Everyone is invited. Food will be provided. Let's have a great night, and enjoy the fellowship, activities, and food together!



The North Pacific Union Conference has a job opening for an Executive Assistant. View our [Communiqué](#) for more information.



Our new flower calendar is posted in the hallway and [online](#). (Go to our website, www.SunnysideAdventist.org, click on "Our Ministries.") Please choose a date to share flowers with your Sunnyside family for worship services and place your name on it. As the date gets closer, we will

contact you to see what you would like in the bulletin about the flowers.

The Family Resource Network is helping several families. They currently have a need for blankets and winter clothes.

The Church Library is open! The library will be open on the 1st and 3rd Sabbaths of the month. Hours are 10:45-11:15 AM, and 12:30-1:00 PM. The church library has a wide selection of books available for our members to borrow, so please stop by.

We would like to publicly recognize special milestones in your life. Please take a moment to share with us special birthdays, anniversaries, or any other celebrations. We are family and we would like to share with each other. Also, please let us know when you are sick or need other prayers. We want to be a part of your life and pray together with you. Send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org or call the office at 503-252-8080, and let us know the latest with your family!



Directory photos — just a reminder. We have a photo directory, but we are missing many photos or several need to be updated. Please help us know who you are by picture. Send a snapshot or professional picture and we will upload it for you to the directory. Thank you.

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.



LIFE AT SUNNYSIDE



Today: Jason Wilhite, Donald Williams; **Sunday:** Michelle Marin;
Monday: Robert Byrd, Sandra Reynolds; **Tuesday:** Duwayne Opitz;
Wednesday: Caleb J. Siaw, Patricia Steinmetz; **Thursday:** Ashley Heick, Karl Helton, Donna Hull, Ryan Tapu

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS

January 14-16 — Oregon Young Adults & Big Lake Camp Staff Annual Winter Retreat

After missing last year our annual retreat is back for 2022. Young Adults and Big Lake Camp Staff are invited to join us for an unforgettable Winter experience at Big Lake Youth Camp to make new friends, connect with old friends, enjoy the outdoors, worship

together, eat great food, and recharge. Markis Zarate, national worship leader, will be with us for the weekend in addition to a few other special guests. The retreat registration link is below, all young adults, who have not done so already, will need to create a quick "account", once an account has been created click "register" and the website will walk you through all the steps to finalize registration and get ready for the event. [Retreat Registration \(click here\)](#).

March 25-27: Oregon Prayer Conference 2022 featuring Pavel Goia. Location: Twin Rocks Conference Center, Rockaway Beach, Oregon. To register click here <https://bit.ly/OPC2022>. For more information contact Tawny Sportsman at tawnysusan@yahoo.com, or 541-401-2521.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

Portland Adventist Academy

<https://paasda.org/>

PAA REGISTRATION: Portland Adventist Academy is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Save \$125 with an Early Bird Discount!

PAA / PUA ALUMNI WEEKEND — SAVE THE DATE— May 7, 2022

PAA is planning an in-person alumni reunion morning worship service at Sunnyside Church for Sabbath, May 7, 2022. Honor classes reunions may meet on campus in the afternoon. There will also be a retirement reception for long-time math teacher, Bob Johnson, who retired at the end of last year after a 39-year teaching career and 32 years at PAA.

The honor classes are: 1942 (80th Year), 1952, 1962, 1972 (50th Year), 1982, 1992, 1997 (25th Year), 2002, 2012, 2017 (5th Year — Why wait 10 years?)

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/>

PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN Mon-Fri from 9:00-11:00 AM. 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/pacsthirstore

Last Week's Worship Service in Pictures

