



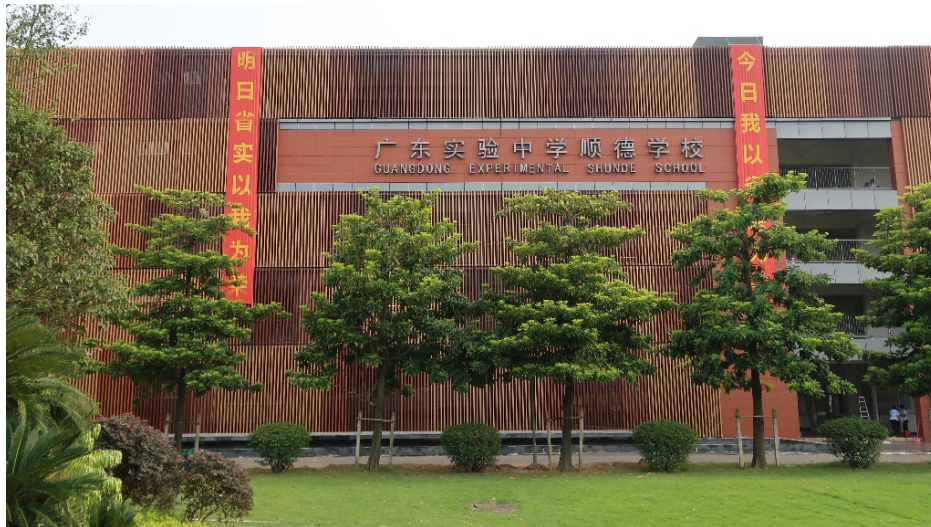
# news nuggets

Friday, July 13, 2018

## Mile High Academy Creating Satellite Schools in Foreign Countries »

Principal Kase Vunileva of Mile High Academy is creating satellite schools in foreign countries around the world. Approached a year and a half ago by an organization in China called Red Rocks, she was asked if she was interested in working with them to organize a satellite school there. After talking with conference administrators, they decided to explore this possibility.

In June, twelve seniors who fulfilled requirements for a general high school diploma from Mile High Academy graduated from this satellite school, having also taken the character education they offer. The school operates under the same philosophy of education used in Rocky Mountain Conference.



Located in Shunde, China, in Guangdong Province, the satellite school has 40 students and employs four Adventist teachers. Guangdong is a coastal province in southeast China of the People's Republic of China.

Another satellite school will be opening in Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia in the fall of this year offering K-5 and eventually growing to K-12. They will be expecting 100 students to attend.

Vunileva has received many interests for a school program as people learn about its existence by word of mouth and contact her by email or phone. She requires them to visit Mile High Academy and to work out an agreement together. It's

"Don't shine  
so others can  
see you. Shine  
so that through  
you others can  
see Him."

— C.S. Lewis

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important to find out if they have an international mindset, whether or not they can handle an international program, and how well they will work with her, Vunileva explains.

Another satellite school will open in Vietnam in the fall of 2019.



When foreign entities find out their students could have a dual diploma program, they ask about joining. A dual diploma program insures proficiency in writing, reading, and speaking English to a certain standard, giving them the opportunity to attend schools in Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States. The diploma given by Mile High is an official General Diploma issued only when a student meets all the standards and all classes have been passed.

“The word is out not only in the Denver area but around the globe that Mile High Academy is a great center of learning,” comments Ed Barnett, RMC president.

“We can be proud to see schools overseas wanting to be a part of our Denver school. May Jesus shine on each of our campuses around the globe,” he adds.

MHA is hosting 25 students from China on Sunday, who are coming for their week-long engineering summer camp. They’ll spend half a day studying robotics and half a day studying English as a Second Language (ESL). They’ll also spend time at DU Boulder, along with a week at Glacier View Ranch. While parents of MHA students are not as keen on sending their kids to China to attend school, they are looking at a possible music trip/mission trip sometime in the future.

-- Carol Bolden; photos of the satellite school and students located in Guangdong Province

## **Two Churches Come Together to Bridge the Gap »**

*Note from the author: Being a member of the Park Hill church means that I have had a connection for the past 20 years with the Central States Conference, one of six conferences of Mid-America Union Conference. Over the years, I have also been involved with the Rocky Mountain Conference, visiting various churches, attending Mile High Academy, and becoming an intern this summer for the RMC*

## Upcoming Events

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### **Cowboy Camp Meeting**

*July 11 - 15, 7 a.m.*

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### **Wyoming Camp Meeting**

*July 17 - 21, 7 a.m.*

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### **Hispanic Marriage Retreat**

*July 21, 22*

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### **Mid-America Union**

### **Hispanic Youth Camp**

*July 27-30*

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### **Western Slope Camp Meeting**

*August 1-4, 7 a.m.*

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### **Pathfinder Camporee**

**GVR**

*August 2-5*

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### **Hispanic Pastor's Meeting**

**Glenwood Springs**

*August 7-9*

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### **Hispanic INTEL Class**

*August 10-11*

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### **Pastors Meeting**

*August 12-15*

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

*August 15, 9:30 a.m.*

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### **Staff Meeting**

*August 21*

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### **GVR Board**

*August 21, 9:30 am*

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### **Hispanic Camp Meeting**

*August 31- September 2*

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*communication department. I was given the chance to write a short introduction to Central States Conference as well as a reflection of two different churches from Central States and Rocky Mountain collaborating recently to engage in mission and better social contacts.*

Recently two Seventh-day-Adventist churches from separate conferences came together for a worship service, putlock, and community outreach.

When Robert Davis, pastor of Park Hill and Dave Kennedy, pastor of Newday met, they immediately clicked and began talking about Newday's project of establishing a church in Downtown Denver. It was then that they began to discuss a ministerial partnership.



As a result of the partnership, both pastors brought their churches together to do a joint service, eat together, and go out into the community and participate in activity that Park Hill does often called a Prayer walk where members knock from door to door asking to pray with residents in the Denver area.

Park Hill Church, consisting of about 180 members, is a part of the Central States Conference whose headquarters are located in Kansas City. The conference was established in 1952 and currently under the presidency of Roger A. Bernard, has more than 50 employees and almost 40 churches in the nine state region of Mid-America. With their mission, "Believing in the imminent return of Christ, our mission in Central States Conference is to proclaim the everlasting Gospel of Jesus Christ to every person in our nine state region inviting them to become fully devoted disciples of Jesus," they are dedicated to impacting the lives of their 16,000 members so they may engage in God's mission in their communities.

Coming from different backgrounds, Newday originally located in Parker with predominantly Caucasian congregation and Park Hill located in the Denver area with a primarily African American congregation, allowed them the chance to learn from one another. This collaboration held more

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significance than just a church service. “This was a chance for us to sit down to have courageous and honest conversations relative to race where we discussed the difference between worship preferences and racial intolerables,” says Pastor Davis. By bridging the gap these two churches were able to come worship together, share their experiences, and participate in fellowship.

This was not the only collaboration we saw this year, on March 23 four churches in Colorado Springs held a joint communion service. Jaden Miller, pastor of Palace of Peace, a Central States Conference church, approached Mike Molando, pastor of Colorado Springs Central church, saying there was a need for churches to do more together and to find an avenue to foster spirituality unity across conference, church and racial lines.




Central States has 10 churches in the Colorado area and although they are within a close proximity, the relationship between fellow Seventh-day-Adventists is limited. Pastor Davis stressed the importance of churches reaching out to others. “We need to do better. As a people in today’s culture we are becoming more disconnected from the church in general. It’s not only churches in separate conferences who don’t come together, there are churches from the same conference who rarely interact with one other. We have to unite if we hope to fulfill the mission we as Christians are called to do,” he commented.

As for church members, the collaboration left them encouraged. When asked about his feelings toward the event, James Harris, a member of Park Hill, responded, “It was about time. Great things can happen when we as a body of believers come together in the Spirit of God’s power in obedience to His words and shine light to the dark world.”

Kim Kennedy, Pastor Dave’s wife and member of Newday also commented saying, that “more things like this should happen. God wants us to intermingle with people from all different walks of life.” She added, “It as an amazing experience to meet and pray with people I never get the chance to talk to. For me, this was just a small glimpse of what Heaven will look like.”

The collaboration is an example of Seventh-day-Adventists working together to fulfill God’s vocation. Harris adds. “It shouldn’t matter what conference or church you come from. The beautiful thing to remember is that when we work together we can accomplish so much more.”

Communication Director of Central States Conference, Brittany Winkfield shares the same views commenting, "It is so important to work together now more than ever. Together we are stronger for each other and for the kingdom. "

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While Central States and Rocky Mountain are separate conferences, both have the same Christian goal to share the love and Word of God to all they come in contact with. Working together with churches within the same territory means there is greater chance at making a difference in a world that needs a redeeming God.

--Alaysha Harris; photo provided by Kim Kennedy

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### **311 Mapleton Development Plan to Impact Boulder Adventist Church »**

“311 Mapleton debate continues” reads the June 20, 2018, front-page headline of the *Daily Camera*, Boulder’s daily newspaper. The article reports on the previous night’s City Council public hearing at which 69 people spoke in favor of or in opposition to the redevelopment of property at 311 Mapleton Avenue. The public hearing concluded at midnight and Council voted to postpone a decision.



What does 311 Mapleton have to do with Seventh-day Adventists? It is the site of the former Boulder, Colorado Sanitarium and is adjacent to the Boulder Adventist Church.

The sanitarium was established in 1896. It was renamed Boulder Memorial Hospital in the 1950’s to reflect the evolution from a sanitarium to a general hospital. In 1989, Memorial Hospital was sold to Boulder Community Hospital and the development of Avista Adventist Hospital began in Louisville. The site became the Mapleton Center.

In 2015, the site was sold to local developers who plan to demolish most of the current structures and build senior housing and care facilities. If the project is approved, “311 Mapleton” will become “The Academy on Mapleton Hill,” a name reflecting another senior facility in Boulder known as The Academy, which was formerly a boarding academy for girls.

After several years of hearings, discussions, and revisions, Council will approve or disapprove the project on July 17. If plans are approved, the Boulder Adventist Church will

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welcome our new neighbors, exercise patience during many months of demolition and construction, and wait in hopeful anticipation of an attractive outcome. Only a few features of the old sanitarium and hospital will remain. The 100-foot smokestack, the nurses' residence, some cottages, and some stonewalls will probably be the only tangible reminders of a long Seventh-day Adventist history at 311 Mapleton.

Commenting on the developments, Japhet De Oliveira, senior pastor at Boulder Adventist Church, said that, "for 125 years, this site has been for dreamers and visionaries. Our Church created a culture, named the mountain and opened the trail that is used everyday today by hundreds of hikers and runners of all ages."

"In 125 years from now, will the generation that is alive look back at history and say, those men and women, in the city of Boulder voted in favor for dreamers and visionaries to continue the legacy of health care? Let us work towards anything that helps take care of people of all ages. Let us create space for everyone to see and know God," he added.

--Gary Nowlan – text and photo

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## CAMP MEETING VENUE CONFIRMATION

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**Western Slope Camp Meeting** will meet at **Mountaintop Retreat** in Montrose, not the Montrose Pavilion.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

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### CAMP MEETINGS 2018

Cowboy	July 11-15	Silver Jack Reservoir
Wyoming	July 17-21	Mills Spring Ranch
Speaker: Mic Thurber		
Western Slope	August 1-4	Mountaintop Retreat
Speaker: Mike Ryan		
Hispanic	Aug 31-Sept 3	Glacier View Ranch

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## SABBATH SERVICES AT YELLOWSTONE

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**Rocky Mountain Pastors** will be at Yellowstone National Park every Sabbath from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Traveling through Yellowstone this summer? Join them for worship beginning at 10 a.m. each Sabbath in Old Faithful Lodge.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Memorial Service for Becky Carlisle (1944-2018) »** It is with great sadness we are announcing the death of local icon Becky Carlisle, who fell asleep in Jesus on **Monday, July 9, 2018**, after a long and valiant battle with pancreatic cancer. She is survived by her children, Kristen Taylor, Melissa Foote, and Jonathan Carlisle, and her grandchildren, Owen, Evan, Ashlyn, Crew, Simon, and Case. Becky was a much-loved member of the Boulder Adventist Church community for many years.

Well-known and respected throughout the Rocky Mountain Conference, Becky is remembered as a warm and generous person, an outstanding music teacher, and a caring hospital chaplain. Her love of music—and people—touched the lives of so many.



Her involvement with church activities and mission included directing music at the Boulder Adventist Church, choirs and orchestra, and playing the piano & organ for worship. She also directed at the RMC Music Festival, as well as teaching music at the Boulder Junior, Brighton and later Vista Ridge Academies and directing choirs and music for other denominational churches. She will be remembered by many as a chaplain at Avista Adventist Hospital in Louisville, and for several years she served on the RMC Executive Committee. She had a zeal for excellence and service for the Lord. She will be remembered with great affection.

A memorial service will take place on **Saturday, July 21**, at 4:00 p.m. at Boulder Adventist Church.

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**The African Children's Choir »** LifeSource Adventist Fellowship is hosting a concert featuring The African Children's Choir. The program will be held on **August 1** at 7:00 p.m.

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**Voice of Prophecy »** *Discovery Mountain*, the award-winning children's audio adventure series produced by Jean Boonstra and the Voice of Prophecy, just launched its sixth season on **June 20**. Program episodes are available free at [discoverymountain.com/listen](http://discoverymountain.com/listen), on popular podcast platforms like iTunes, iHeartRadio and AudioVerse, and on select radio stations—including 3ABN Radio—throughout North America. New to *Discovery Mountain*? You can catch up on the first five

seasons for free!

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## **New Freedom to Love: Truth About Love and Porn »**

Note the following facts: There are 68 million internet search queries for pornography each day.

- The top five porn sites in the world have a combined 17.73 *billion* visits per month (that's 738,750,000 per hour, 12,312,500 per minute, or 205,208 per second).
- 77% of Christian men ages 18-30 view porn at least monthly.
- 30% of pastors report they have visited a pornography site within the last 30 days.
- The average age of exposure to porn in the U.S. is 11 years old and dropping

Pornography use has become rampant across nearly all demographics. It doesn't stop at the church doors, and it doesn't stop at the doors of the family home. Silence and shame on this topic are no longer an option.

New Freedom to Love is a live, 5-part, church-sponsored seminar that opens the subject of pornography up for frank discussion. It provides an educational, holistic look at how pornography affects us bio-chemically, emotionally, and spiritually.

**July 21 at 2:00 p.m., Erik Stenbakken**, Local NFTL producer and speaker

**July 21 at 4:00 p.m., Mike Tucker**, Faith for Today and Mad About Marriage speaker

**July 22 at 1:00 p.m., Bernie Anderson**, pastor, speaker, and coach

**July 22 at 3:00 p.m., Dr. Celeste Holbrook**, Christian sexologist and speaker

**July 22 at 6:00 p.m., Troy Beans**, Speaker and Coach  
Everyone ages 10 and up is encouraged to reserve a free seat at <http://newfreedomtolove.eventbrite.com>

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**Prayer Summit »** Registration opens for our September Prayer Summit. We are excited to have James L. Black, Sr., North American Division Prayer Ministries Director, as our guest for "OPEN IT!" Prayer Summit, September 7-9. "Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock Heaven's storehouse," and we want to OPEN IT together! In addition to deepening our own personal prayer life, we'll learn how to best use prayer ministries as an evangelistic tool for our communities! Plan to attend and help SPREAD THE WORD! Registration is online and you can access the link here:  
[www.rmcsda.org/prayer](http://www.rmcsda.org/prayer). Can you help with the Summit?

**Women's Retreat »** “Branded in Christ,” RMC women's retreat will be held at Glacier View Ranch **September 28-30**. Heather-Dawn Small, Women's Ministries Director for our SDA world church, is our featured speaker. View the brochure at: [www.rmcsda.org/women](http://www.rmcsda.org/women). Registration is online and begins July 15. For questions email [deeannb@rmcsda.org](mailto:deeannb@rmcsda.org), or text/call 303-243-1172.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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**La Vida Mission »** Have you always wanted to be a missionary? The Navajo Nation is a mission field in your back yard. We are needing a husband/wife team for the boys' dorm for this coming year. This position will include other jobs, of course, such as teaching, maintenance, cook's helper, janitorial, or grounds keeper, etc. If you can come over to the Navajo Nation and help us, please send me an email asap: [steve@lavidamission.org](mailto:steve@lavidamission.org).

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### **Intermountain Adventist Academy »**

**Accountant/Administrative Assistant.** This is a full time job, and the candidate must have excellent communication skills and prior experience, managing accounting systems. Candidate must also be able to perform basic office managing duties. Salary will be determined by candidate's education and experience. Contact Joel Reyes at [jojenbe@gmail.com](mailto:jojenbe@gmail.com) for more details and job description.

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**Mile High Academy »** Mile High Academy has immediate openings for the 2018-2019 school year for two part-time drivers for our transportation routes. Qualified candidates will be at least 21 years old, possess, or be able to obtain, a current Colorado driver's license (Commercial Driver's License not necessary) have no more than two traffic citations and no at fault accidents during the last three years. Candidates must also possess current U.S. work authorization. While maintaining the dignity and respect for all students, the driver's primary responsibility is the safety of students while transporting them to and from school. To apply, please send an email to Vivien Vasquez to request an application ([vivienv@rmcsda.org](mailto:vivienv@rmcsda.org)) or contact her by phone at [303-282-3653](tel:303-282-3653).

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**Voice of Prophecy Openings »** The Voice of Prophecy is hiring! This evangelism-focused ministry is looking for two people to join the Bible School team. Although both full-time positions are similar, the first requires a minimum of a

bachelor's degree in religion or theology, while the second requires the minimum of an associate's degree. Both the **Bible School & Evangelism Assistant Director** and the **Bible School & Evangelism Bible Worker** will provide training, consultation, support and promotion for the Voice of Prophecy *Discover Bible Schools and Discovery Centers*. Learn more and apply at [vop.com/jobs](http://vop.com/jobs).

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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.

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**Vista Ridge Academy »** Vista Ridge Academy is seeking a **part-time aide** for our Early Childhood Education program. Candidates must meet state requirements for an Early Childhood preschool teacher. For more information or to find qualifications, contact our Early Childhood Education Director, Sandy Hepp, at [shepp@vistaridge.org](mailto:shepp@vistaridge.org) (303.828.4944).

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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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**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).**

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- 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.

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--Editor

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