



Sunnyside News

SUNNYSIDE

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

July 12, Communiqué



Hello Church Family,

There is so much going on at Sunnyside as well as the world church! First, on a local level, we are grateful for the wonderful turnout and support of our Hanging On To Hope meetings. I have been especially

blessed to watch people connect over our evening meals and during discussion time after our seminar presentations. Please continue to lift these meetings up in prayer and thank you to all the volunteers making this possible!

On a global level, our quinquennial General Conference Session is well underway. The Adventist Church has elected a new President, Erton Köhler, and we wish him all God's blessings as he begins his new role (along with all the many other newly elected officers).

One dynamic that emerges every time a major meeting like this takes place, is the intense discussion around the agenda and various leaders. While much of the dialogue is fruitful, there is another side that revels in all kinds of speculation and criticism. I am reminded of the words of one of our founding members who counseled educators, "Suspicion demoralizes, producing the very evils it seeks to prevent" (Education, p. 283). Put another way, "Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear" (Eph. 4:29). Let's make sure our public witness reveals an engagement with issues that does not degenerate into name calling and mistreatment of others.

On a personal note, please pray for my wife Angela this week who is heading out on a trip with her mom to Switzerland! They have been planning this adventure for a while and we hope they have a wonderful time. Also pray for me as I navigate all our girls' schedules! I have traveled to Europe many times when Angela had to stay behind and I know it is a challenge!

Finally, I look forward to sharing the message on Sabbath entitled "Shapeshift" that will include part of my testimony.

Blessings!

Pastor Seth Pierce, Ph.D.

The Pastors' Spotlight

From the desk of Madi

Happy Sabbath, Church Family!

Hanging on to Hope has been such an incredible blessing. (I had such a good week!) One of the greatest joys has been helping with our children's program. Watching the kids get to know Jesus and have so much fun has truly been the highlight of my week. As we look ahead to next week, I pray this series will continue to pour out God's blessings on all of us.

Speaking of blessings, please mark your calendars and plan to join us after church next Sabbath at Captain William Clark Park for a very special occasion. Several members of our church family will be publicly declaring their faith and giving their lives to Jesus through baptism! Our amazing volunteers have also prepared a delicious lunch for us to enjoy together as we fellowship before the baptism.

Over the past month, I've also had the privilege of volunteering just across the parking lot at Adventist Health. It's been an incredible learning experience—one that is helping me become a more attuned instrument of God's grace. My time there has strengthened my faith as I've seen how present and near God is to those who are suffering.

With Love and Grace.

Your Intern,

Madi Jokela

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.



Today we will enjoy a church potluck immediately after our worship service. If you didn't bring food with you today, join us anyway. We always have an abundance of food! Everyone is welcome and invited to join in eating and fellowshiping together. Please remember that during the *Hanging On To Hope* series, we will be having a potluck each week immediately after the worship service. Plan to bring enough food for your family and a bit more for others.



Next Sabbath, July 19, we will enjoy a picnic and baptism at Captain William Clark Park, Washougal. https://maps.app.goo.gl/gSBBBAV3n5ra7dUN8?g_st=ipc. After church, join us as early as 1:30 pm, for Big Franks, watermelon, and community fun! The baptism will be at 3:00 pm, in the Columbia River. Let us know ahead of time if you'd like to be baptized. Bring picnic chairs and blankets. Enjoy water access,

games, a nature walk with the kids, and rich fellowship! All are welcome! **How to find us at the park:** When you arrive at Captain William Clark Park, please park on the left side of the lot—near the small building farthest to the left of the main entrance and restrooms. From there, follow the trail (about 0.4 mile, going uphill and then downhill through the wooded area) until you see two picnic shelters on your left.



Sunnyside “True North” Summer Program VBS — the ultimate Alaskan adventure just for kids ages 5–10. The children will learn that no matter where they go, Jesus is their guide—He’s our True North! This program runs concurrently with the “Hanging onto Hope” series through July 19 including Saturday Mornings @ 11:15 am, and then Tuesday through next Friday evenings @ 6:00 – 7:45 pm. We hope to see you there!



Hanging On To Hope: Developing Resilience in Difficult Times continues today at 11:15 am, for church, and again at 6:00 pm, tonight. This week’s meetings will be from Tuesday through Friday at 6:00 pm, and next Saturday at 11:15 am. Supper will be served and after supper and at the same time, there will be a children’s program.



Positive Life Radio, 104.5 FM, is celebrating Christmas in July with a food drive! Your contribution supports PACS (Portland Adventist Community Services)! You can make an online donation or bring food (like canned vegetables, fruits, beans, etc...) to a drop off in the barrel in our foyer. Find extra details at plr.org.



Sabbath July 26, we will be having Camp Meeting Sabbath here at Sunnyside. We will have a controlled temperature environment and easy walking inside and outside the church! Our theme will be the same as the Oregon Conference Camp Meeting, *Togetherness in Christ*, with our own Pastor Richard Fenn presenting a general Sabbath School study along with a panel discussion. He will also be giving us our Bible message titled *O Little Town of Togetherness*. Our special music will be brought to us by Carmen Cafferky. Come and join us! Bible study will begin at 10:00 am, in the Sanctuary, and church service will begin at 11:00 am.



Gladstone Camp Meeting is happening, July 22-26 – but we need volunteers! Our volunteers get some sweet perks this year. Go to this link to find out more <https://www.oregonadventist.org/gladstone-camp-meetings-volunteers>.



Special Camp Meeting Seminar – Drs. Kessia Reyne Bennett and Seth Pierce draw on their experience as Adventist scholars and pastors to address the unique issues related to The Great Controversy and the current American political landscape. Specifically, as independent charismatic figures bring the language of spiritual warfare to the center stage, and as some Evangelicals seem drawn to a nationalist expression of faith, how are Adventists to respond? How do we balance being good earthly citizens and heavenly citizens? Can we be patriotic while holding to our prophetic perspective? Do current ideas about spiritual warfare in the political arena fit within a responsible biblical framework? These are some of the questions that will be addressed to help us understand how we got to our current moment and how we can respond as faithful followers of Jesus hanging on to our Advent message. Time: 10:00 am -12:00 pm.



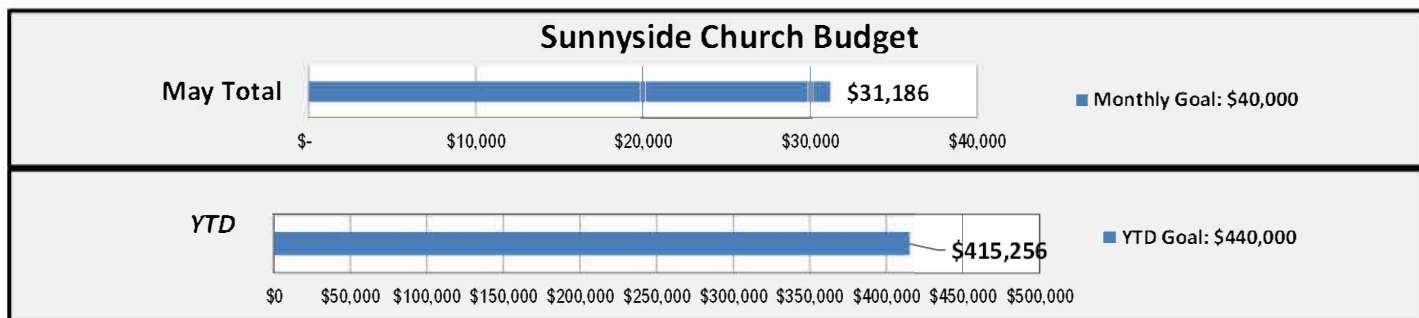
Our history class meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, in the Sandy Room. We will study “The Holy Land Revealed.”



We are blessed with some very strong prayer warriors. If you have a special request, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080 or info@sunnysideadventist.org to submit your request. There is power in prayer, and it truly makes a difference.



Dollars for Missions! Labels keep trickling in, and we are quickly reaching another goal. Last week was a great week for the label count. We have already received a second check in response to our turning in labels! What a lovely way to give to missions! Continue to save your Loma Linda Labels and turn them in here at the church. There is a box in the Narthex for them. In the “old” days, we received 1¢ per label. Now they give us 25¢ per label. It’s well worth saving and receiving “free” dollars for missions! Continue to save and turn in your labels.



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.



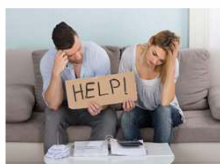
Would you like to hear the service more clearly? Sunnyside Church provides assistive hearing devices you may borrow. They are located in the Deacons' office. Just let a deacon know of your need and they will be happy to help you.



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!



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 to the directory for you. Thank you.



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.



Today: Janet Browning, Darlene Manullang, Evalee Rushold; **Sunday:** Jonathan Eyasu, Pollyanna Moody; **Monday:** Jan MacApinlac; **Tuesday:** Kendall Halverston, Elise Holcombe; **Wednesday:** Laura Elmore, Sally Jorgenson, Gregory Wibe; **Thursday:** Tracey Belding, Kimberly Goodwin-Helton, Wesley Hamlin; **Friday:** Nancy Mark, Joyce Shield-Goitein



Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

Substitute Teachers Needed at PAES

Portland Adventist Elementary School is in need of substitute teachers! We are looking for dedicated and compassionate individuals who enjoy being around children and in the school environment. If you are interested, please reach out to admin@paes.com to apply or call 503-665-4102.



Portland Adventist Academy

<https://paasda.org>

We urgently need your help!

We need a reliable, heavy-duty pick-up truck for our campus use. Thanks to our Auto-mechanic class and generous donors, we've already raised \$15,000. We're now seeking to match that amount so we can purchase a reliable heavy-duty working ($\frac{3}{4}$ or 1 ton) truck – an essential tool to support our daily operations and student trips. Any contribution you can make will be appreciated.

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.

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

Hood View Adventist School

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



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ADVENTIST SCHOOL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Let us all pitch in to get our new soccer field ready for this fall! We need help putting in irrigation before we seed the field (Phase 2 & 3 of our plan). Let us know if you have time in the next few weeks!

BENEFITS

- Safer Field Conditions
- Regulation Sized Field
- Field Rental Potential



PLAN PROGRESS:

Phase 1 Field Preparation is almost complete!
We are excited to report that the contractor (MEI) is finishing the initial grade this week.

Phase 2 - Irrigation System.

We are planning to begin next week (June 2-6) on the layout of the irrigation for the field.
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Phase 3 -Boring City Water Hook Up.

Hook up the school and the church to Boring City Water (June 16-20) **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Phase 4 - Plant (Hydro-Mulch)

Contractor will be spraying the field. It takes about 2 months for the seed to germinate and for the field to be ready to use.

GOAL - Our goal is to have the new field planted no later than the first week of July!
Phase 5 - Field setup complete

New goals and nets, ready for the Fall Soccer Season (September)

LET US KNOW

WE NEED YOUR HELP! If you have some available time in the month of June to help on this project please let us know: 503-663-4568 (school office) or

principal@hvja.org

Thank you for your prayers and support!
Steve Madsen, HVAS Principal

HVAS 1ST ANNUAL CAR SHOW

AUGUST 24TH 2025 10 AM - 2 PM

WHAT TO EXPECT: OPEN SHOW, HANDMADE TROPHIES,

**GRASS
PARKING** **FOOD, FUN, RAFFLE!**



PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

15.00 ENTRY FEE ~OR~ 10.00 WITH 2 CANS OF FOOD

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<https://wallawalla.edu>

Visit: jobs.wallawalla.edu.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

comfort SHAWLS

Do you knit or crochet?
Adventist Health Portland needs your
help making comfort shawls.

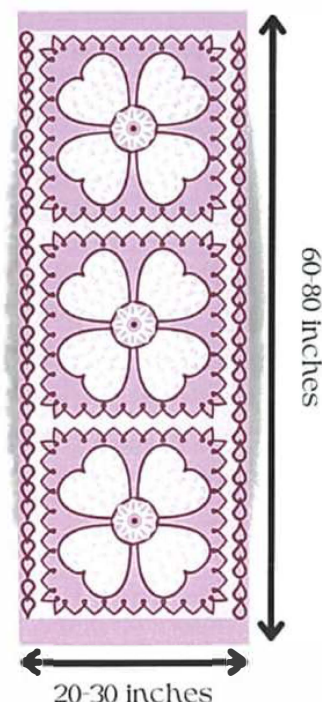
What is a comfort shawl?

A comfort shawl is a reminder of our love given to one in need of comfort and love. Comfort shawls comfort and bless those who are seriously ill, undergoing major medical treatment, in hospice, or those grieving the loss of a loved one.

How do I get involved?

You can bring comfort to these individuals by making a comfort shawl and delivering it to Adventist Health Portland's Spiritual Care Department (503) 251-6105. Use the guidelines below to make a shawl of the appropriate size. Many free patterns are available online. Beginner-friendly projects are welcome!

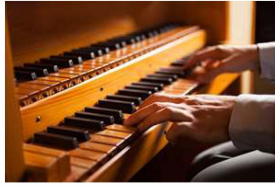
Get Involved! Call Spiritual Care at (503) 251-6105.



Oregon Conference Camp Meeting 2025

Volunteers are needed for Gladstone Camp Meeting 2025, happening July 22-26! Sign up now at orad.us/CMvolunteer. Departments and descriptions are posted on the conference website at www.oregonadventist.org/volunteer. There are

also a limited number of seasonal paid positions available. Thank you for your willingness to help make camp meeting a great experience for everyone!



Church Organist Needed: The Stone Tower Adventist Church Music Department is seeking a volunteer church organist to play the organ during our worship service for up to two Sabbaths a month. Please contact Jeanine Goodwin at (503) 381-5577 or womensministry@stonetowersda.org for more details and if you or an organist you know would be interested.



Big Lake Youth Camp registration is now open for kid camps and family camps for our 2025 summer! Youth camps are for ages 7-17 with lots of fun activities kids do with their cabin groups. Family camps are for all ages with a lot of the same fun activities for families to do together – great for family reunions! Visit www.biglake.org for more information or to register.



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.

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.



There is a full-time position available at International Children's Care in Vancouver. Looking for a compassionate person ready to devote their skills to this ministry as Sponsorship Coordinator. Ability to handle phone calls and attention to detail are important. For more information, call Ricky Fleck at 360-573-0429 or email Ricky@forhiskids.org.

PACS is Hiring!

*Development & Planning Manager

*Thrift Store Assistant Manager (Part-time)

If interested or for more details, go to jobs@pacsonline.org.

Come join our non-profit organization in the Portland area that serves the community with a Thrift Store, Food Pantry, and Dental Clinic.

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 (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>.



Volunteers and sponsors are needed for Summer Camp Staff in Alaska! The summer camp is in Wrangell, Alaska from August 1-10, 2025. The volunteers needed are: 6 boys and 7 girls counselors, 1 boys and 1 girls director, 3 cooks and 1 activities director. Some money is available for travel but if possible please find sponsors or pay your own way. Call Brad Brown @ 530-826-6349 for further information. <https://www.alaskaconference.org/ministries/alaska-camps>

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>

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.

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