

# Walking Among the Roses

by Dick Duerksen

Portland, Oregon's official name is "The City of Roses." I wasn't sure why until I read that in 1889 the Portland Rose Society planted 20 miles of roses along the city streets, all to help attract tourists to the 1905 Lewis and Clark Exposition. The original 20 miles of roses have now become bazillions of roses planted in squillions of gardens around the city.

Some roses are red, but some are yellow, orange, pink, or a wonderful shade of lavender. Admire the petals. Notice the shape of the leaves, and how the color changes as the blossoms mature, and how the rose remains beautiful even as the petals succumb to the ravages of heat and humidity. Notice also, how beautiful roses are always surrounded by eager young rosebuds. Remember, many roses are at their loveliest in the evening.

The gardener may come out to provide a tour of the roses. Smile brightly. You're about to meet a new best friend. Now is when you'll learn that a 16-penny nail and a 4" square of wallboard provide the perfect amount of iron and calcium for a newly-planted rose bush - and that you must "dead-head" religiously so the plant will use its energy to make blossoms rather than seeds. And, that you must plant garlic beneath the roses to chase away aphids and other destructive pests.

Do not pick the roses, but collect their fragrances into that special place you go when discouragement attacks or when you hear the siren call of loneliness. When those moments come, stop. Close your eyes. Open your memories and smell the roses. Feel the presence of God. Sense the loving tenderness of His pruning shears, the careful poking of His gardener's trowel, and the nearness of His love.

No roses are perfect, but all are beautiful. Roses prefer company, and seem to glow when being admired. All, according to one note I read, were designed by the Rose of Sharon.

# Week at a Glance

Today	Fellowship Meal for Visitors Kibidula Report Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	12:30 pm 2:00 pm 9:01 pm
Tuesday	NO Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Will resume in September)	
Wednesday	Bulletin Information Deadline Prayer Power Group	1:00 pm 7:00 pm
Friday	Sunset-Welcome to the Sabbath	9:03 pm
Next Sabbath	Sabbath School Speaker: Pastor Ted Struntz Offering: OC Youth Support Sunset-Farewell to Sabbath	9:30 am 11:00 am 9:03 pm

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

## Contact Information

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# Rockwood Seventh-day Adventist Church



*Growing Disciples*  
*Preparing People to Meet Jesus*

June 16, 2018

# Exploring the Way

## Sabbath School Classes

9:30 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.

*Please visit our information desk in the lobby for a complete list of Sabbath School Classes. We invite you to join the class of your choice. We have classes for ALL ages!*

## Worship

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

Welcome	Pastor Ted Struntz	
Praise Time	Praise Team	
Children's Story	Cootz Family	
Baptism	Jaden Zollbrecht	
Our Gift to God	Church Budget	Everyone
Offertory	Brent Sumaraga	
Impact Your Health-Portland	Jinny Jin	
Scripture	Psalm 33:1-7	
Prayer Garden	LeRoy Rieley	
Worship in Song - "I Love You Lord"	Brennen Rivas	
Worship in Word	Pastor Ted Struntz	
	"Buried Alive"	
Closing Song	"Blessed Assurance"	Hymn #462
Benediction	Pastor Ted Struntz	
Postlude	Brent Sumaraga	

*Sermon Audio available at [RockwoodAdventist.com](http://RockwoodAdventist.com)*

# Rockwood Community News

**Fellowship Meal for Our Visitors** following the church service today. Please join us downstairs.

**Kibidula Mission Report at 2:00 pm** this afternoon. Sylvester Pemboh, Principal of the Evangelism, Primary and Agricultural schools, and his wife, who is the sewing instructor, will be sharing with us. The Pemboh's work at Kibidula with the Cootz Family.

**Caring Card** - Please stop at the lobby desk and sign the card for Nay Pture and Pah Kha! Their daughter, Selena, was born on June 5, 2018.

**Just a Reminder** that the VBS Kick-Off is happening this week at PAES! Ages 6-10! Please pre-register your kids and give the flyer in your bulletin to a friend! We're limited to 50 kids! To register, please go to the Rockwood SDA Church website, [www.rockwoodadventist.com](http://www.rockwoodadventist.com) Questions? Call Emiley Kelley at (503) 349-5695

**Student Aid Applications** for the 2018-2019 school year are due by July 1. If you will need church aid in order to have your child attend PAES or PAA next year, please pick up an application from Kamille and turn it into the office by July 1.

**An Extra Room?** Florah Njue, who has visited our church, is moving to Portland to go to school. She would like to rent a room from an Adventist family. Call her at (612) 483-4197.

**Children's Safety** is a priority at Rockwood Adventist. The Child Protection Policy and Guidelines are available on the bulletin board. Parents, please escort your children to the restrooms and be aware of their whereabouts at all times.

## Area News & Events

**Singles Campout, July 27-29**, at Kaner Flats Campground. More information and registration forms can be found online at <http://www.villageadventist.org/connect/singles>

**PACS Needs Empty Egg Cartons** - Portland Adventist Community Services is in need of more clean/empty egg cartons (sizes: dozen or 18 count). Please place them in the PACS box in the coat rack area. We appreciate your help in providing empty egg cartons for our Food Pantry shoppers!

**There's a Basket in the Coat Rack Area** for school supplies for children in need. These supplies will be distributed during Impact Your Health, August 10 and 12. They need backpacks, pencils, scissors, erasers, Pee-Chee folders, notebooks, etc. These items are due by July 16. If you would rather send a check than do the shopping yourself, make your check payable to Hood View SDA Church, and send it to PO Box 999, Boring OR 97009. Please memo "Impact Your Health School Supplies."

**Portland Adventist Elementary School** is looking for a part-time art teacher, and a part-time technology coordinator for the 2018-2019 school year. If interested, please contact Brandon O'Neal at (503) 665-4102.

**Citizenship Classes at the Library this Summer** - Come to the Rockwood Library, 17917 SE Stark St, on Sundays, July 1 through September 30, from 12:30 to 3:30 pm. There is no charge for these classes.

**Online Summit on Abuse on September 25** - Registration is now open at [enditnowNorthAmerica.org](http://enditnowNorthAmerica.org). 1 in 3 girls and 1 in 5 boys will be sexually abused before they turn 18. Keeping the people in your church, school, and camp safe starts with being informed. Would you know how to help if you suspected someone was being abused? Love shouldn't hurt. Join us to help stop the violence.

**Jean Boonstra** will be the guest speaker at the Oregon Conference Women's Retreat at Redmond, October 12-14. Online registration starts Monday, June 18. Register online at <https://orgcwomen.netadvent.org/>

## Food for Thought

People are not your problem, they are your purpose!