

Orenco Church News

FEBRUARY Newsletter

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Love endures forever.

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Message from Pastor Mark

February 14 is Valentine's Day – traditionally a day where we think of love and what it means to love and to receive love. God's Word to us has lots to say about God's love for us, one such verse that says to us, *"Greater love has no one than this, that He lay down His life for us . . ."* (see John 15:13).

God's love for us is found in Scripture, and shown to us in a variety of ways. It's unconditional, in that we don't earn His love by how we live, nor does it diminish by what we don't do as part of His love toward us. It's also sacrificial, because God gave us His Son, that through Jesus' death and resurrection, God did all He needed to do to redeem us.

God's love is also everlasting and unchanging (*"His steadfast love endures forever"* – from Psalm 136). His love for us is constant, and it remains regardless of circumstances or feelings. God's love is also relational – He seeks us out, as expressed in the parable about the lost sheep, where the shepherd leaves the herd to seek and find that lost sheep (Luke 15:1-7). God not only loves us but He also calls us into a deeper and personal relationship, with Him and with each other.

God's love is also one that disciplines us and protects us. We read in Proverbs 3:12, *"For the Lord disciplines those He loves . . ."* We also read in James 1:2-3, *"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."*

May this verse we learned as children be the foundation of the relationship God has with each of us: *"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."* That verse tells us that God so deeply loves us that He sacrificed His Son, Jesus, so anyone who believes in Him can have eternal life. It shows us His immense and boundless love, uniquely given to us through His Son. May His love offer us hope and purpose. Together, let us live for the One who died and now lives for us. Amen

Mark

The year of 2026 has started off great. The youth started this new year so far averaging 6 students a week and we have begun our lessons in the book of Matthew going over The Beatitudes. The Beatitudes show us what life looks like when God's Kingdom breaks in and turns what we think are common ideas of success upside down.

To continue our studies, the youth group will be going deeper and heavier into the importance of Scripture and the importance of knowing scripture. In the lives of our students, there are many voices both from people around them and from social media that twist Scripture to fit their own agendas. Our goal is to help students recognize when Scripture is being used incorrectly and to equip them to understand God's Word in its proper context, so they can discern truth, resist false teaching, and grow in a faith rooted in what the Bible actually says.

All middle and high schoolers are invited to youth group on Sunday nights from 6-8:00pm.



Bring your bottles & cans on the
1st Sunday of each month!

Next Dropoff date: March 1st



Ryan Abueg

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Welcome
to Orenco
Church!

Join us Sunday
at 10 AM

In Person or Live Stream
6420 NE Oelrich St, Hillsboro
<https://tinyurl.com/OrencoYouTube>

Preschool News

1 John 4:7-8, “*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.*” John reminds us that love is not merely a virtue to admire but a calling to embody. When he writes, “*Beloved, let us love one another,*” he speaks as someone who has been transformed by the love of Christ and now invites us into that same way of living. Real love is more than warm words or polite gestures; it is the evidence that God’s life is at work within us. Because love originates in Him, every act of patience, forgiveness, or kindness becomes a small reflection of His character. And when loving others feels difficult, especially those who do not love us back, Scripture reminds us that this kind of love is supernatural, flowing from a God who loved us first. Today is an opportunity to draw from that fountainhead and allow His love to move through us in ways that heal, restore, and bear witness to the One who is Love Himself.

February is a joyful and busy month at Orenco Christian Preschool as we celebrate God’s love and look ahead to the upcoming year.

Priority re-enrollment for the 2026–27 school year is open throughout February for current families and new siblings. We are excited to see what God has planned for our next season together.

All classes will participate in a schoolwide Valentine’s celebration featuring decorated bags, cookie decorating, and opportunities for families to join the fun.

Please also note that school will be closed on Monday, February 16th, in observance of Presidents’ Day.

Pizza Wednesdays continue to be a success, and we appreciate your participation as these funds directly support our classroom resources.

Additionally, we invite families and church members to help grow our hallway “Love Tree” this month by adding heart-shaped leaves filled with names, joys, and blessings.

We are grateful for our wonderful community and look forward to a month filled with learning, connection, and God’s love.

Karen Campbell,
Preschool Director
orencochristianpreschool.org



WEDNESDAY NIGHT

BIBLE

Study

Taught by
Tim Reed &
Mark Rainey

See you Wednesday!

7-8 PM In Person
or Livestream

6:30-7 PM Potluck
Dinner (optional)

HOW CAN WE
PRAY FOR YOU?

Send us your request.

Prayer is powerful! Send us your prayer requests and praises and our prayer chain will lift them up to our Lord! Just send them to pray@orencochurch.org. If you're interested in joining our email prayer chain let us know.



BIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Tuesdays Mornings at 10:00am
In Person or Zoom

Wednesday Evenings
(see info above)

Sunday Women's Class
8:45am
In Person or Zoom

Annual Meeting Reports

Our annual congregation and corporation meetings were held after worship on February 1st. If you were unable to attend, you may pick up a 2025 Annual Report in the office. This report contains a lot of important information and we encourage everyone to read it.

Below is a list of our current Elders and Deacons.

Elders:

Mary Bloomquist
Nancy Collins
Ken Ford
Diana Hamby
Mitchell Josh
Ben Rainey
Mary Stubbs
Eric Wassmer
Tim Wayman

Deacons:

Marilyn Anderson
Rhonda Baggarley, Moderator
Annie Brazel
Barbara Dobie
Kathy Ford
Sarah Lutes
Julie Meyer
Cindy Wassmer

Do you know about the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Fundraiser?

Thank you to the 30+ households who have designated Orenco Church to receive a donation for every dollar they spend at Fred Meyer! Because of you, the church receives a check every three months. See the amounts on the bulletin board in the hallway, the same board that has the gift card order forms. If you'd like to learn more about this fundraiser, pick up one of the flyers on the same bulletin board.

Please note that this is a separate program from your PERSONAL Fred Meyer rewards, this one is a way for you to help a non-profit and is in addition to your PERSONAL rewards. If you choose to enroll in the COMMUNITY program and designate Orenco Church you will still earn your PERSONAL rewards points like you do today.



We have some exciting news! We have moved our blood drives to Saturdays! This will make them available to more people and help us to collect more units — *and save more lives!*

Currently, the American Red Cross is facing a severe blood and platelet shortage. Requests from hospitals are exceeding the available supply, drawing down the blood supply by about 35% over the past month. Orenco Church wants to help! Below are the dates for this year's drives to be held in our sanctuary.

Orenco Church Blood Drives

Saturdays: May 2nd, August 1st, & October 10th.
All from 9am-2pm

To schedule an appointment just go online to www.redcrossblood.org and enter ORENCO, or call 1-800-RED CROSS, or scan the QRCode below. You can also streamline your donation and save up to 15 minutes by completing a Rapid Pass (pre-donation info and questions) on the DAY OF your appointment.



Scan here
to schedule



Scan here
to start
Rapid Pass



Attention Intel Employees

Intel US Blue Badge employees and retirees can donate to Orenco Church Missions and have their donation matched up to \$1,000 per year. This doubles the impact of your donation to our church. For example, if you donate \$100 through Benevity to **Orenco Food Pantry & Community Outreach** the church will receive \$200. These donations must be directed to our Missions (i.e., Food Pantry, Community Outreach, This Child Here, Village of Hope, etc.) and cannot be a substitute for your tithes and/or offerings to the church.

If you are an Intel employee/retiree and would like more information on how to do a matching donation please see our Church Treasurer, Mary Stubbs (treasurer@orencochurch.org).



Our Deacons are the caring body of our church, they help others in need, stay connected with our shut-ins, and serve at various events for the church and preschool. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal let us know (deacons@orencochurch.org). They also maintain a community food pantry inside the church that is open year round. Donations of non-perishable items are appreciated and may be placed in the barrel next to the church library. Canned fruits and meats are always needed and pull-top lids are helpful. Please check the expiration date on all items.

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Office Manager: [Nancy Collins](#)

Youth Director: [Ryan Abueg](#)

Children's Director: [We're hiring!](#)



"We joyfully serve Jesus and our community!"

Orenco Christian Preschool

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Director: [Karen Campbell](#)

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