

News from the Pastor's Desk

Commitment - has it gone out of fashion?

According to an editorial in a recent Adventist Review "commitment is costly, cumbersome, and – so it seems – rapidly going out of fashion." The author goes on to point out that "there are different types of commitment. From Peter's brash and noisy 'I never will' (Matt. 26:33) to Mary's soft 'May your word to me be fulfilled' (Luke 1:38), responses vary widely.

In today's world a husband and wife's commitment to each other is rarely "till death do us part" and many marriages just struggle to stay afloat. And then what happens when tragedy strikes - the loss of a business, child, or a spouse's health? Read more about commitment at <http://tinyurl.com/ppxkmsg> and then visit RockwoodAdventist.com to watch an inspiring video about a couple who lived out their commitment in spite of tragedy as they answer the question, "What is Love?"

An Award Winning Filmmaker's Interest in Adventists Continues - Not that long ago, Martin Doblmeier was hardly a household name among Seventh-day Adventists. In spite of a career that spans nearly three decades and award-winning documentaries that chronicle such notables as Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, Albert Schweitzer, and Thomas Jefferson, Doblmeier flew mostly under the Adventist radar. All that changed in 2010, with the release of Doblmeier's film *The Adventists* – a documentary film about abiding faith, cutting-edge medicine, and longer, healthier life. Read more about Doblmeier and his plans for more Adventist documentaries at the Adventist Review online or by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/mf7jy53>.

Adventist Sentenced to Life in Prison for Blasphemy

Yes, it is true. A court in Pakistan last month sentenced a Seventh-day Adventist man to life in prison for allegedly defaming the Prophet Muhammad. To learn more visit <http://tinyurl.com/no2gvx8>

Week at a Glance

Today	Springwater Trail Hike/Bike Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	3:00pm 7:49pm
Sunday	Healthy Heart Team Gresham Fred Meyer	11:00am-3:00pm
Tuesday	Elder's Meeting	7:00pm
Wednesday	Prayer Power Group	7:00pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome the Sabbath	7:38pm
Next Sabbath:	House of Prayer Experience Sabbath-School Classes Worship Service Offering: Church Budget Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 7:36pm

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.

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Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



Growing Disciples Preparing People to Meet Jesus

August 31, 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	Barbara Specht
Children's Story	Norma Green
Our Gift to God	"Alaska Conference" Everyone
Praise Time	Praise Team
Prayer Garden	Barbara Specht
Worship in Word & Music	Mary Grace
	"Embracing God's Purpose"
Love Offering for Mary Grace's Ministry	Everyone
Benediction	LeRoy Rieley
Organ Postlude	Joyce Bredemeier

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

Rockwood Community News

We Welcome Mary Grace to our worship service this morning. We will all be inspired by her testimony and music.

Today's Hike - Your Choice! Meet at the Gresham Main City Park on W. Powell Blvd. at 3:00 pm. You can either walk or bike the Springwater trail. Brown-bag supper about 5:30 pm. Non-hikers are welcome! See insert for details.

Healthy Heart Team - Our next blood pressure screening will be tomorrow, September 1, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you can smile and hand a flyer to shoppers coming in the door you would make a terrific greeter! (We trade around so you don't have to stand the entire time.)

Caring Card - Please stop at the lobby desk and sign the card for Joyce Schnell who is currently house-bound.

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.

Transfer First Reading - IN: David Kenneth Hale from Madras, OR. OUT: Molly Geddis to the Village; Sheldon Reed to Hood View.

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 please escort your children to the restrooms and be aware of where they are at all times.

Other News and Events

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.

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

BJ Christensen Memorial Golf Benefit, benefiting Big Lake Youth Camp, on September 8 at The Reserve Vineyards and Golf Club, 4805 SW 229th Ave., Aloha, OR 97007. Registration at 8:30 am and shotgun start at 10:00 am. Put together your own 4-person scramble or we will assign you to a team. Call (503) 850-3583 for additional details. Please register at www.biglake.org

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 - look for classes.

Vesper Concert Featuring Soprano, Allison Cheng, Sept. 7 at 7 pm, at the Sunnyside SDA Church, 10501 SE Market St. Portland. An offering will be taken to benefit People to People Ministries in their support of the Weekend Backpack Lunch Program. CDs will also be available for purchase after the concert.

New Hood View CHIP begins September 29th at Portland City Sanctuary (1640 NW Irving St, Portland). Free Information Sessions on September 22, 24 and 29 at 5:30 PM. Regence BCBS and other major health plans will reimburse all or a portion of fees for eligible members. Discover, Experience, Explore and Share CHIP; a journey to better health. For more information call the Hood View CHIP information line: (503) 512-9055. Dr. Hans Diehl, renowned speaker, author and health evangelist, will be at Hood View Church from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Sabbath, September 21.