

# Aldersgate Board 2024 Report

## OREGON CONFERENCE OF THE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

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Greetings Bishop Kenny, Superintendent Robroy and members of the Oregon Conference,

Aldersgate Camp and Conference Center has completed its 54<sup>th</sup> year of ministry and service. Over the past year we have seen continued growth and recovery from the impact of COVID. Bookings have been steady throughout the year including an increase in use by the Oregon Conference. It was our privilege to host the Oregon Conference Retiree's Luncheon and The Up-In-Out Women's Leadership Conference last fall. Earlier this year we hosted a men's group from Journey Church as well as several ministry leaders who came for personal retreats.

As the number of guests returns to pre-COVID levels we have been able to return to working on projects and infrastructure. Last conference we reported that Spruce Cabin (sometimes called the Nurses cabin) had been destroyed during a winter storm by a falling tree. We were able to "build back better" and now have a new cabin with many improvements for use as a nurse's cabin or a place for personal retreats. Other improvements have been made to Oakwood Auditorium including lighting and replacing aging window framing. Those of you who remember hot summers in the HUB will appreciate the addition of AC.

Other Board work this year included discussing transitions in accounting and internal controls. We reviewed and improved tools for staff and leadership evaluation. As always, we had a combined meeting of the board and full-time Aldersgate Staff for fellowship, communication, building shared vision and prayer to re-dedicate the camp for the work of the Lord.

Nearly every week of the year, someone is having a life impacting experience in the natural, Spirit-filled, welcoming environment at Aldersgate, away from their normal situation and distractions. Please join us in praying that many will come and hear God's voice and feel His presence.

Seeking Him and Serving Him with you,

John Unger, Chair  
Aldersgate Board 2023-2024

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