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From the desk of Gary Thurber

NEWS NUGGETS



Summer youth L.E. program finishes strong » According to **Joe Martin**, RMC student literature evangelism leader, this summer's group of students is one of the best he has had the privilege to work with. The L.E. team finished up their work in Pueblo this week, and celebrated the baptism of **Ania Hansen**, one of the students in the program who recently graduated from Campion Academy.




Elissa Kido to speak at Vista Ridge Academy » **Elissa Kido**, a lead researcher with the four-year **CognitiveGenesis** study of Adventist education, will present at **Vista Ridge Academy** on **Sunday, Aug. 11, at 12:00 p.m.** There is an amazing story told through this empirical research about how God has blessed our schools! I would encourage all to attend this incredible presentation. **Deborah Treviño**, Vista Ridge Academy principal, [shares more](#) about Dr. Kido and the research that has been done.



US. News and World Report ranks Porter Adventist Hospital in the top three hospitals in Colorado » Use the following link to read how **Porter Adventist Hospital** has been named one of the top three in Colorado.

Congratulations to **Randy Haffner**, Porter's CEO, and his team for this high honor! [Click to read the report.](#)

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Upcoming Events

RMC Camp Meeting Dates

Northeast Colorado Camp Meeting
July 26–27
Campion Academy
Loveland, Colo.
Contact: [Rex Bell](#)

OHV Christian Adventure Camp Meeting
July 31–Aug. 4
45 Miles West of
Colo. Springs on Hwy 24
Contact: [Bruce Aalborg](#)

Hispanic Camp Meeting
Aug. 30–Sept. 2
Glacier View Ranch
Ward, Colo.
Contact: [Ruben Rivera](#)



General Conference leadership to converge in Montrose, Colo. » On **Aug. 17**, **Elder Ted N.C. Wilson**, president of the Seventh-day Adventist world church, and many of the world church leaders, will hold a special Sabbath convocation. This jam-packed day will begin at **9:00 a.m.** and end at **3:30 p.m.** Elder Wilson will give the Sabbath sermon, you will hear amazing reports from around the world, and from **Elder Bob Lemon** and **Elder G.T. Ng**, treasurer and secretary of the world church respectively. Also present and participating in the program will be **Lowell Cooper, Gary Krause, Ella Simmons, Mike Ryan, Ben Schoun, David Trimm** and **RMC leaders**. This event will take place at the **Crossroads Victory Church**, 515 S. Hillcrest Drive, Montrose, Colo. All are invited to attend this special Sabbath.



Gunnison (Colo.) Church begins a Hispanic ministry » I received an amazing story from **Karyl Krieger** about **Lazaro** and his conversion and passion to begin a Spanish-speaking ministry in Gunnison, Colo.

You will be blessed as you [read this story](#).



Excitement builds for Aug. 1 Grand Opening of Castle Rock Adventist Hospital » **Todd Folkenberg**, CEO, and his leadership team have been hard at work getting ready for the opening of the new Adventist hospital in Castle Rock, Colo. On July 14, an open house took place on the hospital campus with more than 7,000 people attending from the community. [Use this link](#) to see the Channel 9 report of the July 14 open house.

In addition to the open house, the hospital's new chaplain, **David Martinez** (left), held a special "Dedication of Hands" service in preparation for the staff to extend the "Healing Ministry of Christ."

Women's Ministry Seaside Escape

Sept. 13–15
Farmington, N.M.

Oct. 11–13
Glacier View Ranch
Ward, Colo.

The **Seaside Escape** retreat is a great event to invite a co-worker, neighbor or friend to attend. We'll dig deeper into the story of Sarah and Hagar, and bask in God's presence. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to fellowship with women from around the Rocky Mountain Conference!

Contact [Ginger Bell](#) for more information.

Upcoming Events

Aug. 5–9
Vacation Bible School
Fort Morgan Church
5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Aug. 11–13
Pastors Meetings
Glacier View Ranch

Aug. 17
Conference-wide
Convocation with Elder Ted Wilson, G.C. president, and other G.C. leaders in Montrose, Colo.

Sept. 20–22
Men's Advance
Redcloud Ranch
Lake City, Colo.
Contact [Marv Olson](#) for more information.



World church votes a consensus statement in their continued study of women's ordination » This week, a General Conference study committee, working on a theology of ordination and how it relates the ordination of women to the gospel ministry, took an action on a consensus statement about ordination. Below are two links; the first is an article written by **Mark Kellner** of the *Adventist Review* about the meeting and the presentations made, and the second is a report on the consensus vote with a link to the document.

I would encourage each one to read the progress the committee is making in this very important study.

[Adventist Review Article](#)

[GC Statement](#)



Littleton Adventist Hospital honored as one of Colorado's best by Colorado Parent magazine » Again, one of our hospitals is in the news for their service to the community. Readers of *Colorado Parent* magazine voted **Littleton Adventist Hospital** one of the top five family favorite hospitals.

Praise the Lord for the wonderful work our hospitals are doing in our communities. [Read more](#) about this honor.

On the road » We had a wonderful week at Wyoming Camp Meeting last week. The **Awaken Wyoming** initiative continues to move forward as the group there raised more than **\$15,000** for evangelism in Wyoming. Another highlight of the week was the baptisms Sabbath afternoon of **Benjamin** and **Sara Mills** a brother and sister from Gillette, Wyo. **Gordon Henderson**, a retired pastor, officiated.



This weekend, we are headed to **Campion Academy** for the

N.E. Camp Meeting this weekend with guest speaker **Dick Duerksen** from Maranatha Volunteers International. I look forward to being with our wonderful church members there.



Happy Sabbath everyone!



Elder Gary Thurber

Rocky Mountain Conference president

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