## **News Notes**

February 2021

### Paradise Adventist Church

#### February Calendar



Feb 2 | PAE Board Meeting
Feb 4 | Elders' Meeting
Feb 6 | Worship Speaker: Steve Hamilton
Feb 7 | United Prayer
Feb 9 | Finance Committee Meting
Feb 11 | Church Board Meeting
Feb 13 | Worship Speaker: Richard Kannenberg
Feb 14 | Valentine's Day
Feb 15 | Presidents' Day
Feb 17 | Communications Meeting
Feb 18 | PAA Board Meeting
Feb 20 | Worship Speaker: Steve Hamilton
Feb 27 | Worship Speaker: Steve Hamilton

# Online Resources for the PAC Family grace ministries

Grace Ministries provides access to great video resources for your Christian walk, family, marriage, and many other areas of the Christian life. Simply go to <u>www.grace101.org/login.htm</u>. User Name: PAC. Password: pac. For starters, you may want to view Crisis 101, a journey to healing for people who have suffered great losses.

#### Sabbath Worship Services



Weather permitting, Sabbath services will continue Under the Oaks. When weather does not permit, we will go online. When Butte County moves into the Red Zone, we will be free to move into the school gym.

#### Symbol of Our Hearts



Money is a symbol of our hearts. Our lives. When we sit down with our paycheck and do our bookkeeping, we reaffirm the lordship of Jesus Christ in our lives when we give Him the tithes and offerings first. As it says in Deuteronomy 14:23 LB, *The purpose of tithing is to teach you to put God first in your lives*. When I write out the check for the tithes and offerings before I write out the check for my mortgage and utilities and all the rest, I am saying, "Jesus, You are number one with me."

#### Northstate Community Church



Northstate Community Church is a new church plant under the leadership of Pastors Dave and LaShawn Montoya, and Caleb and Becky Cox. Since last summer this special congregation has been worshipping at PAC Under the Oaks, with plans to move into our school Multipurpose Room when indoor worship is once again permitted. This congregation has about 75 – 100 in attendance each Sunday morning.

#### Wednesday Evening Auto Shop



Intergenerational relationships and life skills are being shared together in our Wednesday night shop classes on the campus of Paradise Adventist Academy. Our adult leaders – Tom Adams, Chris Baumbach, Steve Hamilton, Mark Lockwood, and Dale Seaton – are investing themselves in our kids. Almost all the new tools have been ordered. About 50% of the tools are on hand. Current projects include a motorcycle, car, and jeep. The adult and youth response to the shop program is a huge success for our church and school.

#### Paradise Adventist Academy



At the January 10 PAA Constituency Meeting, delegates from the Chico and Paradise churches made the decision to return the school to the Paradise campus for the 2021/2022 school year. The delegates also empowered the school board to engage a professional consultant to study and bring to the board recommendations for the long-term success of the school, including the long-term venue for Adventist secondary education here in Butte County.

As we move through this important transition, please pray that we will be able to maintain and even grow our student enrollment. Also, please stand ready to help us move our school back to Paradise in the early weeks of the summer vacation, and to help us settle back into Paradise campus life.

#### Northern California Conference 2020 Tithe



When you get good news you just can't wait to share it! I'm happy to report that we ended 2020 with a

great tithe report! An increase of nearly \$483,000 over last year. Praise the Lord!!

On behalf of the conference administration, I want to thank each and every one of you for your continued diligence and commitment to ministry in our conference. We wouldn't be able to carry out our mission of transforming lives and preparing people for Christ's Second Coming without all your hard work and faithful giving. Also, a huge thanks to each. To God be the glory, great things He has done! – Marc Woodson, NCC President

#### Paradise Adventist Elementary



On January 20, our kindergarten through second graders enjoyed watching portions of the presidential inauguration. Heather May, our K-2 teacher, even updated the classroom poster of the presidents to include our forty-sixth president, Joe Biden.

Our students in grades three to six, under the leadership of Kimberly Baumbach, are enjoying both indoor and outdoor learning experiences. They have fed horses, picked oranges and grapefruit, hiked to Steamboat Rock, and conducted experiments with balloons and created moon phases using Oreo cookies.

The newest member of the PAE family arrived on four paws. Lily kitty showed up early November and has been with us ever since. She makes her appearance every morning when the teachers arrive on campus. She enjoys sleeping in her bed and snuggling with her catloving kids. She chases soccer balls, catches mice around the campus, and is much loved by all our kids.

#### Food Boxes and Sheds



In the month of January, we successfully completed four days of food box giveaways, and three days of shed deliveries. We were privileged to place six sheds in the Concow area, and one super cute shed to the school at Pentz and Highway 70. The entire shed delivery ministry was completed on January 29, bringing the entire shed project to a successful conclusion.

We extend a big thank you to our food box volunteers: Terry Parsons, Teresa Tobias, Bob and Marna Carli, Glenna Eady, Karen Smith, and Ron Evans.

We also thank our shed delivery volunteers: Mark Balken, Mark Lockwood, Chuck Neal, Joe Gorbea, Jenni Goodlin, Loren Sutherland, Ron Evans, Tom Taylor, Larry Stewart, Milton McHenry, Gary Dickinson, and Dennis Yoder.

#### World Church News



**General Conference 2022:** Citing COVID-19 challenges related to travel bans, quarantine restrictions, visa difficulties, and liability risks, the next General Conference Session has been rescheduled to June 6-11, 2022 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Adventists and the COVID Vaccination: For the official statement of the church on the COVID vaccination, go to https.//www.adventistreview.org/church-news/story15816-covid-19-vaccines-addressing-concerns,-offering-counsel.



#### Proclamation of Commendation: Adventist Health

Congratulations to Adventist Health Feather River!

A special proclamation was shared recently from the Town of Paradise in recognition of activity over the past two years. As the staff and town councilmembers considered how best to recognize the second anniversary of the Camp Fire, they chose to provide some important thank you and recognition elements to businesses and organizations that have supported the rebuilding of Paradise.

The proclamation states:

Whereas, The Camp Fire commenced on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018; within six hours it destroyed over 19,000 structures, and claimed the lives of 85 people; and

Whereas, Adventist Health Feather River safely evacuated every patient from their facilities as the fire spread throughout the Town; and

Whereas, Adventist Health Feather River continued to provide medical aid and attention to those in need; and

Whereas, Since the Camp Fire, Adventist Health Feather River has remained unequivocally committed to the residents of Paradise and have devoted themselves to re-opening their medical facilities on the Ridge for those who remained and for those who returned home

Now, therefore, I, Greg Bolin, Mayor of the Town of Paradise, commend Adventist Health Feather River for their contribution to the recovery of the Town of Paradise, meeting the vital needs of the community, without which recovery to its present extent would have been impossible.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Paradise to be affixed hereto this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.

#### Greg Bolin, Mayor

The presentation was made over Zoom by Melissa Schuster, a former councilwoman who finished her term of service on the council at the end of December. Receiving the proclamation were Rick Rawson, President AHRO, Tim Williams, Administrative Director, Physician and Clinic Operations for Butte and Tehama counties, and Joleen Levey, Philanthropy and Community Wellness director.

#### Paradise Adventist Elementary: Where Learning is Fun!

