



February 14 Communiqué



Hi Sunnyside Church Family,

Today is Valentine's Day. It is hard not to notice, with pink and red decorations, flowers, and chocolates lining the area near the checkout counter at your local grocery store.

Earlier this week, I returned to the States after spending time in Australia. Summers in Australia are hotter than the are here, and the day after I arrived, the temperature in Melbourne reached 114 F or 44 C! But, I was not visiting simply to escape a PNW winter; the main reason for my visit was to attend the wedding of one of my closest friends whom I have known since grade 8. Watching her love story unfold over the years was a beautiful reminder of how joyful love can be.

I *love* love. I love attending weddings. I love seeing friends get married. Every wedding reminds me that the most inspiring human love points to a greater story: God's love for us.

God's love is unconditional, sacrificial, and unchanging. It pursues us, carries us through every season, and never depends on anything we do to earn it.

This Valentine's Day, may we remember that every love we celebrate—every friendship, marriage, and act of kindness is a reflection of the greatest love story: Jesus' unwavering love for us, a Savior who chose us, pursued us, and gave Himself for us.

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

We are grateful for our senior ministries team who are hosting a Valentine's Day dinner tomorrow.

No matter your plans today, remember that you are deeply loved. Distance, time, and circumstances cannot separate us from God's heart.

With love,

Pastor Rose Andrykanus

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome to Sunnyside! We are happy you are here to worship with us. Let us know who you are by filling out one of the Connect Cards and handing it to the deacons or place it in the box in the foyer before you leave.



Please pray for the following families:

† Doug DeBoer passed away January 26, 2026. A memorial service will be conducted for him on Sunday, February 22, 2026, at 11:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall.



† Lou Wildman passed away on December 21, 2025. A Celebration of Life service will be conducted here at Sunnyside Church Sunday, March 8, 2026, at 2:00 pm, including the OAMC choir with music for the service. A light reception will follow.



Evensong will be presented this afternoon, at 4:00 pm, here at Sunnyside Church. Richard Fenn will give us the spoken word and David Wilson will be at the organ with the Parks family and Pollyanna Moody participating. Plan now to attend this inspiring celebration of love.

Ministries

The people of Sunnyside are the mission-minded people who lead the many ministries of Sunnyside. They respond to the call of the church to serve. The selection of leaders is a process yes—but here it's accomplished carefully, democratically, and efficiently. **The process began again last week. We are extending it by one week to include more ballots.** Some of you may not have been here last week. A ballot is included in your bulletin on which you may nominate one member of the church to serve on the Committee to Select the Nominating Committee (otherwise known as the Selection Committee). **Your vote counts!** Ballots may be dropped in the offering plate or handed to a deacon. The Selection Committee for 2026 will be elected on February 21, with a report to be included in the February 28 bulletin.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP

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We invite you to join our **Young Professionals Bible study** every Sabbath morning at 10:00 am, in the Tualatin room. It offers a welcoming space to dive into Scripture, ask real questions, and connect faith with the rhythms of life, relationships, and daily decisions. Come as you are and grow together in community.



If you have sent in your RSVP, don't forget Valentine's Day dinner, **Sunday, February 15, 1:00 pm**, in the Fellowship Hall, sponsored by Senior Ministries. Food will be catered and the cost is only \$15 per person. This is for couples as well as singles of all ages.



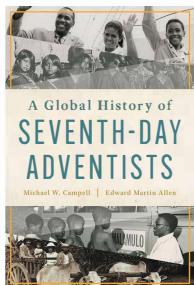
Wednesday, February 18, 2026, there will be an Elders' meeting at 6:15 pm, and a Church Board meeting at 7:00 pm, via Zoom. Watch your email for your Zoom invitation.



Sunday, February 22, 4:00 pm, Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra will be in concert here at Sunnyside Church. Their repertoire includes *The Rock* by Sergei Rachmaninoff, *Piano Concerto No. 1* by Ludwig van Beethoven with guest artist Maria Garcia, and *Symphony No 1* by Florence Price. There will be a pre-concert talk at 3:00 pm, by Jonathan DeBruyn, director. You may also view the virtual concert at sunnysidesymphony.com.



International Sabbath is February 28. We are looking for participants to carry the flags. We would like children to carry Bibles in the language of that country. If you would like to represent the country of your birth or recent ancestry, please call or text Shirley Allen at 503-539-3106. There will be a practice for the flag bearers and Bible carriers immediately after church on February 21. Please meet in the fireside room. If you are interested in having a food table for the International Food Fair in the evening at 6:00, please contact Natalia Gramada at 503-750-9151. The proceeds from the dinner will be dedicated to the Family Resource Network. I



When Michael Campbell, Ph.D., was here, some of you purchased his book. If you have purchased the book and paid for it, please don't forget to pick it up. This is on the honor system, and they are in the workroom. Thank you.

MISSIONS

Thailand Mission Trip, March 10-31, 2026. For more information contact Ray Betz at 503-756-3667 (text or call) or via email at betzrm@comcast.net – be sure to include "Thailand Mission Trip" in the subject line. Our budget goal is \$28,000, and we have already received \$16,500. We need to raise another \$11,500 by February 15, 2026. Thank you for your help and participation with this valuable and rewarding mission.



We are in need of updated addresses for the following:

Riziki Chekanao, Nahemi Delgado, Emily Eng, Elizabeth Joshua Fagaldefan, Faulafo, Patrick Francisco, Alice Ingabire, Karen Krieger, Elena Kucheravi, Elisante Makoko, Jose Mamani, Dieudonne Maniraguha, Larvenie Masika, Pendo Mnwiru, Alliance NirereMuka Nyiramanyuna, William & Majorie Palmer, Esther Pierre, Angelina Shevchenko, Familia Tovar, Christian Zyweck.

Please send your updated address to: info@SunnysideAdventist.org or call 503-252-8080. Also if you have recently moved, please let us know your new address. Thank you!



Wednesday mornings at 10:00, FaithLift, a group for ladies, meets here at the church to study the Bible, share their stories, and pray together over many needs as well as for those that need extra prayers. If this sounds like something you would

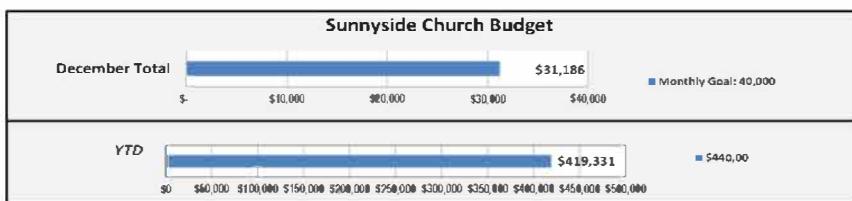
enjoy attending, please come and join us. If you cannot be here in person, there is a Zoom link available to be able to join remotely.



Wednesday mornings at 10:00, our Men's Bible Study group meets to study the Bible together in the Columbia Room. Men, you are all invited to join us for this weekly study.



Give online: orad.us/Give2Sunnyside



There are some of our family that need help with transportation in order to attend church. If any of you would be willing to help with this need, please contact the office for specific information 503-252-8080 or via email at Info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



If you live at CherryWood Retirement, our bus stops there to pick up anyone who would like to attend church. Please be ready, we stop by at 10:45 am for our church service at 11:15 am. This transportation is free, but if you'd like to contribute, you may mark it to "Bus."



Currently, we are seeking volunteers to help us with video, audio, and the children's division. Please call 503-252-8080 if you would like to get involved.



Would you like to hear the service more clearly? Sunnyside Church provides assistive hearing devices you may borrow. They are located in the Deacons' office. Just let a deacon know of your need and they will be happy to help you.



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!



During this difficult time, if you are in need of financial help, let us know. Call the church office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



Our Family Resource Network has been privileged to assist many of our members when things have been challenging for them or they have experienced unexpected expenses. We have helped with rent, utilities, food, gas, car repairs, and more. We would like you to be aware of what we do and give you an opportunity to contribute to the fund being used to assist our family. Mark your tithe envelope or check for Family Resource Network, and you will know that you have had the privilege of helping one of our members who doesn't even want to ask for help! We are here to help each other. Thank you for helping us build the fund used for these expenses.



Birthdays for this upcoming week.

Joel Henriques, Manes Joseph, Ion Lacatus, Celestti Reyes,
Scott Taylor, Saralina, Lorenson, Viet Duong,
Sally Miller, April Swenson, Margie Allen



Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

Full-Time Treasurer Needed at PAES! Portland Adventist Elementary School is seeking a full-time treasurer to join our PK-8 campus. This role requires good communication, flexibility, and skills in bookkeeping/accounting (QuickBooks experience preferred; training available). Responsibilities include billing, payroll, reconciliations, A/R and A/P, 1099 filing, budgeting, and monthly/year-end closing, with occasional reports to the school board. Interested candidates can send their resume to principal@paes.com.

Substitute Teachers Needed at PAES! Portland Adventist Elementary School is in need of substitute teachers for the 2025-2026 school year! We are looking for dedicated and compassionate individuals who enjoy being around children and in the school environment. Requirements: Age 21+, college degree preferred, and experience teaching and/or supervising children ages 5-13. If you are interested and would like more information, please reach out to admin@paes.com to apply.



Portland Adventist Academy

<https://paasda.org>

Happy Sabbath PAA Family,

Cougars Bring Heart & Hustle to Friendship Tournament

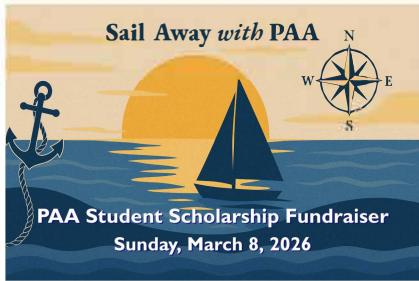
Each January, the Friendship Tournament at Walla Walla University brings together schools from across the Northwest for a weekend where competition and community go hand in hand. This year, our Cougars varsity boys and girls basketball teams stepped into this staple tournament ready to compete and represent our school with pride. On the court, both teams rose to the challenge. The girls played with poise and determination, leaning on teamwork and resilience in every matchup, finishing third in their bracket. The boys brought intensity and focus throughout the weekend, pairing strong effort with disciplined play and earning a fourth-place overall finish. In every game, the Cougars showed they belonged on the floor. What stood out most, however, went beyond the scoreboard. Our students encouraged one another, showed respect to officials, and connected well with other teams throughout the tournament. Coaches and spectators alike noticed the character, sportsmanship, and unity our Cougars displayed. We are deeply grateful to the coaches, parents, and friends who traveled, cheered, and invested countless hours into supporting our athletes. Your presence and encouragement matter more than you know. The Friendship Tournament is more than a series of games, it's a tradition that reminds us why we play. Our Cougars returned home stronger, more connected, and proud to have represented our school well, both on and off the court.

Black History Month Begins in Chapel This past Tuesday, our chapel space became a place of listening, learning, and gratitude as a panel of Black students shared their voices in honor of Black History Month. This gathering marked the first of three chapels where Black history will be intentionally remembered and celebrated in our community. Rather than a lecture, the chapel felt like a conversation, one marked by honesty, courage, and deep personal reflection. Students on the panel spoke about why Black History Month still matters today. They shared stories shaped by family, faith, and lived experience. Moments of pride, moments of struggle, and moments where they felt seen and supported. Their words invited the room to slow down and truly listen, reminding us that history is not distant, but something that continues to shape our lives and relationships. Throughout the panel, a common thread emerged: gratitude for God who creates each person with intention and dignity. The students pointed us toward a faith that celebrates diversity, calls us to empathy, and invites us to love one another well. Their reflections uplifted not only the stories of the past, but the hope of who we are becoming as a community. It was a chapel that challenged us, encouraged us, and reminded us of the beauty of listening to one another, an important step in honoring history and living out our faith today.

Mechelle Peinado, principal

Scholarship Funding

At Portland Adventist Academy, our purpose is to provide a Christ-centered, character-driven education to all students. However, many families face financial challenges that can make it difficult for their children to attend. We are reaching out to ask for your support in funding scholarships that will help make this life-changing education accessible to more students. Your generous donation can directly impact a student's ability to attend and thrive at Portland Adventist Academy. To make either a recurring or one-time contribution, please visit www.paasda.org or contact me at ubrown@paasda.org at 971-351-9028 for more details. As [students share in this video](#), thank you for your support in shaping the future of our students and helping them grow in faith and character.



PORLAND ADVENTIST ACADEMY
A Christian High School

**ALUMNI
WEEKEND**

May 1-2, 2026

HONOR CLASSES
1951 (75-year), 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971,
1976 (50-year), 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001
(25-year), 2006, 2011, 2016, 2021 (5-year)

PAA & Fred Meyer. You may support PAA through the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. Just connect a Fred Meyer digital account and connect it to your Shopper's Card, and designate Portland Adventist Academy as the organization you wish to support. You can get it all done on the Fred Meyer website here:
<https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>



Rivergate Adventist Elementary School
<https://www.rgsda.org/>



Hood View Adventist School
<https://www.hvja.org/>



Upcoming School Open House – All Are Welcome!
Families are invited to join us for our upcoming **Open House** as we begin enrollment for the new school year. Come tour the classrooms, meet our teachers, and learn more about the Christ-centered education our school provides.
Date: Thursday, February 19th **Time:** 6:30pm
Location: Hood View Adventist School, 26505 SE Kelso Rd. Boring, Or 97009
Whether you're exploring options for the first time or returning with younger siblings, we'd love to share how our school nurtures academic growth, character development, and a strong sense of community.
Please share this invitation with friends, neighbors, and church families who may be interested. We look forward to welcoming you!



<https://www.tualatinvalleyacademy.org/>

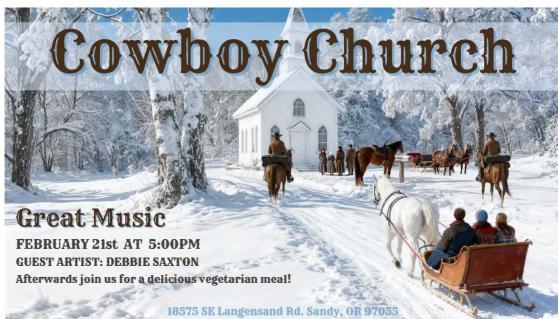


Walla Walla University

<https://wallawalla.edu>

Visit: jobs.wallawalla.edu.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Event: Cowboy Church – Date: February 21st at 5PM

Location: Sandy SDA Church

18575 SE Langensand Rd. Sandy, OR 97055

Special guest is Debbie Saxon.

Afterwards join us for a delicious vegetarian chuck wagon meal!

See you there!

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BOB KEENEY

February 21 at 4:00 pm • Pleasant Valley SDA Church, 11125 SE 172nd Ave., Happy Valley, OR 97086. Bob and Fran Keeney were married 49+ years, with their 50th anniversary coming up May. Bob would have turned 80 in June. He worked at Adventist Health for 34 years. Bob was a type 1 diabetic from age 10, and his health suffered in the last 1 years, being cared for at home by Fran, the love of his life. All who knew and loved Bob are invited to join his family celebrate his life. Refreshments and a time of sharing will follow the service. Those unable to attend the service can watch it online using this link: https://youtube.com/live/yBWogel_vaQ.



Join us for a weekend where we disconnect from the world and fully connect with our Savior! Come expecting to be transformed at this year's Oregon Prayer Conference in Rockaway Beach, Oregon! This year's event will be held **March 20-22** at the Twin Rocks Convention Center and will host speaker Pavel Goia. Pavel Goia holds two master's degrees and a Doctor of Ministry. He pastored in his native country of Romania and the United States for many years. Currently, he is an editor of Ministry Magazine and associate director for the Ministerial Association at the General Conference. His life has been filled with powerful answers to prayer and continues to be one miracle after another. Together with Kelly Mowrer, he authored the book, "In the Spirit and Power," which emphasizes the vital need for prayer, revival and full commitment to God's service. Learn more and register for this year's prayer conference at orad.us/2026ORprayerconference. Questions? Contact Oregon Conference Prayer Ministries at Tawny.Sportsman@oregonadventist.org, or call 541-401-2521.

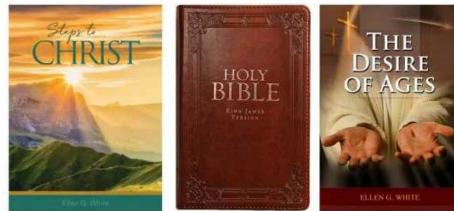


PACS UPDATE

How do we serve?

YOUR DONATION EQUIPS OUR MINISTRY

We are collecting gently used or new copies
of these essential books:



Please bring your donated copies to PACS
11020 NE Halsey St Portland, OR 97220
Help us share the life-changing message of faith with our community!



Portland Adventist Community Services – PACS is a vibrant faith-based **Community of Service** with staff, volunteers, donors, and community partners who provide food, low-cost dental care, and low-cost clothing/household items to individuals and families.

Hours: Thrift Store, Sun | 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Mon – Thurs | 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Fri | 9:00 am – 2:30 pm / Sat | Closed

Donation Drop Sun | 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Mon – Thurs | 9:00 am – 1:00 pm / Fri – Sat | Closed

Dental Clinic:

Contact the Gateway Grace Dental Clinic to schedule an appointment 503-907-6768

Volunteers:

To volunteer at PACS, contact Jaclyn Russell at (503) 252-8500 ext. 1130

Donations:

From large to small, we take them all.

Money, clothing, even big and tall,

humble egg boxes, and home goods for all

If you are looking for an opportunity to serve in a missional environment focused on giving hope to those in need through Portland Adventist Community Services, then please go to: <https://www.pacsonline.org/job>

There are three postings available.

* Development & Planning Manager

* Thrift Store Assistant Manager (Part-time)

PACS Thrift Store has many shoppers. We need Steps to Christ, Bibles, and Guides to share with them. If you have some to share, please let us know or bring them to PACS and hand them in to the office.



PACS is Hiring!

Portland Adventist Community Services is Hiring! Come join our non-profit organization in the Portland area that serves the community with a Thrift Store, Food Pantry, and Dental Clinic. **We are hiring a Development & Planning Manager, Dental Clinic Coordinator, and Dental Assistant.** If you are interested in these positions, please visit our website, <https://www.pacsonline.org/careers>.

PACS needs truck drivers. Why?

This year, so far, our truck drivers have brought 365,670 lbs.(Jan-Mar) in donated food to feed our diverse community. That represents a huge number of people being fed. What a difference PACS drivers make! If you have a heart for people and like to drive a truck, no CDL license is needed, don't hesitate to contact Jaclyn.

Hours: 7:30-11:00-ish

Telephone: Jaclyn Russell at (503)-252-4589

Email: Jaclyn.russell@pacsonline.org

Sign-up: <https://www.pacsonline.org/volunteer>

Better Life Television, a non-profit Christian (Seventh-day Adventist) broadcasting ministry comprising television, internet, radio, broadcasting, and evangelism, is seeking a Speaker/Executive Director of Operations to drive performance and operational excellence for our organization. Employment preference will be given to members of Adventist church, as permitted under the EEOC's Title VII provision. This position is based in Grants Pass, Oregon. [Learn more about this position.](#)

NW Adventist Federal Credit Union is hiring a Member Solutions Specialist. Why Join Us? We are more than a credit union. We are a ministry of service to our community. When you join our team, you'll find a workplace that is kind, supportive, and mission-driven. If you have a heart for service and enjoy meaningful, detail-oriented work, we would love to meet you. Apply today! Send your resume to staff@mynwcu.com or visit www.mynwcu.com/careers.



Are you interested in becoming a hospital spiritual care volunteer? Adventist Health Portland Spiritual Care department invites individuals of all ages to apply. Volunteers will have the opportunity to offer pre-surgery support for patients and their families, ensure patients have access to spiritual resources, and more. If you feel called to be part of our team, take the first step by filling out our application form: <https://www.volistics.com/appform/769001903>

Adventist Health Hospice is looking for compassionate volunteers to provide companionship to patients, provide a much-needed brief break for a tired caregiver, make phone calls on Thursdays to check on patient supplies, or assist with light housekeeping, errands, or pet support. Thorough training and support are provided by Adventist Health Hospice team members. If interested in learning more, contact Karen Hartmann, Bereavement/Volunteer Coordinator at 503-251-6192 or email Hartmakl@ah.org. You can make a loving difference in someone's life at a challenging time.

Volunteers Needed at PACS

PACS' thrift store, food pantry, and dental clinic all need volunteers. We have lots of fun and exciting jobs ranging from customer-facing cashiers and greeters to pricers and truck drivers behind the scenes. No experience or age requirements to volunteer, we're happy to train you and welcome the entire family! If you're interested, please contact our volunteer manager, Jaclyn, at Jaclyn.russell@pacsonline.org or call 503-252-8500 x1130.

Housing Needed

- Room needed for a male, hopefully close to TriMet availability.
- Also a mother and daughter are looking for space available.

If you can help us with either of these needs, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080 or info@sunnysideadventist.org.