

Connection Point



January 2025

EVENT CALENDAR

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Calendar

Mar. 20 – 22 – Impact NW, District Board Meeting, The Cause - Tacoma, WA
Keynote speaker: Joe Skiles Jr.

June 6 -7 - District Board Meeting, The Cause Training Open to everyone.-Yakima

June 16 – 20 – General Assembly & Summerfest, Glendale, AZ

July 14 - 18 - District Family Camp, Hayden, ID Speaker: Dr. Phil Redding/Arkansas
District Bishop

Sept. 5 – 6 – District Board Meeting, The Cause Training. Open to everyone. – Yakima

Dec. 5 - 6 – District Board Meeting, The Cause Training - Yakima

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Another fresh new year is here...

Another year to live!

To banish worry, doubt, and fear,

To love and laugh and give!

This bright new year is given me

To live each day with zest...

To daily grow and try to be

My highest and my best!

We have the opportunity

Once more to right some wrongs,

To pray for peace and bow a knee

And sing more joyful songs!

*For the month of January, we are featuring our
Pastors of Olympia, WA - Larry & Karin Dawson*



The year 1976 was probably the most significant year in our lives. The Holy Spirit began to tug on our hearts and in February of that year Karin received Salvation with Larry following on the March 21.....It seemed as though our time had come and from very shortly after Salvation we were both working in the church, teaching and part of the worship team.

We never felt like strangers, it was more like we felt like we had come home and have never turned back. Life was busy raising a family and working, but God had instilled a purpose in us and our 2nd home became the Church.

During the next few years we both worked in Youth Ministry, as Youth Pastors in our home church and as Sectional Youth leaders in our Section. During this time, in 1981, we lost our youngest son in a car accident. Yes, it rocked our lives and tested our faith...God is so faithful and with His arms of love and healing, He was the rudder that directed our lives... In 1984 we started a church in Aberdeen with us and our 3 boys.....soon word got out and as the church grew, believe me, we very quickly grew as well. The Lord is ever mindful of His own and knows us better than we know ourselves.... Through service to others our healing began and can testify.....there is no pain He cannot heal, no need He will not supply, no emptiness He will not fill....".He is Jehovah...the God that healeth thee"

After seven years we stepped down from Pastoring and raised the boys, worked jobs and continued to grow and heal and learn.....

In 1999 we began visiting different Pastors on Sunday mornings.....building relationships and encouragement...We often filled the Pulpit for them and if there was a church in the section without a Pastor, we would step in and fill any need there might be. Yes, more healing and growth.

Larry retired end of May 2007, 43yrs after he began at Weyerhaeuser. Our intention was, we felt, to continue to visit the Pastors and fill in and help in any way we could.

In July we were asked to fill the pulpit in the Olympia church as the Pastors were taking the month off. We did, and thus, here we are, in our 17th year.....in Olympia....

We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in 2020 and are looking for to our 55th in 2025.

Yes, 1976 was a good year.....

Larry and Karin Dawson
"Caring where you're going, Not where you've been."
livinglifefellowship.net

From the Bishop's Desk.

Happy New Year!

One quarter of the way through this century, and almost halfway through this decade, hard to believe huh? I pray that this year be a big year of increase, souls being saved in this great harvest. I pray the joy be increased as we make disciples that make disciples. In 2025 I want the PNW to plant 2 new churches! All we need is the person/s with the call and burden to go and love a community of people! Jesus made it very easy for us, just love God and love people. Our eternal God sent the Holy Spirit so that we could not fail! We do not need to worry about failing because it is totally impossible as we stay connected completely to Him! In the PNW we want to stay laser-focused on the mission, The Great Commission, as we stay connected as a fellowship, let us unite our prayers for this cause, loving people enough to serve and invite them to follow Jesus. I see us going to any size community, loving them, starting churches in our home whether it is a Dinner Church or a Bible Study, begin there and listen to the Spirit's voice and see what God would have you build for His glory! For all of our churches, may we love and serve our communities, may we seek ways to bless and give back, help build, and restore a community for their God intended purpose. Our Hybrid Encounter in Hayden last month was beneficial and inspiring, we had 18 in attendance, looking forward to fruit coming from this meeting, thank you David Dalton Jr. and Verlon Fosner for ministering. This past month we have been in Spokane, Waitsburg, Hermiston, and Hayden, we are coming your way as soon as possible! Be sure and stay connected with us on our website PNWPCG.com, it's time to make reservations for Impact NW in Tacoma on March 20-22. Our Impact Theme is "Building Bridges". May the Lord bless you and protect you. May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you his favor and give you His peace.

Prayer request for Fred Kerley, he had an Arteriogram at Sacred Heart on Dec 27th and will get determined what is needed for his heart. Please pray for his miracle and healing and strength for his wife Janet.

Hello friends. We want you to know that we are doing our best to get the information on the National Website corrected. We have sent in requests to update wrong information. On the National Website Ministers Directory & Credentialing page, it has not been updated. It still has previous info concerning Bishop, Secretary and Presbyter as well as phone numbers, mailing addresses and emails are also incorrect. Please disregard any of that information when needing to send in any documents etc. We hope this will get resolved soon. Thank you for your patience.



District Youth Director Report

The last 3 months

Let me start out by saying that this seems to be one of the most productive quarters in the last year or so. Dave and I have been working on a new initiative for the PNW PCG youth that excites me. We are headed in a good direction.

In November I attended our national board meetings in Dallas. At that meeting we talked about new initiatives nationally to get youth involved with missions, which is one of the 4 main initiatives we have as a district. I'm actually sending my daughter on a mission trip again this year with the national PCG trip to Mexico. With this new drive and initiative for missions, I talked to Thomas Vigil from our church in Hayden who is leading trips to Africa. He is willing and wanting to set up trips for people to come with him hopefully in 2025 as well. I visited Worship Center in Smelterville December 1st and we discussed the new energy and vision going forward which excited them. We talked about the possibility of adding to the mission trip they are taking to South America in August possibly as well. Ed was also really excited about the possibility of us doing teen talent expo again. He is back into leading the youth program in his church again and is excited to see some new things to work towards.

On the topic of camp, I also talked with Ed and Thomas about the upcoming winter retreats in January and February for High School and Jr high youth. We brought Ed and his wife Ashley on board as seasonal staff at camp ALACCA last year where they lead the discipleship of the high school and college interns. Ed has also been speaking at our camps the last two years. Coming up in February he will be a speaker for our Jr High retreat. For our High School retreat we have Randy Pool who's family was a part of PCG in the past, he is now a part of the Assembly of God and is a missionary through them headed to Malaysia in the fall of 2025. Our High School retreat is January 17-19 and our Jr High retreat is February 7-9.

As far as summer camps go, we cover all ages from 2nd grade to 12th grade.

High School Camp June 23-27

Jr High Camp July 7-11

4,5,6 grades July 14-18

2,3,4 grades July 21-25

We are still seeking a speaker for High School summer camp and 2,3,4 Summer camp but I have Mark Shaufler speaking at the Jr High and 4,5,6 camps. Mark is a charismatic independent pastor and missionary from western Washington. He's been in our leadership trainings and groups when we were going to Olympia with Dwayne Deskins years ago, not tied to PCG but to Dave Minton. I tried to get Randy Lawerance on this summer too but his schedule in the summer is really hard for us to get into. I say all this to help reassure you that even though ALACCA is a non-denominational camp that does not teach specifics on things like tongues, prophecy, women pastors, etc., it doesn't teach away from those things either. We do our best to put the focus on what matters most and that's Christ and Christ crucified. In that alone we have plenty to teach and practice for a lifetime. We let the church's that the students go back home to do the other parts. Our goal is unity in love and the gospel. This year's theme is Pursuit. The idea of this theme is to inspire the students to press in hard on the pursuit of knowing and being with God. A moment in the pursuit of him is a moment in the presence of him. A good representation might be how a hound dog pursues a mountain lion. It's what he's made to do, trained to do, and desires nothing more than to do the pursuit. Do we pursue God like this? We hope to inspire the students to do so. So, I want to encourage you to promote camp to your students.

Another thing to promote within the camp theme is our discipleship program. We hire 12 college age interns and pay them around \$800 for 8 weeks of their summer while we disciple them and use them to lead our cabins with a High School intern that they disciple for 3 of the weeks. They learn how to share the gospel through their testimony and lead cabin chats in the cabins with the campers as well. The other internship that we do is for the High School age student. They come to their camp at the end of June and then they come to the camps to follow Monday-Saturday for 3 weeks as they help their college intern lead. They also get disciplined by their college intern and our internship leaders (Ed and Ashley) for those 3 weeks. For more information, please visit the alacca.org website or get a hold of me.

That covers all but one other initiative that we've been looking to start. The last one is going to take some time and is a little lower on the priority for me at this point but still seeking for the interest anyway. Bible Quizzing is something that is really good for the churches that may have a group of kids that they want to dive deep into memorization and competition. Hopefully we will get to that stage in the next couple years but I'm not sure we have any that are there yet.

Johny Schuster

PNWPCG DYD

From the Presbyter:

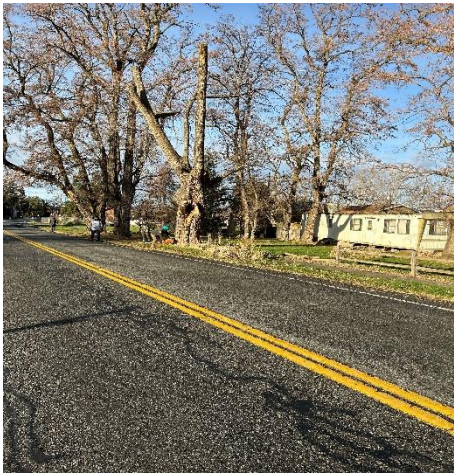
Greetings in the name of Jesus! I want to take this time to wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year. First, I would like to say that it has been a blessing to serve you, the Pastors, churches, and constituents of the PNWPCG. It has been a very busy but rewarding year (9 months actually) making new friends throughout the district and being able to come alongside of you to assist in your projects. One of my passions is home missions. I believe that building the body of Christ in our homes and neighborhoods is the most important mission that Jesus has entrusted us with, and every soul is so very important to Him! With that being said, our facilities that we invite the unsaved to come into are very important. In Haggai, God tells the people through His Prophet Haggai that it was past time to rebuild the Temple, for the Temple was in ruins! God instructed everyone to stop what they were doing and begin to gather the materials and rebuild the Temple. We need everyone, large and small, to come alongside and help us rebuild what the enemy has stolen. We need to see the body of Christ return to its former glory, and to re-dig the wells (Genesis 26:15) both spiritually and physically. The Holy Spirit is the water that attracts spirituality, and the beauty of His temple (church building) is what attracts physically. This physical temple, the church building, is a part of home missions. We have several projects that need to be completed. The septic system for our church buildings in Covington, Washington; the roof to our building in Yakama, Washington; the tree removal in Waitsburg, Washington; and to complete the building at Gateway in Tacoma, Washington. We cannot do this without you so I am asking each of you to prayerfully consider during this Christmas/New Year season what God would have you to do to help complete these projects. Together we can easily accomplish this. Please make all donations to the District Office, designated to home missions or you can choose to support a specific project. May God bless and prosper each of you!

Mark Hicks

PNWPCG Presbyter

We had some dangerous trees removed from Waitsburg property. We are truly thankful to Elisha Shown and Tree company for their quick response and great work. We also thank our anonymous donor that helped with some of the finance of this project.





In Dec. our District Board meeting & Fresh Expressions conference was great. We also gathered for some amazing fellowship and dinner at Bishop's house.

