

# Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué

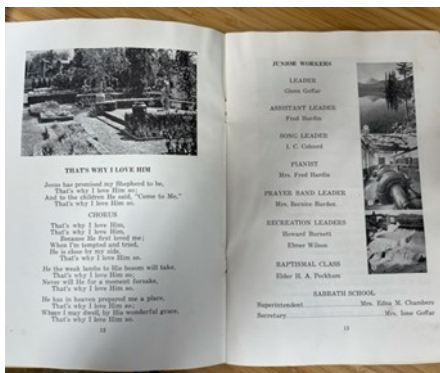
## News & Announcements

Sabbath, July 17, 2021



**Greetings church family,**

It is Camp Meeting time! As I go down memory lane of Camp Meetings in my past, I think of how Camp Meeting has shaped a lot of my own spiritual journey. First it influenced my father. I have a Junior's Camp Meeting bulletin from the Oregon Conference in 1941. My dad would have been 11 years old. As an adult, he became a missionary dentist to British Columbia committed to sharing God in any way he could with those in his sphere of influence. Perhaps those who were presenting in 1941 had no idea the impact of that young 11-year-old boy that year. The fact that he kept the bulletin must have meant that it was pivotal in his spiritual walk.

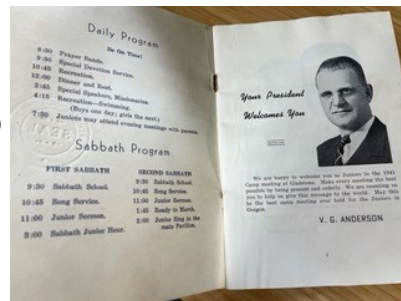


Then as you fast forward to my own growing up with Camp Meeting. Every year my family would take a 3-day journey from Terrace, B.C. to Hope Camp Meeting in British Columbia. We faithfully made that long journey every year. It was a 2-week commitment every

year. My sister and cousins often sang at Camp Meeting from a young age. One Camp Meeting that impacted me spiritually, was with Dick Duerkson who spoke in the youth tent, weaving in parables with such skill that my own heart responded even more. It has been a privilege to work with him professionally now on several North American Division projects that have impacted the mission work globally. Who knew this would happen!

This week in 2021, we have been treated with a spiritual feast again, but with a different era where we have faced the Covid-19 pandemic and have come out weary, a bit frazzled, and gun shy of crowds. We have watched politics become a tool of the devil to make people hate each other. We need a God who brings us back

together to learn to love each other and become community again. So, this year we have a hybrid Camp Meeting where Sunnyside Church has become one of the host churches. It is a new age of hybrid Camp Meetings. The beauty is that our God meets the needs that transcends all time, places, and strange circumstances. No matter what the era, God is our answer. He was the answer to a young boy called Wendell Danielson. He was the answer to my heart as a young girl, and as I lead with the Children's division through Camp Meeting, He is still the answer.



I have a prayer in my heart that the same God, who used the Camp Meetings of the past as a vehicle to reach the hearts of His people, will do so again. We need Him so much! He is our refuge and strength. He is our hope. He is our vaccination against the disease of sin. He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Our prayer is that as you join us for Camp Meeting you will be enriched in your spiritual walk to know the loving, gracious God who is above all, and wants a relationship with you. He can't wait to draw you closer and closer in a forever friendship with him.

*In His Service,*

**Pastor Wendy 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 to Cotia Sanchez, Jacklyn, Lucy, Robby, and William Russell, Lauren Gregory, and Cesar Acosta for all the help with Sabbath School last week.*

*Shout out to Natalia Gramada and Karen Ulloth for your help in decorating the children's room for Camp Meeting.*

*Another shout out to all of you that are helping to make sure our Sunnyside Church is Christ's representative throughout all the services we provide in hosting our Oregon Conference Camp Meeting — It takes so many volunteers — you are appreciated! A special thank you to each of you for your willingness to serve!*

## News & Notes

### THIS WEEKEND

Tonight, Friday, July 23, 6:00 PM, we will be serving food on our patio, and at 7:00 PM. we will watch together the streaming video of John Bradshaw, the evening speaker for Camp Meeting.

**Camp Meeting Sabbath — Adults: Camp Meeting Sabbath School class with the Oregon Conference programming will be livestreamed from our Sanctuary beginning at 9:00 AM.** Some of our regular classes may also be meeting — check with your Sabbath School leader to see if your class is meeting. **Our Worship Service will begin at 11:00 AM, in the Sanctuary.** Please note this time difference from our regular weekly services. We will be watching Dan Linrud, president of the Oregon Conference, on livestream, as he shares his Camp Meeting Sabbath message.

**Camp Meeting Sabbath — Young Adults:** Tired of clichés and small talk? Living through the pandemic has left many of us feeling isolated, disconnected, and searching for deep, meaningful human connection. Oregon Young Adults and Humans of Adventism are teaming up for a live social event on Sabbath morning (July 24), **starting at 10:00 AM.** There will be a live “speed conversations” event here at Sunnyside Adventist Church. HOA founder, Kaleb Eisele, will serve as the host for this event to facilitate connection and share best practices for listening to each other’s stories. The conversation time will be followed by a gourmet-provided lunch.

**Camp Meeting Sabbath — Children’s Sabbath School will begin at 9:30 am** live in the Youth room. **Children’s Church** will be provided for our children, ages 4 and up, here at Sunnyside in the youth room. This will take place during our worship service starting at **11:00 AM.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A special thank you from Pastor Wendy Witas** to all those who attended her commissioning, and for the many prayers, cards, and gifts. She is humbled by the amazing and supportive group of people surrounding her.

**Friday evening, July 30, “The Chosen”** will be shown in the fellowship hall.

**Impact Your Health** will be holding their clinics August 6 and 8 at Portland Adventist Academy. They need volunteers. If you can help, please contact Brenda [brendad@me.com](mailto:brendad@me.com) or Jenny [jenny@jinfamily.com](mailto:jenny@jinfamily.com).

**The children’s division needs help!** We are searching for teachers, schedulers/greeters, and helpers for arts and crafts. If you can help us, please contact Pastor Wendy at 503-252-8080 or [Wendy.Witas@SunnysideAdventist.org](mailto:Wendy.Witas@SunnysideAdventist.org).

**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. 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.

**Our flower calendar** is posted in the hallway and [online](#). (Go to our website, [www.SunnysideAdventist.org](http://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.



**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).

### LIFE AT SUNNYSIDE



**Today:** Jenelle Clinton, Bruce Dixon, Charlene Leno; **Sunday:** Karista Bradley, Wallace Do; **Monday:** Collin Delaney, Patrick Francisco, Dorothy Maguire; **Tuesday:** Melinda Donaldson, Bill Hohensee, Nicholas Manos; **Wednesday:** Terrill Allen, Sue Williams; **Thursday:** Wendy Ackerman, Lola Pogue; **Friday:** Raquel Cardona, Rachel Chin, Trisha Erickson, Debbie Golden, Jaclyn Russell

### Last Week’s Service



Farewell to Kirk & Christine Betz, Ted and Charla Morford with Pastor Mark Witas



Charla Morford



Marlan Glovatsky



Ted Mackett



Raymond Baker



Saron Seblu



Dr. Jean Sheldon



Martha and Trevor Natiuk

**Pastor Wendy Witas Commissioning**



Pastor Wendy Witas



Dr. Jean Sheldon



Sunnyside String Orchestra  
Pastor Wendy Witas



Pastor Stan Beerman



Pastor Mark Witas, Pastor Wendy Witas,  
Pastor Chuck Burkeen



Pastor Mark Witas, Pastor Wendy Witas,  
Pastor Dave Schwinghammer



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Pastor Mark Witas, Pastor Wendy Witas,  
Arnold Petersen

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<http://www.paes.com>

**Portland Adventist Academy**

<https://paasda.org/>

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AREA EVENTS**

**Adventist Book Center** is having their Camp Meeting Sale. Prices are effective July 6-August 1. View their flyer: [abcflyer.com](http://abcflyer.com).

**PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru OPEN** Mon-Fri from 9:00-11:00 AM. 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** - we have temporary hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00 AM-5:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM-2:30 PM. Our donation drop-off center is open and we value your donations but due to a high volume of donations please call ahead to see if we are accepting, 503-252-8500. Located at 11020 NE Halsey St, Portland OR 97220.

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

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**We are looking for a housekeeper** who can work an average of about 2 days per month providing backup for our custodian when he's on vacation and for certain holidays. Contact Shari Ferrier, 503-252-8500.