Daniel Matthews Biography

Dan Matthews is a Northwesterner by birth and early education. He was born in Portland, Oregon, graduated from Gem State Academy in 1953 and Walla Walla College in 1957. Dan and Betsy were married in Seattle, Washington during Christmas vacation in their final year of education at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland. They are now blessed with more than 65 years of marriage. They have three sons, six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Dan Matthews continues ministry as a part-time associate pastor for Media Ministry at Loma Linda University Church in Southeastern California Conference. Prior to the present assignment Dan's ministry has taken him from the Pacific Northwest in pastoral and departmental service from 1958 to 1974. The Matthews then moved across the country to Potomac Conference in the Columbia Union where Dan served in departmental and administrative assignments. Betsy began her service in Trust Services and Estate Planning in Potomac Conference.

In 1980 Dan accepted the Executive Director role at Faith For Today Television to create Lifestyle Magazine in California. Dan remained at the Media Center in Newbury Park until official retirement in 1999.

Betsy continued her Trust Services work in the Pacific Union. She retired as Treasurer of the Western Adventist Foundation in 2002.

The Matthews are now at home in Meridian, Idaho since September 2021. They came to Idaho to be nearer their oldest son, a grandson, and two great grandsons and several other family and are happily acclimating again to the Northwest.