Sunnyside News



August 23 Communiqué



Hi Sunnyside family,

And just like that, summer's come and gone! After back-to-back events that started with our Hanging on to Hope series, our team is now getting ready for the 2025-2026 school year.

We're kicking off the year with the baptism of our very own Shalom Fanta – incoming freshman in our youth group – happening this Sabbath! We are also planning for more baptisms from our youth group as many have expressed interest since Gadi, Thierry, and Isa (youth and young adults) got baptized after our HoH series.

I'm also planning for the Senior class vespers at PAA this coming Friday and vespers with the nursing student leaders of WWU coming up mid-September.

With all the momentum with our student ministries at Sunnyside, we are in need of enthusiastic, action-oriented volunteers who have a passion for young people and their families! Particularly in the areas of:

- Hospitality (food / greeting / hosting etc)
- Media (social Media / A/V)
- Teaching (sabbath school, vespers etc)
- Events (planning social, recreational events)
- Kid Min (children's ministries)
- Coordinating (executive planning, task management)

If you're interested in serving in any of these areas, email pastor Kevin at kevin.wilson@sunnysideadventist.org and someone from our team will be in touch with you.

I spent the last Sabbath in Coeur d'Alene with three of my close friends who are also pastors in their respective churches. This was the first time all four of us were together since our seminary days. Sharing life with them and learning from each others' experiences with God reminded me that I am who I am in relation to others.

My ministry, creativity, and impact are inextricably connected to the communities that have, and continue to shape me. I am a better pastor because of these brothers.

As you gear up for the fall, may I remind you that you, too, are not an island.

You are a continent.

You are a "land" formed over the years by the convergence of the tectonic plates of stories, relationships, and communities, held together by the eternal, subterranean, love of God.

And as such, your actions, choices, and service not only impact your life, or the lives of others, but lives that are yet to exist.

Grace and Peace

Pastor Kevin Wilson

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.



Partial Nominating Committee Report — First reading: Deaconess: Joanne Dixon



Sunday, August 24, 3:30 pm, we will enjoy our annual Sunnyside Corn Roast featuring roasted corn on the cob, watermelon, and a classic car show. Bring your favorite picnic foods: salads, finger foods, casseroles, entrees, or desserts. We will feature the "Classic Car Show" and for the kids we have some bouncy houses – with and without water. Please bring towels, and appropriate swimwear for kids if they plan on participating. If you have any old vehicles you would like to display, contact Kenn Reece at 503-505-4841. We know the temperature is scheduled to be "hot," so we will also have the fellowship hall open for tho" and bouncy houses, some with water! If you have any old vehicles you would like to display, contact Kenn Reece at 503-505-4841.











Senior Ministries has been on furlough for a number of years, but we would like to invite members who are interested in meeting together for social, educational or volunteer projects to a lunch on August 28th, at noon. We will be providing a light lunch of sandwiches and salad, and then discuss what you envision for Senior Ministries. Please come and be prepared to share what you'd like to see, where you're willing to help and ideas you've been thinking about. We would like an RSVP so we have a count of how many to prepare for. You may RSVP to

<u>dduffield@aol.com</u> or <u>dglovatsky@yahoo.com</u> or <u>barbara.plubell@gmail.com</u>. Looking forward to seeing you for lunch.



Sabbath, August 30 starts our traditional Bobby McGhee and Friends weekend! . Please note: Our monthly potluck is being moved from the first Sabbath of the month to August 30. There will not be a potluck on September 6. At 6:00 pm, August 30, we will enjoy a concert presented by Bobby McGhee and Friends. Come out for an afternoon of fun and fellowship!



Next Sabbath, August 30, we will enjoy our monthly church potluck immediately after our worship service. Bring enough food for your family plus more for our guests. We are expecting a large group of guests. Everyone is welcome and invited to join in eating together.



September 6, at 6:30 pm, there will be a vespers at the Mandrones' hone in Ridgefield. Contact Matt for address and directions at 360-261-2611. We will have praise music, a vesper message, followed by the classic movie "Oklahoma" at sundown. Drinks, snacks, and popcorn will be provided. Sunnyside church family and friends are welcome to attend and stay as long as you like. Optional: bring lawn chairs, a blanket and/or jacket as it will cool later in the evening. Also come, and enjoy walking our new 1/4 mile nature trail.





Youth gym night, September 6, 6:00 pm, at Healing Hope Church. Calling all high schoolers to a back-to-school youth gym night! Get to know your new youth group members. Pizza and pop provided. RSVP by texting Pastor Kevin at 240-476-3426.



A wedding ring has been lost! Please keep watch — if you happen to find it turn it in to the office. Thank you!



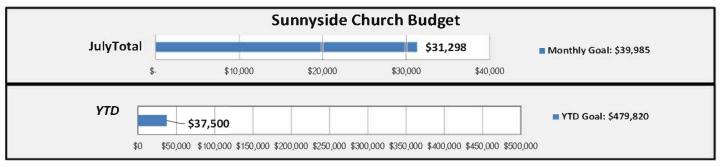
Our history class meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, in the Sandy Room. We will study "The Holy Land Revealed."



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 lnfo@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: Adam Nziacharo; **Sunday:** Don Krein, Marilyn Wallace; **Tuesday:** Lorrie Wescott; **Wednesday:** Matthew Danowski, Vasile Hutuleac, Isaac Nziacharo; **Thursday:** Francie Davidson, Brian Gabriel, Noeema Nziacharo; **Friday:** Shirley Blehm-Hartnell, Joanna Stephan, Blayne Swope



Portland Adventist Elementary School

http://www.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. If you are interested and would like more information, please reach out to admin@paes.com to apply. Thank you,



Portland Adventist Academy

https://paasda.org

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.rqsda.orq/



Hood View Adventist School

https://www.hvja.org/



The "Columbia Classics" Annual Fall Reunion will be Saturday, September 6, 2025, on the CAA campus (in the cafeteria building), 11100 NE 189th St, Battle Ground, WA.

Sabbath 9am: Registration and continental breakfast followed by Sabbath program with Randy Courser ('73) leading

out with music from the "good old days," a talk on possibilities for being blessed and blessing others by Rick Serns (former CAA Staff), group photo, and potluck dinner. Come renew friendships and share the latest happenings in your lives.

RV parking is available on the campus (please make reservations) and motels are available locally if desired. For more lodging or additional information contact Larry Hiday, CAA Alumni Director (w360.687.3161 or h360.931.2828).



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https://wallawalla.edu

Visit: jobs.wallawalla.edu.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Join us at the Northwest Prison Ministry Convention, September 12-13, for inspiration, education, and networking opportunities. This in-person event is a unique chance to connect with fellow prison ministry workers from across the Northwest region. This year's event will be held at the Holden Convention Center in Gladstone, Oregon. At the convention, you'll have the chance to attend workshops, hear from guest speakers, and share your own experiences in this important field. Whether you're a seasoned veteran or just starting out, there's something here for everyone. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your ministry, learn new strategies, and be encouraged in your work. We can't wait to see you there! For more information call 360-857-7033. Register online at prisonministryconvention.eventbrite.com



Stone Tower Adventist Church is hosting its fall reaping series, featuring evangelist, Brian McMahon, as our main speaker beginning October 11th running through November 1, 7:00 PM. We are in need of gifted singers and musicians to lend their professional music sound to this event. If you're available and want to share your music ministry with the community members around Stone Tower Church, please contact Jeanine Goodwin at 503-381-5577. Let's work together to reap a harvest of souls for the kingdom of God!



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

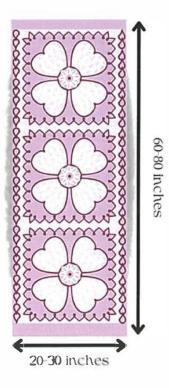
What is a comfort shawl?

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.





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.



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.



PACS 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 Director of Quality Management and a Thrift Store Part-time Assistant Manager. If you are interested in these positions, please visit our website (pacsonline.org/jobs) for job descriptions or email jobs@pacsonline.org for more information.

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 the Adventist church, as permitted under the EEOC's Title VII provision. This position is based in Grants Pass, Oregon. <u>Learn more about this position</u>.

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.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.

HOUSING NEEDED

A student is needed a room. If you have something available or know of someone that does, please contact the church office 503-252-8080.

We also have a family moving to Portland that needs a 2 or 3 bedroom, 2-bath house. Let us know if you know of one available.

LAST WEEK'S SERVICE IN PHOTOS



















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