

The Orangevale Journal

The Pastor's Farewell Message



Solomon informs us that there's a time for everything. Although he doesn't include it on his list, there's a time to arrive and a time to depart. We all know what it's like to have family or friends come to visit us. We're glad when they come, but we're also glad when they leave, although parting is often, as Shakespeare wrote in Romeo and Juliet, "such sweet sorrow." Ivy and I have accepted a call to pastor the Red Bluff church, and it truly is a sweet sorrow. We have greatly

enjoyed our time here at Orangevale,

surrounded by so many supportive friends and fellow travelers on the Christian path. We

joined this church family seven years ago this month, and from our perspective at least, like Joseph of old, it's been "seven years of plenty."

As most of us do when contemplating a new direction in life, I've spent some time reflecting on the past - the good times and the challenging times. And I can honestly say that I've seen God's leading every step of the way. The past seven years have been a time of severe economic challenge for our nation, and our church has not escaped unscathed. But even during this period of financial uncertainty, our church members have faithfully returned to the Lord His portion. The mortgage on the school has been reduced by some \$400k; the school continues to operate in the black. We've struggled with the church budget but God has provided a Sunday renter of our sanctuary that has helped us meet our expenses. Even though our church didn't (and still doesn't) qualify for a youth pastor based on tithe and membership/attendance, the conference was generous in lending us Eddie Heinrich, NCC youth director. Although busy beyond belief, Pastor Eddie has been a great blessing to our congregation and its youth these past few years. Unfortunately his schedule doesn't allow him to continue in that capacity.

That fact led me to an important and difficult decision last year - to contact conference leadership and ask them to

consider replacing me with a younger man, ideally one with children of elementary school age. I asked them to consider choosing a man capable of providing leadership for the younger families and teens as well as bridging the gap with the older members. It makes sense, if we can't have two pastors, to have one that fills both criteria. Our conference president, Jim Peterson, is a man of great wisdom. He agreed that this was a viable solution to Orangevale's dilemma. For almost a year now, the wheels have been turning to make this happen. Some would say, much too slowly, but God's timing cannot be rushed, and truly, we wouldn't want it any other way if we could see the end from the beginning as He can.

Our new position takes us north up highway 5 to Red Bluff, some thirty miles south of Redding. It's a vibrant town of some 16,000 population, with

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Char Novack, Retires this June!

God's love **shines** through!

Char Novack is retiring from teaching after twenty years of serving in our Orangevale Church and School community. She joins her husband Rick, who also recently retired, in life beyond the alarm clock.

Char has taught every grade from first to sixth at Orangevale Adventist School. She served as the first and second grade teacher in the past year, and leaves her room of students in constant learning motion this June. And while teaching every year, she still was actively involved in our church, serving as Elder, Sabbath School teacher, greeter, and as a spiritual mentor to many.

Add to this, Char and Rick are always on the go as a Pathfinder team, visiting many clubs in the area as Area Coordinators for this youth organization in the conference.

Char was born in the Bay Area, and then moved to Southern California where she lived for 10 years before moving to Hawaii with her foster parents. While in Hawaii she attended Hawaiian Mission Academy, in Honolulu, for her junior and senior years. These two years spent in Hawaii were very enjoyable, as there were many outings to the beach with family and friends, picnics, surfing, and snorkeling. This love of Hawaii continued throughout her life, with visits whenever she could. When the opportunity arose, Hawaii became an item of instruction in the classroom. A recent visit to the classroom found students learning about the major islands, the state flower, birds, and making Hawaiian leis, sharing her life experiences and joy with her students.

Her college years were spent at Pacific Union College. During those years Char was involved as an officer in the Modern Language Club, the Hawaiian Club, and the Girls' Club. The most challenging, but fun time, was her semester as the Girls' Club president. During those years she also worked at Pinecrest Adventist Camp for two summers. Char received her B.A. at P.U.C. with a Social Science Major and a Library Science Minor, and later completed a Masters Degree in Elementary Education.

Char moved to Bakersfield with her first husband Ray Copithorne after college. She taught 6th grade for two years at Bakersfield Adventist Academy Elementary School. During her first year of teaching, she taught 33 6th graders! It was a busy, but fun, year.

For the two years Ray attended Loma Linda School of Dentistry, Char taught 5th & 6th grades at the Yucaipa SDA School. Both of their children were born at the Loma Linda Adventist Hospital; Michael Raymond Copithorne and Cheryl Marie Copithorne. After Ray's graduation from dental school, the family moved to Puerto Rico, where Ray began a dental clinic for the SDA Conference. As a result of the six years living in Puerto Rico, she became fairly fluent in Spanish.

The family moved to Redding, California for nine enjoyable years and was involved with home-schooling and Pathfinders. The last two years, Char taught Spanish part time at American Christian Academy and at Redding Adventist Academy.

Char began teaching 5th & 6th grades at Orangevale Seventh-day Adventist School in the fall of 1993, then taught 4th grade for several years, and is now teaching 1st & 2nd grades.

After Ray's passing, Char continued her teaching and Pathfinder involvement. The Lord led her to Rick, who shared many of her passions for serving the Lord.

Char's interests include nature study, hiking, backpacking, snowboarding,



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wakeboarding, sailing, sports, gardening, cooking, Spanish, mission trips, guitar, ukulele, music, reading, Pathfinders, and young people. She also enjoys rock climbing, kayaking, and 'jeeping'.

A few weeks ago, Char went rock climbing with the Pathfinders at Yosemite. A few weeks prior, she was on a Conference Mission Trip to Panama with many Pathfinders. As Area Coordinators for Pathfinders, Char and Rick are always on the go.

Rick and Char enjoy getting out in God's great outdoors with family and friends. When asked recently what she planned to do after retirement, of course she indicated she would substitute teach whenever needed, but first indicated, "I need to clean some things out of the house." Probably those Pathfinder events will come first.

She keeps us all smiling, is adored by her students, and is a very valuable asset to our church and Pathfinders in the area. Char takes her passion for Jesus wherever she goes. Thank you Char for your many years of service, and continued service, for our Orangevale Church and School family.

Pastor Eddie Will Focus on Orangevale School Ministry



Pastor Eddie Heinrich has been serving our church the last two years as an Associate Pastor in youth ministries, while still serving as the Youth Director for the Northern California Conference. We appreciate his willingness to serve in this double duty. His ministry was very supportive to our Orangevale Church. However, as his responsibilities continued to rise in the conference, including Pathfinders, summer camp, serving in conference small school ministry, organizing many mission trips, plus many other conference wide committees and programs, the conference has found it necessary to modify his responsibilities at Orangevale Church. Tammy and

Eddie, plus their family, sacrificed to serve our church for this short time, while still living in Yuba City.

However, the Heinrich family is not completely leaving Orangevale. Pastor Eddie has received permission to continue to serve in ministry at the Orangevale School. In addition, son Braden is a part time student in first grade, so the Heinrichs are still involved in the Orangevale community.

Thank you, Tammy and Eddie, for your work in conference youth ministry and your continued focus at the Orangevale Adventist School.

LEARN TO PRAY ALOUD

(excerpt from Mark A. Finley's book "Revive Us Again", pages 23 & 24)

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Secret prayer is not necessarily silent prayer. Often during our daily activities, it is appropriate to send up silent petitions. During our devotional times, praying aloud keeps the mind concentrated on God. Jesus prayed aloud.

The disciples were so impressed when they heard the Savior praying aloud that they asked Him to teach them to pray like He did (Luke 11:1). In Gethsemane, Jesus committed Himself to do the Father's will at any cost. Matthew's Gospel records that Jesus fell on His face three times saying, "Not My will but Thy will be done." Obviously, Jesus was praying out loud (see Matthew 26:36-44).

The book of Hebrews tells us that Jesus "offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from

death" (Hebrews 5:7).

Again Ellen White instructs us to "learn to pray aloud where only God can hear you" (Our High Calling, p. 130). We need not fear that somehow Satan is listening to our prayers, knows what we are praying, and is preparing some strategy to deceive us for we are assured that "at the sound of fervent prayer, Satan's whole host trembles" and God answers our petitions by sending legions of angels, causing Satan's host to fall back (Testimonies, vol. 1, p. 346).

Follow the example of Jesus by praying aloud during your devotional time. At first it may be a little difficult, but as you continue, the Holy Spirit will lead you into a rich experience with the Master.

This is the third of four life-changing prayer principles that Pastor Finley shares in his book. He states if you will incorporate these principles as a regular part of your devotional life, God will pour out His Spirit on you abundantly. Your spiritual life will be revived, and God will use you as a catalyst for revival in your home, your school, your workplace, your neighborhood, and your church. Look for the fourth principle in the next issue.

PASTOR CLARK ANNOUNCES HIS CALLING TO RED BLUFF/CORNING

Pastor Robert announced his acceptance of the position as the pastor of the Red Bluff and Corning Seventh-day Adventist Churches in Northern California.

After seven years of ministry at Orangevale, The Clarks have decided to move on in their ministry, to a smaller church district, and smaller communities that serve the northern Sacramento Valley. The two churches are just twenty to twenty five minutes apart via Interstate 5, but each community is different. Red Bluff has roots in the farming, ranching, and lumber industry. It is the county seat for Tehama County, and is the home to a large Wal-Mart distribution center. Corning is the center of a major olive growing area. Both churches have active congregations, and have served their communities for many years, but with much smaller populations. It will be a new focus of ministry for Ivy and Robert to wind down their many years of service.

"As a pastor my first love is evangelism. I believe it's the heart and soul of the church. It's our reason for existence. It's our God-given mission and privilege to proclaim His love and saving grace to the people in our community who are searching for meaning and purpose in life," stated Pastor Robert at the beginning of his ministry in Orangevale. One of Pastor Clark's favorite ways to do this was by sharing the concepts of healthful living through seminars such as "8 Weeks to Wellness," "Lifelong Weight Management," and "Vegetarian Cuisine" which has been a cornerstone of his ministry the last seven years. In addition, he led out in many evangelism series during his tenure at Orangevale that were not health related. He will continue this ministry in Red Bluff and Corning.

Pastor Clark was born in Pittsboro, North Carolina. His parents were both medical professionals; his father a physician and his mother a registered nurse. Later they moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where he attended Gem State Academy, Newbold College in England, and graduated from Pacific Union College with a BA in religion and a pre-med emphasis. He completed his Masters of Divinity Degree at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Pastor Clark has served congregations in both the Northern and Southern California Conferences. Just prior to coming to Orangevale, he served the Eureka Church for five years.

Ivy is a dental hygienist, plus very active in our church mission. She is an active worship coordinator, Sabbath School leader, Children's Church leader, and a warm smile every day of the week. Fern will be joining Ivy and Robert in Red Bluff. We will also miss her active spirit of literature evangelism and the head of our Church Library.

The Clarks are proud parents of six children.

Pastor Robert and Ivy have seen many changes in this church and school community in their seven years of ministry. Some have been discouraging, and many others have been rewarding. Throughout this, they kept looking to Heavenly Inspiration for guidance. We wish Robert, Ivy, and Fern much reward in their new mission field. Red Bluff and Corning are small communities, but rich in history with strong family communities. They will receive a blessing from living in such a place while they serve.

The final date for leaving Orangevale has not been set. The Clarks would like to sell their home prior to moving, and the Red Bluff and Corning congregations are willing to give them some time to complete this process. The Orangevale Church Board will be working with the Northern California Conference of Seventh day Adventists to arrange for the calling of a new Pastor in Orangevale.

At this time of transition for the Clarks and the Orangevale Church, please pray for Robert, Ivy, and Fern and their transitions, that they may be completed smoothly, and that the Red Bluff and Corning Churches will be blessed by their ministry.

The Orangevale Church and School need your prayers during this period. Please pray that the Lord will lead, that we will step up in His ministry, and that whatever the Lord has planned for us as a Church and School serving Orangevale, it will be for His honor and glory.

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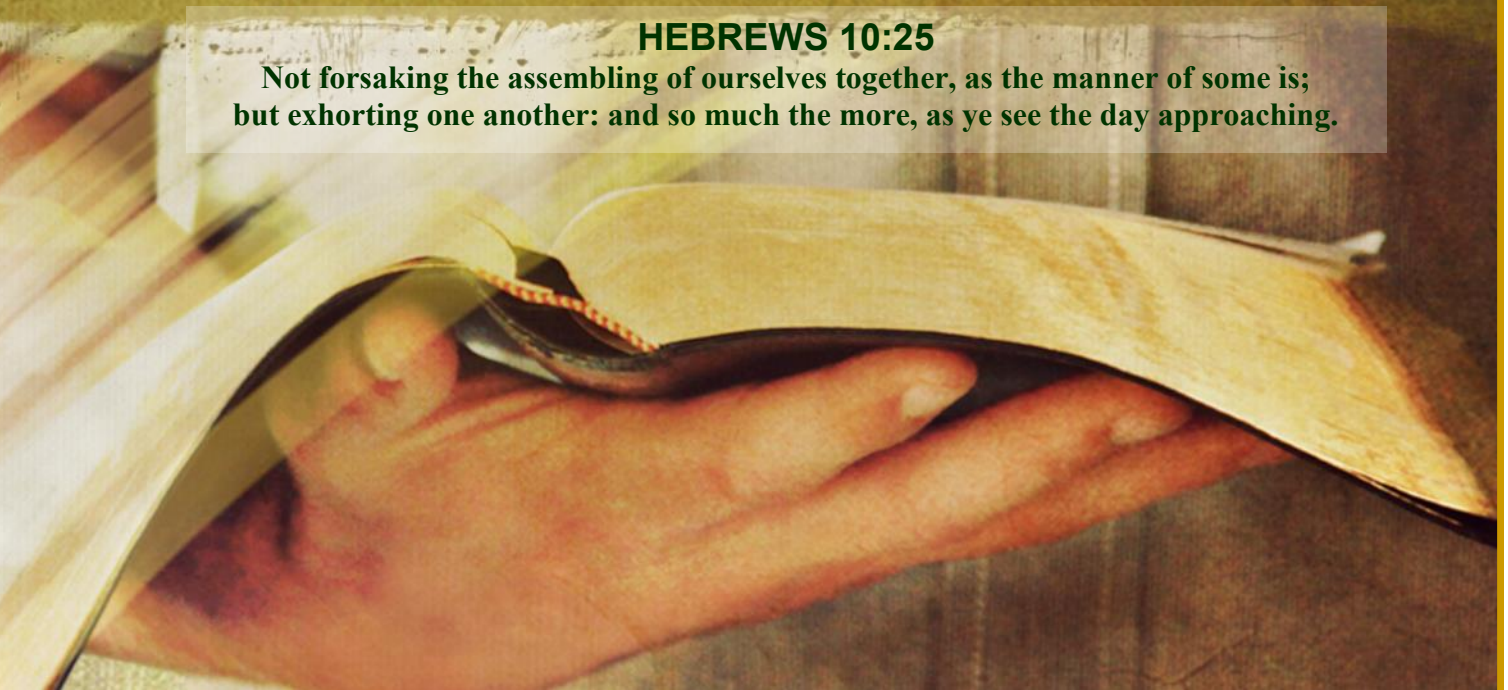
an active and growing Adventist presence. They also have a small elementary school with an enrollment of some 20 children. We were encouraged by the abundance of musical talent in the congregation during a recent visit. It's in a district with the little Corning church (attendance of around 20) so I'll be visiting there probably once/month.

We leave our Orangevale family with a sense of sadness. As Ivy will tell you, we've both been grieving at the thought of leaving our OV brothers and sisters. Our hearts have been knit together as we've ministered to each other and our community. Yet I trust that God will provide, as He always does, the wisdom to meet the challenges ahead and the strength to cope with whatever changes come our way. Truly, heaven can't come soon enough. I look forward to seeing every one of you there.

Your friend and fellow minister, *Robert Clark*

HEBREWS 10:25

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.



Dr. Greg Nelson presented a weekend workshop to us this past March, entitled "***Unleashing Our Congregation's God-Given Strengths.***"

Friday evening he helped us to "unpack God's amazing gifts"—based on our individual strengths assessments. During Sabbath School, he helped attendees to discover how to know and utilize their strengths in their relationships, spiritual life, and work. His morning message focused on God's design for His church while the afternoon session identified our congregation's God-given strengths profile. This knowledge validated our combined strengths and how it impacts our church mission.



Education Sabbath Service Photos OV School Choirs & More...

by Michael Alorice Brown—



Every Christian believer is called to ministry, gifted by the Holy Spirit, and in baptism ordained for ministry. Ephesians 4:11-12

The Orangevale Church Elders are committed to providing our church family and friends encouragement and spiritual counsel. It is especially important, during this time of Pastoral Staff transition, for the congregation to recognize that the elders have a clear vision of the mission of the church and are enthusiastically involved in spiritual leadership and church administration. If you have a need, please don't hesitate to contact one of these dedicated church officers.



2012/2013 Orangevale Church Elders Organizational Structure

Paul Kramer (Head Elder)	Scott Alvord	Sharon Perry	Bob Hablitzel	Dave Jewett	Chuck Tache	Michael Oleynik	Kristi Bradley-Robbins	Brad Davis
Audio Visual	VBS	Deaconess	Finance Committee	Treasury	Adventurers	Evangelism Council	SS Supt.	OV Elementary
Greeters	Prayer Warriors	Women's Ministries	Strategic Planning Committee	Deacons	Small Groups	Fishers of Men	SS Divisions	
Health Ministries		Social Committee		SAA	Children's Church	Singing Bands	Worship Committee	

Refer to the back of your weekly bulletin for the Elders' email addresses and phone numbers.



CHIP GRADUATES

Photos by Dave Durant

ORANGEVALE VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION — SPECIAL EVENTS — HEALTH SERIES — COMMUNION SERVICE



Vegetarian Cooking



Welcome



Juicing



Hydrotherapy



Vegetarian Cooking



Resources

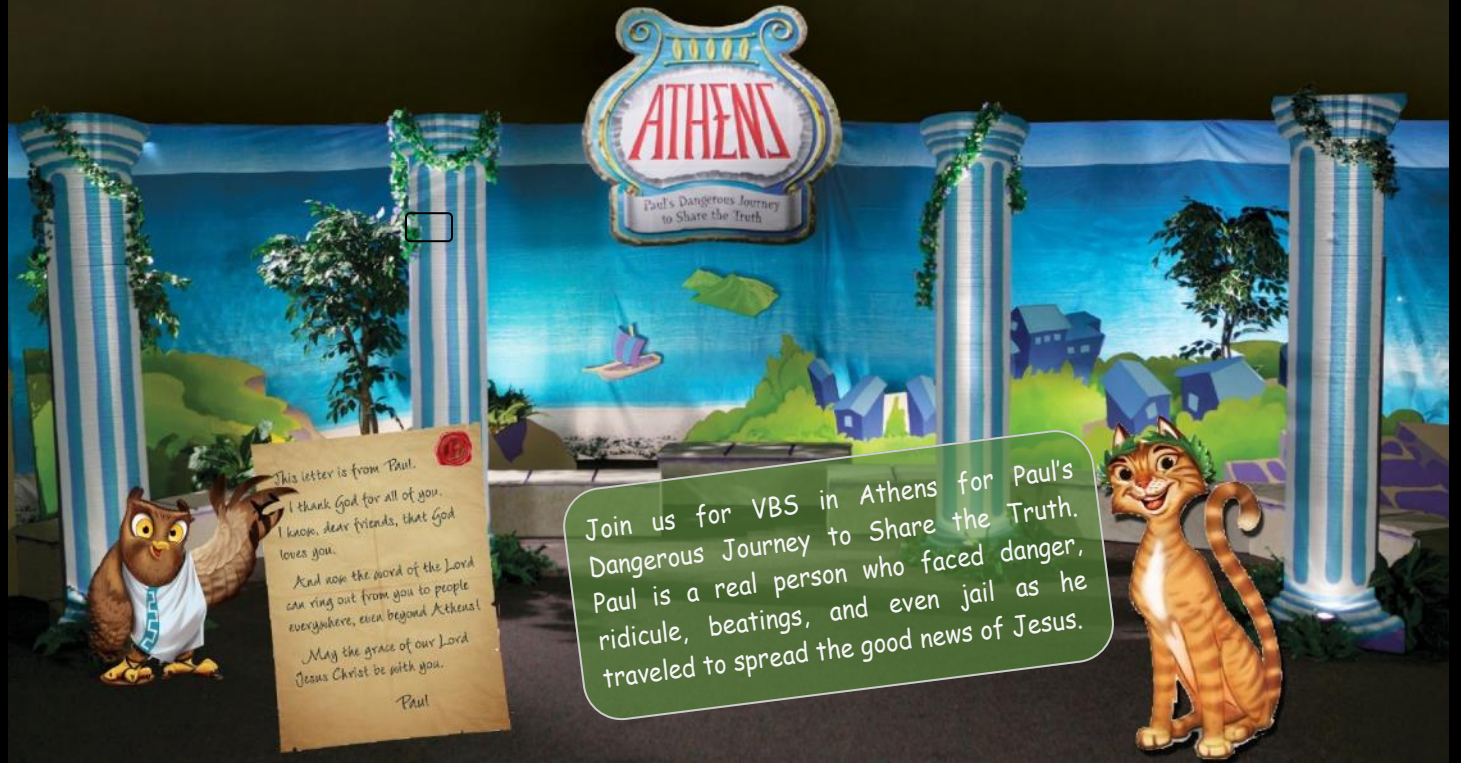


Special Family Worship
Communion Services



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SUNDAY, JUNE 23 THROUGH THURSDAY, JUNE 27 6:15–8:15 PM



In Athens, kids get to meet Paul and learn about his adventures during his second missionary journey. Come join us for the best time you'll have all summer! Each day the children will enjoy Bible lessons, music, arts and crafts, snacks and recreation. We have planned a week of fun for your children and look forward to having them with us!

REGISTER ON-LINE AT:

<https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/Athens2Orangevale>

A Word from Our Youth

THINGS GOD WON'T ASK YOU ON JUDGEMENT DAY

- (1) GOD WON'T ASK WHAT KIND OF CAR YOU DROVE, HE'LL ASK YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE DID YOU DRIVE THAT DIDN'T HAVE TRANSPORTATION.
 - (2) GOD WILL NOT ASK YOU WHAT YOUR HIGHEST SALARY WAS; HE'LL ASK IF YOU COMPROMISED YOUR CHARACTER TO OBTAIN IT.
 - (3) GOD WILL NOT ASK YOU HOW POPULAR YOU WERE IN SCHOOL OR HOW MANY FRIENDS YOU HAD, HE WILL ASK YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU WERE A TRUE FRIEND TO.
 - (4) GOD WILL NOT ASK HOW BIG YOUR HOME WAS HE WILL ALREADY KNOW, HE WILL ASK YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU WELCOMED INTO YOUR HOME BECAUSE HE PROVIDED IT FOR YOU.
- ALL OF THE ABOVE MAY SEEM SILLY TO YOU BUT ALL OF THE ABOVE CAN TELL WHAT KIND OF A PERSON YOU REALLY ARE IN GODS EYE.



By TANNER COLBERT



What's Been Going On...

Spirit Week



Spirit Week is a time to show off our school spirit. Students love the chance to dress differently each day of this week (generic, 50's style, Hawaiian or wacky-tacky). At lunch the school comes together in the gym to eat lunch and participate in fun activities like soccer kicks, airplane toss, basketball throw & jump rope tournaments. We had great



LEARNING ABOUT

1st & 2nd
Grades Visit
UC Davis
Botanical
Conservatory



The class has been learning to identify cactus. The guides at the conservatory told many

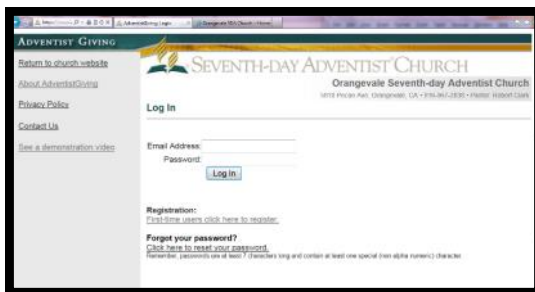


ON-LINE GIVING

CONVENIENT, SECURE, AVAILABLE FOR YOU

After many continued requests, we have made on-line giving available for Orangevale Church donations. This is just another way to give to His work, and one that "on-line givers" are utilizing more and more. Most of us still write a check or place cash in a tithe envelope. However, a greater percentage of us are writing from our checking account on-line. Because of this change in how we do our banking business over the last few years, we as a church family have responded to your requests.

Just go to our church website, ovsda.org, look for the "On-Line Giving" menu, and follow the directions. You will be connected with AdventistGiving, a service of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America.



Your giving is surrounded by your personal relationship with your Lord. Please continue to give as you are comfortable

with on a regular basis. Each dollar you give goes to serve His work. If you are comfortable with your continued practice, please do.

Because you may have a question regarding this giving method, please review the following answers that may

cover something that you have questioned or considered:

Do my tithes and offerings still go through the Orangevale Church?

Yes. 100% of the funds are routed through the Orangevale Seventh-day Adventist Church and distributed as per your wishes.

What payment types do you accept?

We accept electronic checks (using your checking's routing and account number), and we can process Visa®, MasterCard® and Discover® credit cards. We also accept debit cards with the Visa® and MasterCard® logo.

Is my credit card/electronic check information secure?

As privacy and security are top priorities in this program, state-of-the-art security measures are in place. Your password, login and state-of-the-art security measures protect your privacy on-line. Only our treasurer will have knowledge of your giving, as is the case with regular cash and check contributions. After receiving a monthly electronic report of all AdventistGiving transactions, our church treasurer incorporates this group of givers into the monthly report to the church and conference. Our local church treasurer then disburses the contributions in harmony with your directions.

Who issues my receipt?

After a successful transaction, AdventistGiving generates a confirmation for your records. Official tax receipts will

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Happy Volunteers 5/5/2013 SAVEMART corner of Greenback & Hazel

CV School Class of 2013

Kindergarten Graduates

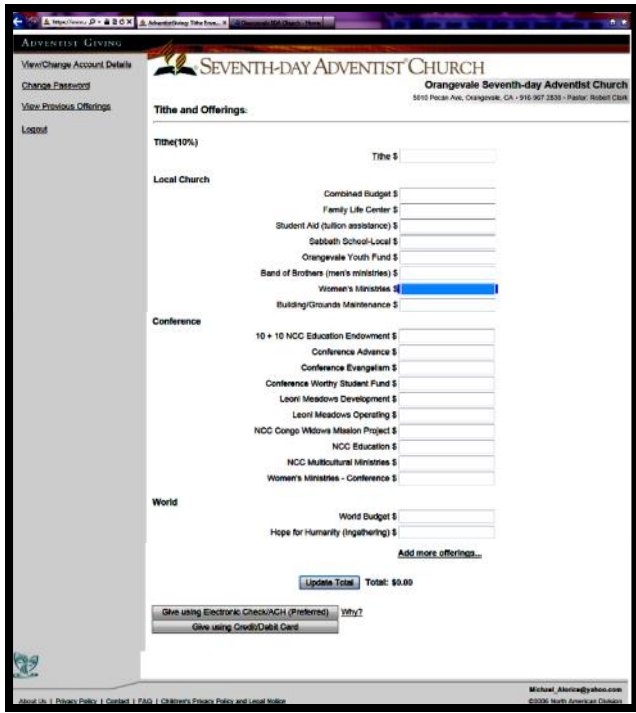
Mario Fox
Ethan Green

Katelyn Lanier
Jasmine Rodriguez

Eighth Grade Graduates

Nathan Carr
Mark Cimino
Maggie Fellows
Elsa Gryte
Scott Peterson
Dane Pflugrad

Zackary Snyder
Caleb Starr
Presleigh Stotz
Angelo Valdez
Ethan Wickham



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be issued by the Orangevale Church by the end of the year.

Who pays the credit card transaction fees and other banking fees?

The overall cost is shared by the local conference, the union, the North American Division, and the General Conference to ensure you get full credit for your contributions. The Orangevale Church does not have a cost for this service.

Can I still use the old familiar cash and check method of giving?

Yes. AdventistGiving is simply another method available

to you.

Once I establish an AdventistGiving account, am I always required to give on-line?

No. You can use all available methods at anytime.

Isn't this new system rather worldly?

In Biblical narrative, giving was based on the method of exchange current with the time, such as offerings of animals and produce. Today, we live in an economy that uses cash and checks as the primary method of payment and exchange. However, this method is giving way to electronic exchange. The AdventistGiving plan simply allows individuals a chance to give in the same manner as they do when completing their other financial transactions.

Is it acceptable to go into credit card debt when making a contribution?

The program does not encourage debt. The AdventistGiving option is for the convenience of those who prefer to do their banking and financial transactions on-line.

Is this just a strategy to get more money from church members?

No. Many church members are expressing an interest in on-line giving, and technology offers the means to do so conveniently and securely. Although we realize this option is not ideal for everyone, it is an instrument that serves the needs of many people today.

If I have a question?

Contact the church treasurer, Dave Jewett (treasurer@ovsda.org) or Finance Committee Chair, Bob Hablitzel (bhablitzel@sbcglobal.net) for local questions, or the contact link on AdventistGiving.

SAA Kindergarten Graduates

Ella Anderson
Luke Schauffele

High School Graduates

David Dilger
Vicki Garland
Alyssa Hartwick
Emily Horger
David McGuire
Shelby Taylor
Courtney Telloian

College Graduates

Torin Borowdale
University of Southern California

Tawny Harris
Pacific Union College

Rory Logan
Folsom Lake College

Tenaya Mulvihill
Walla Walla University

MacKenzie Sattlemayer
Walla Walla University



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