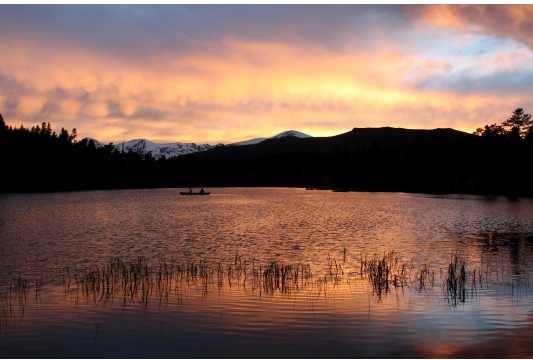


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**Summer Camp Update »** We are blessed to have two camps for the 2015 summer camp season at the Rocky Mountain Conference! Our first camp runs from the beginning of

June to mid-July at a place we call wonderful - Glacier View Ranch. This summer we have had over 550 campers. Talking with one of our camper's grandmothers after her grandson had attended Junior camp, she commented, "My grandson has been attending camp for the past three years, and he just loves it! You all are such a blessing!"

The second camp runs next week, July 19-26. We take more than 40 of our staff to Casper, Wyoming, up to another beautiful place - Mills Spring Ranch. We pack up our horses, razors, and staff and ship them to Wyoming for a week of fun with campers, ages 10-17. One of the favorite activities of the week at Mills Spring is the "Mystery" activity when campers sign up for an unknown activity. Then they participate in a variety of activities from baking cookies to an all-out color chalk war, to putting fights. It's always a surprise! The kids love this activity and are super excited to see what "mystery" they'll get that day, explains a camp organizer. [photo by GVR]

**Woman Theology Student Joins Boulder Church**

» Jessyka Albert became the fourth member of the pastoral team on July 11 at Boulder Seventh-day Adventist Church. “She is on loan from Union College until Christmas and we are delighted to have her join the team,” said Japhet De Oliveira, senior pastor.

While her pastoral focus will be on young adult ministry, according to De Oliveira, “she will also experience a wide range of ministry moments. Her experience and passion for the local church

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**Upcoming Events**

**Wyoming Town Hall**  
*July 18, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.*

**Wyoming Taskforce**  
*July 19, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*

**Finance Committee**  
*July 21, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.*

and empowering people irrespective of age or gender is deeply appreciated,” he stated.

Jessyka is a final year theology student and only has one more semester in the spring of 2016. Before coming to Boulder, she was holding the position of Union For Christ Director, or spiritual student leader, at Union College.

"I'm really excited to be a part of the Boulder Church this semester. I already feel so welcomed and at home here and hope my time here continues to further my education. However, most importantly I hope to grow as a servant," says Jessyka. "I know God has called me here for a purpose and every day I wake up excited to see a new reason why."

De Oliveira added, that he would also like express a special note of deep appreciation to Russell and Doris Hanson, who have open their home to Jessyka for her stay. “I personally stayed with them for 8 months when I moved to Boulder and their hospitality and faith is second to none,” he said.

“We are hoping to find a way for her to come back to Boulder starting next summer,” De Oliveira said.



**More Comments  
about the GC  
Session by RMC  
Church Members »**

As they returned from the 2015 General Conference

Session in San Antonio, TX, several attendees from Rocky Mountain Conference shared their personal reflections on this mega-convocation of Seventh-day Adventists.

“Attending the General Conference session in San Antonio was a great, inspiring and amazing experience, which I will never forget. It strengthened my faith in our mission and the world church. I learned so much about how our church works. I was able to vote on our Fundamental Beliefs and learned that the delegates can bring their opinions and suggestions so that we can vote on any changes that need to be made. We worked on the Church Manual and the rules of order.

As a delegate, I learned that as a world church we do the Lord’s work just as much as missionaries across the sea. The testimonies I heard were so inspiring that it motivated me to be more active in my local church. We were informed how the message of the Three Angels is impacting the developing countries while the cities of America are lacking in Bible studies and the winning of souls for God. We have a huge family in Christ and I got to meet so many new people. It was overwhelming to experience walking among more than 70,000 Seventh-day Adventists from all over the world.”  
**--Yolanda Rodriguez, one of two delegates from the Rocky Mountain Conference**

“It is such an incredible thing that we are a global movement. Experiencing all the languages and cultures represented is like a foretaste of heaven. I especially enjoyed the division reports and hearing what is being done, how it is being done and what God is doing to spread the gospel through people in some of the most challenging circumstances. Here we are in North America with all our freedoms and we are struggling along to grow as a church. Seeing colleagues that we haven’t seen for a long time was pretty cool, too.

**Executive Committee**  
*July 21, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.*

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**Cowboy Camp Meeting**  
*July 22*  
Speakers:  
Tom Lemon & Seth Coridan  
Begins 7:30 p.m. Wednesday  
Ends about 10:00 a.m. Sunday

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**NE Colorado Camp Meeting**  
*July 24*  
Speaker:  
Merlin Burt, White Estate  
Contact: Pastor Michael Goetz

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**Christian Adventure Outpost**  
*July 29*  
Speakers:  
Ed Barnett, Craig Carr  
Contact: Pastor Bruce Aalborg

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**Teacher Convention**  
*August 3*

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**Korean Camp Meeting**  
*August 6*  
Contact: George Hahn, 303-756-2809

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**Conference Staff Meeting**  
*August 11, 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.*

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**RMC Property & Trust Committee**  
*August 11, 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.*

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**Opening of Mile High Academy**  
*August 16, 1-4 p.m.*

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**GVR Board**  
*August 18, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.*

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**Hispanic Camp Meeting**  
*August 27-29, 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.*

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-- **Craig Carr**, Ministerial Director for the Rocky Mountain Conference

“The session proved to be invaluable for me and for my ministry. It put in perspective several projects that I have been developing for health ministry in the Rocky Mountain Conference. Most of my time was spent in the exhibits, connecting with other ministries and those I can partner with in the future. It was encouraging to see how various ministries can work together in a coordinated effort to truly function as one body to accomplish our common mission. I was encouraged to witness the transparency and patience of our leaders in the business sessions as they accommodated the varying views of the delegates that represented this world church. I was also discouraged to see how at times the desires of a few could affect so many and perhaps derail the desires of the Holy Spirit.

All in all, I believe our church is stronger because of our differences. The steady cautiousness of some cultures protects us from the sometimes-reckless enthusiasm of others. And even though some were very disappointed by the outcome, we are provided the opportunity to test who we really are. Can we, as a church, continue to love one another deeply in the midst of non-theological differences? If so, we will emerge stronger. That is my prayer.”

--**Rick Mautz**, Health Director for the Rocky Mountain Conference  
[photo by Rajmund Dabrowski]

**Ordination Vote  
Doesn't Change  
Current Policy »**

*NewsNuggets*  
received inquiries  
requesting  
clarification of what  
the Wednesday, July  
8 vote at the General  
Conference Session



meant regarding  
women’s ordination. The delegates voted NO to the following  
question: “Is it acceptable for division executive committees, as  
they deem it appropriate in their territories, to make provision for  
the ordination of women to the gospel ministry? Yes or No.” The  
following article in the *Adventist Review*, posted on July 10, 2015,  
aims to clarify what the vote meant. In the July 9 edition of the  
*NewsNuggets*, a statement by Daniel R. Jackson, NAD president,  
related to this very question.

**GC President Says Ordination Vote Doesn’t Change Current  
Policy. NAD says it will continue to encourage women to serve  
in gospel ministry.**

By Andrew McChesney, *Adventist Review* / ANN staff

General Conference president Ted N.C. Wilson said Friday that  
a vote this week on the issue of women’s ordination meant “we  
maintain the current policy.”Wilson told delegates at the General  
Conference session in San Antonio, Texas, that Wednesday’s vote  
simply barred the church’s world divisions from making decisions  
on the ordination of women.

He said the vote has nothing to do with women being ordained  
as local elders, a practice based on church policy that has been in  
place for several decades.

Furthermore, he said, the vote was not related to commissioned  
ministers, who can be male or female under the church’s policy.

“So let us be clear on what was voted on Wednesday,” Wilson said. “We are now back to our original understanding, and I would strongly urge all to adhere by what has been voted. But do not place into the vote other things which were not listed in the vote. We need to be fair, we need to be open, and we all need to accept what is voted at a General Conference session.

Wilson asked division presidents to clarify the meaning of Wednesday’s vote in their territories. Shortly after Wilson spoke, North American Division president Daniel R. Jackson [issued a statement](#) saying that the division “would comply with the vote of the world church.” [\[more\]](#) (photo by James Bokovoy)



**Disabled Pianist To Play at Denver South**

» As seen on the Hope Channel and 3ABN, pianist, Mary Grace, will be performing at the Denver South Church at 7 p.m., August 7.

Mary Grace was born without her right forearm and her right leg is eight inches shorter than her left. Her handicap didn’t stop her from learning to play the piano, graduating from college or sharing Christ with others. She has performed at several General Conference sessions and worship services. Mary Grace has also been the featured cover story for Christian magazines such as *Adventist Review* and *Women of Spirit*. Her manual dexterity matches that of a pianist with two hands and you’ll be inspired by her music, filled with emotion and interpretative flair, and testimony as she shares the unconditional love and acceptance she found in the Lord.

Her concert series is raising funds and awareness for two ministries: Adopt A Minister International and Help the Needy, Inc.

**Central Korean Church Hosts Youth Evangelistic Series »**

Working with the Korean Seventh-day Adventist Church and youth department, Pastor Jamey Houghton is speaking for a youth outreach event, which began on [July 16](#) at the Korean church in Aurora, CO, and will continue until [July 18](#). The series is entitled, ["Why God, Why Church"](#) and is exploring the different questions a young Christian might have. Weekday meetings start at 7 p.m. and Sabbath's two messages start at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.



**NE Colorado Camp Meeting Takes Place at Campion Academy Campus »**

“The Mission of Adventism and the Prophetic Writings” will be shared by Merlin Burt at NE Colorado camp meeting on the Campion Academy campus July 24-25. Burt is a professor of church history at Andrews University Theological Seminary, director of the Center for Adventist Research (CAR), and director of the White Estate branch office. The weekend begins at 7 p.m. Friday, followed by 9:30 a.m. Sabbath School, 11 a.m. worship service and 7 p.m. final meeting. For more information and to reserve campsites, call 970-667-7403 or email [office@campionchurch.org](mailto:office@campionchurch.org)





**Notice for Christian Adventure Outpost (July 29-August 2) »** The third annual Christian Adventure Outpost camping camp meeting will take place July 29 - August 2. This event combines preaching with fun in the great outdoors. All are welcome to come and share in this mountain oasis. Our

Thursday speaker is Ed Barnett, RMC president, and Friday and Sabbath, Craig Carr, RMC ministerial director, will speak. Come and be blessed by riding, hiking, and worshipping. A full compliment of activities for children also makes this event a highlight of the summer. Adventure Outpost is held 22 miles south of Fairplay, just off highway 285 on U.S. Forest land. See the attached flyer. For more information you can contact Pastor Bruce Aalborg at 303-915-6010, or call the Littleton church at 303-798-5648.

### Invitation to Health

**Bootcamp »** Although the term “bootcamp” sounds pretty radical, the 7 a.m to 5:30 p.m. One-Day Level 1 Bootcamp offered at Eden



Valley on August 30 should be just the boost you need to start or continue your health goals. “Having spent five days there in the not-too-distant past, I know that the term “vegan” means healthy and delicious,” says Carol Bolden, administrative assistant at the Rocky Mountain Conference. You can enjoy the beauty of this little valley as you walk or hike its trails. And you can learn to use those intimidating exercise machines in a safe and accepting environment. Note that this Level 1 Bootcamp is designed for middle-aged adults and older participants and then register online at [www.eden-valley.org/one-day-bootcamp](http://www.eden-valley.org/one-day-bootcamp) or call 970-776-3349.

### Upcoming Concerts:

**August 7 -- Friday**

Mary Grace, 7 p.m. Denver South -- FREE

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