

# *Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué*

## *News & Announcements*

*June 22, 2024*

*View the church bulletin for additional announcements.*



### ***Blessings, Sunnyside Family and Friends!***

As we enter the Sabbath rest, there is much to be grateful for. We are reminded that God's creative power continues to work within us, both as individuals and as a community, transforming and sustaining us.

This week, the church business meeting marked the end of one season and the beginning of a new one. We voted in our annual budget, outlining the roadmap for our ministries and the gifts God has equipped us with to expand His Kingdom within and around us.

We are immensely grateful to all who have served this community in various roles and capacities. We appreciate those who will continue their ministry in the upcoming season, and we warmly welcome the new leaders who have stepped into different roles, taking responsibility and ownership of many areas of church and community life. May God continue to pour His energy, wisdom, and grace into you daily.

Our prayers are with Pastor Kevin and Elynn as they lead a tour in Sri Lanka. We also pray for all graduates as they navigate their next steps. May God continue to surprise you with new experiences and horizons as you learn to trust Him more. May God's healing presence be with every wounded and struggling member of our big family.

This week, we look forward to being blessed by Pastor Rose as she shares with us the treasure of God's word. We hope you can enjoy the summer-like weather we have been waiting for so long. May God's Spirit speak to our hearts today through the sacred words and beauty of His nature.

***Pastor Violeta Bilan***

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### ***The Pastors Spotlight***

#### ***From the desk of Pastor Rose***

Hi Church Family,

The graduation celebrations continued this week and it was wonderful to sit around tables and share a celebratory graduation meal with many of you.

This past week I was able to connect with Pastor Jana (Children's Ministry Director at the Oregon Conference) to understand the conference's role in supporting local churches in their children's ministry programs, and how we can continue to

work together into the future. I also attended my first Board meeting as the pastoral representative of the PAES Board and I'm looking forward to building our church-school relationship next year.

On Sabbath afternoon, I had the blessing of attending Pastor Alex Portillo's ordination at Hockinson Heights SDA Church. It was wonderful being able to recognize his call to ministry with many pastoral colleagues, church administrators and church family members present.

#### ***From the desk of Pastor Seth***

Hello Sunnyside!

We had a nice time visiting some friends in Lake Chelan this past weekend to begin summer vacation. Thank you to those who prayed for safe travels!

This week I'm about 75% done rough drafting the sermons for 2025, so things are coming together. Waiting to hear back from a few guest speakers, but I am grateful for the time to be able to plan ahead so we can navigate all the ministry plans we have coming up. On that note, I have had a few texts asking me if I am considering C.S. Lewis/J.R.R. Tolkien UK tour next year. If you have an interest in taking a tour that explores faith, imagination, apologetics, and the lives of two influential storytellers in the Christian tradition please send me an email: [seth.pierce@sunnysideadventist.org](mailto:seth.pierce@sunnysideadventist.org).

I've had some lovely conversations catching up with ladies at FathLift and the AdCo team this week at our monthly meeting. As I write this we are preparing for an elders meeting and business meeting. We are exploring ways to help ministry to our new churches (Village and Healing Hope). I also want to extend a big thank you to the finance team that has worked diligently to prepare a budget to vote on in a business meeting. We live in a challenging season of inflation and their hard work will keep us going strong this next year!

See you on Sabbath!



#### ***Shout-Out***

Send your "shout-outs" to [info@SunnysideAdventist.org](mailto:info@SunnysideAdventist.org) 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.

*Shout out to Ben Dalusong for providing such a wonderful Father's Day breakfast! Thank you, Ben, for such a good job.*

*Another shout out to Matt Mandrones for the outstanding music he directed for our worship service. Thank you, Matt.*

## 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 before you leave.

**The floral tribute today is presented by Lorie and Larry Ramey** in celebration of their 36th wedding anniversary and anyone else that may be celebrating an anniversary or birthday!



### Partial Nominating Committee Report —Second Reading:

Deacons: Patrick Mtunzi, Maniraguha Dieudonne  
Deaconesses: Muka Nyiramanyana, Alice Furaha, Nirere Alliance  
Pathfinder Staff: David Bradshaw, Russ Davidson, Josh Miller, Mark Hull  
Family Resource Network: Katia Sanchez  
Greeters: Bob Boyd, Maniraguha Dieudonne, Kenn Reece, Nirere Alliance  
PAES Constituency Delegates: Irina Avdeev

**Vacation Bible School** which was originally scheduled for the weekend of June 21-23 has been **POSTPONED**. Please keep an eye out for further details on our "Scuba" dive for VBS this year.



**Oregon Conference Presidential Survey Invitation.** Oregon Conference members are invited to participate in a 7-question Members Survey as part of the presidential search process. When there is a change in leadership, we have a fresh call to prayer to be in the center of God's will. Please use the next several months to pray for the Holy Spirit's leading in the selection process. The online survey is available at <https://nwadvent.st/ocmembers> and will be open for member responses until June 30.

**The Adventist Book Center used book ministry** which was here last week gave away 111 books. Thank you for participating and enjoy the good "reads."



**June 29, 7:00 PM, there will be a Young Adult Movie Night** at Pastor Seth's home. Kindly grace our gathering with premium movie snacks to share. For further information contact Gloriel Francis, 949-514-7945.



**Baby Shower on Sunday, June 30, at 1:30 PM:** Little baby boy Aeris Zahir was born in May to Arwin and Jenifer Fernandez! Come and celebrate with us in the fellowship hall as we welcome them into our church family. Refreshments will be served. They are registered at [babylist.com](http://babylist.com) under Arwin and Jenifer Baby Registry. Everyone is welcome!

**July 4, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM,** at Sunnyside Church in the fellowship hall and on the patio there will be a church family social fellowship potluck/picnic — possibly a talent show and games — it is still in the planning process. If you have ideas or would like to help, contact Ben Dalusong at 818-653-1285.



**The Oregon Conference Pathfinders** are excited to announce that the Gladstone Campgrounds Snack Shack will be open this summer July 14 and 15 from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

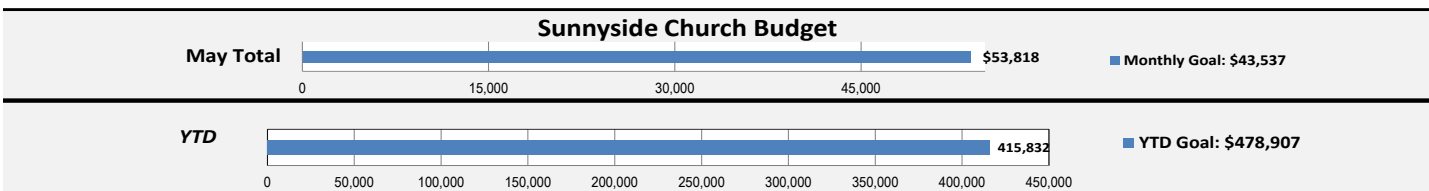
both days. This service will provide both an opportunity for a few of our clubs to raise funds for their trip to the International Camporee taking place in Gillette, Wyoming ([camporee.org](http://camporee.org)) and for our Oregon Conference family to enjoy one of their favorite Snack Shack treats we've come to love every summer. Other activities at the campgrounds will be a carwash hosted by the Pathfinders on Sunday where they will accept donations; the ABC will be having their used book sale both Sunday and Monday in Zull Hall (next to the Snack Shack); and the Dorcas Community service will be open to the public. So come, make it a day with the family and friends. Come for the Pronto-Pup or Vege-burger, and stay for the fellowship.

**Sunnyside Children's Recital will be on July 27, at 2:30 PM,** in the Sunnyside Church Sanctuary. Do you play an instrument or sing? Sunnyside

is inviting youth ages 8-17 to share their musical gifts. Contact Pollyanna Moody to find out how to participate. [Polly.Moody@sunnysideadventist.org](mailto:Polly.Moody@sunnysideadventist.org).



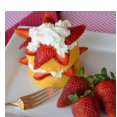
**Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM, a history class meets** in the Youth room. Everyone is welcome! Come and join us as we study what has happened in the past.





**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.



**Strawberry Vespers 2024** — we regretfully announce due to extenuating circumstances, we will not be having our regular Strawberry Vespers this year. We intend to continue our annual strawberry vespers celebration beginning next year in June 2025.

**Our flower calendar is** posted in the hallway and [online](http://www.SunnysideAdventist.org). (Go to our website, [www.SunnysideAdventist.org](http://www.SunnysideAdventist.org), click on "Our Ministries.") Please choose a date to share flowers with your church family for our worship service and place your name on it. As the date gets closer, we will contact you to what you would like in the bulletin about them.



**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](mailto: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 let us know who you are by picture. Send a snapshot or professional picture and we will upload it for you to the directory.

**During these difficult times**, 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](mailto: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 for 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 that 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.



# Happy Birthday



**Sunday:** Celia Stanton; **Monday:** Seth Pierce; **Tuesday:** Randy Greene; **Wednesday:** Jack Edmondson; **Thursday:** Randy Cummings; **Friday:** Jack Jorgenson, Cathy Sellards, Andrew Wart

## ADVENTIST EDUCATION



<http://www.paes.com>  
**Portland Adventist Elementary School**



**Portland Adventist Academy**  
<https://www.paasda.org/alumni>

## 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>



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Visit: [jobs.wallawalla.edu](http://jobs.wallawalla.edu)



## AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



**DINNER WITH A DOCTOR**

Have you ever woke up not feeling refreshed after tossing and turning all night? Maybe you struggle with not getting good, restful sleep most nights. On Friday, June 21 at 6:00 PM, the Sandy Seventh-day Adventist Church will be serving a (free) dinner and hosting Dr. Eric Walsh. He will be presenting on "Secrets for Restful Sleep." Discover how to get the sleep you need without depending on medications to improve your health and increase your energy, improve your focus and enjoy living. Come join us! All are invited, registration is REQUIRED. You can register [here](#).

### A memorial service, for Arnold

**Schnell**, will be held on June 23, 2024, at the Rockwood SDA church at 1:00 PM. Arnold was a teacher at Portland Adventist Elementary School for 25 years. Please join his family as they remember their loved ones. In lieu of flowers, please support Rockwood church's scholarship fund by placing your money gift in the appropriate container or by mailing your gift to the Rockwood SDA Church and notating that it is to go for school scholarships. Thank you for helping more students receive an Adventist education by remembering Arnie and his teaching.



### Gospel Outreach presents Pastor Joedy and Judy Melashenko for a Sabbath Afternoon Concert!

When: Sabbath Afternoon

June 29, 2024 at 2:00 PM.

Where: Newberg SDA Church, 530 E. Edgewood Dr, Newberg OR 97132

You will hear thrilling updates about **Gospel Outreach** and how God is working in miraculous ways in many difficult regions of the world in fulfillment of Matthew 24:14... "Into ALL the World." This Concert provides a perfect opportunity for you to invite a friend or neighbor and be doubly blessed. Your hearts will be lifted heavenward and your souls refreshed.

### Abba's Child Grief Camps at Big Lake Youth Camp 2024.

What: Grief camps for children aged 9-12 and 13-16 who have lost a parent or sibling.

When: Abba's Child Junior at Big Lake: June 30 - July 5 (ages 9-12) Abba's Child Teen at Big Lake: August 4 - 9 (ages 13-16)

Who facilitates: Trained facilitators will lead the grief support activities and Big Lake staff will facilitate the regular camp activities.

Cost: These camps are provided at no cost to the families involved (they are funded through Abba's

Child Grief Camps). The only expense for families is getting the children to and from Big Lake. Check out [www.abbaschild.org](http://www.abbaschild.org)



### Oregon Conference Camp Meetings

**Suspended for 2024** – In April, it was decided that Spanish and English-language Gladstone Camp Meetings would need to be suspended for 2024, due to financial restrictions. If you saw the

Gladstone Camp Meeting ad in the May/June issue of the *Gleaner*, however, you may be a bit confused. Unfortunately, the *Gleaner* went to press before the advertisement could be changed. There will be no Gladstone Camp Meetings in 2024. We look forward to seeing you back on the grounds in Gladstone next summer, though!

### Big Lake Youth Camp is looking for a gently used golf cart or a side-by-side/

Ranger-style of vehicle for camp use during the summers. If you have one you'd like to donate, please reach out to our office: [office@biglake.org](mailto:office@biglake.org) or call (503) 850-3583.



**Join the Sandy Adventist Church for a prayer conference** featuring Kevin Wilfley on July 13. There will be meetings at 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM with a vegetarian potluck around the noon hour.

The Sandy Adventist Church is located at 18575 SE Langensand Rd, Sandy, OR 97055.

### SAVE THE DATE: Cruise with a Mission December 2024.

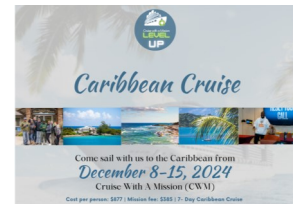
Center for Youth Evangelism is happy to invite you to an

incredible cruise adventure to The Caribbean, December 8-15, 2024.

Registration is open so don't wait! Embark on a convenient round-trip

Caribbean adventure where we will be visiting the Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico, & the Cayman Islands.

Departing from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Stops in the Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico, and the Cayman Islands, returning to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. There is more information to come, but if you have any questions, please send an email to [cwm@cye.org](mailto:cwm@cye.org).





## PACS UPDATE

### How do we serve?

**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. **What We Did in 2023:** 569 Total Volunteers, 32,686 Volunteer Hours Given, 2.1 Million Pounds of Food Distributed. That's what the copper for 28 Statues of Liberty would weigh! 310,000 Clients Helped.

**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.**

**Upcoming Events:** October 6, Fall Festival: 12-5 pm

Fall Fundraiser Awards Dinner: 5-7 pm

## JOIN US AT EAST PORTLAND'S LARGEST FALL FESTIVAL

A celebration of fall's bounty and the great work PACS provides for our community, the 3rd Annual Fall Festival provides a memorable opportunity for local businesses to support PACS and the greater community we serve.



FOOD TRUCKS FAMILY ACTIVITIES FALL CRAFTS GAMES MUSIC FACE PAINTING PETTING ZOO

**WHEN:** SUNDAY OCTOBER 6TH

FALL FESTIVAL 12:00PM - 5:00PM

AWARD DINNER 5:00PM - 7:00PM

**WHERE:** ROSSI FARMS

3839 NE 122ND AVE \ PORTLAND, OR

**WHO:** ESTIMATED FESTIVAL GUESTS 800-1200



FALL FESTIVAL & FUNDRAISER PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2024

**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.



**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 to learn more, contact Karen Hartmann, Bereavement/Volunteer Coordinator, at 503-251-6192 or email [Hartmakl@ah.org](mailto:Hartmakl@ah.org). You can make a loving difference in someone's life at a challenging time.

**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.volgistics.com/appform/769001903>



### Accountant Needed at PAES

PAES is looking for a part-time accountant (about 10 hours a month) that will do month-end closing, reconciliation, and reports. CPA preferred, but not required if the level of experience would suffice. Please reach out to [principal@paes.com](mailto:principal@paes.com) to apply.

**Hood View Adventist School** is hiring for next school year!

**Teacher's Aides** - Up to 30 hours a week, depending on need and your availability. Multiple positions available.

**Art Teacher** - Approximately 12 hours/week teaching art classes to students at all grade levels.

**Foreign Language Teacher** - Any language (including sign language) to teach 2 hours/2 days per week.

**Guest Teachers/Substitutes (On-Call)** - Provide instruction in a classroom when the teacher must be absent. From 3.5 hours to 7 hours per assignment (willingness and flexibility to accept jobs both in advance and last minute is helpful).

**Piano Teacher/Choir Accompanist** - 2 hours/2 days per week to accompany the Intermediate and Advanced Choirs. Studio space is also available for a piano teacher who wishes to teach private lessons.

All part-time positions, with exception of on-call positions, begin one week prior to the start of the school year and finish one week



after the school year concludes. The positions require individuals who can keep confidentiality, have basic computer skills including working knowledge of office machines, computer software e.g. MS Office and Adobe products, and a cleared background check with the Oregon Conference of SDA. For all positions wages and benefits are based on the denominational wage scale and policy. Must have the legal right to work in the United States and be able to provide evidence of that right if employed. If interested, please email your resume and cover letter with three references to [principal@hvja.org](mailto:principal@hvja.org).

**Job Opening: Adventist Book Center - Part-Time Customer Service.** For full details, download the job description and application at [oregonadventist.org/support/human-resources#job-opportunities](https://oregonadventist.org/support/human-resources#job-opportunities)

**Better Life Television (BLBN)** is a network of more than 15 stations and translators serving over 60,000 square miles throughout southern Oregon, with satellite stations in northern California and Reno, Nevada. Better Life is currently seeking a broadcast engineer. The broadcast engineer position is responsible for assisting the executive director in maintaining, operating, and developing the technical systems that enable BLBN to fulfill its mission. This position is a full-time, regular status position. Learn more about this position and how to apply at <https://bit.ly/BLTVjob>.

### **PACS is Hiring!**

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](mailto:Jaclyn.russell@pacsonline.org)

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

### **Father's Day Breakfast in Pictures:**

