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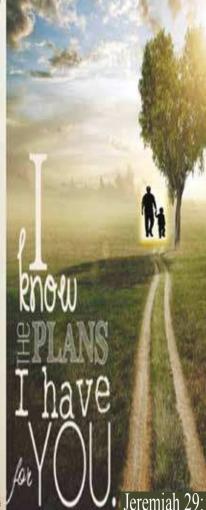
#### LADIES DAY PROGRAM:

Thursday, Feb 15, 2018, 9AM-**12NUNIVERSITY PLACE HOTEL** 310 SW Lincoln Street, Portland, OR 97210 **KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Sis. Glenda Gay N. Las Vegas Church of Christ, NLV, NV

#### **BANQUET INFORMATION:**

Thursday, February 15, 2018, 6PM UNIVERSITY PLACE HOTEL 310 SW Lincoln Street, Portland, OR 97210KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Bro. Truitt Sunset Int'l Adali **Bible Institute**, Lubbock, TX \$35 PER PERSON

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# **Black Parents Name Smith**

The Black Parents Initiative, an organization that helps local families prepare children for academic success, announced Wednesday that it has named Chuck Smith as its interim leader, and has suspended executive director and co-founder Charles McGee as it investigate allegations of sexual assault made against him.

Smith has served the non-profit organization as program director for four years and has over 35 years experience in human ser-



Lying About Videotaping Rights

A veteran Portland police sergeant admitted to investigators that he deliberately told a protestor in 2016 that he could get arrested for videotaping police and that misleading the public on such legal practices is common among police, the city's Independent Police Review panel reported last week. The findings are expected to result in disciplinary actions for the officer in question.

#### Shelter Roof Leak Ousts Families

Over 100 parents and children were displaced last week from the city's largest homeless shelter for families, located on Southeast 160th Avenue and Stark Street, after a roof leak sparked safety



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concerns. The families moved to a church across the street, then to motels as county officials evaluate and decide on repairs.



#### **Unity Kicks Off Olympics**

North and South Korea leaders sat side-by-side and shook hands in an unexpected display of unity as the 2018 Winter Olympics kicked off Friday in Pyeongchang, South Korea. Yuna Kim, South Korea's figure skating gold medalist, was shepherded to light the torch by two athletes from the unified Korean ice hockey team.

**Portland Teachers Receive Raises** Portland Association of Teachers has won a bargaining contract with Portland Public Schools after the school board voted 7-0 last week to ratify a new 3-year agreement. An 8 percent raise, spread out over three years, and the con-

vices

McGee was the subject of an investigative story in the Willamette Week last week about the sexual assault of a woman he knew six years ago and who pledged to make her story public if he ever ran for public office.

Last Tuesday, apparently in anticipation of the article, Mc-Gee announced he was no longer running for Multnomah County Commissioner, for a seat that will open next year because of term limits.

tinued coverage of current benefits is part of the contract.

#### **OHSU Drops Policy Denying Transplants to Undocumented**

An antiquated policy at Oregon Health & Science University prohibiting an undocumented mother of four children, who has lived in the local area for decades, a life-saving liver transplant, has been rescinded. The ACLU began a petition to reverse the policy and when it was brought to the attention of hospital leaders, it was discontinued.

**Residential Speed Limit Reduced** 

The Portland Bureau of Transportation started changing speed limit signs on residential streets from 25 mph to 20 mph last week, the first phase of a new attempt from the city's Vision Zero Initiative to eliminate traffic fatalities over the next decade.

**Free Tuition for PSU Transfers** Beginning this fall, some low-income Oregonian college students transferring to Portland State University will no longer have to pay tuition, so long as they are enrolled full time and are eligible for a Pell Grant, the university announced last week. The program will cover tuition and fees up to 15 credits for transfer students of a four year college or community college.

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