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Joint Local Church Cooperation Brings Success to

Easter Event at Campion » If you were one of the visitors joining a Journey to the Cross and Beyond, an Easter commemoration at Campion Adventist Academy, you were likely stopped by Rodney Kelly, a horse centurion sporting an impressive Roman soldier's garb and sitting atop Smokey, his handsome horse. "Have you paid your taxes?" he asked. Depending on your response, you were directed to do your duty. "Taxes are due on April 15," I replied. "These are Roman taxes," he sternly instructed.



After responding that I already paid my tithe, he commanded me to "Carry on" to Jerusalem.

Rodney was one of 65 re-enactors of a first-century interactive makeshift marketplace erected at **Campion Academy**, April 4-5, and "bringing Jerusalem to Loveland," in the words of Dick Stenbakken, a Roman re-enactor and member of the **Campion Seventh-day Adventist Church**. Stenbakken came up with the idea to make the momentous and dramatic events of the first-century a shared-with-the-community event and it attracted nearly 900 visitors.

"I am elated," he plainly commented after it was all done on Easter Sunday evening. "We had no idea what to expect. We planned for the first group to go through our marketplace at 3 o'clock on Sabbath afternoon and were overwhelmed by a crowd of 160 people who turned up. It was beyond our expectation," he said. [more]

New Executive Director of RMC Adventist Community

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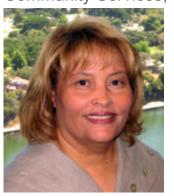
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Town Hall -Denver/LifeSource **Services Appointed** » Deborrah (Debbie) Jackson has joined the team at ACS Community LIFT, the Denver-area Community Services, as Executive Director.Debbie comes to



ACS/LIFT from Kaiser Permanente where she was Senior Director for Regional Diversity Operations, National Diversity and Inclusion.

"We are poised for big advancements in ACS this year," **Debbie Jackson** said as she introduced herself to the leadership

and a group of senior pastors at the Rocky Mountain Conference meeting on April 6.

"ACS/LIFT is an organization committed to strengthening the community and helping people reach their full potential," says Debbie. "The work performed there is done out of love and compassion. Modeling Jesus and preaching the gospel through action is the foundational focus. Helping people get on their feet and become self-sufficient is a successful model for helping the underserved."

Debbie is known for her passion to help others and has put that passion into service throughout her 37 years working for a non-profit organization as well as in her own personal ministry.

A Registered nurse as well as holding a Master's Degree in Public Health has allowed her to serve in areas of volunteer health activities and youth community outreach. Her spiritual leadership is already evident at ACS, along with her vision of mentoring and collaborating to bring about positive change not just to ACS/LIFT, but to the customers served. [more]

VOP Makes Loveland Home with Ribbon-Cutting

Ceremony » It was all smiles for the **Voice of Prophecy** radio ministry team on Thursday, April 9. After seven months since their move from Simi Valley, CA, they celebrated their official opening to the public of their new offices in downtown Loveland, CO with a



ribbon-cutting
ceremony. "The
whole world will
hear about God's
love from a city
called Loveland,"
Boonstra said at the
official opening.
Awaiting the end of
sharing their

"building under construction" offices with a need to continue their operation with minimum interruptions, 32 member-staff have opened their doors to the public.

The new office, which VOP is leasing, is located at 255 E. Sixth St., on the south end of the Chase Bank building. **Shawn Boonstra**, speaker and director of VOP talks of "being home" in the Loveland community. "There is no better place than this community," said Boonstra. "We brought this ministry back home."

The ministry claims its place in Loveland as its founder, H.M.S Richards, was a Loveland resident and 1914 graduate of Campion Academy. An elementary school carries his name.

Richards started his evangelistic ministry in 1929 in Los Angeles, broadcasting the "Tabernacle of the Air" program and creating a history of Christian broadcasting in the United States. Today, VOP is regarded as a forerunner of international broadcasting for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. [more]

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First Leadership Onboarding Program Inaugurated »

A new leadership onboarding program for new senior pastors and principals was launched on April 6 at the Rocky Mountain Conference headquarters. An inaugural event brought five pastors from Colorado and Wyoming, and the newly appointed ACS executive director to thirteen presentations and discussion by the conference leadership and departments.



"This is a new initiative aiming to provide information about conference resources available to our local leaders," explained **Danielle Toddy, Director of Human Resources**. The visiting local church leaders were welcomed by the three conference officers -- **Ed Barnett**, president, **Eric Nelson**, VP for administration and **George Crumley**, VP for finance – who kicked-off the program by presenting the RMC mission statement.

Throughout the afternoon each department showcased how their various services and processes support the local church. "We also talked about various ministry and administrative issues which occupy our daily work, and shared expectations and requirements that are natural for the ministry of the church," said Danielle Toddy.

Zambia Project is On Target » Recently returned from Zambia, Africa, where he inspected progress on the church being sponsored and built by the Rocky Mountain Conference, Jim Lynch feels encouraged. It appears that

everything is on schedule and the mission team will be able to paint the church and take part in the dedication of this house of God during the



summer of 2016. Pictured from left to right: Pastor Emmanuel Mwewa, Luapula Zambia Field Education Director, David (last name not given), Steven Bwalya, Permanent Secretary for Luapula Province, Dr. Pardon Mwansa, General Vice President for the General Conference, Jim Lynch, Campion Academy staff member.

In Denver Churches This Weekend » A special Day of Prayer is being organized at Denver South on April 11 and is being planned jointly by the Denver South Women's Ministries and Denver South Prayer Ministries Teams. Ardis Stenbakken, a former Women's Ministry Director of the General Conference, and a visiting speaker at two morning services sparks interest with the title of her message, A Woman, Dogs and Faith.

Evangelist **Ty Gibson**, director-speaker of Lightbearers and ARISE, will speak at **Denver West Church** at 7 p.m. Friday and at 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Sabbath. His presentations are a part of the Fire Rekindled series.

Childrens Ministry Event Venue Change » Please note that the Children's Ministry event originally scheduled to take place

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Teen Girls Retreat (GVR) April 10-12 at Denver South Church will now take place at **Mile High Academy** (711 E. Yale Avenue, Denver CO 80210), just 150 feet west of the original venue. The date of May 8, 9 remains the same.

Worth Watching » Three TV programs by Dick Stenbakken are scheduled to run on HopeTV May 3 -- "In Flanders Fields" at 8 pm MT and "Faith of a Centurion" at 8:30 pm MT; May 25 -- "Chaplains of the Dorchester" at 6:00 pm MT and 11:00 pm MT, and "In Flanders Fields" at 6:30 pm MT and 11:30 pm MT. The Dorchester story won a Silver Award in 2014 at the Houston International FilmFest. "In Flanders Fields" is entered for the Houston competition at the end of April. Stenbakken, a church member at Campion Church, was director of Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries at the Adventist world headquarters.

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