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# news nuggets

**Please Pray for the  
World Church Session  
in San Antonio, Texas**




**SAN ANTONIO 2015**  
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

*Arise! Shine! Jesus is Coming!*

»


The 60th Session of the General Conference opened on July 2 in San Antonio, Texas. Several thousand Seventh-day Adventists from nearly every country of the globe began their spiritual convocation and world church business meetings under the theme “Arise! Shine! Jesus is Coming!” and what seems a timeless theme song, “We Have This Hope.”



The day’s program included the first business session and a report on the state of the church by president of the world church, Pastor N C Ted Wilson.


The official opening of the session included the sitting of the delegates and determining that there is a quorum. The world church delegation represents nearly 19 million adult Seventh-day Adventists. A small group of delegates is still to arrive. The session paid a tribute to the ailing president of the South Pacific Indian Ocean president, Alberto Gulfan.


One of the most engaging moments of the day came with the testing of the electronic voting devices. It is usually expected that some glitches may occur but it wasn’t expected to try the devices to be operational four times. Some have commented that this is the story of the day and we hope the devices will work when they need to work most.




One of the session actions of the morning was to welcome new administrative units of the world church. More


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### Upcoming Events

**General Conference**  
July 1

**Wyoming Camp Meeting**  
July 14

Speaker: Jim Ayer, AWR

Contact: Pastor Don Barnt

**Wyoming Town Hall**

than thirty units, which consist of unions, conferences and missions, were introduced and voted into the sisterhood of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. [\[more\]](#)



**Austin Ministerial Convention: 2016 Denver Health Outreach with Mark Finley Announced »**

Forty-five pastors and their families from the Rocky Mountain Conference were among more than 5,500 plus attendees from the United States, Canada, Bermuda, Guam, and a few small Atlantic and Pacific islands, who gathered to take advantage of a promise by the division’s Ministerial Association to “Inspire. Value. Connect. Equip,” the motto of the four-day conference that opened on June 28 in Austin, Texas, and preceded the world church session of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in near-by San Antonio.

Apart from participation in dozens of meetings, presentations and seminars that the convention provided, the RMC ministers were welcomed by Ed Barnett, president of the conference to what was a meeting within a meeting. “We wanted to meet each other, but also get acquainted with a plan to organize a special outreach event in 2016 in Denver, hosted by evangelist Mark Finley and his team. We are excited about this possibility, and we want to hear from him about the program he envisions for the Denver series,” he said. [\[more\]](#)

**Response to Flooding Impacts Wyoming Community »**

The flood began the night of June 4. By daylight, more than 7 inches of rain had pounded Niobrara County and the town of Lusk. The water surged through stream and creek beds running through the gently rolling hills that had not seen water for years. Debris overwhelmed culverts, bridges and viaducts. Highways, roads and train tracks became dams that forced the water into housing areas. Twenty-five homes were destroyed, 25 homes sustained significant damage and 18 homes received minor damage, a whopping 20 percent of all homes in the county.



Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief headed to Lusk to provide relief to the affected communities. They opened a Community Collection Center to receive donations and a Distribution Center to provide emergency food, clothing, tools, cleaning supplies, boots, gloves and other necessary supplies.

Interaction with the victims who come in for help is generally heartwarming. One young woman who was impacted by the flooding, read the logo on my T-shirt, frowned and asked, “Adventist?” “Yes, “ I responded. I am the director of the Seventh-day Adventist Church humanitarian work in Colorado, Wyoming and a portion of New Mexico.”

“ Oh, my grandfather was an Adventist evangelist in Denver. I still have the Bible with my name written in gold from a meeting. I brought 10 guests to the meeting and the Bible was my prize.” [\[more\]](#)

*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.*

**Executive Committee**

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

**Cowboy Camp Meeting**

*July 22*

Speakers:

Tom Lemon & Seth Coridan

Begins 7:30 p.m. Wednesday

Ends about 10:00 a.m. Sunday

**NE Colorado Camp Meeting**

*July 24*

Speaker:

Merlin Burt, White Estate

Contact: Pastor Michael Goetz

**Christian Adventure Outpost**

*July 29*

Speakers:

Ed Barnett, Craig Carr

Contact: Pastor Bruce Aalborg

**Teacher Convention**

*August 3*

**Korean Camp Meeting**

*August 6*

Contact: George Hahn, 303-756-2809

**Conference Staff Meeting**

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

**RMC Property & Trust Committee**

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

**Opening of Mile High Academy**

*August 16, 1-4 p.m.*

**GVR Board**

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

**Hispanic Camp Meeting**

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

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**Signs of the Times at Chapel Haven »** The Chapel Haven Church in Northglenn, Colorado, continues to reap the results from a recent evangelistic series and several smaller

scale ministry events. One particular effect of the church's outreach is connected with the church building itself.

The church leaders recognized that their rather tall church structure was perfect for mounting large images that testify of the mission of the church. However building such signs and mounting them would be expensive. But God brought to Chapel Haven Robert Blankenship, a young builder of large highway signs, who offered his services to his new church.

Pastor Roy Weeden, recommended the images and Mr. Blankenship used his creativity in building signs which are two and three stories tall, and directly mounting them to the walls of the church. "A passersby and guests could view the magnificence of Jesus," Weeden explained. "Our church is located at 9911 Huron Street in Northglenn, and these signs are constantly photographed by pedestrians as they go by. Mr. Blankenship will rotate the themes as needed by the church," he added.

The most recent chapter of the story was witnessed by the church on June 20, when in the presence of his new bride, Katrina, and his church family, Robert was baptized by Pastor Weeden and became a member of Chapel Haven. [Roy Weeden]

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**News from the General Conference Session to your email box »** *NewsNuggets* will be bringing to you news from the world church session in San Antonio, Texas. We will partner with a sister e-newsletter, *myOUTLOOK* from Mid-America Union. "OUTLOOK is creating an attractive e-newsletter that will include daily summaries of events, stories and photos from San Antonio," says Brenda Dickerson, MAU communication director, *OUTLOOK* editor. Sign up yourself and help our constituents stay in the loop by forwarding sign-up link to any of your contacts you think would be interested: <http://eepurl.com/bq1-c4v>. It only takes a minute. [RMCNews]

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**New Pastors to Join RMC Churches »** **Nestor Soriano**, with wife Katherine, comes from the Wisconsin Conference to work as Campion's associate pastor beginning July 16. **Anthony Hunter**, with wife Nirma, comes from the Illinois Conference to work as associate pastor/youth pastor for the Boulder English Church beginning August 1.

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**HR Assistant Joins RMC Staff »** Vivien Vasquez will be joining the RMC office staff, July 7, as the new HR assistant. Vivien brings talent and knowledge gained from both work experience and earning her MA in Business Administration. In recent years she has worked in local Adventist schools. She is married to Ruddy Vivanco, pastor of the Golden and Denver West churches. We welcome Vivien to our conference headquarters!

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**Employment Opportunity at ACS »** Adventist Community Services has an immediate opening for a part-time (14hrs/week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.) **Certified Medical Assistant** at its Denver location. The Certified Medical Assistant promotes the optimal health, well-being and safety of the patient in



accordance with patient care standards. Bilingual (English and Spanish) is preferred. For a complete job description and application, please visit <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-pr-certified-medical-assistant>. For more information about ACS and its ministries, please visit <https://www.acslift.org/>.

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**Upcoming Concerts:**

***August 1 -- Sabbath***

Heritage, 7 p.m. LifeSource Fellowship -- FREE

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**Rocky Mountain Conference Mission Statement**

**Tagline:**

*Knowing Christ and Making Him Fully Known*

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