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News and updates from the president of the Rocky Mountain Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

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Christmas gift outreach planned for families in need »

Each year **Denver South Church, Porter Adventist Hospital**, and the **Living Stone Mission Group** partner with other agencies throughout the metro area to provide Christmas gifts for families in need.

This year's event will take place in the conference rooms near the cafeteria at Porter Adventist Hospital, **Dec. 3 and 4, from 4:30–7:30 p.m.** If you are interested in donating to or volunteering for this event, please contact **Matt Wakefield** at mattw22@earthlink.net.

New group of believers forms in Crownpoint, New Mexico » The work at **La Vida Mission** continues to grow and impact its corner of our conference. [Read this story](#) sent to me from

Polly and Dorie Panganiban, church and community outreach coordinators at La Vida, about a new fellowship group starting up in Crownpoint, about 30 miles south of La Vida.



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Upcoming Events

Parker Adventist Hospital Concert of ThanksCaring Sun., Nov. 11, 12:00 p.m.
Parker Arts, Culture and Event Center,
20000 Pikes Peak Ave.
Parker, Colo.

Campion Academy Week of Prayer Nov. 12–17
Featuring Jamey Houghton
Loveland, Colo.
Contact: Spencer Hannah
970.667.5592 x 129

Western Slope Prayer Summit Nov. 17–18
Featuring Jim Moon and Mark Bond
Grand Junction, Colo.



The NAD responds to Hurricane Sandy » The **North American Division** voted to support the Hurricane Sandy relief effort with \$500,000 dollars, and the **General Conference** also chipped in \$200,000. Several other unions and conferences also made pledges. As we heard firsthand, the needs in the affected region are great, and much relief work needs to be accomplished. [Click here for more.](#) A **Division-wide special offering** was held yesterday to support the relief efforts. If you are planning to support the relief efforts, and haven't known where or how, you can donate by [clicking here.](#)

The North American Division unveils six building blocks for ministry »

At the recent Year-End Meetings, leaders of the **North American Division** revealed their plans to focus on six ministry initiatives. They include: Transformation Evangelism, Retention of Young Adults, Women in Ministry, Accessibility of Adventist Education, Emerging Immigrant Populations, and Media. To learn more about the major themes and strategies for each initiative, [click here.](#)



On the road » Diane and I returned from Silver Spring, Md., Thursday, and are glad to be home. There was a very gracious spirit that prevailed at the **NAD Year-End Meeting**, and much was accomplished. If you want to hear some powerful and inspirational sermons from last week, [visit the Hope Channel website](#) to view them. You will be very blessed.



The Vista Ridge Academy bell choir performs at Chapel Haven.

Yesterday, Diane and I had a wonderful Sabbath with the **Chapel Haven Church** family in Northglenn, Colo. It was "Education Sabbath," and the bell choir from **Vista Ridge Academy** shared their musical talents.

Contact: Jan Olson
970.256.7283 or
970.260.6860

**Denver South Church
Festival of Lights**

Fri., Dec. 7, 7:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 8, 4:00 p.m.
Denver, Colo.
Contact: Teresa Zumwalt
303.744.1271 or
303.697.1859

**Campion Church
Christmas Concert**

Sat., Dec. 8 10:50 a.m.
Loveland, Colo.
Contact: Melissa Clouzet
540.740.2255

**RMC Youth Prayer
Conference** (Grades 9-12)

Jan. 11–13, 2013
Glacier View Ranch
Ward, Colo.
Contact: Jessica Beans
303.282.3664



Pastor Robert Corinado speaks with baptismal candidates at the Chapel Haven Church yesterday.

The high point was a baptism of three individuals who attended the evangelistic meetings they have been holding there. There are more baptisms planned next week as well.

This morning, **Eric Nelson** and I headed down to Pueblo to visit **Dale Fuhrmeister**, pastor of the **Arkansas Valley, Lamar, and Springfield** churches. Last night, Dale was in a serious car accident, and his back was fractured in two places. Miraculously, he was not paralyzed, and in fact, when we arrived he was sitting up in a chair! They will not need to do any surgery, but he will be wearing a back brace and a neck brace for several weeks. They are hoping to send him home from the hospital in a few days. He is quite sore and definitely in need of our prayers!



Dale Fuhrmeister

Tomorrow, Diane and I will head to our respective Union Year-End Meetings. Since Diane is the managing editor for the *Lake Union Herald*, she will be at the Lake Union headquarters in Berrien Springs, Mich., and I will be in Lincoln, Neb., for our Mid-America Union meetings. Diane is especially looking forward to her trip because she will have an opportunity to meet our son's new girlfriend!

Have a blessed week!

Elder Gary Thurber
President

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