A Time to Heal

The United States has a new president. For a long time now, many of us wondered not only who the new leader of our nation would be, but also when the divisive, angry and polarizing election would end.

No matter how you voted, no matter how you engaged in the democratic process, we need to enter into a time to heal. As we interface with our neighbors, as we exchange comments, even within our own families, after a time of much disrespect—all too often amplified by the media—we’ve come to a time for us to re-consider, to show respect, to offer kindness, and to drop the language of division.

What may apply to our concerns as citizens applies also to how we approach and deal with issues, and how they are addressed, in our own faith community. No matter where we stand on issues—whether policy or theology—the Christian way must not descend to the same level of rancor we encounter in the world.

As Christians, we should be examples of the fruit of the Spirit (see Galatians 5:22-23). Of all times it is needed, it is needed so very much now. The way we treat each other is one of the greatest evidences of our walk with Jesus.

As Christians, we can reclaim the Pauline admonition to embrace those who disagree with us, whether in politics, religion, or worldview. We can stretch a hand toward those with whom we disagree, even toward those who may have said something untoward. We can be kind. We can be courteous. We can be loving.

Friday, November 11, 2016

Upcoming Events

MAUC Year-End & Executive Committee
November 12 - 16
That's the way of Jesus.

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. “In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (Ephesians 4:25-26; 29-32)

[The Editor]

Looking Ahead: RMC Constituency Meeting  » Rocky Mountain Conference administration is busily planning for the next constituency meeting scheduled for July 23, 2017 (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) and churches are in the midst of selecting delegates to represent them at these meetings.

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conference. These voting members represent each of the local churches within the Rocky Mountain Conference, and accomplish the election of officers, the planning for major mission and outreach programs or other business that helps the conference operate well. The conference will also present statistical reports on current membership and finances.

“One of the important features of the meetings is visioning for the church’s future. Where do we want our church to be in five years’ time? Church members’ input is vital. This is our conference and we need to hear the voice of the local church,” stated Eric Nelson. “We hope that considerable time will be spent on plans and the direction we would like to take. We hope for quality interaction in July,” he added.

The last constituency took place in 2012 when all three officers were re-elected—president, vice president for administration and vice president for finance.

In 2012, we voted to move constituencies to a quinquennial, recurring every five years. For many years prior to that, the meetings took place on a three-year rotation. Changing the constituency meetings to every five years was a cost-saving measure, and done for the purpose of mission in order to give time for plans to be completed that were laid at the beginning of the election period.

Two delegates are chosen from each organized church with an additional delegate added for every 50 members or portion thereof. A company of believers only has one delegate, while groups are not officially organized and have no delegates.

Prior to the constituency meeting, delegates are asked to attend the town hall meetings (see schedule below) so that they will be informed of upcoming issues and have opportunity to appoint a nominating committee and nominate a Constitution and By-laws Committee.

Delegates also elect the slate of administrative officers and members of the Executive Committee whose duty is to function for the constituency during the interim between constituency meetings. They also elect the members of the Property and Trust committee.

Their nominations are then presented to the constituents at the session to be voted.

“It is our hope that the town hall meetings will become a venue for listening to each other, giving valuable recommendations as well as praying together for our church in Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico,” Nelson comments.

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 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
### 2017 Town Hall Schedule

**6:30 p.m.**

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Delegates are expected to attend these meetings in their own region as they will be electing the nominating committee and would represent their region.

The Nominating Committee is scheduled to meet on May 7 to elect officers and committee members.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Share Infographics From BibleInfo.com to Tell Story of Desmond Doss** » On November 4, Hacksaw Ridge was released on the big screen. In this film—which is based on true events—Desmond Doss, a medic in the U.S. Army, braves heavy enemy fire and saves an estimated 75 lives by lowering them down a cliff to safety. Even though Doss repeatedly risks his life to save his fellow soldiers, he is remarkably spared by the power of God and eventually receives the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions. Inspired by this amazing story, on the Voice of Prophecy's Bibleinfo.com website, you will find in-depth infographics that explain the true story of Hacksaw Ridge. These resources answer questions such as: *Where is Hacksaw Ridge and what does it look like today?*  
*How would Doss compare with a modern-day soldier?*  
*How can the lessons from Doss' experience impact my life?*

Go to [www.bibleinfo.com/doss](http://www.bibleinfo.com/doss) for more information.
RMC Youth Mission
Trip to Waianae »
Calling all teens! Join the Rocky Mountain Conference Youth Department for a mission trip to Waianae on the island of Oahu. Projects include evangelistic meetings, VBS, homeless/health ministry and building projects at Camp Waianae. For more information and to register, visit www.rmcyouth.org/mission-trip-2017 or call 303-282-3660. Registration deadline extended until December 31. Adults can join as a trip chaperone. Spots are limited, so contact Shannon Werner at shannonw@rmcsda.org for more information and to register.

Copper Mountain Lift Tickets at Discounted Rate »
Order your tickets from RMC's Youth Department:
- Adult (ages 13+) $65 each
- $2 off per ticket for purchases of 5-24
- $5 off per ticket for purchases of 25
Child (ages 6-12) $58 each flat rate
Flat mailing fee of $3 per order or pick up at the RMC Conference office free!
Certified Copper Mountain Lift Tickets for the 2016-17 ski season are day passes.
Ticket supply is limited, so order today!
To purchase tickets, visit www.rmcyouth.org/snowfun or call 303-282-3664.

NewsNuggets Archive Now Online »
The NewsNuggets archive is now online, and can be found at https://www-rmcsda-org.netadvent.org/newsnuggets-archive.

Worland Church »
Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be held weekly at 6:30 p.m., beginning September 21 and continuing through November 16. If you are looking to improve your financial situation, eliminate debt, plan for retirement or your children's college, buy a house or make any type of financial transaction, this class is for you.
The church is at 660 South 17th Street, Worland WY 82401. For more details or to register, visit https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1026568/atid/ or contact Kathy Weigand at 816-872-5619 or mkweigand5155@gmail.com. It's not too late to sign up or attend!

**Loveland Church**  »  *Revelation Speaks Peace* is coming to the Loveland Church beginning at 6:30 p.m., Friday, October 14 and **continuing through November 19**. For a schedule and topics presented each night, go [here](https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1026568/atid/). The church is located at 950 Cleveland Avenue, Loveland, CO 80537.

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**HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!**  »  We would like to break yet another record for attendance at a One project gathering. Our San Diego gathering (February 24-27, 2017) includes a two-day focus on the book of Revelation on Saturday and Sunday, as well as an evening of creative worship preceding the gathering and the one-day Create conference afterward. There are [special programs](https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1026568/atid/) for teens and children. If you haven't [registered](https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1026568/atid/) yet, do so now! Remember to [book](https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1026568/atid/) your accommodation early while rooms are still available. For information on the One project, contact Boulder Adventist Church pastor Japhet De Oliveira: t. 303-601-6349 e. japhet@boulder.church

**Financial Peace University**  »  If you are a young adult interested in gaining relevant financial guidance and
connecting with other young adults in the Denver area, Rocky Mountain Conference's Youth Department is holding a nine-week class at the conference office for you. The class will meet each Tuesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. beginning October 18 and **continuing through December 13**.
The cost is $93 for materials and membership and the first 15 people to register will receive a 50 percent discount. For more information and to register, email shannonw@rmcsda.org or for an overview of the class, go to [www.daveramsey.com/fpu/preview](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/preview). The office is located at 2520 S. Downing Street, Denver CO 80210.

**Vista Ridge Academy »**  
A Fall Festival and Silent Auction with free admission is planned from 6 - 9 p.m. Saturday, **November 12** with food booths galore, a cash cube, games, fun prizes and a bouncy house. Bring your friends and enjoy a great evening. The academy is located at 3100 Ridge View Drive, Erie, CO (off Sheridan behind the new King Soopers). Call 303-828-4944. Avista Adventist Hospital is partnering with Vista Ridge Academy to put on this event.

**Grand Junction Church »**  
Melissa Otto will be in concert at the Grand Junction Church at 6:30 p.m. **November 15**, following a soup dinner at 5:30 p.m. The church is located at 730 Mesa Avenue, Grand Junction. For more information, call 970-242-7747.

**Christmas Wish List from Glacier View Ranch »**  
Please choose one or more items that speak to your heart or join with someone else:  
Naturalizing perennial **flower bulbs** (for around ranch, front entrance sign); **Garden hoses** for watering; **Bushes** for landscaping around buildings; **Grass seed** for lake front; **lamp shades** for lodge guest rooms; **Window treatments** for lodge guest rooms; **Furniture** for common area in lodge; **Paint** for inside lodge, exterior of summer camp cabins, pool meeting room, cafeteria, summer camp office, all building exteriors; **Stain** for exterior wood; **Heaters** for summer camp cabins; **Curtain rods and curtains** for summer camp cabins; **Insulation, sheet rock and installation** in breezeway; **Doors** in breezeway; **PA system** for lodge, auditorium, Long House and Campfire Bowl; **Fencing** to update and unify ranch fencing; **Road treatment** of gravel and/or solution for
summertime dust; **Razor** for summer camp activity; **Razor Track** to prevent unnecessary accidents; **Pool repair** of paint and water to refill pool after repair; **Pool ceiling repair** and insulation; **De-Humidifier** in pool area; **Snow blower** to clear ranch roads in winter; **Man-lift** for maintenance in high areas; **Swings** for lake front, prayer garden and cafeteria areas; **Commercial washer** for laundry room; **Commercial dryer** for laundry room; **Benches** for Camp Fire Bowl and Wagon Camp; **Flooring** for cafeteria; New **kitchen equipment** for main kitchen and prep area; **Fridge, freezer, oven/range** for Long House kitchen; **Box truck, van/suburban, pick-up truck**; **RTV/Gator/Polaris**; **60'x80' activity building** for use in bad weather; **New building** for Nature Center.


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**Prison Ministries Training**  The Alliance of Prison Ministry Organizations & Affiliates (APMOA) announces its biennial prison ministry training convocation on July 27-29, 2017 in Crystal City, Virginia, just outside of Washington, D.C. Plan to attend and make it a family vacation. To get a training convocation brochure when it becomes available, email laurieanne2011@hotmail.com

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Daystar School** in Pueblo is looking for a part-time aide for K-3 for the 2016-17 school year. If you are interested in finding out more about this position, you can contact Michelle Velbis by email at michellevelbis@gmail.com or call 719-561-9120.

**Voice of Prophecy:** The Voice of Prophecy is looking to fill three positions: gift planning departmental assistant with accounting experience, digital content specialist/webmaster, and a donor relations coordinator. For more information, visit [http://vop.com/jobs](http://vop.com/jobs).

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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.

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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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