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ORANGE CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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*Plan for 3 Days of
Fasting and Prayer,
Feb. 21-23*

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Sermon #282

This past week's sermon will not be easily forgotten, and the title is easy to remember – sermon #282. Elder Brian Neal of the Southeastern Conference Commitment Department gave us a sermon based on stories of sister churches in our conference that have accomplished building and renovation projects, some bigger than ours, and with fewer members than we have. How did they do it? According to Neal, they took a three step process. First, they got "70% of the church to return a systematic tithe and offering for three months". Citing references such as Malachi 3:8-10 and Exodus 12:35, he went on to say that we also need to get the community involved. "Some churches", he said, "are not churches, they are just clubs." If we are an Adventist Church in the community, and not just a group of Adventists that meet on a Saturday, we can get the support of the community in providing much needed materials to the project. And third, the members challenge each other with time and projects. Each of us can find ways to raise additional funds through our talents, and by holding each other accountable.



At Orange, we have a capital improvement project to renovate the sanctuary that will require the faithful giving of our members, the support of our community, and the ingenuity required to raise \$140,000 towards the completion of the plan.

New Sabbath Afternoon Study Class to begin this Sabbath

If you are looking to be spiritually fed on Sabbath afternoons, you will find the opportunity beginning this Sabbath, February 16th at 2:00 p.m. The Collegiate Class will be hosting a program of song and study every other week in their Sabbath school room, and all church members are invited to participate and receive a blessing from this new fellowship.

An Evening of Romance this Saturday Night

It's the month of love, and at the Orange Church there will be a celebration of amore. On Saturday evening, February 16th at 6:30 p.m., the Children's Ministry department is hosting a dinner fundraiser to support upcoming programs. The entry price is \$7:00 per person, or \$20 maximum per family of 3 or more. Reserve you tickets this Sabbath.

During the evening there will be a silent auction of themed baskets for bidding. If you are interested in supporting this effort by creating a basket, please contact Linda Calder at (949) 533-1145 or lcalder@cox.net.

NetAdventist Websites Hacked

This past week, on February 7th, the servers for NetAdventist were attacked by hackers. Our church website was off-line for over 24 hours. Because of this security breach, all church websites were brought down, and all passwords were removed.

If you have had trouble logging on, this was the reason. To get your access back, you need to go to the login page, and select "Forgot my password". The NetAdventist computer will send you an email with instructions for creating a new password. If you have any difficulty with this you can contact Claire Crisostomo at clairecrisostomo@sbcglobal.net or Dave Calder at dwcald@cox.net.

Did you know ... that you can HEAR the weekly Sabbath School Lesson at <http://sspm.adventistconnect.org/>. Better yet, you can also podcast through your iTunes player.

The Week Ahead

Wednesday, Feb 13

Men's Ministry, 7:00 p.m. (Collegiate Rm)

Women's Ministry, 7:00 p.m. (Board Rm)

Thursday, Feb 14

Pathfinder Meeting and Care & Share, 6:30 p.m. (Junior SS Room)

Friday, Feb 15

Youth Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. (Youth Rm)

Adult Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. (Board Rm)

Sabbath, Feb 16

Children's Church, 11:00 a.m. (Patio)

Sermon: Young Adult/Collegiate GYC Report

Sabbath Afternoon Song/Study, 2:00 p.m. (Collegiate SS room)

Valentines Dinner, 6:30 p.m., (Patio)

Monday, Feb 18

Long Range Planning Comm., 7:00 p.m. (Board Rm)

Tuesday, Feb 19

Elders Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (Board Rm)