



# NEWS NUGGETS

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**NewsNuggets is taking a break on January 4.  
Your next issue will arrive January 11.**


## **Campion Student Helps Adventist Woman Reconnect with Church »**

As soon as he closed the door, Campion Academy student Kean Jagitsch was immediately impressed that he needed to pray for the woman he had just met. He turned to the literature evangelism director, Matt Hasty and said, "I don't know why, but when I showed that woman the books, she got tears in her eyes, and I think we need to pray for her."

Hasty agreed and they decided to return to the house to ask the woman if she had any specific needs they could pray for. "As we talked to the woman, she told us that she was a Seventh-day Adventist and was happy to see us out there," recounted Hasty. "After she shared some general things we could pray for, I asked if I could give her a hug, and when I did, she just broke down in tears. Then she told us that although she said she was an Adventist, she hadn't been to church for six years, and just moments before Kean knocked on the door, she had been praying that God would send someone to help her," he explained.

The literature evangelism team was not only able to share

"Our hope is not in the new year, but in the One who makes all things new."  
-- Anonymous

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**New Year's Eve**

some books, but was also able to help that woman reconnect to her church family in a time of great spiritual need. And Jagitsch, as a ninth-grader, will never forget that God used him to help another.

Under the direction of Matt Hasty, the Rocky Mountain Conference Literature Ministry program has continued to touch hearts door-to-door. Working with 11 Campion Academy students and a new assistant, Victor Lopez, Hasty and his team have been promoting Seventh-day Adventist literature in neighborhoods in Loveland, Fort Collins and Berthoud.

One of Hasty's desires for the program is that God would increase the number of Bible study interests they receive and that he would train the students to conduct those Bible studies. "I'm passionate about literature ministry because going door-to-door is one of the best discipleship opportunities these kids have," commented Hasty. "I get to disciple these students to serve Jesus in a hands-on way, training them to talk with people and share with non-believers."

-- Jill Harlow

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### **Colorado Springs South Church Children Reach Out to Children of Paradise »**

Steve Hamilton, former Youth Director for the Rocky Mountain Conference, had scarcely moved to Paradise, California to fill the position of senior pastor for the Paradise Church when a severe forest fire burned his home and church to the ground.



When the youngest Sabbath School children of Colorado Springs South Church heard of this tragedy on our sister church, they wanted to do something special for the children of the Paradise Church who had lost their homes. For three Sabbaths, they collected money from church members as well as other friends and family to aid the Paradise children.

After arrangements with Pastor Hamilton, Elijah Lujan, 11 years old, called Pastor Steve on his phone on Sabbath morning, December 22, at precisely 11:30 (10:30 Steve's

*Office Closed at Noon*

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#### **Pastors Meetings**

*January 6 - 9*

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#### **NAD Adventist Ministries Convention**

*January 13 - 16,  
Albuquerque, NM*

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#### **Teen Prayer Conference at GVR**

*January 18 - 20*

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#### **NAD Adventist Health Ministries Convention**

*January 20 - 26,  
Albuquerque, NM*

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#### **Wyoming Taskforce Meeting**

*February 10*

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#### **RMC Staff Meeting**

*February 12*

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#### **President's Day -- Office Closed**

*January 18*

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#### **GVR Board**

*February 19*

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#### **RMC Property and Trust**

*February 20*

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#### **Executive Committee**

*February 26*

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#### **Staff Meeting**

*March 5*

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#### **NAD Treasurers Council**

*March 27 - 28*

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#### **Town Hall Meeting -- Casper Church**

*March 30*

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#### **Town Hall Meeting -- Denver South Church**

*March 31*

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time), after the children's offering had been collected. Elijah expressed his sympathy for the Paradise families, especially the children, and informed Steve of the funds they had collected which are to be used to do something nice for the children. Then Logan Eata, age 14, took the phone and prayed for Hamilton family and the children of his church.

The funds collected by Colorado Springs South children amounted to:

\$ 662.32 - for the Paradise Church children.

\$ 275.00 - for the Northern California Conference.

\$ 150.00 - for the Southern California Conference.

-- Jack Bohannon; photos supplied

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## **Montrose Church Enters the Spirit of Christmas**

» Montrose Church members gathered the week before Christmas to carol for nursing home residents, build gingerbread houses and hold a party for an area family in need.

Following a long-honored tradition, Montrose members visited area nursing homes and sang carols for the residents who look forward to their yearly visits. Carolers came out in force to share hymns and old favorites with their grateful audiences.



During the same week, church attendees gathered to make gingerbread houses. Their fellowship and laughter was made sweeter by the sharing of gingerbread house-making skills.

When church members Judy Kelley and Jerilyn Pester met a man that makes bunk beds for children that have been forced to sleep on the floor, they learned from him about a family who moved to the area to escape a very abusive husband and father. With almost nothing in the way of household items, the family was in need, so the church ladies put a plan together for a Christmas party together so that church members could give them presents and provide other needed help.

The week before Christmas was not only busy, but blessed for members of the Montrose Church. The adage, "it is better



## **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@rmcsda.org](mailto: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.**

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to give than to receive" was personally experienced and they were thankful to be able to share with the community.

-- Zane Berry; photo by Linda Steinert

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**Adventist Church Releases Combatting Pornography Epidemic Workshop »** The subject of pornography is too often brushed aside, avoided or not even talked about. The Seventh-day Adventist Church has stepped in to combat the porn scourge. The Family Ministries and Children's Ministries Departments of the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists has produced a workshop to tackle the topic head on and it's all online.



The filming of interviews was done in the Hensel Phelps auditorium in downtown Greeley. Erik Stenbakken, filmmaker and photographer, and member of The Adventure church, coordinated the workshop's production. All except one of the actors were from local, Colorado Seventh-day Adventist churches. There are headline presentations by A-list experts, including sexologist, Dr. Celeste Holbrook, Faith For Today director/speaker, Mike Tucker, church pastor Bernie Anderson, coach Troy Beans, and others.

Pornography is a difficult subject, especially in the Christian church. Our discomfort with it has not made it go away, however. Here's a snapshot of porn among Christians: 77 percent of men 18-30 years old view porn at least monthly; porn increases infidelity by more than 300 percent; the average age of exposure in the United States is 11 and falling; 30 percent of pastors visited a porn site in the last 30 days. Women are the fastest growing demographic for porn use.

"This is not a program for addicts," say Erik Stenbakken. "The statistics show that it would be a fairly safe estimate that 1/2 of all members in the Rocky Mountain Conference use pornography once a month or more. But nobody wants to talk about it. That's the real tragedy. It's causing terrible harm not only the people who use it, but to those around them and society at large."

Porn isn't bad because it's "bad" or "dirty." It's bad because it undermines our ability to love the way God made us to love. It's a hollow counterfeit for real love. It harms our own mental

well-being, poses a threat within society, and cripples our church members. Contrary to popular belief, porn damages sexuality -- even within marriage.

Watch the testimonials at [www.newfreedomtolove.org](http://www.newfreedomtolove.org), to discover how real the issue is. They are real stories by real church members telling about their real battles. They are candid and open like you may have never heard before.

What can you do about the tidal wave of porn sweeping society and the church? You can host a New Freedom to Love workshop. The whole program is available now, for free, online. Long in to [www.newfreedomtolove.org](http://www.newfreedomtolove.org) where you will find all the workshop pieces needed to dive in yourself, or lead a small group.

There are commercials you can download and share on social media to promote your event and drive discussion. There are PDF discussion questions you can use. Bulletin inserts, promotional posters, and even an FAQ video will help get you started.

You don't have to be a content expert. The videos provide that. You don't have to have anything more than an Internet connection and the desire to help yourself or others. You may even know someone who needs to see this.

--RMCNews with Erik Stenbakken

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## RMC PERSONNEL

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**Nathaniel Gamble** will be the new pastor for the Fort Lupton and Aspen Park churches and will temporarily assist the Littleton Church for six months. These changes go into effect January 1, 2019.

Nathaniel completed Seminary in 2013 and is currently working towards his Doctorate at Calvin Theological Seminary.

A native of Colorado, he has written a handful of publications for various professional journals.

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## TOWN HALL MEETINGS

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Casper Church	Sabbath, March 30
Denver South Church	Sunday, March 31 (new)
Grand Junction Church	Sabbath, April 6
Pinon Hills Church	Sunday, April 7
Campion Church	Sabbath, April 13 (new)
Colorado Springs Central Church	Sunday, April 14

**All Town Hall meetings begin at 6 p.m.**

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## CAMP MEETINGS

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**Native American** -- La Vida Mission, April 26-28

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

**Cowboy** -- Location TBA, July 10-14, Speaker: Ed Barnett

**Wyoming** -- Casper, July 16-20

**Western Slope** -- Montrose -- July 31-August 4, Speaker:  
Artur Stele of the Biblical Research Institute

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Dwight Nelson at Campion** » "Come Alive" is the title of the seminar to be held at 6:30 p.m. on January 30 and 31 with Dr. Dwight Nelson. If you've lost hope or feel lifeless, this seminar will teach you how Jesus can help you come alive. The church is located at 300 42nd Street SW, Loveland. Free refreshments and childcare.

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**10 Days of Prayer** » Have you made plans for your church for the 10 days of prayer January 9-19? It's not too late! Easy-to-follow guides are available at [www.tendaysofprayer.org](http://www.tendaysofprayer.org). In addition, we will host a nightly RMC conference call during the 10 days of prayer from 8-9 p.m.. We'll follow the same format you can download, and several people will lead! You are warmly invited to join -- but we'd still be happy if you *can't* join in because you're praying with your local church! Questions? Contact DeeAnn at 303-243-1172.

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**Day of Prayer and Fasting** » First quarter 2019, the Day of Prayer and Fasting is happening on January 5. Start the new year out with a special Sabbath of prayer and fasting! Find the guide here: [www.revivalandreformation.org/resources/all/prayer-and-fasting-days](http://www.revivalandreformation.org/resources/all/prayer-and-fasting-days). This quarter's theme is World-Changing Prayer Warriors.

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**First Thursday Prayer Call** » Join us on Thursday, January 3, 2019. We'll pray over our families, churches and conference together. This month's theme: More Holy Spirit in 2019! Dial 605-468-8026 and key in the access code 1010801#

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### **Another Prayer Conference Opportunity** »

In addition to our weekly RMC prayer call that takes place at 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays, you are welcome to join another prayer call at 8:30 a.m. Sundays with Tammy Romero, prayer ministry leader at True Life Community Church. To join, call 669-900-6833 and key in the pin 541451286#. "Feel free to

just listen or to join in praying," invites Romero, "and let's come before the throne."

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**Prison Ministry Convention »** The 27th International Prison Ministry Convention will take place July 24-27 in Buffalo, New York. To register, go to [www.Adventsource.org](http://www.Adventsource.org) and click on "Events" and then "Event Registration.". You can also register by calling AdventSource at 800-732-7587. For more information, email [dmcmanus7@live.com](mailto:dmcmanus7@live.com).

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

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**Mile High Academy »** Immediate openings are available for substitute teachers for all grade levels at Mile High Academy. Applicants should have experience working with children and be able to maintain a positive classroom environment while carrying out the teacher's lesson plans in classrooms as assigned. High school diploma required. Bachelors or some college preferred. Days/hours are on an as-needed basis. For more information, please contact Brenda Rodie at 303-744-1069. For an application, send an email request to [HR@rmcsda.org](mailto:HR@rmcsda.org).

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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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### **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/>



**Share the NewsNuggets with your congregation »** Add a note to your church bulletin or newsletter with the following URL: [www.bit.ly/RMCnews](http://www.bit.ly/RMCnews)

Members can follow the link to sign up for weekly news and to keep up-to-date on what's happening around the Rocky Mountain Conference.

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