

Widening Our Welcome WOW!

A Capital Campaign Of the Central Pacific Conference of the United Church of Christ

Are we called to extend hospitality? If so, to whom? Are we happy with the way things are in our churches? Or are we brave enough to dream? How wide can our welcome be? Sharing the gospel through word and deed requires commitment to communities, facilities, and experiences that touch hearts and spirits.

NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Did you know...that of the 39 UCC Conferences, the CPC is one of only seven to show membership growth? This has been achieved in large part by an intentional commitment to new church development: five new churches already started in Bend, Salem, Portland, Milwaukie, and Beaverton; two more in the works; and the establishment of an endowment to fund one new church start every five years.

The Dream ...WOW! Goal: **\$500,000** to pay back reserves for current church starts, fund two new starts, and establish the church development endowment.

REVITALIZING SMALL CHURCHES

Did you know...that 1/3 of CPC congregations have fewer than 100 members, making it difficult or impossible for them to pay a full-time minister. This continues a downward spiral, fewer members, fewer ministries, less ability to attract new members.

The Dream...WOW! Goal: **\$300,000** for “The Fund for the Renewal of Small Membership Congregations, a source for leadership grants to viable small churches to allow them the opportunity to grow and become self-sustaining.

FULFILLING OUR CAMPS' POTENTIAL

Did you know... that our Conference camps—Pilgrim Cove in Idaho and Camp

Adams in Oregon—are the CPC’s greatest assets, financially and spiritually? Both camps suffer in their ministries and financial stability from the lack of a year-round adult-friendly facility, and the need to upgrade aging cabins.

The Dream... WOW! Goal: Pilgrim Cove, **\$500,000**; Camp Adams, **\$650,000**
Pilgrim Cove has already begun construction of its new lodge; preliminary plans have been made for Camp Adams to build a new Conference Center facility and renovate the Nate Creek site that supports the youth camping program.

**THE CENTRAL PACIFIC CONFERENCE NEEDS YOUR HELP!
TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THE DREAM COME TRUE.**

We are asking church members to make up-to-three year pledges to the WOW! campaign. The goal for First Congregational UCC of Corvallis is \$100,000, of which \$10,000 has already been received as an early gift. Pledges may be paid to First Congregational; they will be forwarded to the Conference. Please help build a stronger welcome for all of us in the Conference and for future generations. When you receive your stewardship packet, fill out the blue pledge card to support the Widening Our Welcome Campaign.

**Without leaps of imagination, or dreaming,
We lose the excitement of possibilities.
Dreaming, after all, is a form of planning.**

Gloria Steinem, 1934

WOW! – A New Era For Camp Adams

Revitalization of Camp Adams is one of the primary goals of the Central Pacific Conference “Widening Our Welcome” (WOW) Campaign. The proposed Conference Center pictured here is the centerpiece of the Camp Adams long-range master plan. Other improvements to Camp Adams will help preserve the unique character of the site and make it more welcoming and accessible for all members of the CPC and our neighbors throughout the region. Please join in the stewardship of this beautiful piece of God’s Creation.



Proposed Conference Center Building as seen from Morris Lodge

- Model of Natural Systems Sustainability
- Income-Generating Facilities
- Meeting Accommodations for 80 People
- Restoration of Original Entry Road
- Morris Lodge Renovation into Greeting and Administrative Center
- Nate Creek Kitchen Remodel
- Full Accessibility to All First Floor Rooms
- 14 Semi-private Sleeping Rooms with Toilet & Lavatory
- 2 Fully Accessible Rooms with Private Showers
- 3 Family-sized Rooms with Toilet & Lavatory