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## **Much Interest Shown For Participating in Outreach Surrounding 2018 Evangelism »**

Looking toward the *Revelation Speaks Peace* evangelistic series by Shawn Boonstra coming in January 2018, Denver metro pastors brought key individuals to the conference office on February 25 for support training.



These individuals will fulfill the offices of Discover Bible School Coordinator, Student Record Coordinator and Prayer Coordinator for their churches leading up to, during, and following the series. Their contributions as part of the team effort must be done well in advance of the meetings along with those of participating pastors, churches and other church members.

More than 70 members and pastors gathered for the Sabbath afternoon training. So many crowded into the meeting room, they overflowed into the hallway.

"The success of outreach is determined by prayerful preparation," said Eric Nelson, RMC Vice President and Evangelism Coordinator. "The enthusiastic response promises a rich reward for our faith communities and our city!"

As these coordinators return to their local churches, they will have opportunity to encourage others to join in this outreach.

[RMCNews; photo by Eric Nelson]

Friday, March 3, 2017



"An enemy is a friend waiting to be made."

-- Desmond Tutu, pacifist, peacemaker

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**Global Health Initiatives Invites Your Assistance »**

Deep in the heart of the Amazon Basin a group of villagers are desperately seeking help. Their community faces numerous environmental problems that are contributing to a variety of health complications, among them: contaminated water, leading to parasites and chronic diarrhea; mosquito-borne diseases, like malaria and dengue fever; and food insecurity, which contributes to deficiencies in their diet that lead to illness and anemia.



Adding to this list, they face the challenge of isolation, mental health, sexually transmitted diseases, and teen pregnancies, all ripping at the fabric of these communities. They're desperate for change, but remoteness and lack of education have left local leaders unsure of how to help their villages.

They've turned to Global Health Initiatives for help...and hope.

In response, GHI is launching a new program called Salud Total or Total Health. This pioneering program is built upon ten years of regional medical missions and is designed to address the medical, environmental, and social determinates of health in a holistic manner. GHI is supporting this sustainability project by forming collaborative partnerships with the Ministry of Health, the local government, the Union University of Peru, TreanorHL, and GHI partner hospital, Clinica Adventista Ana Stahl.

Global Health Initiatives issued an invitation to partner with them in transforming an entire community in rural Peru. The construction of the building that will house medical students who will assess and improve the stability of the community's health is near completion. These students, 5th year nurses, nutrition, and psychology students from Union University of Peru, will move in for ten months in March. They'll have a roof over their heads, but right now, they're in need of furniture to make this new home livable.



## Upcoming Events

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### **Town Hall Meeting WY**

*March 4 -- Casper Church*

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### **Town Hall Meeting NE CO**

*March 5 -- Campion Church*

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### **Kaleo Mission Trip**

*March 9 - 20*

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### **Executive Committee**

*March 21, 8 a.m. - Noon*

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### **Town Hall Meeting SE CO**

*April 1 -- Colorado Spr Central*

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### **Town Hall Meeting Denver Metro**

*April 2 -- LifeSource Church*

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### **Town Hall Meeting NW CO**

*April 8 -- Gr Jcnctn Church*

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### **Town Hall Meeting SW CO**

*April 9 -- Pinon Hills Church*

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### **Find out more...**

[Click here](#) for info on any of these events.

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Items GHI is raising donations for include:

- Dining table - \$300
- Kitchen sink - \$300
- Mosquito netting - \$400
- Stove - \$500
- Bed - \$300 for one, \$2,400 total

Your assistance in providing these basic living needs for the medical students will help this and surrounding villages with their basic health needs. For more information or to make a donation visit [centuraglobalhealth.org](http://centuraglobalhealth.org) or contact Kim Kennedy at 303-715-7602 or [KimberlyKennedy@centura.org](mailto:KimberlyKennedy@centura.org) [Kim Kennedy; Photos by Rajmund Dabrowski; top: village where medical center will be built; bottom: nurse's office to be refurbished]

## **Mensa Christian Education Center in Zambia**

**Graduates First Class »** The first graduating class of Fondina Pandeli Secondary School in Mansa, Zambia, walked the aisle of the campus church January 27 to complete their secondary school journey. School founder, Dr. Pardon Mwansa, could only say, "Fantastic!" when asked to describe his emotions on that day.

The building of Mensa Christian Education Center began in 2014 during a mission trip sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Conference. The original plan included the secondary school, a primary school, dormitories, cafeteria, church and garden, all a part of the education center. The master plan includes a primary school, industrial arts school and, eventually, even a college.

## **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.

Please email your story to [nuggets@rmcsda.org](mailto:nuggets@rmcsda.org) so we can share how God is working through His people in your territory. When submitting your 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.

Please consider time constraints and always send in fresh new stories instead of outdated ones. **Submission deadlines are Wednesdays by noon.**



Since that trip, the secondary classrooms and the girls' dormitory have been completed. The church, where the graduation ceremony was held, is complete but for the ceiling and bathrooms and was organized into an official church the weekend after graduation. The cafeteria and boys' dorm are waiting to be built as is the primary school.

Some members of the graduating class were part of the original 13 students who began studying at the secondary school when it was first opened in Dr. Mwansa's private home in 2014.

With the new hand-dug borehole providing a sufficient water supply, the garden is flourishing. Ninety orange trees have taken root in the orchard nearby and the school is able to feed their students from their own healthy vegetables.

Funds for this project come in through people who are inspired to give, who hear about the need by word of mouth, through presentations given at churches, email updates and articles like this one.

One young student, a member of the graduating class, struggled with the school's rules and was suspended twice, yet he saw Jesus' love in the faculty who fought for him, and he was changed, even requesting baptism. Although his parents were doubtful about true change, they were thrilled as they saw him becoming a responsible, respectful child of God.

Campion Academy senior, Rayne Williams, a member of the 2016 mission trip team, recently talked about her experience there. "I think of Africa every day," she said, "and I am going back with the 2018 mission trip."

To find out more about this project and the upcoming mission trip in 2018, or to receive updates through email, contact Lynne Eagan at [lynneagan@gmail.com](mailto:lynneagan@gmail.com).

[RMCNews with Lynne Eagan; photo by Pardon Mwansa]

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### **"Is This Thing On?" Facebook Live Event to be Held at Union College »**

In a first, Adventist church leaders in North America will meet with students gathered at Union College to answer questions via audience and social media during a Facebook Live event on March 14, 2017. "Is This Thing On?" is a 90-minute conversation with Dan Jackson, president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America, and Alex Bryant, executive secretary.

"This is going to be really exciting for our campus and the students!" said Kim Canine, vice president for Student Services at Union College. The college is hosting the 2017 Adventist Intercollegiate Association (AIA) convention; more than 100 students from Adventist colleges and universities across North America are expected to attend. The audience for the live event will be selected from the AIA student leadership group.

"We have the opportunity to dialogue, pray, . . . and work through issues together," said Jackson. "We want to engage our young adults in open and transparent conversation on issues that are important to them. Dialogue is vital to the health of our church."

Those participating online are encouraged to use #NADNOW; questions will be taken from Facebook and Twitter. Subjects may include the Bible, church policy, Adventist lifestyle, theology, relationships, and more.

*For more information, please contact [gstandish@nadadventist.org](mailto:gstandish@nadadventist.org) in the NAD Office of Communication.*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Dr. Arthur V Chadwick to Speak »** Southwestern Adventist University biology/geology professor, Dr. Arthur Chadwick, spoke on creation topics at The Adventure Church during February. You can enjoy follow-up videos at Kress Theatre in March.

**Kress Theatre:** Videos shown at 7 p.m. each Wednesday

March 1: *Living Waters: Intelligent Design in Oceans of Earth*

March 8: *Metamorphosis: Beauty and Design of Butterflies*

March 15: *Flight: The Genius of Birds*

March 22: *Master Designer: The Song*

Light vegetarian snacks served after each showing. Kress

Theatre is located at 817 8th Avenue, Greeley, CO 80631.

970-515-5717

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**Children's Leadership Conference »** The Mid-America Union invites you to the Children's Ministries Leadership Conference beginning at 7 p.m. **March 3** and continuing to 11:15 a.m. **March 5**. in Lincoln, Nebraska. To register, visit [www.plusline.org](http://www.plusline.org) or call 800-732-7587.

Mid-America Union Conference is located at 8307 Pine Lake Road, Lincoln, NE 68516.

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### **Mile High Academy Kids' University Summer Camps**

» Our summer camps provide a safe place for your kids to thrive. Between Fit For Life, Imagine It, Innovation Station and Math Central station, along with our sports and learning camps, your child will learn and grow in creative ways every day. Contact us for more information at [milehighacademy.org/summercamp](http://milehighacademy.org/summercamp) or call us at 303-744-1069. Be part of the fun!



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Spaces for building and creating including robotics and lego blocks.

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### **The Colorado Chorale Collaborates with Denver Pro Chorale »**

Greek treasures conjure up the thought of the Acropolis, toga-wearing gods and goddesses, the black sands of Santorini and sunshine glistening off the crystal blue water. But what about the music? The Colorado Chorale presents a concert featuring Greek music and composers. Join us on **March 19** as we collaborate with the Denver Pro Chorale, leaving you with the enticing and hauntingly stoic sounds of ancient and modern Greece. Tickets: \$17; Seniors \$15; 21 years and under Free Group discounts available. Concert Location: Denver South Seventh-day Adventist Church, 2675 S Downing Street, Denver CO 80210.

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**Prophecy Seminar »** Aurora First Church will hold a Prophecy Seminar study on the books of Daniel and Revelation at 7 p.m. Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning **March 19** and continuing through May 30. Aurora First Church is located at 11400 E Mississippi Avenue, Aurora CO 80012. All are welcome!

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**Nedley Depression and Anxiety Recovery Program »**

The Durango Church is holding a depression and anxiety treatment program which offers non-drug solutions designed to combat depression through improving energy levels, sleep quality, mood, relationships and emotional intelligence. The **eight-week program continues through March 20** at the church, 1775 Florida Road. For more information, call Marley at 970-749-1860.

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**Safety Sabbath and Your Church »** Your church is invited to join other churches in the North American Division and Adventist Risk Management, Inc. in making Adventist churches secure by holding a safety drill. Schedule Safety Sabbath for **March 25** on your church calendar. Register your church to hold an Active Shooter or Fire Drill and access free videos, guides, children's activity sheets, and more emergency planning resources at [SafetySabbath.com](http://SafetySabbath.com). Once you register, you will receive free Safety Sabbath 2017 resources.



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**It's April Fool's!**

Let's break the rules!  
We know it might be late,  
But trust us, it's worth the wait.  
So take a Sabbath afternoon nap,  
And then eat a snack!  
Join us for a late meal,  
You won't want to miss out on this fun deal!  
Join us for

**CAMP FERHOODLED**

Saturday night, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm beginning with a special mission trip worship!  
Brighton Church Annex  
Kindly RSVP by March 25 to Tammy at [303-659-1999](tel:303-659-1999) or  
Melissa at [baabilling@gmail.com](mailto:baabilling@gmail.com)  
Proceeds to benefit BAA Worthy Student

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**VBX Training 2017 »** You're invited to the RMC's VBX

training from 2-3 p.m., **April 1** at Denver South Hispanic Church.

Learn the details of the new theme, *Cactusville: Where Kids are Called to Follow Jesus*. Please RSVP to Patty Rivera by March 15 at [rivera710@msn.com](mailto:rivera710@msn.com). The church is located at 2005 S Lincoln Street, Denver 80210.



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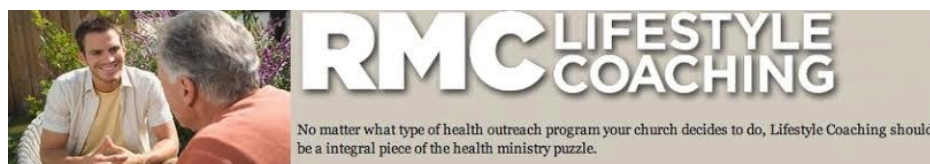
### **Women's Ministries Leadership Certification »**

Women are invited to attend a Level One Leadership Certification Seminar beginning at 6:30 p.m. **Friday, April 7**, and continuing from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sabbath, April 8 at the Rocky Mountain Conference Office Meeting Room, 2520 S. Downing Street. Carla Baker, Women's Ministries Director for the North American Division will conduct this seminar along with her team. Two meals will be provided on Sabbath. Any woman desiring to enhance leadership in ministry should attend. It will include a series of sessions on subjects such as "Principles of Effective Leadership", "Visioning and Goal Setting" and more. Each woman completing the seminar will receive a certificate. There is no charge to attend. You are responsible for your own lodging.

Registration is essential. Contact Ginger Bell at 720-980-9006 or [rexngingerbell@msn.com](mailto:rexngingerbell@msn.com) by March 31.

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**Castle Rock Church Plant VisionVespers »** As the new Castle Rock church plant is preparing for its opening Sabbath, **April 8**, God is placing a burden on people's hearts to be part of this mission adventure in some way. All are welcome to join us for the last of our pre-launch monthly Vision Vespers--6-7:30 p.m. Sabbath, March 18, at Castle Rock Adventist Hospital (Gateway Mesa Conference Room). VisionVespers is a time for worship, prayer, and visioning as we share plans and dreams for the Castle Rock Seventh-day Adventist Church. You'll have a chance to give feedback, ask questions, and meet others interested in being part of what God is up to here in Castle Rock. Find out more at [castlerockadventist.church](http://castlerockadventist.church) or [facebook.com/castlerockadventist](https://facebook.com/castlerockadventist).



**Health Partner Training Retreats »** Be part of the

revolution in health ministry reflecting Christ's character. In just one weekend, you can become a Health Partner and experience a transformation in your own health and in your evangelistic programs. Learn how to help people move from information to real-life changes through effective coaching skills. Form a group of 10-15 from your church, or join another group and gather with us to enjoy a weekend retreat in beautiful Silverthorne, Colorado, while learning, practicing new skills, relaxing, hiking and fellowshiping. Contact Rick Mautz for available dates for 2017 at 303-909-8274 or at [rickm@rmcsda.org](mailto:rickm@rmcsda.org).

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**Celebrating Life in Recovery »** Twin Peaks Church is holding a 14-week program presented by Cheri Peters to help with recovery from domestic abuse, perfectionism, alcoholism, drug addiction, anger, dependency, and so much more. Join this FREE program at 7 p.m. Thursdays beginning February 2 and **continuing through May 11**. Preregister at [clrlouisville@gmail.com](mailto:clrlouisville@gmail.com). For questions, call 720-890-3767. The Twin Peaks Church is located at 9696 Paschal Drive, Louisville, CO.

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**Women's Ministry Retreats 2017 »** RMC Women's Ministries is excited to announce the Area Women's Retreats for 2017:

**Wyoming:** *Seaside Escape—a study of Sarah and Hagar*  
Mills Spring Ranch on Casper Mountain  
Fall (date announced soon)  
Contact: Rhonda McDonald: 307-259-8147

**Colorado Western Slope:** *Falling in Love Again*  
Speaker: Darla Sherman  
Mountain Top Retreat (15 miles from Montrose)  
October 6-8  
Contact: Linda Johnson: 970-245-2294

**Colorado Metro, NE/SE:** *The Best Is Yet To Come*  
Speaker: Jaclynn Huse with daughter Shelby-16  
Location in Metro area (announced soon)  
September 17  
Concert: Jaclynn/Shelby, Saturday Eve, Sept 16  
Contact: Ginger Bell: 720-980-9006

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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**Vista Ridge Academy »** is looking for a part-time group leader and part-time aide for its preschool program. For more information, contact Sandy Hodgson at [shodgson@vistaridge.org](mailto:shodgson@vistaridge.org). They are also looking for a full-

time teacher for Grades 7-8 for the 2017-18 school year.  
Send resume to Diane Harris at [dianeh@rmcsda.org](mailto:dianeh@rmcsda.org).

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The Voice of Prophecy is looking for a digital content specialist/webmaster to work at the ministry headquarters in Loveland. For more

information, visit <http://vop.com/jobs>.

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**H. M. S. Richards Adventist School** is looking for a full-time teacher for Grades 3-4 who can also lead out in the music program for Grades 1-8 for the 2017-18 school year. Send resume to Diane Harris at [dianeh@rmcsda.org](mailto:dianeh@rmcsda.org) by January 23.

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### **FROM THE EDITOR**

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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.** Please send all your submissions to [nuggets@rmcsda.org](mailto:nuggets@rmcsda.org).

Thank you for your contribution, but also comments, as *NewsNuggets* continues to serve the church in an efficient and effective way.

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--Editor

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