

January 6, 2018

# Welcome ...

We are so glad you have joined us this morning! We come together in the newness of this New Year and in the blessing that is the Sabbath. We encourage you to pause today – and every day – to turn your eyes, your focus, and your heart upon Jesus.

## Today's Focus ...

As we jump into a New Year, we face some transitions: Our search for a new lead pastor (and then an associate), covering the duties Pastor Ben and Pastor Mary carried, as well as growing in Christ—not just hanging on, and more! The only way we can do this is if we, as individuals, and together as a body of Christ focus on what King David said, as recorded in 1 Chronicles 16:11 (ESV) — "Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually!" If we do this we will have a wonderful New Year!

A Place to Belong! A Place to Grow!

Sabbath School

9:45-10:45 a.m.

We are discipled through the sharing of God's Word. The various topics being studied today:

### Young Adult Sabbath School

PAC Church Fellowship Center, Section A — This class is for Young Adults in their 20's and 30's and is led by Courtney Rasmussen.

### A Study of the book of Mark - Peter's Portrait of Jesus

PAC Church Fellowship Center, Section C — *Community in Christ* is taught by team members Tom Adams, Dan Appel, Steve Braswell, Dan Martella, Doug Snider, and Randy Waring.

#### Foundations of Faith

In a world filled with conflict, Christian values are rare. Explore with us as we have a look at the character qualities of the Christian life. If you are a new believer or want to refresh your faith, join us for study and fellowship. Taught by Alan & Glenna Eady in the Upper Room.

### Stewardship: Motives of the Heart

#### The Influence of Materialism

Groups that discuss the traditional quarterly lesson study meet in the following locations: Rear Sanctuary, East Side — Steve Trenholme Sanctuary Balcony — Mons Jensen, Joseph Lee, Stefan Cummings Sanctuary Training Chapel (Off Foyer) — Barry Pratt,

Brad Brown Fellowship Center (Section B) — John & Liv Johansson,

Joe Gorbea, Ron Hivale, Milton McHenry

Worship Service

11:00 a.m.

Church Life ...

Maureen Wisener

Children's Story ...

Ronda Unterseher

### In Praise of our Savior ...

We will be led in worship by: Greg Baron, Julie Kiraly, Ronda Unterseher, Randy Waring (Praise Team) Cindy Waring (Prelude/Piano) Ronda Unterseher (Worship Coordinator)

### We gratefully return of His blessings to us ...

Lambs' Offering: PAA *Building for Eternity* Main Offering: PAC Ministries Fund

Intercessory Prayer ...

Bruce Nicola

Today's Message ...

Where Do We Go From Here? Brian Dudar

Our Mission

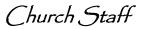
Living In Jesus, Sharing God's Love

Our Vision

Through God's grace, the Paradise Seventh-day Adventist Church is becoming a loving, contagious, Spirit-led family that lives in Christ and bears fruit through passionate worship, biblical truth, and caring service.

Our Core Values

Discipleship, Faith, Family, Grace, Leadership, Member Ministries



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## January 6, 2018 Church Life ...

"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, 'The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him." Lamentations 3:22-24 NIV

**Today's Sanctuary Flowers** are presented to honor Pastors Ben & Mary Maxson for their 13 years of service to the Paradise Adventist Church. "We have been so blessed to have you here, and we want to wish you God's many blessings as you retire and enter into a whole new journey in your lives. We are so happy you will be staying in Paradise and will continue to be a part of our Church Family! Thank you for serving us and showing us God's love!"

**On Our Knees**—<u>Today</u>, PAC's Prayer Ministries Team will conduct a prayer session at the conclusion of the Worship Service. Anyone feeling the need for special prayer is welcome to join us in the front (west side) of the sanctuary.

**United Prayer**—Experience the presence of God through United Prayer every Sunday, beginning tomorrow at 7 a.m. in the Fellowship Center. Participants are not required to pray out loud. From the young to the old, from the scared to the outspoken, from the stagnant to the vibrant, come with an open and willing heart! Please bring a pillow or cushion for your knees. Contact Anita Lee (530.519.1613) if you need a ride or have any questions.

**January 12 Agapé Communion Service**—This beginning-of-the-year event has become a cherished tradition for our PAC Church Family. It will be held this Friday evening at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Center. Your heart will be inspired as you eat together, share testimonies, worship, experience soul cleansing and taste new life in Christ. Please bring your children—the *Agapé Gang* will have a special puppet show for them (and the grownups too)!

Our next Monthly Fellowship Meal (potluck) is <u>next Sabbath, January 13</u>, in the Fellowship Center starting 15-20 minutes after the Worship Service ends. Everyone is invited to participate by bringing two different types of dishes to serve 12 people each. (For single individuals, or if you are not able to bring two dishes for 12, just bring a bagged salad with a bottle of dressing, a whole ripe melon, or a prepared dessert to serve 8-10 people. Please don't stay away!) If you have any questions, please contact <u>Bob & Marna Carli</u> (530.872.3049) who will be coordinating this meal.

**PAC Work Bee**—will be held <u>next Sunday</u>, <u>January 14</u> at 1:00 p.m. Anyone willing to lend a hand is welcome! Please bring a pair of work gloves. Contact Janelle Miller (530.876.0745) for more information. Thank you!

**Annual Library Ladies' Tea**—in the PAC Fellowship Center, <u>Sabbath, January</u> <u>27</u>, 4-6 p.m. Come have a cup of tea and a nosh with friends, make a bookmark and browse through library books from your PAC Church Library before hearing four library books reviewed by ladies from our church that will inspire and encourage you. No cost or reservation needed. See you then! ~ Your Church Librarians

**Helen Olson** has moved to Chico and would love to receive visitors. You may also send her a card at: Helen Olson, Rm #207, The Oakmont, 2801 Cohasset Rd., Chico, CA 95973.

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Prayer Requests...

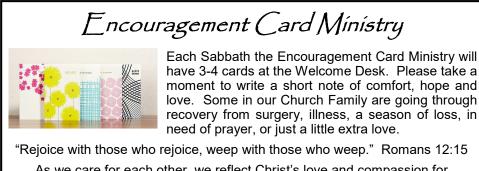
Your prayers are appreciated and requested for:

- $\Rightarrow$  Those who are suffering pain after the loss of a loved one.
- $\Rightarrow$  Healing and mercy for those experiencing health challenges:
  - Otis Krause (health challenges)
- Courtney Rasmussen (health challenges)
- Rudy Martinez (health challenges) - Mark Morris (health challenges)
- Rick Sopha (health challenges) - Penny Stratton (recovery from heart surgery)
- Dani Pontel (health challenges)
- Paul Westbrook (health challenges)

We regret to inform you that David Maxson died from complications after surgery on December 19, 2017 in Ashville, NC. David was the brother of Ben (& Mary) Maxson (5847 Crestmoor Dr., Paradise). Memorial Services will be held January 20, 2018 at the Fairview SDA Church in Fairview, NC. Thank you for keeping the family in your prayers.

We are deeply saddened by the news that Elizabeth Ranney passed away unexpectedly on Monday, January 1, 2018. Elizabeth was the wife of George Ranney (6674 Pentz Rd. Spc. 106, Paradise) and the mother of Cindy (& John) Myers (1076) Kindig Dr., Paradise). Two of her granddaughters are also PAC members: Brianna (& Brad) Stewart (26218 Newport Ave., Loma Linda, CA 92354), and Lindsay Myers (1076 Kindig Dr., Paradise). There are no services pending at this time. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers a donation to the PAC Children's Sabbath School Divisions where Elizabeth was actively volunteering her time to share the love of Jesus with the children of our church. We ask for your prayers on behalf of the entire family.

We invite you to lift up in prayer the family of Verna Moores who passed away on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Verna was the mother of PAC member Bob Moores (P.O. box 3369, Paradise 95967). A graveside service will be held at the Paradise Cemetery next Friday, January 12th at 11 a.m. "In lieu of flowers, Verna preferred a donation to the Terry Moores Canadian Scholarship Fund, a Loma Linda scholarship which Art and Verna established to honor their son Terry after his passing. Donations may be made using the following steps: Visit www.llu.edu/medicine; On the upper right hand corner there is a tab titled "Give Now"; Please click on that link. Users will be redirected to our philanthropy page; There will be three boxes, please click on the drop down menus and select the following: Destination Type: School of Medicine; Designation: Other; Other: P1386 Terry Moores Canadian Scholarship Fund (If easier, you may also write, In Memory of Mrs. Moore) . Thank you." ~ Bob Moores



As we care for each other, we reflect Christ's love and compassion for His people.

## Serving You Today ...

Greeters	Joanne Robinson, Monica Stewart,
	Max Werdmuller
Deacon	Tony Gerrick
Plant Deacon	Ron Evans
Welcome Center	Connie Huitt
Library Attendant	Lisa Fairchild
Personal Ministries Pastor-on-Call (weekend emergen	Liv Johansson <u>cies only</u> ) Dan Martella (707.494.4739)

Pastoral Visit: If you would like a pastoral visit, please contact your specific pastor of choice or the Church Office.

PAA is on Christmas Vacation!! ** * — Please Join (Is in the New Year for Any of our <i>Upcoming Events!</i> !
January 8 Basketball Home Game, Girls JH—4 pm; Boys JH—5 pm January 11 Basketball Home Game, Girls JH—12:30; Boys JH—1:30 pm; Boys JV—4:30 pm
January 20 <i>Pinewood Derby,</i> PAA Gym, 5:30 pm January 23 Basketball Home Game, Girls JH—3 pm; Boys JH—4 pm;
Boys Varsity—6 pm
January 24 Open House January 26 Discovery Day
January 30 Basketball Home Game, Boys Varsity—6:30 pm February 1 Basketball Home Game, Boys JV—4 pm; Girls—5:30 pm; Boys Varsity—7 pm
February 2-4 Freshman/Sophomore Retreat, Leoni Meadows, (Public High School and Home School Students Welcome!)
Sunshine Band Schedule (All at 3 pm)
1 <sup>st</sup> Sabbath — Pine View Skilled Nursing 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sabbath — Cypress Meadows Post-Acute 4 <sup>th</sup> Sabbath — Paradise Post-Acute 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Sabbaths — (none)

#### E-giving made E-A-S-Y!

Want to get to our E-giving easily? Use your phone to scan this QR code. (You can download QR Scanner on your phone in the app store.) It will take you right to the E-giving on our church web site.

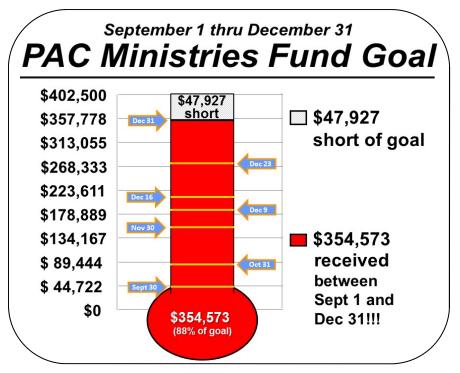






## ... for the more than \$78,000 received this last week.

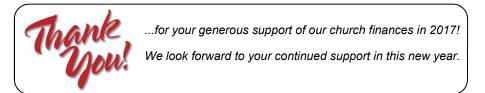
As of this printing, we were still receiving donations postmarked December 31 and earlier. Even though <u>this is not the final total for 2017 donations</u>, here is our progress on the September 1 thru December 31 goal as of December 31:



Our September thru December donations this year have <u>EXCEEDED</u> last year's donations for the same period by nearly \$29,000!

And <u>on top of that we have paid an EXTRA \$119,079 directly on principle</u> for the school loan during the combined months of September thru December!!

### All totaled... THAT'S AMAZING :::



Note: Check next Sabbath's bulletin to see if we covered all of our 2017 expenses.

	Thís Week
Today	Prayer Time, Training Chapel (9-9:45 am) ALL Sabbath Schools (9:45-10:45 am) Worship Service, Sanctuary (11 am) <i>Where Do We Go From Here</i> ? - Brian Dudar <b>Sabbath Celebration Ends (4:56 pm)</b>
Tomorrow	<i>United Prayer,</i> Fellowship Center (7 am) - see p. 1. <i>Food With Friends</i> Ministry, Fellowship Center (12 noon) Retirement Party for Pastors Ben & Mary Maxson (3 pm)
Monday	Ladies' Bible Study, Upper Room (6:30 pm)
Tuesday	Prayer Time, Upper Room (6 am) ACS (Adventist Community Services) 8:30 am—11 am - Food Pantry, Clothing, Furniture and Linens (when available) <i>Growing in Wisdom</i> Bible Study, - Plantation Clubhouse, 208 Berry Creek Dr. (3 pm) <u>Church Finance Meeting</u> <u>Rescheduled to Jan. 23</u> Adventurers/Pathfinders, Youth Center (6:30 pm)
Wednesday	Men's Fellowship, Upper Room (7 am) <i>Suit Up</i> Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Center (8 am) <del>Breathe Prayer Meeting</del> <i>Resumes January 17</i> Transition Team Meeting, Upper Room (6:30 pm)
Thursday	. Elders' Meeting, Upper Room (7 pm) <del>Church Board Meeting</del> <u>Rescheduled to Jan. 25</u>
Friday	<b>Sabbath Celebration Begins (5:03 pm)</b> <i>Agapé</i> Communion Service, Fellowship Center (6 pm)
Next Sabbath	Prayer Time, Training Chapel (9-9:45 am) ALL Sabbath Schools (9:45-10:45 am) Worship Service, Sanctuary (11 am) - Randy Waring Monthly Fellowship Meal (potluck)



January 14	.PAC Work Bee (1 pm)
January 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day! CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
January 16	.Worship Coordinator Meeting (7 pm)
January 17	. Breathe Prayer Meeting, resumes (10 am)
	PAA School Board Meeting (6:30 pm)
January 18	.CET Meeting (11 am)
January 20	. Sabbath Walks & Co. (2:30 pm)
January 23	. Church Finance Meeting (7 pm)
January 24	. <i>Breathe</i> Prayer Meeting (10 am)