



# NEWS NUGGETS

Friday, August 31, 2018


## **Boulder Adventist Church Celebrates Three Summer Youth Baptisms »**

Members of Boulder Adventist Church were delighted to see three young men commit their lives to Jesus through baptism this summer. When so many teens and pre-teens are struggling to find faith meaningful and relevant to their lives, especially with all the distractions surrounding them, it is truly inspiring to see kids make a public stand for Jesus with joy, commitment, and determination.

Luke Leiden, a fifteen-year-old sophomore at Boulder High School was baptized on Sabbath, July 14. His mother, Shelly Miller, notes that Luke's baptism "was really an answer to prayers over a long journey." It really speaks to Luke's commitment to Jesus that he was baptized even after experiencing a number of obstacles. Shelly says, "We started Bible studies about three years ago with one youth pastor, but he left shortly after Luke had started. So we began again with another youth pastor but he ended up leaving too. I began to wonder about God's plans for Luke, but it turned out that we were all just waiting for Pastor Jessyka! She took on the role of youth pastor and shepherded Luke through the remaining thought processes and deliberations about what baptism means and what it means to be a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church." Shelly goes on to note that Luke's connection with the local youth group is important to the family and that "it has meant a lot for all of us to have Luke become a church member and serve in the community.

"The measure of a Christian is not in the height of his grasp but in the depth of his love."

- Clarence Jordan

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Brothers Jalil and Rashid Lopez, ages twelve and nine respectively, were baptized on Sabbath, August 11, after faithfully studying the Bible with Pastor Jessyka all summer, once or twice a week. Their baptism was particularly special because their younger sister Aisha performed a musical item during the worship service, and their parents, Juanis and Estaban, provided two piñatas for all the children of the church to enjoy after the fellowship lunch. Juanis says, “The boys were always very happy to go to their Bible studies. They never complained or said that they did not want to go, and they always enjoyed studying with Jessyka. When I picked them up they always told me what they learned.”



Associate Pastor Jessyka Albert deserves special recognition for her commitment to the lives of the kids and teens at Boulder Adventist Church. She’s made a big impact in just the two years she’s served the church community. “It’s an incredibly joyful experience for me to baptize someone who is young and looks to Jesus with their whole heart. Normally, I get teared up during moments like these, but when it comes to baptisms, I am joyful beyond even happy tears. The journey of studying with the kids before baptism makes the final moment even more meaningful because I know how their heart is uniquely invested in their relationship with Jesus” Jessyka says.

While Pastor Jessyka has many outstanding qualities as a human being, the significance of her gender in her pastoral

## Upcoming Events

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**Hispanic Camp Meeting**  
*August 31- September 2*

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**Labor Day -- Office Closed**  
*September 3*

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**Staff Meeting**  
*September 4*

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**Prayer Summit**  
*September 7-9*

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**Hispanic INTEL Class**  
*September 7-8*

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**Pathfinder/Adventurer Leadership Convention**  
*September 14-16*

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**Hispanic Net 2018**  
*September 21-23*

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**Executive Committee**  
*September 25, 9:30 a.m.*

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**Women's Retreat**  
*September 28-30*

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**Hispanic Women's Retreat -- GVR**  
*October 5-7*

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**GVR Board**  
*October 16*

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**RMC Property & Trust**  
*October 17, 9:30 a.m.*

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**Hispanic Youth Congress**  
*October 26-28*

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**Hispanic INTEL Class**  
*November 2-3*

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**Hispanic Pastors Meeting**  
*November 5*

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**Hispanic Lay Leaders Training**  
*November 11*

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**Executive Committee**  
*November 26*

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**Hispanic INTEL**

role cannot be overlooked. Shelly gives voice to the feelings of many women when she describes how important it was for her mother to see Luke baptized by a woman pastor. “Jessyka is our first female pastor and my mom worked very hard to support and promote women pastors within our church,” Shelly says. “I was so happy she was able to see this.”

-- Becky De Oliveira; photos by Japhet De Oliveira

### **Nueva Esperanza Hispanic Company Organizes as**

**Church »** One of the fastest-growing Hispanic congregations in the Rocky Mountain Conference, Nueva Esperanza or New Hope, began as a plant project under Aurora Hispanic Church. With Frank Wilson as pastor for the new plant, several families joined him in accepting the call to spread the gospel to the Aurora area. On Sabbath, August 25, this growing company officially became a full-fledged church.



With nearly 150 people in attendance for the celebration, Pastor Eric Nelson, RMC VP for administration, gave the message, encouraging members to trust in the Lord as their Provider.

Former pastor Cesar Pompa challenged church leaders to serve faithfully; Ruben Rivera, director of Hispanic ministries for RMC affirmed church members by reviewing the fundamental doctrines; and current pastor, Juan Estrada shared significant moments in the history of the church, including challenges they've faced.

Originally called Maranatha Hispanic, they eventually became Nueva Esperanza Company which has now grown to.

Graduation

Sunday, December 2



### **Story Guidelines: We want to share your news! »**

**News Nuggets is your publication. We strive to provide news and information expressing our church life. Every church, every family, every individual has a story to tell. We are inviting pastors and secretaries of churches and institutions within the Rocky Mountain Conference to share with us relevant information -- about developments, issues, notable events, as well as experiences of church members.**

**Please email your story to [nuggets@mcscda.org](mailto:nuggets@mcscda.org) so we can share how God is working through His people in your territory. When submitting your story, please include the following: the Ws (who, what, where, when, why...also how), a personal quote, a photo and the name of the photographer.**

**Please consider time constraints and always send in fresh new stories instead of outdated ones. Submission deadlines are Wednesdays**



"Pastor Estrada is giving good leadership and direction to the church along with strong lay leaders who are energetic in sharing their faith and giving Bible studies," said Nelson.

One member, Noemi Borjon, serves as Pathfinder director, membership clerk, and secretary for the now-official church and will soon be joining the Human Resources department at Rocky Mountain Conference.

Nearly 75 people, including children, attend Nueva Esperanza each week. During fellowship lunch, Heriberto Martinez, a church elder, expressed, "It's a miracle to see how this church is growing each year."

RMCNews with Ruben Rivera; photos by Jerene Nelson

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**Mile High Academy Opens "Houses" »** With the intent to create community and a sense of fellowship, Mile High Academy students were inducted into their own "houses," on Friday, August 24. Cheers and hugs erupted as each student was randomly inducted into their house and decked out in their colors, a sign of their new tribe.



Meeting during the summer months, faculty and staff considered plans for implementing the house system. Ideas for names, colors, and how to engage students were round tabled until everyone agreed on how the system would work for MHA students.

Planning included how students would be introduced to their houses--confetti spilling from popped balloons--to Upper School students welcoming their Middle School teammates.

Each step was carefully orchestrated for maximum excitement. The cheers after each student was chosen into their house shook the gym and the school day ended with all houses playing games and sharing cookies.



It's not just students and teachers who belong to a house and wear their house colors. Staff and administrators also belong to a house. "That's what this is all about," commented Agape Hammond, MHA marketing director, "belonging, because when a child knows they have a place where they can truly be themselves, truly belong, that becomes a safe place, a place they want to be." She summed it up by saying, "We want Mile High Academy to be that place for all our students.

-- Agape Hammond; text and photos

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## **IN MEMORIAM** **Jere Wallack (1941-2018)**

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After a battle with cancer and a short time in hospice care, Robert Jerome (Jere) Wallack, whose ministry began in the Colorado Conference, passed away on August 17. A Colorado native, he pastored the Grand Junction, Lamar, Canon City and Loveland districts (1964-1970) and after retirement in 2006, he returned to Colorado, serving as interim pastor there.



His service record includes a bouquet of positions in church communication, teaching, and administration. He served as director of the North American Division's (NAD) Church Resource Center (CRC; later known as "Vervent"), and co-

founder of Sonscreen Film Festival. He was known for his creativity and mentorship.

Reminiscing in NAD *NewsPoints* about his work with Jere,

Dave Gimmel, associate director of the NAD's Ministerial Association, said, "At the Church Resource Center, Jere flipped the denominational structure upside down and asked not how churches could serve the denomination, but how the denomination could serve the churches. . . Through extensive research, Jere and his team were able to develop, produce, and distribute dozens of relevant resources for congregations."

During his retirement, Jere and his wife Nancy lived in the foothills of Livermore, Colorado before moving to Sun City West, Arizona in September 2017. He was looking forward to being involved with the baseball league in his retirement community, but fell ill a few months ago.

Well known throughout the Rocky Mountain Conference, Jere left many friends and colleagues in mourning. "Our church here had always been dear to him," said Eric Nelson, RMC VP for administration, who worked with Jere over the years. "I have a special tie to Jere; after all, he was my Bible teacher at Champion Academy. It was a privilege to meet him often, as a fellow alumni at Champion events. It was a pleasure to work with him as he served in several pastoral positions within RMC. Our love and sympathies go to Nancy and family. His loss deepens our hope in the Resurrection."

Wallack is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons Kurt, a mortgage banker from Chicago; and Kent, a middle school teacher at Burton Adventist Academy in Arlington, Texas; and several grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to Champion Academy in Loveland, Colorado, where Jere and Nancy met. A memorial service will be held at Champion Academy Seventh-day Adventist Church in Loveland, Colorado, on September 23 at 2 p.m.

-- RMCNews

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## COMMENTARY

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**What's a Christian to Do? »** In Barna Group's August 14, 2018 article, "Why People Are Reluctant to Discuss Faith," the author lists "ambivalence" and "avoidance" as categories under which "reasons for not discussing our faith" fall. One of the great evils in our culture, the article states, especially with millennials, "is to be perceived as bigoted." Fear of this perception creates the ambivalence and avoidance which can prevent us from discussing our faith.

When Charlie Craig and David Mullins walked into Jack Phillips' Lakewood, Colorado Masterpiece Bakery in 2012 to request a wedding cake for their upcoming nuptials, Phillips turned them down, based on his belief that marriage is between a man and a woman. The legal battle that followed took up most of six years and went all the way to the Supreme

Court. Was Phillips' stance discriminatory? Was it bigoted? What would Jesus do? What would we do?

Christians are often seen in our culture as bigots and homophobes. In a culture that values tolerance and freedom of choice, how do we respond to these, often knotty, issues? Is our response based on our most deeply held values, or does fear of being seen as bigoted enter in? And, by the way, what are our most deeply held values? Do these values sometimes conflict, creating an insolvable conundrum, making it impossible to know how to respond?

Exploring these questions, I asked several RMC pastors to weigh in. Their responses were insightful.

"Listen long before speaking," said Lee Lee Dart, pastor of The Adventure Church in Greeley. "After that, I would rely on the Holy Spirit . . . because He has promised to give us exactly what we need to say." No matter what the culture thinks of Christians, we can only combat a negative perception one interaction at a time. The experience the culture has with a true, loving Christ follower, filled with the Holy Spirit, is the only hope of lifting up Jesus to the suspicious anti-Christian culture."

"The best scenario for sharing your faith is in the context of a friendship," shared Mickey Mallory, RMC ministerial director. "If you sow the seeds of friendliness, then eventually you can reap the opportunity of sharing your faith with less fear of coming across as bigoted."

"The assumption from our culture that one can't stand for something (not approve of others) and love, just isn't true," explains Michael Goetz, pastor of the Champion Church. "This is not the first time that God-followers in a pluralistic culture lived for God-values."

"There is something wrong when we have to consult The Book to figure out how to treat the people in front of us," said Dany Hernandez, pastor of LifeSource Fellowship. "We should treat people with love and kindness no matter what. I choose to be called a liberal and a tolerant fool and someone who expends too much grace because, when I get to heaven, I'm going to take my chances with that."

When Jesus met the woman at Jacob's well in Samaria outside of Sychar, He broke three Jewish customs: He spoke to a woman; He spoke to a Samaritan woman (a group the Jews despised); and He asked her to get Him a drink of water (using her cup made Him ceremonially unclean). Based on practice rather than Scripture, Jesus was happy to break these customs in order to share some really Good News with this woman and, ultimately, her whole town.

Jesus knew her history of immorality, but loved her and ministered to her in order to reach His highest value – that of

loving and saving people. In this encounter, He also showed that salvation was for the entire world, not just the Jews. His inclusiveness drew in the entire city of Sychar.

When we begin to think as Jesus thought and internalize the values that Jesus lived, the path ahead is illuminated. It shows Jesus standing there beckoning us on to true tolerance and love and giving us the ability to take a stand while reaching out to the people of the world.

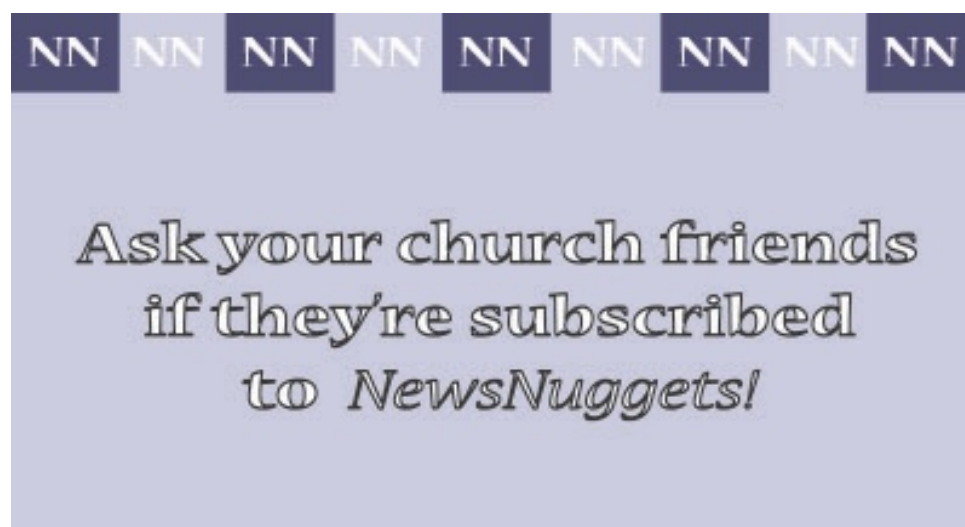
Twins Kyrie and Brielle were born October 17, 1995, twelve weeks ahead of their due date. Placed in separate incubators, Kyrie was making progress and gaining weight, but Brielle was experiencing breathing problems. Her heart rate was erratic, her oxygen level low, and she showed little weight gain.

On November 12, Brielle's condition became critical. Her stick-thin arms and legs turned blue, she gasped for air and her heart rate soared. The nurse in charge tried everything she could, but saw no improvement in this tiny being struggling for life. In spite of the hospital's policy, she decided to try a procedure practiced in Europe. Placing little Brielle in the same incubator with her sister Kyrie, the two snuggled up to each other and, within minutes, Brielle began to calm and her oxygen level improved. As Brielle dozed, Kyrie wrapped her arm around her ailing sister as Brielle's heart rate stabilized and her temperature rose to normal.

A picture of the two sisters in the same incubator, one with her arm around the other, was seen around the world and became known as the "rescuing hug".

Could it be that we were put on this earth for that very purpose – to give a rescuing hug to a hurting and dying world? I can't answer all the questions addressed in this commentary, but my purpose is clear.

-- Carol Bolden



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**LAST CAMP MEETING DATE 2018**



## **Hispanic Camp Meeting:**

Aug 31-Sept 3 Glacier View Ranch

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Littleton Church »** The Jerry Nelson Piano Concert will take place at the 11 o'clock worship service on Sabbath, **September 1**. You will not only be ministered to, but encouraged, inspired and uplifted through music and song. Our very own 99-year-old, Lucile Claridge, will be playing a duet with him.

Jerry is an internationally-celebrated concert pianist who has performed on all continents, except Antarctica. He has accompanied such artists as Glen Campbell, Sandi Patti, Tom Netherton and Steve Amerson. As a composer, arranger, conductor and studio producer, he has conducted orchestras from London and Tel Aviv to Nashville and Los Angeles. "*Jerry, you're one musician who stands out in my career,"* says Dino Kartsonnakis, concert pianist. *You present Christ with such clarity...you're a great inspiration to me and thousands around the world."*

Catch a glimpse of Jerry's unique message and style at his website: [www.JerryNelsonMusic.com](http://www.JerryNelsonMusic.com).

*There is no admission charge.*

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**Cracking the Prophetic Code »** The Fort Lupton Church presents a Cracking the Prophetic Code series beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, September 7 and continuing through September 17. These special multimedia presentations will cover such topics as "A Bold Attack -- the Antichrist Unveiled," "The Longest Time Prophecy," and Revelation's Glorious Rapture". To pre-register, call 720-466-5634 or go to [ftlupton22.adventistchurch.org](http://ftlupton22.adventistchurch.org). The Fort Lupton Church is located at 900 Northrup Avenue, Fort Lupton CO 80621.

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**Youth Rally at Golden Church! »** Join us at the Golden Church **September 7-9** to hear Evangelist Lo-Ammi Richardson talk about issues within the Great Controversy. Did you know the battle between God and Satan is more than just a battle over souls? This war isn't just about good and evil; it's over the territory you and I currently occupy. Both sides of this controversy are looking for youth to win back the territory you and I live in. Come hear this powerful presentation as it will challenge you to be on the winning team. You don't want to miss this event! For more information, visit our Facebook page and click on EVENTS! [www.facebook.com/goldensdachurch](http://www.facebook.com/goldensdachurch).

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**Prayer Summit »** DON'T MISS Prayer Summit coming up in two weeks, **SEPTEMBER 7-9** at Glacier View Ranch. We'll pray together and learn dynamic ways to strengthen our personal prayer lives AND reach our communities through prayer! There's only one week left to register! [www.rmcsda.org/prayer](http://www.rmcsda.org/prayer) or call 303-243-1172 Really - *don't miss it!*

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### **PTSD Veterans and Survivors of War-Torn Countries**

» PTSD Veterans and Survivors of War-Torn Countries Support Group will hold its first official meeting at 7 p.m., **September 8** at Aurora 1<sup>st</sup> Church.

Focusing on PTSD support for veterans and survivors of war torn countries, this first meeting will be a meet-and-greet session to plan an agenda and format. Your valuable input on serving all who attend will be appreciated. The group plans to meet one Saturday evening a month and both men and women are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

You can text Locksley Williams at 303 961-0764, email him at [lox1im@gmail.com](mailto:lox1im@gmail.com) with your interest, or just show up.

Aurora 1st Seventh-day-Adventist Church is located at [11400 E Mississippi Avenue](#) and Moline in Aurora.

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**Mental Health Certification »** Learn to recognize the people around you who are experiencing hopelessness with thoughts of suicide and get certified in the process. This two-day, 8-hour certification class will be held **September 8 and 15** from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Aurora Church sanctuary and will give you a 3-year certificate allowing you to work as a mental health first-aid responder for anyone having a mental health crisis.

Taught by Lucille Campbell who holds a Master's in Public Health and is the former director of The Center of African-American Health, the class fee is \$20, which includes teaching materials. Passing the test at the end of the seminar gives you the certificate.

Write your check to the Aurora 1st Seventh-day Adventist Church and mail it no later than September 5 to Aurora 1st Seventh-day Adventist Church, 11400 E Mississippi Avenue, Aurora CO 80012. For further information, contact Health & Disabilities leader Yvonne Johnson at 303-905-6071.

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**Diabetes UNDONE »** By 2020, 1 in 2 people will have diabetes or pre-diabetes. Save the dates of Sunday, **September 9** (8:30 a.m. to noon); and Monday evenings **September 9- October 8** (5:45 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.) for a diabetes prevention and reversal program presented at the Twin Peaks Adventist Church at 9696 Paschal Drive, Louisville

CO 80027. The \$149 registration fee includes media presentations by Dr. Wes Youngberg, author of Goodbye Diabetes and dietician Brenda Davis, author of Defeating Diabetes, a Plant to Plate cookbook, workbook and handouts, online extended education, glucometer and hemoglobin A1C test, plant-based food recipes and sampling, and 8 Laws to a Better, Longer Life DVD. Registration closes August 31. Program size is limited to 10 people plus their spouses. Contact Rosemary Cook at 303-465-4010 for more information and to reserve your spot for a new lease on life.

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**Franktown Church »** Mike Tucker, from *Faith for Today television*, will host a **FREE live Seminar**, “MAD ABOUT MARRIAGE”. Learn how to maximize your connection, create safety in your relationship, and avoid the negative issues that threaten marriage. Explore ways to stay “Madly in Love” forever!

**September 14**, Friday evening, 6:30 p.m. Check-In; 7:00-8:30 p.m. Seminar Sessions

**September 15**, Saturday, 2:00-5:30 p.m. Seminar Sessions; 5:30 p.m. Reception

Seminar will take place at the Franktown Seventh-day Adventist Church, [905 N. Hwy 83, Franktown CO](#)

[80116](#). Register at [www.madaboutmarriage.com](http://www.madaboutmarriage.com) Pre-registration reserves your materials. For more information, call or email [wendy@franktownsda.org](mailto:wendy@franktownsda.org), 303-688-8687.

Childcare available only by reservation, email local host with children’s names & ages.

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**Western Slope Women's Retreat »** A women's retreat will be held on the Western Slope **September 14 - 16** at Mountain Top Retreat, [339 Bible Camp Rd., Montrose, CO](#). It is just 15 miles south of Montrose, adjacent to the Uncompahgre National Forest.

Guest speaker, Jeanie Ryan, will speak under the theme, “Bear One Another’s Burdens”. Features include music, a Scripture walk, hayride, and other fun Sabbath evening activities. Please plan on spending a relaxing and spiritual weekend in the mountains. For questions and registration, call Judy Kelley at 970-249-7237 as soon as possible.

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**Pathfinder/Adventurer Convention »** To register for the Pathfinder/Adventurer Leadership Convention, coming **September 14-16**, go to [www.rmcap.org](http://www.rmcap.org).

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**Women's Retreat »** “Branded in Christ,” RMC women's retreat will be held at Glacier View Ranch **September 28-30**. Heather-Dawn Small, Women’s Ministries Director for our SDA

world church, is our featured speaker. View the brochure at: [www.rmcsda.org/women](http://www.rmcsda.org/women). Registration is online and begins July 15. For questions email [deeannb@rmcsda.org](mailto:deeannb@rmcsda.org), or text/call 303-243-1172.

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**9Health Fair »** Vista Ridge Academy will host a 9Health Fair on Friday, **September 28** from 7 a.m. to noon. We are looking for volunteers, both medical and non-medical, to help in a variety of areas. Consider donating your time and expertise! To sign up as a volunteer, please visit <https://www.9healthfair.org/health-fairs/fall/288/index> or contact Marsha Bartulec at [mbartulec@vistaridge.org](mailto:mbartulec@vistaridge.org) or 303-828-4944.

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**The Appearing »** Churches across North America will present a new series from the Voice of Prophecy called *The Appearing* **October 11-15**. Hosted by Pastor Shawn Boonstra and local pastors, this five-part event follows in the footsteps of the award-winning *Shadow Empire* and *A Pale Horse Rides* series and will only be available in local churches. It will combine cutting-edge media with Bible clarity to reveal what Scripture actually says about the Second Coming. An all-new book and Bible studies will also be available. Visit [appearing.org](http://appearing.org) to find a location near you and watch for many more to be added in the coming weeks. Don't see your church on the list? Encourage them to sign up at [www.appearing.org/host](http://www.appearing.org/host).

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**Discover Israel: A Journey of Faith »** See Jaffa, Caesarea, Nazareth, Cana, Tiberias, the Sea of Galilee and many other biblical locations on this journey of faith **March 11-19, 2019**. You can travel with Pastor Gordon from the Arvada Church on this amazing adventure. Sign up by September 12 by following this link: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/871840>.

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

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**Mile High Academy »** Mile High Academy has immediate openings for the 2018-2019 school year for two part-time drivers for our transportation routes. Qualified candidates will be at least 21 years old, possess, or be able to obtain, a current Colorado driver's license (Commercial Driver's License not necessary) have no more than two traffic citations and no at fault accidents during the last three years. Candidates must also possess current U.S. work authorization. While maintaining the dignity and respect for all students, the driver's primary responsibility is the safety of students while transporting them to and from school. To apply,

please send an email to Vivien Vasquez to request an application ([vivienv@rmcsda.org](mailto:vivienv@rmcsda.org)) or contact her by phone at [303-282-3653](tel:303-282-3653).

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**HMS Richards Elementary »** Part-time preschool teacher needed at HMS. We are growing and looking for an enthusiastic teacher to lead our preschool program. Must be ECE teacher certified. Do not need to be director certified.

Please contact Davin Hammond or Kari Lange for more information @ [\(970\) 667-2427](tel:970-667-2427).

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**Vista Ridge Academy »** Seeking candidates for a **Part-time Aide in Preschool and PreK/Kindergarten** (20+ hours per week). Candidates must be active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Completion of ECE state licensing requirements for a preschool teacher is a bonus, but not required.

Also seeking candidates for a **Part-time Extended Care Supervisor** (8-10 hours per week). Candidates must be an active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and available to work after school.

For more information, please contact Sandy Hodgson at 303.828.4944 or [shodgson@vistaridge.org](mailto:shodgson@vistaridge.org).

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**ESL Teacher Needed for Mile High Academy Sister School China Campus »** Mile High Academy still has a position available on their extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde - **ESL Teacher Needed**

This is a unique opportunity to serve as a teacher in Shunde China at Mile High Academy's extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde. Please see link below to explore the

school: <http://www.gdsysd.com/Home/IndexEnglish>

Contact Principal Toakase Vunileva at [tvunileva@milehighacademy.org](mailto:tvunileva@milehighacademy.org) for questions or to submit your resume.

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## **FROM THE EDITOR**

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**We want to share your news --** Change is a part of the communication age. With online media experiencing constant evolution, the *NewsNuggets* is also experiencing an increased

access from our readers and contributors. We will continue to encourage news sharing from our churches, institutions, and individual church members.

In order to make our eNewsletter accommodate an increased volume of announcements, our editorial work proposes to present information in a more efficient approach, ensuring that all timely promotions and announcements be included in a weekly, Friday release of *NewsNuggets*. **Submission deadline for stories, news, and announcements is at noon on every Wednesday. Please send all your submissions to [nuggets@rmcsda.org](mailto:nuggets@rmcsda.org).**

Thank you for your contribution, but also comments, as *NewsNuggets* continues to serve the church in an efficient and effective way.

**NOTE:** Questions are being raised regarding guidelines for the Announcement section of the RMC *NewsNuggets* newsletter. After a review of the guidelines, the following few points should be considered when sending announcements or promotional materials:

- The newsletter has been established primarily for news sharing within the conference, though selected general church news stories are also considered for publication.
- The primary readership of the newsletter are church members within the Rocky Mountain Conference.
- When submitting an announcement, consider that local Sabbath events may be drawing members from other local churches.
- Promoting evangelistic meetings in *NewsNuggets* is not attracting potential attendees for whom the meetings are primarily advertised.
- Due to space constraints, NewsNuggets will not publish posters and other large photos or images. However, information from the text will be used.
- Announcements will not be repeated more than twice, and they should be concise. Web page links or phone numbers should be provided for additional information.

We are inviting all correspondents and contributors to follow a general Adventist News Network *Style Guide*, including glossary. For guidelines, see: <http://news.adventist.org/styleguide/>  
--Editor

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