

## News from the Pastor's Desk

**Attention Parents: This is a Must-Read** – This week I came across an article online that I consider to be a must-read for parents. However, I think anyone who cares about the salvation of our youth and the future of the church should also pay close attention to what this article says.

The article, "[3 Common Traits of Youth Who Don't Leave the Church](#)," was published recently at [www.ChurchLeaders.com](http://www.ChurchLeaders.com) and authored by Jon Nielson, the pastor of the Wheaton College Church. While not specifically addressing Seventh-day Adventist youth Nielson's article confirms our own research and offers some fresh perspectives on a topic that is often diagnosed but rarely remedied – the mass exodus of twenty-somethings from Christian churches of all denominations.

Among other things after reading this article, I think you will agree with me that we must do all we can to return the church's focus to that of the New Testament Church – discipleship. But how do we do that? The New Testament Church accomplished it naturally through their small-group structure. The question we must answer, if we are to be as successful as they were, is how can we organize ourselves so that we can once again become a disciple-making church?

You'll find a link to the article on our website [www.RockwoodAdventist.com](http://www.RockwoodAdventist.com). Please read it and join us at our board meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. if you would like to contribute to the ongoing discussion at Rockwood regarding how we become the church God wants us to be.

## Week at a Glance

Today	Horsetail Falls Hike	3:30pm
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	8:25pm
Sunday	Pathfinders - Field Uniform	6-8:00pm
Tuesday	Finance Committee	6:00pm
	Church Board	7:00pm
Wednesday	Prayer Power Group	7:00pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	8:16pm
Next Sabbath:	House of Prayer Experience	9:30am
	Sabbath-School Classes	10:00am
	Worship Service	11:00am
	Offering: OC Youth/Ed fund	
	Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	8:14pm

**Do You Have An Urgent Prayer Request?** To start the prayer chain please call the church office (503) 661-4100.

## Contact Information

### Church Office Hours

10-3 on Mon., 9-4 Tues. & Wed., 9-3 on Thurs.

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Please note that messages left on voice mail after office hours on Thursday will not be heard until Monday morning.

### Support Your Church Financially online at

[www.RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving](http://www.RockwoodAdventist.com/onlinegiving)

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# Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



## Growing Disciples Preparing People to Meet Jesus

August 17, 2013



## House of Prayer Experience

9:30 A.M. to 9:55 A.M.

*Do you need hope? Do your friends, family, and/or neighbors need hope? Join us every Sabbath morning as we pray for our community, our church, and our families. If you are longing for hope in the midst of apparent hopelessness the House of Prayer Experience is for you.*

## Small Group Bible Study

10:00 A.M. to 10:50 A.M.

*Please visit our information desk for a complete list of Saturday Morning Bible Study Groups. We invite you to join the group of your choice.*

## Worship

11:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M

Welcome & Greeting Time	Gene Heinrich
Praise Him	Marc Gallian
Children's Story	Gene Heinrich
Our Gift to God	"Church Budget" Everyone
Piano Offertory/Special Music	Stephan Ilie
Worship in Word	Gene Heinrich
	"The Threat of God"
Closing Song	
Prayer Garden	Kamille Ross
Organ Postlude	Ann Erlandson

*Audio and Video Recordings of our weekly Bible Teachings are available online or through our media library located in the lobby.*

## Rockwood Community News

**Hike & Picnic Supper Today** – Meet at Horsetail Falls at 3:30 pm this afternoon. There will be a brown-bag supper at Wahkeena Falls picnic area about 6:00 pm. Non-hikers are welcome! Hike leaders are Cheryl Reimche and Shelley Hickethier. See your bulletin inserts for all the details.

**Caring Card** – Please stop at the lobby desk and sign the card for the Cornforth family. Ardyth passed away this week.

**Special Thanks** – A really BIG "Thanks" to the anonymous donor who contributed flashing lights to the children at the campout on Saturday night. They had a fantastic time!

**Transfer Out-2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Matt & Tasha Bullard to Sunset Christian Fellowship in Hillsboro.

**Finance Committee & Board Meeting** are scheduled for Tuesday, August 20, at 6:00 and 7:00 pm respectively.

**Carwash Fundraiser** for our Pathfinder Club at the Weston GM Dealership at 22555 SE Stark Street in Gresham, on Sunday, August 25, from noon to 4:00 pm. Our kids, the "Rockwood Explorers" are raising money for their trip to the Pathfinder World Camporee in Oshkosh in 2014

**Mary Grace in Concert** at Rockwood on Sabbath, August 31, at 11:00 am. Mary was born with one forearm missing, yet she plays with a dexterity expected of pianists with both hands! You'll be inspired by her music and testimony.

**A New Small Group**, under the leadership of Diane Jones, begins on Tuesday, September 10, at 11:30 am. See your bulletin inserts for details.

**Remember Sabbath-School Investment?** We currently need a volunteer to handle the labels for Investment. This would entail sorting, cutting, counting, and submitting the labels to their respective companies each year. Call the church office!

**Children's Safety** is a top priority at Rockwood Adventist. Copies of the Child Protection Policy & Guidelines are on the bulletin board. Parents, we ask that you escort your children to the restrooms and please know where they are at all times.

## Other News and Events

**Financial Peace University** starts Sunday, September 8, 6 pm at Stone Tower Church, 3010 NE Holladay St., Portland. FPU teaches you and your families how to get out of debt, stay out of debt, and build wealth. Classes are once a week for 9 wks. In a simple, easy-to-understand style, you learn about saving, budgeting, investing, insurance, and more. Register online at [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com) - look for classes.

**Bobby McGhee & Friends Vespers** at Sunnyside on August 31, at 6:00 pm. This program, entitled "A New Decade of Love," will feature the Three Wisemen Quartet and many local artists. Stark Street pizza follows vespers. Sunnyside is located at 10501 SE Market Street, Portland, Oregon 97216.

**Portland Adventist Academy Annual Cougar Golf Tournament** at Stone Creek on Sunday, August 18, starting at 7:30 am. Please register at [www.paasda.org](http://www.paasda.org) under the "Sports/Golf Tournament" tab.

**Portland Adventist Academy Constituency Meeting** on Tuesday, September 10, at 7:00 pm in the chapel. All are welcome, though only delegates have a vote.

**Oregon Conference Women's Retreat** October 18-20 – Flyers are available on the lobby desk. Elizabeth Talbot will be the guest speaker.

**Portland Adventist Community Services** – Help us supply PACS with the needed items to help keep their food pantry going. These include non-perishable food items, baby food and formula, as well as diapers. They also accept good used clothing and small household appliances. We have a PACS box in the coatrack area. Thank you for your help.