Sunnyside Adventist Church Communiqué News & Announcements

September 16, 2023



Hello, Sunnyside Family!

You wouldn't know they were there unless you looked for them. But they come every Sabbath—tired or not—with creativity, energy, and a whole lot of love for our children. I'm talking about the heroes and heroines of our Children's Sabbath School wing.

Last Sabbath, I was able to visit all four of the departments. Once again, I realized how fortunate we are here at Sunnyside, to have such dedicated teachers who tell our kids about Jesus each week.

First, I visited our Cradle Roll room where Shawn Mandrones led the program. It's amazing how full of life she is on Sabbath mornings considering she's a kindergarten teacher during the week! With interactive fun songs and stories, children are learning about the fish and mammals God created. Esther Pierre and Celestti Reyes also lead in this department with creativity and patience.



Next stop was our Kindergarten department, led by the dynamic duo of Karl Helton and Kimberly Goodwin-Helton! They work so well together and put on a fun and meaningful program. Last Sabbath, children followed Moses (the puppet) around the room on their journey to the Promised Land, while stopping for water. Later they worked on a bookmark craft.



Moving on to Primary, I watched the Dragulin brothers (Paul and Alin) join forces to deliver a great program. They are both gifted in music and storytelling. One of the things I love about this room is that the kids are always eager to help with song service (as seen below), take their turn playing the cajon drum, or performing skits. Lily Baraka and Katia Sanchez also lead out in this active department.



My last stop was the Earliteen room where I found Debbie Bwana Matongo leading the pre-teens in an engaging discussion as they talked about the faith of Caleb, applying his example to their own lives. I'm always blown away by the questions and answers this age group offers. Earlier, they had played a lesson game using balloons. Also leading in this room (where finding volunteers can be difficult!) are Paul Dragulin, Ted Mackett, and Angela Pierce.



Pastor Nancy Canwell

The Pastors' Spotlight

From the desk of Pastor Seth

• This week I have enjoyed meeting with our Family Resource Ministry, Worship Coordinators, Safety Team, and Children's Ministry Admin Team to learn more about our Sunnyside ministries and make plans to continue the great work we are doing! I also enjoyed the FaithLift potluck on Tuesday and making a few visits to our members. I'm looking forward to continuing our series on Sabbath!

Pastor Seth's C.S. Lewis/J.R.R. Tolkien UK Tour!

As many of you know, Pastor Seth has led study groups to the U.K. for the past four years. I am tentatively planning a trip May 9-22 to the U.K. If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please email Pastor Seth this week at: seth.pierce@sunnysideadventist.org to let him know. He will have an information session on Zoom in the next couple of weeks! Space is limited so don't delay!

• Trip Synopsis:

Both C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien were men of faith writing against the backdrop of WWI and WWII. This trip explores the history, theology, and communication methods used by these men to share their Christian worldview during some of the bleakest moments of human existence. Travelers will spend time in London, Oxford University, English countryside, and Scotland exploring the environs that inspired the creative works of these men while also learning how imagination, faith, and reason work together.

From the desk of Pastor Violeta

- This week, I had the pleasure of several enjoyable visits. Some individuals are on the road to recovery from health complications, and I'm grateful that our Sunnyside family continues to hold them close in our thoughts and prayers, providing them with care and support.
 During these visits, I had the opportunity to meet with individuals who have expressed a desire to invest their time, talents, and energy in various ministries within our church. I am profoundly thankful for their willingness to contribute.
- Our pastoral team is actively engaged in maintaining connections with church leaders and fine-tuning our existing ministries. We extend our gratitude to the dedicated teams responsible for music, worship, safety, and children's ministries, all of whom convened this week.
- In summary, it has been a wonderfully busy and fulfilling week!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome to Sunnyside Adventist Church today! Thank you for choosing Sunnyside as your home church, and welcome to those of you that are here for the first time or are

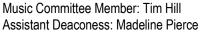
regular attendees. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to have you join us permanently.



"Sunnyside Family Ministries Newsletter," has been launched! Go to our website to view it. Our website is SunnysideAdventist.org, scroll to "Families Ministries Newsletter," and

click on the date, or use this QR code.

Partial Nominating Committee Report — Second Reading:







Saturday, September 23, 7:00 PM. What does the Bible say about dinosaurs? Did God create them? Why did they go

extinct? These are some of the questions we answer in our fun and faith-based dinosaur show! \$15 general admission, right here at Sunnyside Adventist Church in the Fellowship Hall. Come, enjoy, bring your family, your neighbors, everyone you know. They'll all enjoy this event!



Christmas Choir Practice Raise your voice and celebrate Christ's birth with us this Christmas! Sunnyside Christmas Choir rehearsals start September 30, 2:00-5:00 PM. Let us

know you are joining the choir at pollyannamoody@gmail.com.

On Sunday, October 1, at 2:00 PM, Pastor Seth will be hosting a training on enhancing the welcome/hospitality ministry at church. If you have



a passion to build connections in our community, make new friends, and grow our church then this is a seminar for you! It will be fun and interactive and all ages are welcome. Each one of you is greatly appreciated for all you do to make our church a welcoming place to glorify our Creator and Savior as we lift Him up for others to know. Thank you!



Sunday, October 1, at 3:00 PM, we will have our annual Church Picnic and Corn Roast! Bring your favorite picnic foods, corn will be provided, bring a lawn chair, and enjoy the fellowship with each other. Activities for kids will be provided.

Join us on Sunday, October 15, starting at 9:00 AM to do a deep cleaning of the church. We will serve a meal and hope to complete projects by the afternoon. Thank you for helping us as we work together to make our church better.

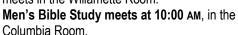


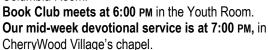


Tuesday evenings at 7:00, the History class meets in the Youth Room. We will be studying the "US Constitution" If you love history, come and join us!

Wednesdays are busy days — come and join us!

FaithLift at 10:00 AM, a group for ladies, meets in the Willamette Room.







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.

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.



Global Missions: During the pandemic, we have limited our church's global outreach to smaller group missions to Ukraine refugees and Zimbabwe orphans. With the lifting of travel restrictions, several have asked about

whether we should organize a larger- scale mission such as Sunnyside has done in the past such as to Belize, Zambia, Ethiopia, and Romania to name a few. If you would be interested in participating in a mission trip in 2023 and 2024 please send your name(s) and email address to the Global Mission Committee at Arjwest1@gmail.com. We will then send you updates as opportunities open up. We currently have openings in trips to Belize, Zimbabwe, and the Philippines.



Our flower calendar is posted in the hallway and on our website. Please choose a date to share flowers with our Sunnyside family for our worship services and place your name on it. As the date gets closer, we will contact you to see what message you would like to put in the

bulletin about the flowers.

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 let us know who you are by picture. Send a snapshot or professional

picture and we will upload it for you to the directory.

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 who 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.



Today: Russ Davidson, Warren Rushold; **Monday:** Collier Johnson, Rhonda Bolton, Nancene Graham, Wendell White; **Wednesday**: Gale Crosby, Kathy Crull, James Newell, Jerilyn Schosnig

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oregon Conference Women's Ministries Retreat

DeeAnn Bragaw, the North American Division Women's Ministries Director, is our featured speaker for the weekend. DeeAnn is an amazing, heartfelt and authentic Ministry Leader, who is a much sought-after speaker, and inspiration to women across North

October 6-8, 2023 Big Lake Youth Camp 26435 Big Lake Road



WHAT: A weekend retreat for women ages 16 and up that will focus on aspects of what Isaiah 52:7 can mean for us Find fellowship, praise God, deepen your journey with God, take in the beauty of God's nature, deepen your friendships, and make some new ones.

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COST: \$125.00 total cost for food and lodging in a cabin with multiple cabinmates. Provide your own bedding or sleeping by Bo, Other lodging profitons, within Hedgourters, etc. at various increased costs, are available on a first to reserve basis. Details for registration are outlined at the Big Lake registration site at: QR code and link provided. NO Refunds-after September 18, 2023.

(Please note that if you have mobility impairments this might be physically too challenging. We plan to alternate every the rear with Rig Lake and a more accessible report style setting.)





If you have trouble registering the please email Tammey Steenson at Tammey.steenson@oc.npuc.org



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ADVENTIST EDUCATION



Portland Adventist Elementary School http://www.paes.com



Portland Adventist Academy

https://paasda.org/

International Student Host Families Needed for PAA Students PAA is seeking host families for a number of international students who will be attending PAA next year. Students will be coming to PAA from Vietnam, China, Japan and European countries. If you have an extra bed, a willing heart, and are open to unexpected rewards, please consider hosting a student. There is a monthly stipend to cover their expenses. Students will be here for varying periods. Some students will stay for only one week (in January). Most European students stay only three months. And, we now have students who will live in America during the school year for up to four years until graduation.

We currently need homes for a Chinese girl (10th grade), a Chinese boy (9th grade), a Vietnamese boy (12th grade and vegan), and a

Japanese boy (11th grade for one year). Students will arrive mid- to late-August in time for the first day of school.

Please contact Maria Bibb by email at mbibb@paasda.org for questions and more information. You may also download the Host Family Application that includes "Host Family Responsibilities" from the PAA website at paasda.org.

SAVE THE DATE – Nov. 5, 2023 for Portland Adventist Academy's Auction

PAA is planning for the return of our annual live and silent Auction event for the evening of Sunday, Nov. 5, 2023. The PAA auction raises funds for PAA Student Scholarships (PAASS) to help provide financial aid for students who otherwise would not be able to attend PAA. School may be out for the summer, but it's prime time for auction work. And we're seeking 1) donations for live and silent auctions; 2) volunteers to join our team for various aspects of making this auction happen. For more information, contact Development Director Sam Vigil Jr. at svigil@paasda.org or 971-351-9028.

PAA Vista Verde

News for alumni and friends of PAA — latest issue can be accessed as a PDF download at https://paasda.org/development/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-rewards



Walla Walla University

wallawalla.edu

Walla Walla University is hiring Nursing Faculty for the Portland, Oregon Campus. Full-time Advanced Acute Lead Instructor, Full-time Community Health Lead Instructor, Full-time Family Nursing Instructor, and Full-time Nursing for the Chronically III Instructor. All positions must have master's degree, an OR and WA RN license, and at least 3 years of nursing experience. Pay range: \$70,280 to \$86,197 annually, with additional nursing program stipend up to \$12,000 for the 2023-24 academic year. Benefits available include comprehensive medical, retirement, tuition benefits, and paid time off. Apply at jobs.wallawalla.edu.



SAVE THE DATE - PACS ANNUAL FALL

FUNDRAISER! Sunday, October 8 from 1:00 – 5:00 pm, Dinner from 5:00 – 7:00 pm • Rossi Farms \$20/adult, \$10/kids 5-18, FREE for Children under 5. Dinner & CL3AN mocktails included with Donor Dinner from 5-7 pm. Any questions please email donate@pacsonline.org or call 503-252-8500.



PACS Food Pantry Drive-thru is OPEN Mon-Fri from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM with an after-work option once a month from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM every first Thursday of the month. 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 503-252-8500 or email info@pacsonline.org.

PACS Thrift Store is OPEN Sun 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Mon-Thurs 9:00 AM - 5:00 pm, & Friday 9:00 am - 2:30 PM. Our donation dropoff center is open and needs your donations! Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 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! 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.

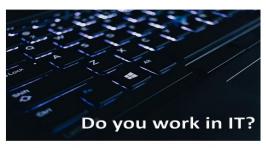
Empty Egg Cartons? PACS Needs Them!

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 **PACS Office or Donation Receiving.** Thank you in advance!

PACS Thrift Store - At Home Shopping:

www.facebook.com/groups/pacsthriftstore.





Come join the IT team at North Pacific Union Conference in Ridgefield, WA.

NPUC Information Technology (IT) department has a job opening for an Associate Director. Primary responsibility will be the deployment and management of Windows client systems, their cybersecurity and other IT related needs. If interested, please scan the QR code below for a job description and application.



You can also visit https://bit.ly/3OlwBc7



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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 Full-Time Assistant Thrift Store Manager. If you are interested in this position, please visit our website (pacsonline.org/jobs) for job description or email info@pacsonline.org for more information.

application. You can also visit https://bit.ly/3OlwBc7.

Walla Walla University is hiring! If you or someone you know is looking to advance your career, please check out opportunities in Portland and College Place and apply at jobs.wallawalla.edu.

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.

VOLUNTEEROPPORTUNITIES

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 to learn 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 are 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 or call 503-252-8500 x1130.

Puppies!



One of our members has beautiful Goldendoodle girl puppies available! "Are you looking for a wonderful companion?" She has "exceptionally smart and healthy, genetically tested pups." If you are interested. call 503-252-8080.