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----- CONNECTIONS ------Connecting our Churches, Ministries & Events



Greetings Friends,

What a year 2020 turned out to be. When we began the year, who could have predicted the events that unfolded? We are continuing to walk thru a global pandemic and have all been touched in some way by the loss of life and the economic challenges brought on by Covid-19. We have seen social unrest at the death of George Floyd and other persons of color. Our eyes have been opened again to the continued struggle of our brothers and sisters of color. We have been part of a contentious election season that has divided our nation and brought division to many followers of Jesus. We have experienced and participated in more virtual church gatherings and zoom meetings than we ever thought possible. This has truly been an unforgettable year.

All these events have caused a great deal of stress and anxiety in our world.

Many are simply waiting for life to get back to "normal", hoping life will return to how it was now that we have a vaccine for Covid-19. Others are hoping that a change in Presidents will bring some change. Still others hope that as soon as it is safe to gather in large groups in our sanctuaries for worship again, all will be well. Hope is a good thing. However, as followers of Jesus our hope for the new year should not rest on any of those external things. Our hope for the new year should rest in the fact that God is present and at work in our world, our communities and in our own individual lives. The prophet Isaiah wrote:

"God doesn't come and go. God lasts. He's Creator of all you can see or imagine. He doesn't get tired out, doesn't pause to catch his breath. And he knows everything, inside and out. He energizes those who get tired, gives fresh strength to dropouts. For even young people tire and drop out, young folk in their prime stumble and fall. But those who wait upon God get fresh strength. They spread their wings and soar like eagles. They run and don't get tired; they walk and don't lag behind." (Isaiah 40:28-31, MSG)

The NIV translates verse 31, "but those who **hope** in the Lord will renew their strength". As we begin a new year, I want to challenge you to find your hope and rest in the Lord. Don't try and find hope in the stuff of this world. Take time to "**wait**" on the Lord and you will find the strength to make it through whatever may come your way.

Let me leave you with a blessing from the Apostle Paul, found in Romans 15:13:

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (NIV)

Have a Happy, Hope Filled New Year!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Jerry

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District Office, Church & National Events



Jan 1: New Year's Day Jan 18: Martin Luther King Jr Day



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Corinthians 5:17



Feb 2: Groundhog Day Feb 12: Lincoln's Birthday Feb 14: Valentines Day Feb 15: Presidents Day Feb 17: Ash Wednesday Feb 22: Washington's Birthday

YOUR CONNECTION TO THE CHURCH OF GOD

NOT CANCELED: CHURCHES CHRISTMAS PARTY ADJUSTED, AUGMENTED BY CREATIVITY By Julie Campbell

How do pastors connect with their congregations and create community at a time when gathering is discouraged? For pastors all over the country, that is the million-dollar question. One congregation in

Washington State rose to the challenge and answered that question last month by producing a fun–filled, *virtual* Christmas party. In early December 2020, Centralia Community Church of God hosted "Jingle Jam," an online Christmas experience, complete with games, crafts, skits, and activities for the whole family.

Want to know more?? log in to Jesusisthesubject.com our CHOG website. There are all types of articles to connect you with the Church of God worldwide.



CONVENTION 2021 & GENERAL ASSEMBLY DENVER I JUNE 26-29, 2021 HUNGER

FOR JUSTICE. FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS. FOR JESUS.

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR JUSTICE, FOR THEY WILL BE FILLED. Matthew 5:6 NLT



Camp White Branch



Special Thanks to Camp White Branch Caretakers!

Greetings to all of you CWB supporters!!

As mentioned last month, these times have been financially challenging. Due to our financial situation we needed to make the difficult decision

to let Leonard and Stacey Meyer, our caretaker and reservation managers, go at the end of last year. These decisions are never easy for all involved. I know the board and many of you would like to "Thank" them for all the time, love, and hard work they have given to our camp over the last 6+ years. They will definitely be missed and remembered for their dedication to

this ministry, improvements made to the camp, as well as support of the local community during their tenure. They moved at the end of November to Donnelly, ID, where Leonard started another job. Below is their address if you would like to send a note of appreciation and/or a love offering.

Leonard/Stacey Meyer PO Box 239 Donnelly, ID 83615



At this time the camp is winterized and folks are

regularly visiting the camp to ensure all is well. If you are interested in doing some volunteer work at the camp, please contact us at <u>volunteer@campwhitebranch.org</u> or call Paula at the District Office - (503) 393-3510. Some of the skills needed now are cabinetry, finish trim work, general carpentry, organizing/cleaning, and painting. We could really use your help.

Danette Beisley, our Camp Coordinator, will be working with Camp Directors on our 2021 summer camps as the new year has begun. Due to COVID, we are still not certain about when we can open but we want to be ready. Current guidelines still have us closed for overnight camps. The dates for summer have been set and can be found on our website. We will send details to all churches once everything is finalized.

Once again, we want to thank all for your prayers, donations, and those volunteering to help at the camp! Your support keeps this vital ministry alive for future generations.

Blessings,

Lisa Switzer, Chairman, CWB Board

Thank you for your support of CWB!

Extended Ministry of Faith Rock Community



Restoring & cultivating hearts by redefining the value of life in children, mothers & families.

(The following are excerpts from a letter sent to the State Association last Fall)

We hope this letter serves as an introduction to us (Jason and Tara Hood), Faith Rock Community Church, and Hannah Grace Family. We have served as pastors of Faith Rock Community Church for 20 years on the outskirts of Oregon City, Oregon ,and Hannah Grace Family has become a separate 501c3 outreach/ministry primarily to foster children and their birth parents. Let us attempt to explain....

Tara and I have been married for almost 29 years (October 19th) and we have 3 adult children that all graduated from Oregon City High School. In 2011 we started foster parenting while our children were still at home. The children that we fostered were usually infants and toddlers. It was easy to love the little kids, but our hearts began to be moved for the birth parents. The majority of these young adult parents came from very troubled family backgrounds.

I already stated that Tara and I have been married for almost 29 years, but a huge reason for our marriage "success" is because of an older couple from our church (College Park Community Church in North Bend) named Chet and Barb who were there for us in our early years. They loved us and found value in us when we were very immature, selfish, and often found very little value in ourselves. Chet and Barb chose to love us. They weren't paid and they weren't related to us, yet they went out of their way to love us. It was the love of Christ. We were always welcome at their house and they modeled for us how to treat others. They never preached to us, but their actions were powerful sermons that helped to change the path we were on.

Because of Chet and Barb's influence, loving these children and parents has become almost normal and instinctual to us. When we invest in someone's life, we hope they will eventually come to the conclusion that we chose to love. By the process of elimination, biological parents realize that we aren't paid, we aren't related and we aren't legally bound to them like a lawyer. Instead, we hope they are able to conclude that we chose to love them with the love of Christ.

We have received a letter of recommendation from a Clackamas county judge, praise from numerous case workers, casa's, and lawyers, because of the many positive outcomes with children and parents. After years of prodding ("can you work with more people"), we started Hannah Grace Family and have found a growing group of people who want to join us and invest with us, and our next step is the necessity of a building.

Faith Rock—Hannah Grace Family

For almost a year, Hannah Grace Family has been looking for a building to lease or with a lease option to buy. Our intent has always been to sub-lease out to our church, Faith Rock Community Church, for shared building and shared expenses. The COVID crisis has necessitated the urgency for a shared building. While Hannah Grace Family has needed a larger meeting space for sometime, our church is now without a building because the school we rented can not be used anymore.

For the last 3 months, we have been earnestly looking for a location to lease with the assistance of a commercial broker. We are currently preparing an offer, and we could greatly use your financial assistance to remodel and rezone a building that was formerly a veterinary clinic. The floors and interior walls have been gutted and we are working on a budget for construction, permitting and zoning. We are currently about \$30,000 short of meeting expected costs. Last year's Hannah Grace Family's first fundraiser/banquet raised \$18,000.

Hannah Grace Family had to cancel it's annual fundraiser due to COVID this year, but we will be attempting to raise funding for the expected need. We would treasure a partnership with the Church of God as a related outreach into our community. *The ongoing needs of Hannah Grace Family is not just financial, but there is also a need for volunteers and mentors. We are always in need of a "Chet and Barb" and our churches are a good place to find them.*

The needs of those we work with often include single parenting, poverty, mental health, homelessness and addiction. It is a field ripe unto harvest.

More information about Hannah Grace Family (including a 2019 interview with KATU news) is available on our website (<u>www.hannahgrace.org</u>) and we would love to be able to answer any questions you might have.

Let me conclude by talking about our family again. The first 16 foster kids that we had, all returned to their families. We have ongoing relationship with most of these families and children to this day, <u>they are family</u>. The last 2 foster children that we cared for were abandoned as babies. We have adopted

3 1/2 year old Ethan and in the process of adopting 2 1/2 year old Sergio. Ethan and Sergio join our 3 year old grandson, 5 year old granddaughter, 3 adult children, daughter-in-law and son-in-law. WE ARE BLESSED!

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Sincerely,

Jason and Tara Hood

Jason Hood's cell 503-329-7887 Tara Hood's cell 503-702-5111

> Hannah Grace Family was awarded a gift from the Holladay Park Church of God Legacy DAF to help further their mission and help secure a building to locate the non-profit. We believe the church is called to help bring the Kingdom of God here on earth as it is in heaven. We feel that the ministry at Faith Rock and Hannah Grace Family are both reflections of God's kingdom come.

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A 2021 Message from Jim Lyon

RIPE WITH POSSIBILITIES

The year 2021, the 21st year of the 21st century, dawned on Friday, New Year's Day. It will be a book of 365 clean pages, upon which nothing has yet been written. We each hold a pen in our hands; what we write—what we live—will define history, personally, individually, and collectively.

Some personalities seem to write on the pages of history with larger script than others. A new American President, Joseph Robinette Biden Jr., is set to be inaugurated the 46th President of the United States early in the year. His pen will write large, of course. The outgoing President, Donald John Trump, has a pen in his hands, too; he certainly knows how to work the Twitter keyboard, at least. He appears keen on writing large going forward, as well. Elizabeth II, Queen of the United Kingdom and fifteen other Commonwealth Realms (including Canada), will mark her 95th birthday in April (as her husband, Prince Philip, is set to turn 100). Netflix will keep viewers unpacking history and thinking about the Royals' future



JIM LYON general director

with its critically acclaimed and immensely successful (if controversial) series, *The Crown*. Some pens do seem to write large, indeed.

But, practically speaking, and by the sight of heaven, each of us can write large, too. Never underestimate the power and opportunity you have to write on your page, every day of the year.

This can also be said of the Church of God, a vast family that is resident in nations spanning twenty-four time zones, circumnavigating the globe. We, both individually and together, can change, inspire, and redefine storylines. We can actually alter the course of history, with the pens that have been providentially placed within our grasp, no matter what others write.

The year 2020 underscored for me the value and legitimacy of what I call our five non-negotiables: (1) **Jesus** is the subject—He reigns supreme and is central to everything else, (2) **Holiness**—and the power of the Holy Spirit to redeem and empower us—is key to our experience in this world and the next, (3) **Unity** is our unique calling, born to be a catalyst for Christian unity and the healing balm of a divided church, (4) the **Great Commandments** remain always top of mind, loving God and others completely these, the New Testament tells us, are the "sum of the Law and the Prophets," and (5) the supremacy of **Scripture**; we are a people of the Word who understand the Old and New Testaments to be the ultimate plumb line of our faith and practice. To my knowledge, there is no other body of believers in the world today who hold all five of these truths as core. About these, we are not prone to debate; they are fixed foundation stones that capture who we are and what we believe.

How we live out these truths is, however, an annual challenge. It is so easy to be detoured by lesser things, to become preoccupied with the preservation of other concepts and callings, to be compromised by taking our eyes off the ball. This is why the phrase *Jesus is the subject* holds the key to all the rest. Our passions, ambitions, analysis, and commitments must always, and above all other considerations, be reflected in Him. As long as life in this world lasts, we will not be able to fully comprehend Him; ours is a journey, year-by-year, by the light of the Spirit and Scripture, of deepening our relationship with Him.

I am actually excited about the year 2021. For all of its towering mountains to climb, it is also ripe with possibilities. I am excited about rolling up my sleeves and getting to new work. I am excited about the prospects for ministry, for a new generation of young adults rising up with clear-eyed ambition, for doing

Jim Lyon Cont. / The Phygital Church

good, for changing the world, for defying the devil himself. I am excited about learning more about this Jesus, to whom I pledged my life when I was in the seventh grade and aged twelve. I am committed to not standing still or being intimidated; I am anxious to think and act boldly, not confined by the herd group-think of a fading evangelicalism, but by the daring wonder of the first-century gospel, which has, to the present day, offered us the best hope and way forward.

Let's take back some territory in 2021 that hell has stolen. Let's be bold. Let's get on with it. Jesus is the subject. The Holy Spirit is in us and before us. Working together with other believers, reaching for the Great Commandments, and clothed with Scripture, well, this Church of God has unimagined capacity. Be encouraged.

Stay tuned. There are some great things in store, which we are excited to share with you in time. Happy New Year.

I am pleased to remain, your brother in Christ,

JIM LYON, GENERAL DIRECTOR

(This article was shortened for our purposes. To read the complete article written by Jim Lyon, go to: jesusisthesubject.org, News, MOVE! Newsletter, Dec 29, 2020)

THE PHYGITAL CHURCH

By Ryan Chapman, Associate Director of US & Canada Strategy for the Church of God

The pandemic as church leaders know has created the need for major pivots for leadership and church life. Our physical gatherings alone are no longer adequate. And there is no reason to think we can go back to how it was in February 2020. How do we create engagement in this new world? How do we disciple within a digital framework?

The Phygital Church Mindset e-book challenges us to be PHYGITAL. "We need to utilize the strengths of physical church and the strengths of digital church. We have to find ways to get these two models of church to work together." (Jeff Reed, director of digital church planting for Stadia Church Planting.) This is the hybrid church. To learn more about this and to obtain a free copy of The Phygital Church Mindset e-Book, go to: <u>https://thechurch.digital/the-phygital-church-mindset</u>.

Do you have a story you would like to share about what God is doing in your church or community? We would love to hear from you. GOD is ALWAYS PRESENT and AT WORK and we would like to hear about it. Email your stories to Paula at districtoffice@orwacog.org

GLA Journey One: Find Your Center

Hi Friends,

I hope this email finds you well. I know it has been a challenging year both personally and in many of your ministry contexts. Many ministry leaders are burned out, exhausted and some are ready to quit. I want you to know that God is present and at work and he will meet you right where you are at.

As a certified Gravity Leadership coach, I have had the privilege of leading seven pastors and church leaders through the Gravity Leadership Academy (GLA) Journey One: Find Your Center this year. **GLA is a 10-month coaching and training intensive for Christian leaders who want to bring lasting transformation to their own lives and to their church and culture. You can learn more about GLA by going to the link below:**

https://gravityleadership.com

I am in the process of recruiting for my next cohort. The usual cost of the 10-month experience is \$1,900.00. However, I am able to offer coaching for leaders in our Association for \$1,500.00. I also want to let you know that there are scholarships available through the Association that can help cover a portion of your training.

If you are interested in learning more, please email me. Below are testimonials from Pastor Jon Nutter and Pastor Paula Wilson, who were a part of this year's cohort:

"Gravity Leadership Journey One: Find Your Center is the most impactful discipleship experience I have undertaken in 2020 or perhaps ever. Biblically grounded and experiential, it's way more than a workbook to fill in the blanks, or a small group of studying a curriculum or offering commentary on what we're reading. Pastor and Coach Jerry Davisson is an excellent guide and facilitator who has modeled the grace and truth matrix at the heart of the material. His constant reminder to, and personal reliance on, the Holy Spirit as we approach each session has been refreshing and effective. I can't recommend highly enough this opportunity." — Jon Nutter, Lead Pastor Hucrest Church (Roseburg)

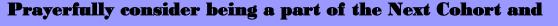
"The GLA cohort on Finding Your Center has been a life-giving experience for me. I began participating because I wanted to make sure discipleship was a part of my life and mission going forward. What I didn't know is how transforming it would be for me personally. I have been in numerous discipleship programs in my life of ministry, but this one, at this time of my life, has truly become a part of me. It has changed my perspective and become a lifestyle. In our current lesson on How (Not) to Do, it states *"we don't merely think our way" into new ways of living, we also 'live our way' into new ways of thinking. In order to become what we say we believe, we must participate in that knowledge through love and obedience."* There is so much I could say about the principles taught—God is always present and at work, God meets us in reality, He cares about it more than I do ... responding to people and situations with truth and grace ... and so much more. I challenge you to experience 'Finding Your Center' together with others in a safe place. — Paula Wilson, Pastor & District Office Admin

To sign up or receive more information, please contact me @ jdavisson@orwacog.org TODAY. I look forward to hearing from you!!

Grace and Peace,

Jerry Davisson, District Pastor

Gravity Leadership Coach



RESPOND TODAY!!

In Loving Memory–Dr. T. Allen Bethel



Dr. T. Allen Bethel September 14, 1929—October 21, 2020

Rev. Dr. T. Allen Bethel was an ordained Church of God minister who was a powerful preacher, inspiring teacher and dedicated community activist. He served as Senior Pastor at Maranatha Church in Portland, Oregon from 1994 until his retirement in 2020. He previously pastored churches in Boston, Massachusetts and Kansas City, Kansas.

Tony Allen Bethel was born January 31, 1953 in Columbia, South Carolina to Beatrice and Clarence Bethel Sr. He was the youngest of 9 children who enjoyed watching cartoons and cowboy pictures on their black and white television. While in high school he passed the bus driver course and was hired as a school bus driver. During his junior and senior high years he was on the track team participating in shot put and discus.

In June, 1971 he graduated from Eau Claire High School and went on to Kendleton, TX to attend BayRidge Christian College. He later graduated Cum Laude from Kansas City College and Bible School with a BA of Theology, a Masters of Religious Education from Gordon Conwell, South Hamilton, Massachusetts and honorary Doctor of Ministry degrees from Southern California School of Ministry and Warner Pacific College, Portland Oregon.

At an Interstate Youth Rally in 1972 he preached and befriended a young woman named Daphne Davis. They remained friends until Tony moved to Kansas City in 1975 at the invitation of Dr. Sethard Beverly, the pastor of Third Street Church of God. Tony and Daphne began dating and were married on New Years Eve, 1977. By 1978 Tony had become the interim pastor of Third Street Church of God and later became the Associate Pastor from 1980 until 1984. While serving the church, Tony also worked at D&H Tire Company. He was proud that it was a black owned business and he worked his way up from the warehouse to a supervisory position. During this time he and Daphne welcomed their son, Allen, in 1981, and their daughter, Monica, in 1984.

In August of 1984 the family moved to Boston to shepherd the Shawmut Community Church of God. During this time Tony became active in civic affairs and community development while also pursuing his Masters degree and working part time jobs to supplement the family's income. He also served as a Protestant Chaplain for the Suffolk County House of Correction in Boston.

In 1994 Tony moved to Portland, OR to serve as Senior Pastor of Maranatha Church until his retirement in 2020. With this move Tony began using the name T. Allen Bethel because people assumed Tony stood for Anthony. T. Allen's vision for Maranatha Church was to create divine unity in the community through teaching, preaching and fellowship.

In 1981 T. Allen first attended the West Middlesex Campmeeting and fell in love with the National Association of the Church of God. He served as treasurer many years before becoming Chairman of the Leadership Development Board. In the early 2000s he started attending the In-Service Training Institute in Anderson, Indiana and later served as its Director.

Building on his public advocacy experience in Boston, T. Allen became involved in the Portland community. He saw a need for African American clergy to influence the direction of Portland's future. This need facilitated T. Allen's joining of the Albina Ministerial Alliance (AMA), serving first as financial officer and later being elected as President. In addition to working with AMA, he served on many boards including the American Red Cross, Oregon League of Minority Voters, Portland Parks & Recreation, TriMet, Warner Pacific College, the International Institute of Christian Communication and was a member of the Portland African American Leadership Forum. T. Allen served as an adjunct professor at North Portland Bible College and Warner Pacific College (now Warner Pacific University). In a 2012 speech he challenged the WPC community to be "in the city and for the city". WPC took on this challenge and later adopted the saying as their new motto.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Beatrice and Clarence Bethel Sr, his sister Mattie Lee Williams, and brothers Clarence Bethel Jr. and Eddie Jones. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Daphne, his son Allen, daughter Monica; his sisters Mary Smith, Columbia, SC, Patricia Joyner, Brooklyn NY, brothers William Jones, Brooklyn, NY, Samuel Jones (Agnes), Orlando, FL, Jack Jones (Pauline), Queens Village, NY and many nieces, nephews, cousins and godchildren.

To quote Rev. Dr. LeRoy Haynes, "Dr. Bethel is a comprehensive pastor--a local pastor in a church, and a pastor to our community in Portland". T. Allen often said, "May the life that I've lived speak for me" and indeed his life has spoken to many.

Mike & Sherri Mugford / Simple Supper

Mike Mugford

becomes the new Regional Pastor of the Church of God for the Northern California Association

(servicing Northern California, Northern Nevada, Hawaii and Guam)

Mike has been the pastor at Friendly Street Church of God in Eugene since February 1989. He is married to Sherri and they have two boys, Drew and Jordan. They have a house full of animals, including two dogs, two cats and a turtle. Mike and Sherri love Eugene and the Pacific



Northwest, and have loved being involved with people at Friendly Street, as well as the community of Eugene. God has recently called them to Northern California to continue ministry there. Their last Sunday as pastor was December 27, 2020.

Mike grew up in Sacramento, California and moved to Portland in 1973 to attend Warner Pacific College. He graduated in 1977 and came to Friendly Street as Youth Pastor in the fall of 1977. In 1981, Sherri and he moved to Grass Valley, California, to pastor at Whispering Pines Church. They returned to Eugene in 1989 to pastor at Friendly Street.

Mike says that "more than just about anything, I love hanging out with friends and family." Mike and Sherri, we are going to miss you! We know that God will continue your fruitful ministry as begin serving the churches in Northern California. Our prayers go with you and we hope to see your smiling faces when you are in the area.

Simple Supper at River Street Church in Newberg for Christmas

River Street Church of God has been serving 'Simple Supper' free to the community of Newberg every Wednesday for 12 years. They also make available hot showers to those in need. One of the great things about the dinners and showers are the volunteers. Even though River Street is the host and the dinners are a part of their annual budget, the workers are from all around the community representing seven different churches. They count themselves as BLESSED!!

Here are some of the fun pictures from their Christmas dinner—serving 160 meals on December 23rd.



District Prayer List for 2021

Be sure to remember our Church of God congregations in prayer as begin a new year. (Below you will find our District Prayer List for 2021.) There is power in prayer and we are stronger together.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Ephesians 6:18

Portland - Kingdom Nation	1/3/21	Albany - First Church of God	7/4/21
Portland -Winding Road Church of God	1/10/21	Albany - Community Church of God	7/11/21
Powers - Powers Church of God	1/17/21	Aloha - Aloha Church of God	7/18/21
Prineville - Living Water Church of God	1/24/21	Bandon - Seabird Chapel Church of God	7/25/22
Rainier - Rainier Community COG	1/31/21	Cottage Grove - Riverside Community COG	8/1/21
Redmond - First Church of God	2/7/21	Eugene - Friendly Street Church of God	8/8/21
Reedsport - Reedsport Church of God	2/14/21	Gales Creek - Gales Creek Community COG	8/15/21
Roseburg - Hucrest Community COG	2/21/21	Hillsboro - Valley Hope Community Church	8/22/21
Salem - Oak Park Church of God	2/28/21	Husum, WA - Husum Community COG	8/29/21
Scappoose - Chapman Community COG	3/7/21	Klamath Falls - First Church of God	9/5/21
Springfield - Springfield Church of God	3/14/21	La Grande - Crossroads Community Church	9/12/21
St. Helens - Sunset Park Comm Church	3/21/21	Lebanon - Turning Point Church	9/19/21
The Dalles - Solid Rock Community COG	3/28/21	Longview, WA - Westview Church	9/26/21
Tigard - Tigard Church of God	4/4/21	Medford - First Church of God	10/3/21
Vancouver, WA - First Church of God	4/11/21	Newberg - River Street Church of God	10/10/21
Vancouver, WA - Iglesia de Dios	4/18/21	North Bend - College Park Comm Church	10/17/21
Woodburn - Hoodview Church of God	4/25/21	Oregon City - Faith Rock Comm Church	10/24/21
Association of the COG leadership	5/2/21	Oregon City - Hilltop Community COG	10/31/21
Camp White Branch	5/9/21	Portland - Community Church of God	11/7/21
Warner Pacific University (Portland, OR)	5/16/21	Portland - Lents-Gilbert Church of God	11/14/21
COG Ministries Council (Anderson, Indiana)	5/23/21	Portland - Lynchwood Church of God	11/21/21
Church of God District Council	5/30/21	Portland - Maranatha Church	11/28/21
Pray for the lost	6/6/21	Portland - Mt. Scott Church of God	12/5/21
Summer camp directors & counselors	6/13/21	Portland - Neighborhood Church of God	12/12/21
Summer camp children & youth	6/20/21	Portland - Richmond Community Church	12/19/21
Pray for our ministers & their families	6/27/21	Portland - Rockwood Church of God	12/26/21

THE PURPOSE

of The Association of the Churches of God in Oregon and SW Washington is to:

• Conduct business as the legally-incorporated body of the Association of the Churches of God in Oregon, Inc.

• Provide assistance to Oregon and Southwest Washington congregations and be a channel through which local congregations shall be mobilized to fulfill our united vision and mission.

THE VISION

of The Association is for every believer to fulfill the mandate of the Great Commission, the Great Commandments, and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

THE MISSION

of The Association is to:

• Create and maintain ministries that will strengthen, encourage, supplement, and promote local congregations of The Association;

• Inspire commitment to the teachings, mission, and theological perspectives of the Church of God, Anderson, IN;

• Provide support for the development of healthy Church of God congregations.