



In the aftermath of the Camp Fire on November 8, 2018, there have been many efforts to support the basic necessities of displaced Paradise residents. Issues with food, shelter, clothing, and water have been at the forefront. We have been so blessed by the funds and gift cards that have poured in from around the country that have allowed us to minister to our local church family, neighboring church families, and to the community.

As Paradise residents begin to return to the Ridge, the matter of clean and safe drinking water has been a central focus. Although the Paradise Adventist Church, the Church Office, the Sabbath School wings, the Fellowship Center, and Adventist Community Services were all lost, there is still one building standing on our church campus. It is our well house. Prior to the fire, the well served as a connection point with our community. On any

given day of the week, local residents would come to the pump house in response to the standing invitation to fill their containers with fresh drinking water from the well.

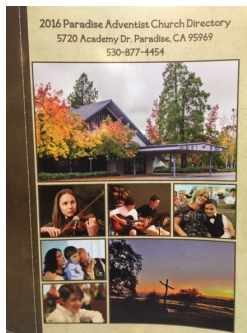
Currently, the drinking water of Paradise is in extreme crisis due to issues with infrastructure and contamination. Safe and accessible drinking water has become a critical need for our community. This week, the function of the well was restored amidst joyful celebration! Testing is currently being done to verify its safety for drinking. Very soon we hope to be able to be a resource for fresh, clean drinking water for our Paradise and Magalia communities.

### Financial Assistance Available—

We have been blessed by the generosity of others and are so very thankful! Gift cards and financial assistance have poured in from around the country. We have been distributing these gift cards since the fire. In recent weeks, we have been able to share financial assistance with Paradise members and residents affected by the fire as well as those from Magalia, Golden Feather, Oroville, and Chico. If you were displaced by the fire and have not yet been able to fill out a form for financial assistance, we encourage you to do so today. Please visit the Church Office or send us an email requesting a digital version: [Brittany@paradiseadventist.org](mailto:Brittany@paradiseadventist.org).

### Good News!

Life Touch is Reprinting our most recent photo Church Directory from 2016! Stay tuned for details!



## ADVENTISTREVIEW

**ADRA Awards \$50,000 to Adventist Community Services** which has been coordinating efforts to help survivors of Butte County to recover from deadly wildfires.

Please visit <https://www.adventistreview.org/church-news/story13307-adra-awards-us-50000-to-adventist-community-services> to read more.



**Friday Night Vespers!** Join us **Tonight** at 6:30 pm for visiting and fellowship and then at 7:00 pm for worship in the Chapel at the Chico Adventist Church. Praise and worship music will be followed by stories from the Camp Fire and a devotional thought presented by one of the pastors or elders. We hope to see you there!

**Volunteers Needed!** Many of you may have volunteered in the past or may be thinking about volunteering in a new role. Have you served as a deacon/deaconess, Sabbath School teacher, or office volunteer? Would you be able to serve in food preparation and service on the weekend or throughout the week? Are you willing to head up a special project? Please let us know so we can share your name and contact information: [Julie@paradiseadventist.org](mailto:Julie@paradiseadventist.org).

Please connect with us in the following ways to get updated information:

**Website:** [www.paradiseadventist.org](http://www.paradiseadventist.org)

**Weekly phone calls:** Nearly every week the Pastoral Staff reaches out by telephone to share the upcoming events of the weekend. Please make sure that we have your phone number if you are not receiving weekly calls.

**Facebook pages:** Paradise Adventist Church *and/or* Paradise SDA Camp Fire Recovery

*(Though not affiliated with or endorsed by PAC, you may wish to check out the following facebook page for updated community information: Paradise Businesses Relocated & Reopened.)*



Thank you to our sister church here in Chico! As a result of their generosity and hospitality we have been able to meet together as brothers and sisters in Christ. We have been fed, housed, clothed, hugged, encouraged, prayed over, and loved. What a blessing this fellowship has been!! We invite you all to join us for worship here at the Chico Adventist Church on Sabbath (Saturday) morning at 10 am (1877 Hooker Oak Ave, Chico).

**Children’s and Youth Sabbath Schools** will meet in their respective rooms in the Chico Adventist Church Sabbath School wing and classrooms along the southeast side of the gym

**Adult Sabbath Schools**

PAC Community in Christ | *Now meets Right-side Sanctuary* |  
 PAC Balcony Class | *Now meets Left-side Sanctuary* | studying the Quarterly  
 PAC Sanctuary Class | *Now meets in the School Gym* | studying the Quarterly  
 Young Adult Class | Young Adult Room

**Food and Fellowship—**

Please join us for lunch on Sabbath (Saturday) after Church and Sabbath School at 12:30 pm. All are invited regardless of church membership or address. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Waring (530.864.1682) who is coordinating this week or Nancy Adams (530.521.0717) for next week.

**Did you know?** All data and records that were housed on our Paradise Church Office computers were lost in the fire along with all printed files. We have been working to rebuild those computer tools that enable us to communicate with our church family. If you have any updated information, especially from the last calendar year or since the Camp Fire, please share that with us. Brittany is working to merge all data coming in to us from many sources to give us updated records. She may be reached at: [Brittany@paradiseadventist.org](mailto:Brittany@paradiseadventist.org). Thanks for helping us rebuild our records.



**PAC is Opening a New Office!!** Our new address is: 2500 Floral Ave., Chico, CA 95926. This week we are delighted to report that the heat was repaired, and the phones were connected. We can be reached at our original phone number: 530.877.4454. Please note that we will be **Closed** on Monday, January 21 in observance of the holiday. On Tuesday, our staff will be meeting together in a time of prayer and strategic planning. We will **Reopen** Wednesday, January 23 and invite you to visit and tour the office space, Wed—Thurs, 9 am—2 pm, or Friday, 9 am—12 pm.





## Donated Funds and Volunteer Hours Hard at Work Restoring Shelter to Displaced PAC and Community Members

In the weeks since the Camp Fire, temporary housing has been facilitated for nearly 50 families. This has been supported by countless volunteers and has been funded through donations received through the *Northern California Conference Camp Fire Fund*. These donations have covered expenses involved in setting up temporary RV locations. This has included gravel, plumbing, sewer, trash service, porta potties, generators, and pumping services.



## This Week...

**Chico Adventist Church:** 1877 Hooker Oak Ave., Chico, CA 95926  
**PAC Office:** 2500 Floral Ave. #30, Chico, CA 95926



- Sabbath**..... Worship Service—Speakers: David Harwood, Ray Martinez, Joanne Moon  
 Fellowship Lunch, 12:30 pm (Chico Oaks Adventist School Gym)  
*Pathfinders*, 2 pm (Chico Oaks Adventist School Gym)
- Sunday** ..... United Prayer, **7:30 am** (Chico Adventist Church) (**Note Time Change**)
- Monday** ..... **PAC Office CLOSED** in observance of the holiday
- Tuesday** ..... Pastor/Office Staff Meeting, 9 am (PAC Office, Conference Room)
- Wednesday**..... PAC Office Hours: 9 am—2 pm
- Thursday** ..... PAC Office Hours: 9 am—2 pm  
~~PAA/PAC Joint Constituency Meeting~~; **Postponed to January 31**
- Friday** ..... PAC Office Hours: 9 am—12 pm  
 Vespers, 6:30 pm—Fellowship time, 7:00 pm Praise & Worship
- Sabbath**..... Worship Service—*Steve Hamilton*, 10 am (Chico Adventist Church)  
 Fellowship Lunch, 12:30 pm (Chico Oaks Adventist School Gym)  
*Pathfinders*, 2 pm (Chico Oaks Adventist School Gym)