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

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The Littleton Church provides Christmas party for needy families » Members of the Littleton Church in Colorado provided a Christmas party, Sunday, Dec. 16, with food, games and prizes, for 150 children and adults of low-income families associated with the North Littleton Promise, a non-profit ministry in Littleton. Maureen Shannon, director of NLP, was extremely grateful for the Littleton Church and their 30 volunteers, and commented, "This was the best Christmas party these kids have ever had."



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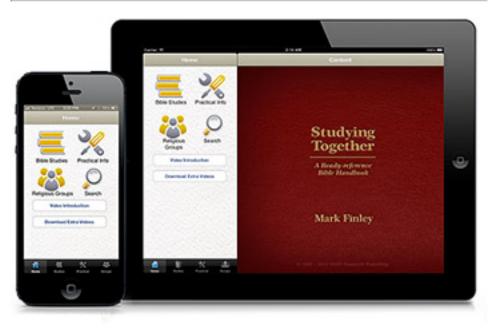
Upcoming Events

RMC Youth Prayer
Conference (Grades 9-12)
Jan. 11–13, 2013
Glacier View Ranch
Ward, Colo.
Contact: Jessica Beans
303.282.3664

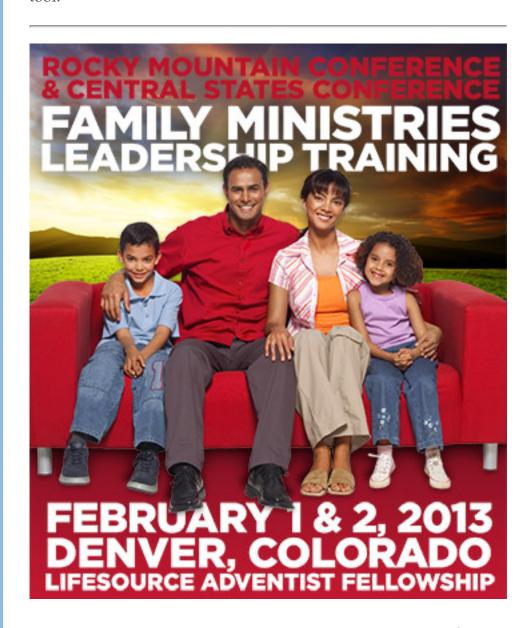
RMC Family Ministries Leadership Training

Feb. 1–2, 2013
LifeSource Adventist
Fellowship
Denver, Colo.
Contact: Mark Bond
720.432.1844

The Hopkins family welcomes a new baby girl » Michael, Alicia and Levi Hopkins have a new baby girl, Everly Beth Hopkins, born Dec. 13. Michael is our camp manager at Mills Springs Ranch in Wyoming. Congratulations as you enjoy and welcome the newest member of your family!



New app is a great tool for witnessing » There is a new app that just came out this week, which I believe you all will find very useful. The app, based on the classic book, *Studying Together*, by **Mark Finley**, gives you 50 Bible study lessons and resources right at your fingertips, including 38 video clips about our church's various beliefs. <u>Click here</u> to learn more about this new ministry tool.



Family Ministries Training coming to the RMC » The

North American Division has developed a certification program for local lay family ministries leaders. The free training session will be held on **Friday evening**, **Feb. 1**, **and Sabbath Feb. 2**, at the **LifeSource Adventist Fellowship** in Denver. If you have a passion for building stronger marriages and stronger families, consider being the family ministries coordinator for you local church. Talk to your pastor about starting a family ministries team for your church. It's a great way to create learning and outreach opportunities that will bless your local church and community. For more information, call 720.432.1844 or email <u>Mark Bond</u>.



La Vida Mission needs our help » Did you know that La Vida Mission, south of Farmington, N.M., has tripled the number of students this year? Praise the Lord for this very special ministry to the Navajo, which has been going on for more than 50 years! Because of the staffing needs and several major maintenance items La Vida Mission has been hit with, they are in great need of funds. Please <u>click here</u> to read a letter from **Lynne Scherencel**, La Vida Mission principal.

The Campion Church hosts Dave Ramsey seminar » The Campion Church in Campion, Colo., hosted a very successful "Financial Peace University"

seminar, by Dave Ramsey,



for their community. <u>Click here</u> to read an article sent to us about the wonderful response and success of this outreach. In the article, also are listed monthly dates for follow-up learning sessions, which everyone is invited to attend.



Porter Adventist Hospital celebrates milestone of Christian service to our community » Did you know that Porter Adventist Hospital is celebrating its 80th year of "Extending the Healing Hand of Christ" to the Denver community? Let's thank the Lord and pray for Porter and all of our hospitals, and for their healing ministry to our communities. Above is a picture of the ground breaking for Porter hospital.

On the road » Last week's visit to the Aspen Park Church in Colorado was a real blessing to me. I found the members there so gracious and desirous to serve the Lord in their community.



Diane said the Christmas musical program, under the direction of **Becky Carlisle**, was wonderful at the **Boulder Church** in Colorado. The choir from the Presbyterian Church, where Becky also directs, sang with the Boulder Church choir on Sabbath, and then the Boulder Church choir joined with the Presbyterian Church for services on Sunday to perform the same cantata.

This Sabbath, I will fill in for **Pastor Chris Evenson** at the **Franktown Church** in Colorado. The reason for this is because Pastor Chris and his wife, **Lisa Evenson**, have been spending a lot of time at St. Anthony Hospital in Denver where Lisa's father, **Dr. Roy Nelson** of the **Twin Peaks Church** in Colorado, is being cared for. He suffered a stroke this week and has been through several surgeries since. The family is still waiting to learn what the side effects he may have suffered as a result of the stroke. Let's keep Roy and his whole family in our prayers during the very tender time.

This will be the last *Nuggets* in 2012. Next week, we will be enjoying time with our family during this Christmas season. I pray this Sabbath will be filled with many treasures as we commemorate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Blessings,

Elder Gary Thurber

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