



news nuggets

Friday, February 16, 2018

The Project is Over, but the Message Continues

» “Love like you have been loved” by Jesus, was appeal by Tim Gillespie, lead pastor of Crosswalk Church in Redlands, California, and one of the principals of the One project (TOP). The event ended with a finale of its seven-year run of 32 gatherings celebrating the supremacy of Jesus Christ with more than 900 participants--young and old-- meeting in San Diego, February 11-12. The gatherings held in the United States, Australia and Europe attracted tens of thousands of participants.



According to organizers, 63 participants came from several churches in the Rocky Mountain Conference, among them pastors and members from Boulder, Littleton, Campion, Aspen Park, and Cañon City, and LifeSource.

Among Gillespie's questions was whether Adventists can “look into the future of the church and still be faithful, end-time people”? Following Jesus has consequences, he argued. But for followers of Jesus, this means “being courageous through authenticity.”

“People are not tired of love,” he was emphatic.

Gillespie was among the 16 presenters of the gathering reflecting on the theme “Oh, how I love Jesus.” The presentations affirmed the Adventist ethos and its beliefs, encouraged an on-going conversation on how to make the Seventh-day Adventist Church re-engaged “with the story of

"Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude."


-- A.A. Milne,
Winnie-the-Pooh

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Jesus.”

With each presentation zeroing-in on various aspects of Jesus’ ministry, the last gathering of The One Project pointed to the centrality of Jesus as revealed and recorded in the Scriptures. William Johnsson, former editor of the *Adventist Review* spoke about the “Forgotten Women of Galilee” underscoring Jesus’ attitude toward women, a topic currently under heated debate in the denomination.



There were standing ovations for Johnsson and several other presenters as theological emphasis brought understanding to the depth of the Gospel record.

In a presentation on “Joseph, Father of Jesus,” Laurence Turner, Principal Lecturer Emeritus in Old Testament at Newbold College, England, the emphasis was on what it was to be known as a “righteous man.” It was in his [Joseph's] life stage as a scholar to whom others went for answers that Joseph was challenged with what it meant to have Jesus born into his family. Joseph accepted a righteousness that challenged the norms of his society. He went for the hardship of losing his reputation. Turner asked, “Is it possible for us to protect the reputation of the church and at the same time fail to truly represent the gospel?”

With the One project finale, an obvious question on the mind of the San Diego gathering participants was: “What next?” Testimonies of many expressed publicly what TOP has meant for them, sounded like a chorus: My faith was strengthened; it brought a sense of hope; I reclaimed my Adventist faith.



As one participants said, TOP “conversation moved me from membership to discipleship,” Japhet De Oliveira, senior pastor of the Boulder church and co-founder of the One project said that the gatherings “are not your church. This is not your church,” he said as he pointed at the participants.” He intimated that the ethos of the One project should recognize the local faith community as a place where the church is practiced as a way of life. For Japhet and the TOP team, the church is where we come from and where we live.

Pastor De Oliveira said that the future will mean waiting for

Youth Winter Retreat -- GVR

February 16-18

Executive Committee

February 20; 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

CANCELLED: GVR Board

February 20, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

RMC Property & Trust Committee

February 21; 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Hispanic Youth Rally -- Bloomfield NM

February 24

Kaleo Mission Trip

March 1 - 11

Hispanic Pastors Meeting - Conference Office

March 5

Hispanic INTEL Class

March 9, 10

Hispanic Children's Ministries Certification

March 16, 17

Hispanic Pastors Meeting - Conference Office

March 5

SE Town Hall Meeting -- Colorado Springs

March 17

Pastors Meeting

March 18 - 21

Metro Town Hall Meeting

March 24

Campion Music Festival with Jaime Jorge

March 24

Executive Committee

April 3, 9:30 a.m.

Hispanic INTEL Class

the Lord, and listening where he would lead us. Alex Bryan, senior pastor at Walla Walla Church and co-founder of the One project, sounded a similar theme of going forward with a “re-engagement with the story of Jesus.” This is a “work for all of us.”

This phase of the One project was over, but the message of the gatherings will continue. Locally and everywhere, and “as a community dedicated [to being] centered only on Jesus,” in the words of Paddy McCoy, currently in ministry at Kettering Adventist Church. Looking forward, there are plans to meet with a leadership roundtable hosted at the Boulder Church in the month of October, and “everyone is welcome to join in, Japhet said.



TOP gatherings also provided a creative daily program for children—Top Kids led by Zan Long from Australia, and teens—genOne, led by Jessyka Albert, associate pastor from Boulder. As they sat in the front rows, the teens were brought into the conversation of the gathering. One participant commented, “They are an example of being focused. It’s so good to see them as an active part of this amazing event.”

The closing moments of the San Diego gathering saw the whole congregation participating in anointing one another on the hand. First, the fellow One project leaders thank Japhet De Oliveira for being the inspirational leader of the gatherings by publicly anointing him with a blessing offered by Dany Hernandez, senior pastor of LifeSource Adventist Fellowship in Denver. Then, all participants held small rose-wood trays with oil, taking turns addressing each other by name, and giving a blessing to be courageous, compassionate, gentle, understanding and to be blessed with “power to make Jesus All.”

April 6, 7

Hispanic Women's Ministries Certification

April 13, 14

GVR Board

April 17, 9:30 a.m.

RMC Property & Trust

April 18, 9:30 a.m.



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.

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The Boulder Church Worship singers and musicians, who provided musical inspiration to all gatherings in the United States, led all participants singing “In the fire, in the flood / Through the need / And through enough / We say Jesus, You are Lord of all.” The final gathering of the One project ended. But, the conversation will continue, a promise expressed and hoped for.

-- Text and photos by Rajmund Dabrowski

Campion Students Get a Taste of Chinese New Year »

International students at Campion Academy gave classmates a closer look at their Chinese New Year by showing a video of what the celebration is and how it all began.



A celebration of the defeat of a monster who came into the villages and caused chaos, Chinese New Year is the village people's response to this monster. They learned that the monster didn't like the color red, loud noises, or bright lights, so they used these techniques to scare him away, in the process creating Chinese New Year.

Held in January or February according to their lunar calendar, Campion's international students also shared an assortment of food eaten during the fifteen days of the celebration, with an explanation of why they eat those dishes.

The experience was mind opening for all. Mrs. Torres mentioned, “It was fun beginning to end. There were a lot of surprises!” She expressed her delight in the entire activity,

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.

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explaining that the students prepared all but one of the dishes themselves. The food served was spectacular and many students and staff expressed their delight in eating what had been prepared.

The steamed rice was prepared by Susan, and a potato dish by Rain, along with many other delicious dishes. The food prepared was a big hit. Richard S. mentioned, "I liked the food, it was really good."

The meal was set up in the gym along with an assortment of games for everyone to enjoy, including karaoke, jump rope, Chinese checkers, badminton and Jianzi, game like hacky sack, where the goal is to keep the shuttlecock in the air using your feet.

The evening's finale included fireworks and sparklers which were lit outside after dark. Danielle, a student, mentioned, "The fireworks were really cool!" Like many others, Rachel said, "It was very informational, traditional, and fun getting to know the international students. They're just amazing."

The Chinese New Year celebration was enjoyable and informational. It was great to experience a little bit of their culture and the celebration that takes place in China.

-- Grace P.; photo by Dean Helm

Jaime Jorge to Visit Campion Academy During Music Festival » Violinist Jamie Jorge will be at Campion Academy during the Music Festival March 22-24 to share his music and speak for the church service.



The RMC Music Festival, a gathering of 5-8th grade music students from conference elementary, public and home school students, also includes other schools and students from outside our conference in grades 9-12.

This year's festival ensembles will feature choir, string orchestra, and handbells, and will give students the opportunity to prepare challenging music within a short period of time during intensive music rehearsals. Clinicians will present students with a variety of new musical knowledge, techniques, and strategies to elevate their

performance in their respective musical interest.

Aside from the musical and social aspect of this event, students will also experience spiritual food that can impact them in a positive way towards eternal decisions. The goal is to help students understand how they can use their musical abilities to impact the world for the glory of God.

To learn more about the Music Festival and to register, go [here](#).

Daystar Students Hold Valentine's Day Party for Pueblo Rescue Mission » A day of chocolate, cards, and reminders of love is not a gift the homeless often receive. But this Valentine's Day, students from Daystar Christian School gave the guests of Pueblo's Rescue Mission a Valentine's Day party. They brought decorations, homemade cards, sweet treats, and new socks for the guests. Angelo's Pizza donated some of their famous pizza.



The guests were very touched. One guest cried when she saw a card that said she was loved. "I will keep this card to remind me that someone loves me," she said. Many of the guests were thankful to have students sit down with them and talk and help make their Valentine's Day a little sweeter.

The gift of love went both ways, "Seeing their smiling faces made me smile," said Luke Velbis, 7th grader.

"Today the children from Daystar demonstrated love and kindness for people who are treated so unkind almost everywhere they go," said Jackie Jaramillo, President and CEO of the Pueblo Rescue Mission. "All of the gifts were deeply appreciated by all of our guests. It was such a blessing to witness an event that brought joy and smiles to the faces of our guests. Thank you (Daystar) for this beautiful act of kindness."

-- Text and photo by Michelle Velbis

PRAYER CORNER

18 minutes in 2018

One of our churches is launching a prayer challenge! During

2018, how about increasing your prayer time by 18 minutes (for 2018) a day? Imagine what could happen if all of our members prayed an extra 18 minutes each day? C'mon Rocky Mountain Conference! **Let's PRAY!**

“Prayer unites us with one another and with God. Prayer brings Jesus to our side, and gives to the fainting, perplexed soul new strength to overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil. Prayer turns aside the attacks of Satan.”(Christ's Object Lessons 250)

SAVE THE DATE! Save the dates of September 7, 8, and 9 for our H.O.P.E. (Houses Of Prayer Everywhere) Prayer Summit at Glacier View Ranch. This will be a weekend of inspiration, learning how to pray more effectively and **praying!** Our guest speaker will be James Black, new NAD prayer ministries director. Plan NOW to attend!

DATES TO REMEMBER

CAMP MEETINGS 2018

La Vida Mission	May 11-13--new	La Vida Mission
NE Colorado	June 1-2	Campion Academy
Speaker: Clifford Goldstein		
Cowboy	July 11-15	Silver Jack Reservoir
Wyoming	July 17-21	Mills Spring Ranch
Western Slope	August 1-4	Mountaintop Retreat
Hispanic	Aug 31- Sept 3	Glacier View Ranch

TOWN HALLS 2018

SE Town Hall	March 17	Colorado Springs Central
Metro Town Hall	March 24	Denver South Church
SW Town Hall	April 28	Pinon Hills Church
NE Town Hall	May 19	Campion Church
NW Town Hall	June 9	Grand Junction Church
Hispanic Town Hall	June 16	Denver South Hispanic

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Summer Ministry Opportunity at Glacier View Ranch
Summer Camp »**



College age young adults (18-25) are invited to apply for an opportunity to join our summer staff at Glacier View Ranch from June 3 through July 31. GVR staff commit the summer to fantastic ministry in the heart of the Rocky Mountains as they work with a team of more than 60 young adults to make it easy for kids to know God. Available positions around camp include everything from lifeguarding to rock climbing, counseling, or cooking in the kitchen. A full list of available positions and job descriptions is available online at rmcyouth.org/summerstaff.

Ready to apply? Visit rmcyouth.org/apply



Follow-up meetings for Revelation Speaks Peace will take place at various churches around the Denver-metro area:

Bible marking classes are set to begin February 10 at True Life Community Church (720-312-7962); Chapel Haven Church (303-451-1800); Brighton Church (303-659-1999); and February 14 at Fort Lupton Church (303-887-9197).

Bible study groups will begin on February 8 at Newday Denver Church (pastored@newdaysda.com); February 13 at Chapel Haven Church (303-451-1800); and February 15-18 at Denver South Church (303-744-1271).

Health seminars are available on March 7 at True Life Community Church (720-312-7962); and cooking classes will be scheduled at the Fort Lupton Church depending on demand (303-887-9197).

Other events include "All About Jesus Revival" at True Life Community Church (720-312-7962); "Discover Newday"

on February 16 (720-312-7962); “Fire Rekindled” at the Golden Church (970-485-3613); “Jesus 201” at the Golden Church (970-485-3613); “Grace Link” at the Littleton Church (303-798-5648); adult and youth Bible study at Agape Haitian Church (720-809-9588).

Join a new church that meets at 4 p.m. every Saturday, 2222 N Marion Street, Denver CO 80205.



Franktown Women's Ministries »

The Franktown women's ministries group wants to bless new parents and their babies at Castle Rock and Parker hospitals by presenting them with care packages for their babies. If you want to

contribute, drop off onesies and sleepers for ages 0-3 months, A&D ointment, baby wash and shampoo, newborn diapers and flannel for making blankets at the conference office before the deadline of March 2. For questions, call Franktown women's ministries coordinator, Selma Wolfswinkle at 303-330-2267.

Red Cross PIE Night » On Thursday, February 22nd, at 6:30 pm, we will be having our Red Cross PIE (Parent Involvement in Education) Night at Daystar Christian School for ALL ages. The Red Cross will be presenting a disaster preparedness education program for children and families. The Adventist Community Service (ASC) local chapter and the Pueblo County Lamb Library will also be represented. Please invite family and friends to join us for an evening filled with fun, learning, and of course pie!

For more information: daystarchristianpueblo.com or 719-561-9120

Become Certified in Donations Management » When a disaster happens, will you be ready to assist? Why not become certified in Donations Management? Recognized by FEMA and the State of Colorado Emergency Management, this training will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, February 25 at Rocky Mountain Conference office board room or Sunday, March 4 at the Alamosa Church Fellowship Hall. The cost of \$25 covers the class manual, lunch, and a photo ID.

Instructor Cathy Kissner is the Community Service Director and Disaster Response Coordinator for the Rocky Mountain Conference and is certified by NAD, ACSDR, FEMA and Colorado Division of Emergency Management as a training instructor in Donations Management. To register, email Cathy Kissner at cathyk@rmcsda.org

Fit to a Tea »

True Life Community Church will hold a women's ministry tea, "Fit to a Tea" from 1-4 p.m., Saturday, March 10 at their facility, 6054 S Kipling Parkway, Littleton 80127.

Come enjoy tea and a light lunch. Bring a purse loaded with toiletries for ladies which will be donated to a women's shelter or fill gallon ziplock bags with survival supplies such as small flashlight, tissue, plastic rain ponchos, chapstick, etc. For more information, contact Tammy at 720-364-8339.



Children's Ministries Certification in Denver Area »

Join us for Child Evangelism Track 3 held at 6:30 p.m. both Friday, March 16 and Saturday, March 17. Come again at 2 p.m., Sunday, March

18 for Vacation Bible School (VBX) training.

This will be a weekend filled with learning and so much Jesus. Tracks will be taught in both Spanish and English at Brighton Church, 567 E Bromley Lane, Brighton CO 80601-3249. Register at rmcyouth.org/children or email Patty Rivera at patty@rmcsda.org, 303-910-1614.



Children's Ministries Certification and VBX Training, Grand Junction »

Join us for Children's Ministry Certification Track 2 and VBX training held from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 28 and 12 p.m. Sunday, April

29 at the Grand Junction Church, Taught in both English and Spanish, this training will cover Track 2 of the Children's Ministries certification. Grand Junction Church is located at 550 25 1/2 Road, Grand Junction CO 81505-6122. Register at rmcyouth.org/children or email Patty Rivera at patty@rmcsda.org, 303-910-1614.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Rocky Mountain Conference Job Opening » The Rocky Mountain Conference has an immediate opening for a part-time Human Resources Clerk (4.5 hours/day,

Monday - Thursday). Qualified candidates will be highly efficient and organized, as well as proficient with Microsoft Office, frequently using both Word and Excel as well as other specific HR tools. Employee will be working with HR data on a daily basis and managing HR's filing systems. For more information about the position, essential tasks, expectations and how to apply, please see the following posting on our website: <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-part-time-hr-clerk>

Mile High Academy ESL Teacher Needed at 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 for questions or to submit your resume.

Student Literature Evangelist Coordinator »

Joe Martin has announced that he will be retiring this June.

"We're sorry Joe is retiring," said RMC President Ed Barnett.

"He has big shoes to fill and we are looking for someone to fill them. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our office at 303-282-3635 and ask for Human Resources.

Glacier View Ranch » has three employment opportunities available:

Associate Director of Camp Ministries. This is a full-time position that collaborates directly with the Camp Ministries Director to provide leadership and oversight of Glacier View Ranch while directly managing facility operations and exercises independent discretion in matters concerning planning, organizing and directing the maintenance, repair and upgrades of Ranch buildings and grounds. This position serves as the Ranch's representative and point of contact for facility management, interfacing directly with state/city/county regulatory agencies as needed. For more information, including how to apply, visit <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-associate-director-of-camp-ministries>

Head of Housekeeping. This is a part-time position that ensures that health standards are met and performs cleaning duties to ensure that the Glacier View Ranch lodge, cabins and facilities are maintained in a clean and orderly manner.

Employee will also oversee summer camp housekeeping staff during the summer months. For more information, including how to apply, visit <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-head-of-house-keeping>

Support Personnel position. This is a part-time (28 hours/week) position with housing provided on site. The employee will perform a variety of tasks, assisting in multiple operational functions around the Ranch. For a full description of duties, including physical demands and working conditions, please review the job description on our website at <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-gvrsupportpersonnel> where you will also find information on how to apply.

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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.**

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--Editor

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