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

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Rocky Mountain Conference welcomes new ministry

leaders » We are blessed to be able to introduce you to two new ministry leaders who are coming to our conference.



The Hamilton family: (from left) Katie, 8; Delinda; Ashley, 5; Steve; and Andrew, 2.

Steve Hamilton comes to us from the Central California Conference to be the new **youth director**. Steve has a number of years of experience both as a youth pastor and senior pastor. In addition to his pastoral duties, he also coordinated numerous senior youth programs for the Central California Conference.

Steve has a passion to see our youth fully engaged in our church and its mission.

Friday, December 7, 2012

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Upcoming Events

Denver South Church Festival of Lights

Fri., Dec. 7, 7:00 p.m.

Sat., Dec. 8, 4:00 p.m.

2675 S. Downing St.

Denver, Colo.

Contact: Teresa Zumwalt

303.744.1271 or

303.697.1859

Campion Church

Christmas Concert

Sat., Dec. 8, 10:50 a.m.

300 42nd St SW

Loveland, Colo.

Contact: Melissa Clouzet

540.740.2255

Boulder Church



The Orian family: (from left) daughter, Siena; wife, Sylvia; Ben; and son, Dominic.

Also joining our team is **Ben Orian**, who will be the new pastor for the **Brighton Church**. Ben comes to us from the Paw Paw, Mich., district where he served as senior pastor. Ben is passionate about his Savior and has been a blessing everywhere he has served.

Both of these new ministry leaders and their families will transition to the Rocky Mountain Conference in January.

Houghtons welcome baby Riley »

Just today, the newest member of our conference family was born. **Riley Sue Houghton** was born to **Erin and Jamey Houghton** at Avista Adventist Hospital. Jamey is the Rocky Mountain Conference youth evangelism coordinator. Riley is now the little sister of Callie and Josh Houghton. Welcome to the family, Riley!



RMC INTEL Bible worker program graduates 61 »

INTEL is a curriculum for lay persons offered by the Hispanic Ministries Institute at Andrews University. Professors from the Seminary and other Adventist institutions train Spanish-speaking members internationally to be Bible workers. They taught our members a variety of subjects, such as doctrine, Bible prophecy, hermeneutics and evangelistic training. Each candidate committed to one full weekend a month for nine months for the training, paid to participate in the course, and received a graduation certificate from the Hispanic Ministries Institute upon completion.

All of this was made possible by the leadership of our Hispanic pastors. This year, **Pastor David Rodriguez** is the coordinator of the local INTEL chapter, and **Pastor Frank Wilson** is the treasurer. **Pastor Cesar Pompa** is the secretary, and RMC Hispanic coordinator **Pastor Reuben Rivera** is the advisor. However, it was a team effort by all of the Hispanic pastoral team.

Congratulations to the 61 graduates! May the Lord bless you greatly for your dedication and commitment to His cause!

Christmas Cantata, "Heaven's Child"

Sat., Dec. 15, 11:00 a.m.

345 Mapleton Ave

Boulder, Colo.

Contact: Lori Clague

303.442.1522

RMC Youth Prayer

Conference (Grades 9-12)

Jan. 11-13, 2013

Glacier View Ranch

Ward, Colo.

Contact: Jessica Beans

303.282.3664

Adventist film, 'Hell and Mr. Fudge,' to premier in Denver »

The Healing Place has sponsored two screenings of a new feature film by LLT Productions (the company that created the series, "The Seventh Day," featuring Hal Hollbrook). **"Hell and Mr. Fudge"** is the story of a Baptist minister who changed his mind about eternal hell fire, and faced the fury of his superiors and church members.



The first screening will be **Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Landmark Theater at 5415 Landmark Place, Greenwood Village, Colo. The second screening is **Wednesday, Jan. 16, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Landmark Olde Town Stadium at 5550 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada, Colo.

Tickets are available through Denver-area churches and by visiting [The Healing Place website](#).

Proceeds will benefit The Healing Place. There will be free popcorn and concessions. This is a great witnessing opportunity. Bring a neighbor or friend!

Brighton Church announces new Lifetree Café ministry » Pam

Taylor sent me a note this week with information about a new outreach ministry the **Brighton Church**



started Dec. 1. As she describes it, the **Lifetree Café** "is a comfortable place and time together weekly to explore life and faith, where the atmosphere encourages conversations, questions and personal stories. Lifetree Café meets every Sabbath morning at 9:30 a.m. and organizers hope to expand to add other Lifetree groups during the week. Let's pray for the Lifetree Café ministry.



ACS Community Lift reaches out to families during Thanksgiving »

Did you know that our own **ACS Community Lift** provided more than 300 complete Thanksgiving dinner baskets for their clients. In addition, they served more than 200 homeless individuals and provided much-needed medical care to them as well. Next week, they will have 300 parents come and shop in their **Santa Store** for presents for their little ones. A big "Thank You!" to our leadership team at ACS Community Lift and all who support this ministry.

On the road » Last Sabbath, Diane and I enjoyed getting to meet with the **Living Stone** branch Sabbath school, led by **Pastor Matt Wakefield** who is part of the **Denver South** pastoral team.



Living Stone rents out the Comedy Works showroom for their services on Sabbath morning. **Keith Byers**, a lay leader in this new endeavor, gave the morning message, which brought out the beautiful, spiritual lessons from the Christmas carol, "Oh, Holy Night," in light of the gospel.

Sabbath afternoon we were blessed to experience the well-attended open house at **The Healing Place**, where many testimonies were shared about the work that takes place there for those in need in downtown Denver.



Later that afternoon, we were blessed to experience the **INTEL Graduation Ceremony** mentioned earlier in the *Nuggets*.

Tonight, Diane and I are excited to experience the "**Festival of Lights**" Christmas music program at the **Denver South Church**. If you can't make it tonight, a second program will be offered tomorrow.

Tomorrow, we will worship with both the **Greeley** and **The Adventure** church families. We are excited to spend Sabbath with both congregations.

Wherever you are worshipping our Creator tomorrow, I want to encourage you to pray today that the Lord will provide you many opportunities to bless someone in their walk with the Lord. What a great privilege we have to encourage one another as we journey together to the kingdom.

Blessings,

Elder Gary Thurber
Rocky Mountain Conference president

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