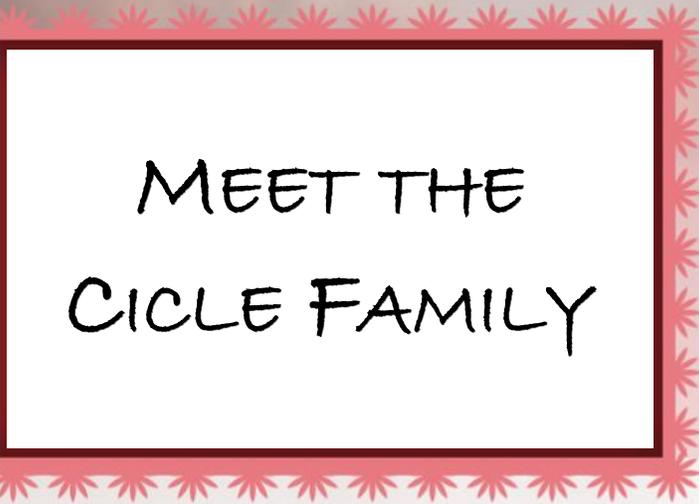




The Orangevale Journal NEWSletter

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MEET THE CICLE FAMILY

The Cicle's are excited to say, "Hi" to their new Orangevale church family: First in this newsletter and coming in March, in person. Here are a few of their individual and family highlights.

Heather (Hawkins) grew up in Missouri and Fresno. She graduated from Fresno Adventist Academy, attended PUC and graduated from CSU Fresno with a degree in Human Biology. She received her Doctor of Medical Dentistry from Nova Southeastern University in Florida, but has not practiced dentistry since completing her residency program at Virginia Commonwealth University. Instead she has used her training and experiences to contribute in the workplace in the areas of Educational and Hospital Administration. Heather has two brothers in California and two sisters, one of which resides in Lincoln and the other a twin sister living in Washington DC. Heather's mom and dad (Bill and Judy Hawkins) are currently retired health care professionals residing in Lincoln.

Jon was raised in Southern California and attended Orangewood Adventist Academy along with a couple of public schools. In his senior year, he decided to try out boarding school and graduated from Rio Lindo

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Adventist Academy. Jon's first collegiate pursuit was to seek a degree in Geology building on his appreciation of nature, God's second book. After the first year, the Geology program at Loma Linda was dissolved and God opened the door for Jon to dedicate himself to pastoral ministry. He graduated from Loma Linda University (La Sierra campus) with a BA in Theology and then followed that up with a Masters of Divinity from Andrews University.

Following school Jon first served as the Associate Pastor for Youth in the Victorville SDA Church and then was assigned to the church district of Poway and Valley Center churches in North San Diego County. While there he was ordained to the Gospel Ministry. In 1999, Jon was asked to be the Youth Pastor (Junior High and High School) for the Pacific Union College Church in Angwin. While pastoring at PUC Jon and Heather met and were married in 2005. Heather and Jon have enjoyed a myriad of hobbies such as snow skiing, international travel and study, rock hounding, thrifting and book collecting. In 2006 Jon and Heather moved to serve as the pastoral family for the Vallejo Central SDA Church and have served there until accepting the invitation to join the Orangevale family.

Jon and Heather are blessed with two little boys, (Hunter, 4 and Jonah, 2) Jon and Heather's activities have changed in past few years. Now they enjoy children's museums, playgrounds and all kinds of other places that are "kid friendly". Their sons are wonderful blessings from God, and they praise God daily for such special gifts.

The Cicle's are looking forward to being a part of the Orangevale community and Church family and are looking forward to meeting new people and making lifelong friends.



Orangevale Church Family

Experiencing the Joy to Serve

Together we grow together in faith in the Lord our God; as we work together and serve together in our Orangevale Church and School community.

Thank you for those that serve. Your volunteer time allows His work to continue. For those that are volunteering, sometimes it can be overwhelming. Maybe you feel overworked and underappreciated, but remember the rewards are great. You will be surprised some day when you see the overall results of your service.

No matter the ministry, the essence of each helps communicate and build up the body of Christ. Every ministry is important. All members in a church family have the opportunity to serve in different areas. He needs you, your church and school family needs you.

Being involved in a ministry allows you to serve. Remember, whether it is one hour or many hours a week, a ministry can feed you as you feed others. Pray for the Holy Spirit in your life, that you are lead to the right place, for the right reason, and at the right time in your life for a ministry of service.

In the next few months our Church will be selecting a Nominating Committee to offer members of our family opportunity to serve in ministries of the church for the upcoming term. Pray that the Lord will lead in this process, and if called, you will be receptive to serve.

Thank You for Your Financial Assistance

Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of the Orangevale Seventh-day Adventist Church. Our church family continues to grow and thrive thanks to the Godly stewardship that you and others in our church

family are practicing. We commend you for the courage you have shown to trust God in these uncertain financial times.

During the past year you have responded to the needs of our Church Family Budget. It is the fund that is the backbone of our financial stability; the fund by which we are able to support all ministries on our campus. Many think that if they are contributing to Tithe, they are supporting our local church, but this is not the case. One hundred percent of Tithe is forward to the Northern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Tithe funds keep our denomination and the world mission work going forward, but it doesn't cover local costs. The purpose of Church Family Budget is to cover our local expenses and mission. In Orangevale, our monthly need is \$17,170 to cover the costs of operating and maintaining our mission and facilities.

One other offering need is the Family Life Center/ Building fund. This fund pays down the mortgage for the facility that houses our school and other church operations for generations to come. Our church family stepped out in faith many years ago and committed to building this facility, just like those ahead of us did when they built the original church facility, the Better Living Center, and Sanctuary that we enjoy today. Our Family Life Center is a three and one half million dollar facility that is serving His mission well. It is almost three fourths paid off, with just one million left on a loan to the Pacific Union of Seventh-day Adventists. Thank you for sharing in giving to meet the monthly principal and interest payments of \$7,000 in 2013, with excess giving allowing us to pay additional principal.

Prayerfully contribute to both of these funds on a regular basis, so that these important missionary building elements continue into 2014 and beyond. God has blessed and ordained each of us to serve in giving. Thank you for sharing in this blessing.

The Calling of Pastor Jon

Pastor Jon Cicle has accepted a call to the Orangevale Church. We welcome Pastor Jon and his family the first part of March.

After Pastor Clark was called to Red Bluff in May 2013, our Elder team and your Church Board has prayerfully considered this calling and the

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opportunities to find a spiritual leader that can join our family and community.

In June, we met with Pastor Ed Fergusson from the Northern California Conference of Seventh day Adventists. This open meeting allowed the board, and other interested church members who joined us, to outline a vision for a Pastoral candidate. The group shared with Pastor Ed the following attributes, not listed in any particular order:

- Prepare interesting sermons that draw people to worship, with a Christ centered message
- Connects to young families
- Has young children
- Capitalize on our Church School and work with its Staff to reach out for Christ
- Appeal to a broad spectrum of children, parents, seniors, those not connected
- Passionate about Jesus
- Able to engage Youth
- Connect to the family and community
- Positive Attitude
- Able to train those around them
- Utilize the Congregation
- Leadership Skills with Humility
- Passionate about Adventist message and Spirit of Prophecy
- Visible
- Supportive of Health Ministries
- Social/Outgoing/Engaging
- Counselor
- Missionary minded

With this information, Pastor Ed took it to the Conference Pastoral Search Committee.

In late summer, it appeared a candidate was scheduled to meet with our church family. This was a false alarm, since the pastoral candidate, from outside of California, determined the move was too great for his family at this time.

Then in December, Pastor Fergusson held another forum at our Church, and informed the assembled group that three names have been approved for consideration by our church. The group then reviewed two



Pastoral candidate's resumes. After consideration, the group voted to ask one to come meet with our church family, Pastor Jon Cicle.

Paul Kramer invited the entire interested church family to meet with Pastor Jon and Heather Cicle in January. An informal reception was held, then a formal question and answer period. The Cicles spent over three hours with the group assembled. Prior to the meetings, Jon and Heather had a chance to visit the school, the church campus, and the community.

After this meeting, a follow up meeting was announced where the calling of Pastor Cicle would be considered. Everyone was invited to attend this discussion of the potential ministry call, and potential decision.

During the follow up meeting, the group discussed the previous meeting, asked questions of Pastor Fergusson, and reviewed the original vision outlined in June. After a season of prayer, a written vote was held. The decision was unanimous, to ask Pastor Jon and Heather Cicle to join our family.

God has truly lead in this calling: the soon arrival of the Cicles in the Orangevale Church and School community.

Thank you Pastor Dave and Judy

Last October, Pastor Dave and Judy Osborne joined our Church family.

Dave and Judy, we appreciate you!

It is not an easy task to step into a new church setting, but Dave and Judy have quickly become part of our family. Their ministry and leadership and friendship are appreciated and beneficial for our church, members, and community.

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Pastor Osborne retired as the Senior Pastor of the Chico Church after more than 47 yrs of denominational employment. He was the Senior Pastor of the Carmichael Church for 13 years. Prior to that, the majority of his ministry was on college and university campuses. In all this service, he was able to serve for a time as Ministerial Director of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists.

After retirement, the call for service was still there, and Dave became the Interim Pastor of the Fremont Church in June 2012. Even after leaving Fremont to join our church family, Pastor Osborne continued to serve as a Pastoral leader in Fremont, attending board meetings and special events. His multi tasking was known by few, since he is able to attend to the primary need at Orangevale with a full presence. Pastor Osborne is known for his on task, spiritual sermons, and always ready to tell a story that directs us to a personal relationship with our Heavenly Father.



Pastor Dave Osborne, speaking on changing our Perspective on Joy. We may think that we have troubles, but if we dwell on "...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable..." then we will have joy in our hearts.



Judy, an Interior Designer and a retired college teacher, is a welcome face at the door every Sabbath. Judy has quickly learned most of our names and backgrounds, and quickly has become part of our family.

The Osbornes live in Lincoln, close by, and ready to serve in ministry. We appreciate them being part of our family.

Thank you Dave and Judy!



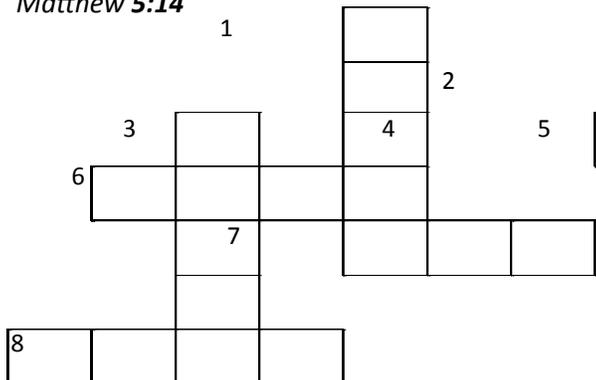
Chuck Tache and Craig Heinrich baptized

Eddie Tache, Andre Cimino, & Bradley Boldman

February 1st

"You are the light of the world."

Matthew 5:14



ACROSS

- 4. A dish that is used for holding fruit or liquids or for serving food
- 6. An elevated area of land smaller than a mountain
- 7. The performance of good acts
- 8. A large urban area where many people live

DOWN

- 1. All of the living human inhabitants of the earth
- 2. A place where families live
- 3. Any device serving as a source of illumination
- 5. A piece of furniture holding one or more electric light bulbs

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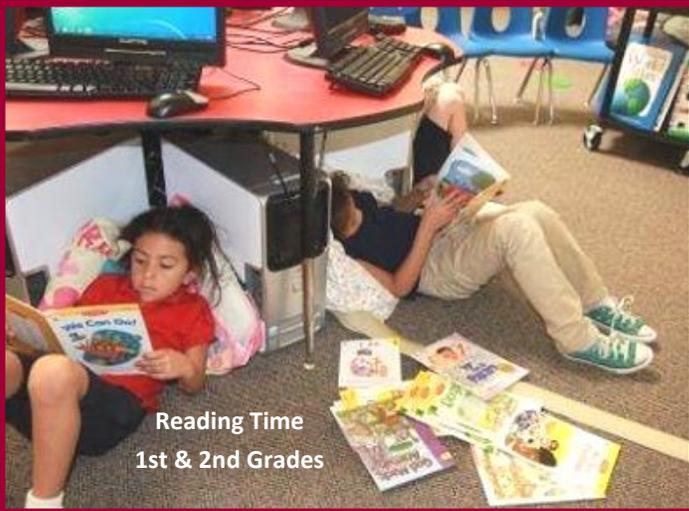
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Reading Time
1st & 2nd Grades



Studying together is always more fun at Orangevale SDA School.



Our School

Be it known to all who enter here, that Christ is the reason for this school. He is the unseen, but present teacher in its classes. He is the model of its faculty and the inspiration of its students.



2014 Spelling Bee



Principal Brad Davis prays with each group of kids just before it's their turn to spell.

Children's Ministries

The Adventurers



Our Orangevale Church Adventurer Club provides fun and creative ways for children:

- to develop a Christ-like character;
- to experience the joy and satisfaction of doing things well;
- to express their love for Jesus in a natural way;
- to learn good sportsmanship and strengthen their ability to get along with others;
- to discover their God-given abilities and to know how to use them to benefit self and serve others,
- to improve their understanding of what makes families strong.

The Adventurers Club Program assists parents in their important responsibilities as a child's primary teachers and evangelizers. The Club aims to strengthen the parent/child relationship and to further the child's development in spiritual, physical, mental and social areas. Through its program the church and school can work together with the parent to develop a mature, happy child.



Children's Ministries



All ages welcome!



Come 2nd Sabbath

9:30 AM in the BLC

Sing praise songs

*Craft polymer clay
figures*

*Learn fun facts about the
Bible character or animal
of the month*



Did you know...

...there are currently 264 known monkey species?

...some monkeys live on the ground, while others live in trees?

...most monkeys have tails?



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Children's Ministries



Throughout the year the 360° Sports League reaches out to children ages 5-12 who like to play sports. We offer a Christian based sports league that plays all games on Sundays and continues for 6 weeks or more: We try to offer a selection of sports during the year, such as: Basketball, T-ball/Baseball, Soccer and Flag Football. Currently...



Register online at: <http://360sportsleague.playerspace>

Registration is OPEN to Kids ages 5 – 12.

Practice & Try Outs - Sunday February 9, 2014

Age Group (5-6 years old) Try out at 9 am

Age Group (7-9 years old) Try out at 10 am

Age Group (10-12 years old) - Try out at 11 am

Community Service Events

We often participate in community service events. Many are irregularly scheduled, but some are regular. Those are:

- **Food and Clothes Closet hours:**
Tuesdays from 9 AM - noon
- **Homeless Ministries:**
Every second Sabbath after church
- **Almond Avenue Singing Band:**
Every first Sabbath at 3:30 PM

You can help!

Bring canned vegetables, beans, soups, tomato sauce or dried beans & rice. Donations are accepted on Mondays 10 AM till noon. Or, place your gifts in our food bin Sabbath mornings.

Join Us!

After services on 2nd Sabbath sharing God's Love with the needy.

Love to sing the old Hymns? Come sing "In the Garden", "Shall We Gather at the River"...all your favorites with our dear friends at the Almond Care Home.

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

– John 15:5

Where is the 2nd Earth?

By Rudolf and Anna Klimes

Many of my friends hope, after they die, to go to heaven. They often think of a place of peace that will become their everlasting home. But where is heaven? How can we find our way to heaven? Will heaven welcome us after our journey here on earth?

Jesus told his disciples that He was going away to prepare a place for them. Was He going to prepare heaven for them?

Jesus first created our universe and our earth as a place for the creatures He was going to make. That is described in Genesis 1 and 2 and is called the first earth in which was Eden. Adam and Eve sinned and that changed the first earth. Today we still live on that earth and we will continue to do so until Jesus comes to take us to the second heaven and second earth.

What is the door to heaven? Is it the resurrection? Or is it Jesus? Upon death, do the saints go to the first or second heaven? Or do they go to the second earth? The answers to these questions are all in the Bible. We find them in Isaiah 65, 1st Thessalonians 4 and Revelation 21 and 22.

God created the first heaven as His home and that of the angels. As far as we know, it will continue as such through eternity. I never read in the Bible that the angels will move into New Jerusalem. It appears that the first heaven will remain the home of God and His angels. Jesus will come to be with us in the New Jerusalem, the second heaven. There was war in heaven. Sin in our earth changed both the first heaven and the first earth and rebelling angels were cast into our earth. Some two thousand years ago, Jesus left the first heaven to teach us and save us from eternal death.

John in vision saw a new heaven, for the first heaven, that God called firmament, had passed away with the passing of the first earth. If there is a first earth, there is also a second earth. The first earth is remade into the second earth. When the first earth is done away with, the second earth takes the place as the dwelling place of people. There is only one earth at a time, never two. But as recorded in Genesis 1:1 and 8, there are at least two heavens, the place where God and the angels dwell, and our firmament, also called heaven.

The second earth will be very different from the first earth. But it still will be earth. In the second earth we will not just go back to Eden. It is true that Eden was sinless and the second earth is also sinless, but Jesus is not going to turn the clock back. In Eden, Adam and Eve had children, and we are not told in the Bible that



For I am about to
create new heavens
 and a **new earth**;
 the former things shall
 not be remembered
 or come to mind.
Isaiah 65:17

we will have new children in the second earth. In Eden was a tree of good and evil, but we are not told that that tree will be in the second earth. Sin ended the Eden God made at Creation.

The flood came and killed most of mankind, but what emerged was not a second earth, but a cleaned first one.

The prophet Isaiah in Isaiah 65 foresaw life in the second earth. Many things had to pass before the second earth would become a reality. Isaiah does not describe in detail the first heaven or the second heaven. He does not deal with the New Jerusalem, which I call the second heaven. Isaiah in Isaiah 6 describes his vision of part of the first heaven. In vision he sees the temple of God and angels. In the New Testament, Jesus opens up the first heaven to Peter, James and John where they talk to Moses and Elijah.



That same John in Revelation 21 and 22 was given a vision of the second earth and the second heaven. The second earth is remade as a sinless earth where we can live in peace. The second heaven is the New Jerusalem, that great city that Jesus is preparing for us in heaven that will come down to the second earth and be the headquarters of Jesus and the saints. Heaven and earth will meet and the new earth will be heaven for us. By faith, we look forward to the place God is preparing for us.

After Jesus returns, the first heaven (firmament) and first earth will pass away, but the second heaven and the second earth will forever remain as the home of Jesus and the saints. It will be more wonderful than we can ever imagine.

To summarize:

God creates the first heaven as His home and that of the angels. On the second day of Creation, God created the firmament that he also called heaven.

In seven days, God creates the first earth called Eden as man's home.

God creates New Jerusalem, which may be called the second heaven, that will come down to the clouds of the first earth at the return of Jesus.

After 1000 years, the New Jerusalem will come down to the second earth and the saints will live in the New Jerusalem and the second earth for eternity.

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