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Religious community urged to join search efforts for missing Portland man, Mark Bosworth

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) urges the religious community to join search efforts for Mark Bosworth, who was last seen by friends at the Cycle Oregon event in Riddle, Ore., on Friday, Sept. 16, around 11 p.m., near Riddle High School. Bosworth's current whereabouts are unknown. According to family members, "He has recently been showing signs of disorientation and confusion. It's now believed that the cancer he has successfully battled twice has returned and spread to his brain. He likely doesn't know where he is and where he should be."

Congregations and faith-based organizations can assist the search for Bosworth by alerting members and staff of his disappearance, and distributing missing person flyers (available at www.findmark.org). Bosworth is 54, bald with gray beard, blue eyes, 6 feet tall, and 180 lbs.

If anyone has contact with or sees Bosworth, please call local authorities. If anyone has, or may have seen him in the past, or has information helpful to finding him, call the Douglas County Sheriff's Office Tip Line at (541) 957-2099; refer to Douglas County Sheriff's Office Case # 11-3534. There is a \$10,000 reward for information that directly results in locating Bosworth. Up to date information and resources are available at www.findmark.org.

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is a statewide association of Christian denominations—including Protestant, Roman Catholic and Orthodox bodies—congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners working together to improve the lives of Oregonians through community ministry programs, ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, environmental ministry and public policy advocacy.

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