



NEWS NUGGETS

Friday, April 12, 2019

Koinonia and The Campanas Bring the Heat to Texas »

The road was filled with endless conversations as the Koinonia Touring Choir and the The Campanas Handbells Ensemble traveled to Texas, a twelve-hour ride marking the beginning of an unforgettable event. The first day was spent performing for Abilene Adventist Junior Academy. Although it was a small crowd of five students, it didn't stop them from producing some big applause. Mr. Yves Clouzet allowed the young students to try out the handbells before the musicians moved on to South Austin Church, the home church of Logan Vega, a senior member of Koinonia, where the students delivered a full performance.



Following a full night's rest, the students were up and running, ready for a fun day at Six Flags and Riverwalk. "When I rode the boat to tour the river, I was amazed with the beautiful plant life everywhere," explained freshman Shelby Waller who plays in The Campanas.

The next day, musicians set up for another performance which took place at the Hays Nursing Center. Koinonia lifted up their music folders and sang from the bottom of their hearts and The Campanas overflowed the room with a moving melody. The senior citizens were touched and some teared up as they listened to the music. "We went there thinking it was just another concert, but in the end, we realized it was more than just playing bells," said sophomore

"The impersonal hand of the government can never replace the helping hand of a neighbor."

-- Hubert Humphrey



Healthy Nugget

"It's a choice, not chance, that determines your destiny."

-- Jean Nidetch

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Dominick Maldonado, "it was us sharing the love of God through music." It was a beautiful way to begin God's Sabbath that Friday evening.

The musicians performed for the San Marcos Church on Sabbath, taking over the entire service with a variety of songs. Students Austin Rotinsulu and Ashley Halvorson participated in the service by leading the scripture reading and prayer.

Southwestern Adventist University and the nursing



department were part of the tour and Koinonia was asked to do an impromptu performance for the SWAU students, who then asked the Campion students to stay by and watch the Acrofest performances in the gym, an exciting event which demonstrated their passion.

Obed Barrera, a Koinonia member reflected on the tour experience, "It was fun performing in front of little children and older teens. It was nice to see their smiles! I hope that our tour inspired people to come share God through music."
-- Christian Marin; photos supplied

Fostering Love at Mile High Academy » "Palmer I got you! We can use my money for supplies for foster kids!" enthused the students in Russell Palmer's "Fostering Love" Real World Learning class.

Palmer's class is working to help foster kids all over the Denver metro area. Last week, he had planned to go to Dollar Tree to get supplies for care packages for foster kids, but they hadn't raised any money yet. It was when he announced this to the class, that the kids jumped out of their seats and opened their wallets and started handing him their own money.

"What an amazing picture of truly cheerful givers," Palmer said. I know God smiles at their hearts. So off we went to Dollar Tree to purchase toiletries, school supplies, and toys for foster kids in Colorado. We got our first box packed full of stuff and sent the box off to "Hope and Home"
-- Agape Hammond; text and photo



Upcoming Events

**Town Hall Meeting --
Campion Church**
April 13

**Town Hall Meeting --
Colorado Spr Central
Church**
April 14

GVR Board
April 16

**MAUC Presidents Council
Board**
April 17-18

**Property & Trust
Committee**
April 17

**NAD Human Resource and
Secretariat Conference**
April 21-23

**Native American Camp
Meeting**
April 27-28

**RMC Women's Retreat --
GVR**
April 26-28

INTEL Class
May 3 - 4

**Union College Graduation
Weekend**
May 4 - 5

Staff Meeting
May 7

**Hispanic Music Festival --
FEJA**

Wyoming Women Retreat to Cozy Mountain Lodge

» Laughter and great



conversation filled the room as nearly 40 women and teens gathered for “Cozy Mountain Lodge,” our *Rocky Mountain Adventist Women* Wyoming Retreat in Buffalo last weekend.



Throughout the retreat, women focused on the book of Ruth through Scripture, song, and activities designed to remind us that Jesus knows our needs, cares for us, and redeems us.

Women from Wyoming, Colorado, and even North Dakota learned together, prayed together, and experienced times of quiet reflection in the word of God during the sessions led by our *Rocky Mountain Adventist Women* leadership team. Two sisters celebrated their birthdays at the retreat, and told us that they “enjoyed every minute of it!” After our session about how God cares for women in need, shown by the way Boaz cared for Ruth, every woman made a bean and barley soup mix to share with a woman in need along with a note of encouragement.

Many women told us they loved making new friends and the hands-on activities. One woman remarked, “I loved how much I could feel the Holy Spirit when we prayed.”

There’s still time to register for “Anchored in Christ” the Glacier View retreat for women held April 26-28! Register

May 18

Mile High Academy Graduation

May 25, 8:30 p.m.

Campion Academy Graduation

May 26, 10 a.m.

INTEL Class

May 31 - June 1

Staff Meeting

June 4

NE Camp Meeting

June 7-8

Hispanic Pastors Meeting

June 10

GVR Board

June 18

Property & Trust Committee

June 19

Staff Meeting

July 2

Cowboy Camp Meeting

July 10-14



Story Guidelines: We want to share your news! » News Nuggets is your publication. We strive to provide news and information

today at www.rmcsda.org/women.

-- DeAnn Bragaw; text and photo

Witnessing Pays Off » When Magdalena Rivera of the Gypsum church was in Grand Junction one recent Sabbath, she and her husband delivered a missionary book to the owner of a local store, who very gratefully accepted the book and asked Magdalena if she had Bible studies she could share with her class at St. Joseph Catholic Church.



Magdalena mentioned this story to Ruben Balaguer, RMC pastor on the Western Slope, who called the store owner, Rosa Cisneros and delivered Bible studies for her to share with her group. Cisneros received the studies with enthusiasm and invited Balaguer to visit her group on Thursday evenings at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Balaguer was also able to visit and pray with Cisneros and her husband, who had recently had surgery. Asked by Cisneros what he does for a living, Balaguer told her he is a Seventh-day Adventist pastor and she expressed interest in visiting his church with her husband.

"I've never had [such an] extremely interesting experience," said Balaguer. "I am sure that God has a plan and will show me as time goes by. Meanwhile I am there every Thursday with that group, [who are] eager to know more about the Bible. I try very tactfully to share what I know, avoiding entering into any kind of controversy until the Lord shows me what to say about doctrinal issues," Balaguer explained.

-- Ruben Balaguer

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Campion Church	Sabbath, April 13
Colorado Springs Central Church	Sunday, April 14

Town Hall meetings begin at 6 p.m.

CAMP MEETINGS

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@rmcsda.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 by noon.

Native American -- La Vida Mission, April 26-28, Speaker: Ed Barnett

NE Colorado -- June 7-8, Speaker: Dan Jackson

Cowboy -- Location: Uncompaghre National Forest near Silver Jack Reservoir, July 10-14, Speakers: Ron Price/Ed Barnett

Wyoming -- Casper, July 16-20; Speakers: Ron Halvorsen Jr. (adults); Joe Martin (youth).

Western Slope -- Montrose -- July 31-August 4, Speaker: Pastor Rodney Palmer, undergrad teacher at Andrews University

Hispanic Camp Meeting--Glacier View Ranch --August 30-September 2.

HELP NEEDED

The Texas Conference was recently called by a non-profit agency requesting help in providing clothing for the influx of immigrants coming from Central America. The following items can be ordered from Amazon or Walmart who will deliver directly to the Gonzaleses at the Texas ACS Depot: new tops, pants, shorts, underwear, and socks for boys and girls, Sizes 0-16.

If using UPS or Federal Express:

Community Services Depot
Attention: Marshall or Julie Gonzales
702 N Old Betsy Road
Keene TX 76059

If sending by USPS:

PO Box 35
Keene TX 76059

ANNOUNCEMENT

Academy Days at Champion Academy » Are you or someone you know interested in potentially attending Champion Academy? Academy Days is designed to give prospective 7th-11th grade students the opportunity to visit classes, stay a night in the dorm, eat cafeteria food, tour the campus, make some new friends and just get a feel for academy life.

This year's Academy Days is scheduled for **April 12-13**. All visiting local students are asked to arrive on Friday, April 12 at 8:00 a.m. Students traveling from a distance are asked to arrive on Thursday, April 11 between 6-8 p.m.

"He knows me by name" is the theme and will feature Virtual Reality station games, an ice cream outing, awesome mixers, games and tons of food. Can't wait to meet you! [Academy Days Registration Page](#)

Central Health Summit » Colorado Springs Central church is holding a health summit, beginning Friday night, **April 12**, from 6-7:30 p.m. It will continue Sabbath morning, **April 13**, at 9:30 a.m. for Sabbath School and lectures will continue after a plant-based fellowship meal following the church service until sundown, when attendees will share a light evening meal. Come Sunday morning, **April 14**, at 8:30 a.m., for Walk With a Doc! Guest speakers include Dr. Lyndi Schwartz, director of the internal residency program at Kettering Medical Center; Dr. Brian Schwartz director of the heart and vascular service at Kettering and current president of the Adventist Medical Evangelistic Network (AMEN); Dr. George Guthrie; immediate past president of the American College of Lifestyle Medicine; Rick Mautz Rocky Mountain Conference director of health ministries; and Dr. Larry Cohen, emergency medicine specialist and diplomat of the American Board of Lifestyle Medicine.

Lighthouse School » You are invited to attend the grand celebration of a half-decade of educational excellence at Lighthouse Christian School. "Forever friends In loVe with JEsus" or FIVE, will begin at 6:30 p.m. on **April 18** at 700 West Meeker in Fort Morgan, Colorado. This fine arts spring program will include hand-chimes, choir, three comedy skits, and a video yearbook presentation. The evening will conclude with classroom displays of students' projects, as well as K-8 registration for the 2019-2020 school year. The Master Teacher has a mighty plan for His school in Northeast Colorado. Come, rejoice with us!

Denver South Easter Services » Special Easter Services will take place at the Denver South Seventh-day Adventist Church on **April 19 and 20** with a dramatic reenactment of the closing scenes of Jesus' life. Join us Friday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. for a program entitled, "Through His Eyes." On Sabbath, April 20, the church service will portray a dramatic presentation of the last week of Christ's life entitled, "The Journey to the Cross." Be blessed with inspiring music as well as a reenactment of Jesus' triumphal entry with a real donkey! We encourage all to invite friends and family to experience the cross and the resurrection in a powerful way!

Journey to the Cross and Beyond Weekend

» The Adventist Chorale of Northern Colorado, directed by George Swanson, will present a cantata, "The Shadow of the Cross" by Lloyd Larson at 7 p.m. Friday, **April 19** in the Campion Church Sanctuary..

On Sabbath, April 20, you can visit the old Jerusalem market place as it might have been the Passover weekend when Jesus was arrested. Tours begin at 1 p.m. (the last tour begins at 6 p.m.) on Sabbath, **April 20**. Interact with priests, Pilate, merchants, tax collectors, Roman soldiers, beggars and more just before the witnessing the drama featuring the crucifixion and resurrection. Then visit the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and a display of Roman artifacts.

Both programs are handicap accessible and free, but guests are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item for the House of Neighborly Service. Bring your family and friends to witness this awesome event.

Mile High Academy » Join Mile High Academy at their Annual Alumni Golf Tournament Friday, **April 19** at The Ridge at Castle Pines North. Registration is at 8 a.m. Shotgun start is at 9 a.m., weather permitting. \$175/golfer; \$700/foursome. You can find sponsorship opportunities by visiting the website: www.milehighacademy.org/golftournament/ or by emailing Jocelyn at jaalborg@milehighacademy.org. All proceeds benefit MHA's Annual Fund.

Revive Us Again Prayer Conference » Please join us **April 19-21** for the *Revive Us Again Prayer Conference* featuring Pavel Goia, author of *One Miracle After Another*, editor of Ministry magazine, associate Ministerial Secretary of NAD, and great advocate of prayer. You can find more information and registration availability at www.rmcsda.org/prayer or by contacting deeannb@rmcsda.org.

The Beach is Calling! » Calling all Teen Girls (and your moms!). Did you know Women's retreat is for YOU, too? This year, our RMC youth department is helping to sponsor a track for teen girls ages 13-17! Talk to your mom, aunt, grandma or trusted church friend, and c'mon up to "Anchored in Christ" at GVR **April 26-28**. Special rates for teens and scholarships are available! www.rmcsda.org/women.

National Day of Prayer » National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 2. Find inspiring ideas for your church by going to www.nationaldayofprayer.org and getting involved. This year's theme: "Love One Another."

Voice of Prophecy » Join the VOP for the believe conference, held **May 5-8** at the North American Division headquarters. Free for NAD administrators, pastors, and lay leaders, the conference will feature Pastor Shawn Boonstra and other guest speakers. Discover the latest tools and

practices for growing your church. Learn more at vop.org.

Golden Church » Bible and health evangelism training by Dwayne Lemon and his wife, Alexandra of Preaching, Teaching, Healing Ministries will take place at the Golden Church **May 6-19**, Monday through Thursday from 6-9 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The training includes a cooking class on May 19.

Learn how to effectively proclaim the Three Angel's Messages, how to study the Bible, how to give Bible studies and more.

The natural healing sciences address the physical as well as emotional and spiritual needs of humanity.

For more information regarding cost options and what each includes, contact jdburr66@msn.com or tenlovely78@gmail.com or DeEtta Burr at 303-526-9112, leaving a message with your number.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

La Vida Mission Openings » La Vida Mission has staff needs for next school year. Do you want to be a missionary for Jesus? Are you a retired teacher and wanting to use your talents for the Lord? La Vida Mission, right here in your own backyard in New Mexico on the Navajo Nation will have the following openings: teacher for grades 5-8, a married couple for girls' dorm parents, student missionary, student teacher, etc. Please send an email to steve@lavidamission.org if you are interested or know someone who is.

Voice of Prophecy Opening » The VOP has three open positions: Public Relations Director, Development Director and Discovery Mountain Department Associate Director/Producer. You can find full job descriptions and a link to apply here:

<https://www.adventistmediaministries.com/available-positions/>

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FROM THE EDITOR

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.**

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.

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--Editor

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