News and updates from the president of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

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The Wakefields welcome a new son »
Rigs Ewing Wakefield, born on Aug. 17, is the newest member of the Wakefield family! Congratulations to Angie, Matt and the rest of the family! Matt is an associate pastor at Denver South Church and leader of Living Stone Fellowship, a branch Sabbath school in Greenwood Village, Colo.

The Healing Place holds Open House »
The Healing Place Open House last Sabbath afternoon was a real success! Between 75 and 100 people came to tour the new facility, hear inspirational stories from those who have been blessed by the ministry, enjoy wonderful food, and learn the ministry’s plans to reach out to the working professionals who live and work downtown and to the Auraria college students. As a result, many...

Upcoming Events
RMC Camp Meeting
Hispanic Camp Meeting
Aug. 31 – Sept. 3
Glacier View Ranch
8748 Overland Road
Ward, Colorado
Contact: Pastor Ruben Rivera
Rivera.ruben710@comcast.net
303.910.1614

RMC Special Events
RMC Women’s Retreat
Sept. 7 – 9
Glacier View Ranch
8748 Overland Road
Ward, Colorado
Contact: Ginger Bell
rexngingerbell@sbcglobal.net
Event Brochure Link
303.593.2899
people signed up to help volunteer and donate to this outreach.

Let’s continue to pray for **Karen Lewis** and those working with her who will make this ministry all it can be for Jesus.

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**One-day seminar to be offered at the Woodland Park Church**

The Woodland Park Church will host a one-day seminar titled, “God’s Last Call,” on Sabbath, Sept. 8, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Questions like, “If God is good, why is the world such a mess?”; “Can the Bible be trusted?”; “Is it the time of the end?” and many others will be studied from Scripture to help participants find real answers.

The seminar will take place at 1000 N. Hwy 67, Woodland Park, Colo., and a lunch and light supper will be served for those who attend. If you have questions, you may contact **Siso Almeyda**, head elder, by phone at 719.687.7272 or by email at siempre-nosotros@msn.com.

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**RMC schools begin**

From Worland, Wyo., to Farmington, N. Mexico, and Grand Junction, Colo., to Denver, Colo., our schools are off to a great start. We simply have the best teachers and principals anywhere! Let’s keep them in our prayers as the 2012–2013 school year is just getting started.

Consider these words from the book, *Education*:

“True education means more than the pursuit of a certain course of study. It means more than a preparation for the life that now is. It has to do with the whole being, and with the whole period of existence possible to man. It is the harmonious development of the physical, the mental, and the spiritual powers. It prepares the student for the joy of service in this world and for the higher joy of wider service in the world to come.” —p. 13.

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**Discussion and actions on women’s ordination**

**continue**

On Sunday, Aug.19, in a specially-called Constituency Session, the **Pacific Union Conference** voted overwhelmingly (79 percent) to ordain pastors without regard to gender. You can get all of the details of the Session and the **General Conference’s** response [here](#).

The Pacific Union Conference constituents also voted on a motion to change their constitution to read “in general” the Union will follow the General Conference policies. The motion failed when the two-thirds majority approval was not reached, failing by approximately one percent.

Currently, **Tom Lemon**, Mid-America Union president, is forming a committee to study the theology of women’s ordination and the Church’s governance issues related to any action that might be taken in our territory. The study committee will share their conclusions and bring recommendations on how to proceed to the Union Executive Committee in November.
The Aztec Church, in N. Mexico, was a warm, gracious place to worship last Sabbath. This Sabbath, my wife, Diane, and I look forward to being with the Littleton Church in Colo.

I found this quote by Ellen White in the book, My Life Today, and thought you might be encouraged by it.

“Patience pours the balm of peace and love into the experiences of the home life. ... Patience will seek for unity in the church, in the family, and in the community. This grace must be woven into our lives.” —p. 97

I believe patience serves us well in nearly every arena of life.

Blessings,

Gary Thurber, president
Rocky Mountain Conference