

# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

## News & Announcements

May 7, 2022



### Greetings Church Family!

There are several things I love about our office administrator Rosie Bixel. One of those things is her use of the word “perfect!” Any time I get a project done within the constraints of her timeline, I get a big Rosie smile followed by the word, “Perfect!”

I like being perfect. At least for the moment, I bask in the glory of perfection (being in the good graces of Rosie!) Then I come back to the reality of my normal imperfect life.

Perfection is something that the church talks about every once in a while. Some have ventured into strange and dangerous territory by saying things like, “If you aren’t perfectly sinless before Jesus comes again, you can’t be saved.”

To be honest, I don’t even know how to process a statement like that. I’m convinced that perfection isn’t even something that the 5-10% of my brain that I use can comprehend. How would I even know when I reached perfection? And what parts of my life need to be perfect? My diet? My use of time? The number of people I witness to each day? My interpretation and understanding of Scripture? How about my prayer time?

Perfectly sinless is an overwhelming thought. It’s a good thing the Bible doesn’t instruct me to strive for it!

The word “perfect” in the Bible isn’t associated with sin or sinlessness. The word “perfect” (teleios in Greek) simply means “complete.” It’s mostly associated with the completion of a task. Noah was declared “perfect” after the flood waters receded. Then he got drunk and naked. Jesus wasn’t declared perfect until after the crucifixion and resurrection (Hebrews 5:7-9); after His mission was accomplished. Of course Jesus was always sinless, but He wasn’t declared “perfect” until His mission was accomplished.

So, how can I be perfect? Or at least strive toward biblical perfection? Keep on living your life and living out what Jesus has called you to do—who Jesus has called you to be. Some of us may have already accomplished the things that Jesus wanted us to accomplish on earth. Others still may have some tasks before them.

Either way, your job isn’t to somehow figure out what it looks like to be sinless. It’s your job to live your life, walk with Jesus, and do His will as best you can. That’s perfection.

Now, go be perfect!

**Pastor Mark Witas**



### 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 this week to Evelyn Hull and Sally Miller for putting together such a great vespers last Sabbath evening. Thank you, Evelyn and Sally!*

*Shout out to Jeremy Barber for being so quick and willing to help out with any computer or IT issues. You are so appreciated, Jeremy!*

## News & Notes

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome to Portland Adventist Academy students, alumni, and staff** as we enjoy the program they have prepared in celebration of PAA alumni weekend. A special welcome, also, to Karl Haffner, PhD, Vice President of Loma Linda University, who will present today’s Bible message.

**The floral tribute is presented by Portland Adventist Academy** in honor of its alumni of PUA/PAA.

**Please pray for the family of Verna Price.** She passed away last Tuesday. A memorial service is not currently being planned.

### Partial Nominating Committee Report — First Reading:

Deacon: Del Colton  
Lead Deacon: Josh Miller  
Lead Deacon: Stan Christensen  
Deaconess: Ruby Hohensee  
Head Greeter: Karen Hamilton (pending transfer)  
Pathfinder Director: Jonathan Russell  
Student Aid Committee: Patrick Shima  
VBS Director: Beverly Merino



**Some very exciting news!** Tune in to Sunnyside’s Facebook live-stream at 4:30 PM this afternoon to watch the “gender reveal” of Chelsea and Billy Hungate’s babies! <https://www.facebook.com/sunnysidechurch>.

**On Wednesdays, at 7:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall, there will be “Into the Word” Bible study** with Pastor Mark Witas, continuing weekly. If you can’t be there in person here is a Zoom link you may join:

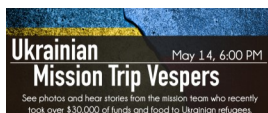
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or Meeting ID: 820 7648 6404 Passcode: 666777 | One tap mobile: 1-253-215-8782.



**Friday, May 13, at 7:30 PM, Southern Adventist University Wind Symphony** will provide a concert here at Sunnyside Church. Their concert is titled "How Deep the Father's Love For Us." You will not want to miss out on this exceptional concert.

**Sabbath, May 14, at 6:00 PM, there will be a vespers** featuring photos and events that took place when our mission team took over \$30,000 of funds and food to the Ukrainian refugees.



**Portland Adventist Elementary school** will conduct its annual Constituency meeting Monday, May 16 at 7:00 PM, in the PAES library. Sunnyside delegates, please attend this important meeting. Thank you.



**Sabbath, May 21, at 3:30 PM, and 7:00 PM,** the Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus will present their Spring Festival at

Sunnyside Adventist Church. Tickets are required, but they are FREE! Reserve your tickets early to make sure you get a space. Below are the links:

[OAMC Spring Festival 3:30 PM](https://www.oamcministry.org) | [OAMC Spring Festival 7:00 PM](https://www.oamcministry.org) | <https://www.oamcministry.org>

**Did God gift you with a love for singing?** Contact [pollyannamoody@gmail.com](mailto:pollyannamoody@gmail.com) if you are interested in singing with the Sunnyside Choir.

**Student Aid applications** are now available for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are in need of financial assistance to attend one of our schools, please call the church office, 503-252-8080, or send an email to [info@sunnysideadventist.org](mailto:info@sunnysideadventist.org), for an instruction sheet. We have a new system in place this year and we can email you the information. The **deadline** for your application to be completed is **June 5**.



**June 11, 7:00 PM. Our Strawberry Vespers is back!** Save the date and prepare for a phenomenal musical program followed by strawberry shortcake! 🍓

**Portland Adventist Academy has a special Constituency meeting scheduled via Zoom on Tuesday, June 14 at 7:00 PM.** We will be emailing constituent delegates the agenda, meeting minutes, documents, and Zoom link ahead of the meeting date.



**Congratulations graduates!** If you are graduating this year, or know of someone graduating (8th grade, high school or college) we would like to include your name in our Communiqué. Please forward the name, the school name, and degree you will be receiving to [info@sunnysideadventist.org](mailto:info@sunnysideadventist.org) or call 503-252-8080.

**Our flower calendar is** posted in the hallway and [online](https://www.sunnysideadventist.org). (Website: [www.sunnysideadventist.org](https://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 all household items, queen bed, bedding, and winter clothes. Contact Marie Pierre for more information 503-998-3754.



**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 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](mailto:info@sunnysideadventist.org)



### Upcoming Events

Friday, May 13, 7:00 PM: Southern Adventist University Wind Symphony Vespers  
Sabbath, May 21, 3:30 & 7:00 PM: Oregon Adventist Men's Chorus Festival  
Sunday, May 22, 3:00 PM: The Oregon Sinfonietta Concert  
Sabbath, June 11, 7:00 PM: Strawberry Vespers  
Friday-Sunday, June 24-26: Vacation Bible School

### LIFE AT SUNNYSIDE



## Happy Birthday



**Today:** Ron Benfield, William Russell, Jake Scholz-Jackson;  
**Sunday:** Stella Achayok, Stephen Brothers; **Monday:** Alan Amerman, Gordon Wescott; **Tuesday:** Allison Cheng, Irwin Jones, Devi Petersen; **Wednesday:** Linda Neel, Karen Ulloth; **Friday:** Thana Anderson, Samantha Brenner, Kim Chan

## AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



**July 8-10, 2022 — SAVE THE DATE!!** for **Impact Your Health Portland 2022** free clinics (dental, vision, medical) at Portland Adventist Academy, at 1500 SE 96th Ave. Clinic set-up will be on Thursday, July 7, and Volunteer Orientation Thursday evening, July 7 at 6 PM.

Volunteers are needed for this community Ministry Outreach. Tell your friends and neighbors! Find more details and registration at the website [www.ImpactYourHealthPDX.com](http://www.ImpactYourHealthPDX.com).

**Impact Your Health PDX 2022 needs student backpacks!** Most school districts give the students the supplies they need for school, but the family is expected to supply a backpack. We would like to help fill that need! Impact Your Health served over a hundred families with school supplies a couple of years ago. At our July 8 and 10, 2022 clinic, we would like any child who cannot afford a backpack to be able to receive one. Donations of a backpack or money to purchase backpacks are most appreciated. We'll need small, medium, and large sizes. You may drop the backpacks off at the Oregon Conference office at 19800 Oatfield Road, Portland, or Hood View Church at 26775 SE Kelso Road, Boring, or at Portland Adventist Academy at 1500 SE 96th Ave., Portland 97216.



**Camp Meeting needs you!** We could not run without you! With not having Camp Meeting for a couple years, it may have fallen off your radar for summer planning. This ministry largely happens because of the nearly 500-dedicated volunteers that give of their time to this ministry. Please sign up now by going to

<https://www.oregonadventist.org/gladstone-camp-meetings-volunteers>. Questions? Don't hesitate to contact Kerry at 503-850-3350 or [cm.reservations@oc.npuc.org](mailto:cm.reservations@oc.npuc.org). Thank you for your willingness to help make Camp Meeting happen!

**We are planning an in-person 2022 Gladstone Camp Meeting!** This year, Spanish language meetings will happen July 14-16, English July 19-23. What makes camp meeting work though is the volunteers! Children's ministries, hospitality, InfoBooth, blood drive, kitchen/dining room, media center, safety, and many other places will need volunteers to make camp meeting happen! Learn about the positions available, what type of job you might have, and how to sign up at <https://bit.ly/campmeetingvolunteering>. The summer maintenance crew is also being hired. (Summer maintenance crew positions are paid.) If you are interested, please mail [athena.gray@oc.npuc.org](mailto:athena.gray@oc.npuc.org) or [matthew.ballard@oc.npuc.org](mailto:matthew.ballard@oc.npuc.org). Thank you for helping to make camp meeting happen this year!

**His Praise Men's Chorus** is looking to continue praising the Lord through music and fellowship. We invite all men in the Portland/Vancouver area to come and join us! We practice weekly, and sing for churches in the region once a month or so. For more information, contact Charlie Drury at [cd88sings@gmail.com](mailto:cd88sings@gmail.com), or 503-935-7995, or Jerry Irvine at [jerrygirvine@gmail.com](mailto:jerrygirvine@gmail.com), or 206-261-6452.

## ADVENTIST EDUCATION



### Portland Adventist Elementary School

<http://www.paes.com>

New Student registration for 2022-2023 is now open! Registration fee: \$50. Apply at [PAES.com](http://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!

**If you're an Amazon shopper**, you can add Portland Adventist Academy as your [AmazonSmile](https://www.amazon.com/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](https://www.smile.amazon.com). Search charitable organizations for Portland Adventist Academy. Link: <https://paasda.org/news/amazon-smiles-at-portland-adventist-academy/>.



### Walla Walla University

**Bright Future Scholarship is available!** If you are graduating from a non-Adventist high school or transferring from a non-Adventist college/university for either this year or the next academic year, and reside in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, or Alaska contact the WWU Student Financial Services at 509-527-2815 to see if you are eligible. Scholarships range up to \$6,000 and are based on need and will be renewable up to four years of the student's attendance.



### PACS UPDATE

**PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN** Mon-Fri from 9:00–11:00 AM, with an after-work option once a month from 5:00–7:00 PM, every third Thursday of the month. We are still operating with social distancing and social responsibility. 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](mailto:pacsfood2020@gmail.com). Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.



**PACS Thrift Store is OPEN** Sun 11 AM-4 PM, Mon-Wed 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Thurs 9:00 AM-7:00 PM, & Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 PM. Our donation drop-off center is open and needs your donations! Mon-Thurs 9:00-1:00 PM, and Sun 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. If you have any questions about what items we accept, please give us a call at 503-252-8500.

Depending on volunteer availability, we offer pick-up service for a small fee. If you have furniture or larger items and no way to get rid of them, give us a call and we'll do our best to help you out! Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

#### **Gateway Grace Dental Clinic at PACS is OPEN**

Gateway Grace Clinic at PACS is open and accepting uninsured patients for low-cost preventative dental care. If you or someone you know needs to schedule an appointment with us, please call 503-907-6768 or email [dental@pacsonline.org](mailto:dental@pacsonline.org).

#### **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 Gerelisa at [gerelisa.eisele@pacsonline.org](mailto:gerelisa.eisele@pacsonline.org) or call 503-252-8500 x1130. Thanks!

#### **Empty Egg Cartons? PACS Needs Them!**

If you have any 12-count empty egg cartons we would love to take them off your hands to use in our food pantry! Please drop them off at our Office or Donation Receiving. Thank you in advance!

#### **PACS Thrift Store - At Home Shopping:**

[www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthiftstore](https://www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthiftstore).



#### **PACS Job Openings!**

**Portland Adventist Community Services is hiring!** We have two crucial part-time positions available and are looking to interview immediately. If you or someone you know is interested in either of these part-time jobs, please email [laura.pascoe@pacsonline.org](mailto:laura.pascoe@pacsonline.org). You can also visit [www.pacsonline.org/jobs](http://www.pacsonline.org/jobs) to learn more about the positions.

**Thrift Store Assistant Manager:** \$18.50/hour, two days a week to start with, training available as long as you are a kind and organized person and a strong communicator. Your primary responsibility is to help the store manager support our volunteers as they are the engine behind everything PACS does.

**Donor Experience Specialist:** \$17.50/hour, 12 hours/week to start with, training also available as long as you have excellent customer service skills. This person will be the face of PACS to those who come to donate their items. You'll accept their donations, and work in the back of the store sorting, organizing, pricing, and supervising small teams of volunteers as they stock the store with the items we receive.

**Big Lake Youth Camp has an opening for a Head Chef** for their 2022 summer. If you are interested, please send a résumé and cover letter to: Big Lake 19800 Oatfield Rd, Gladstone, OR 97027.

"Level Up" by working at Big Lake Youth Camp! Big Lake is now taking applications for a variety of summer staff positions at <https://biglake.org/employment/apply/> (or scan the QR code). Make a difference in the life of a child and make memories that will last your lifetime! Apply today!

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