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

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Franktown Church offers hope to community »

Beginning tonight, Sept. 28, at 7:00 p.m., the

Franktown Church, in Colorado, begins a two-week evangelistic series titled, "Hope for

Today." Members have distributed, by hand, more than 500 fliers as well as hundreds of *Steps to Christ* and *The Great Hope* books in preparation for the series. The Franktown Church has asked us to pray with them that the Lord will bless and that many people will be added to His kingdom through this effort. Pastor **Chris Evenson** will be the speaker for this series.



Chris Evenson

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Upcoming Events

Eden Valley 50-year Celebration
Sept. 28–30
Featuring **Shawn Boonstra**

Eden Valley Institute
9325 World Mission Drive
Loveland, Colorado
Contact: **Leasa Hodges**
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Arvada congregations rejoice over new family

members » I received these two reports about two individuals who recently made commitments to Jesus, from Pastor **Gordon Anic**, pastor of the **Arvada Church** in Colorado. He and his members rejoice over God's leading in their lives.



Lay pastor Rick Laub baptizes Jennifer Vera at the Arvada Church.

“Lay pastor **Rick Laub** baptized **Jennifer Vera** at the **Arvada Church** this last Sabbath. This was Rick's first baptism in more than 25 years. Back then, Rick was a pastor in the Southeastern California Conference. Now, he is once again bringing souls to Jesus as a member of the Arvada Church's lay pastor team.



Lay pastor Norris Custodio with Blanca Guadalupe Estrada

“**Norris Custodio**, a lay pastor for the **Arvada Hispanic** ministry, also helped someone give their life to Jesus. That same Sabbath, **Blanca**

Guadalupe Estrada joined the Arvada Church by profession of faith.”



Aspen Park members share free water and lemonade to hikers at Meyers Ranch.

Churches find creative ways to reach people » It is great to see how different churches find creative ways to connect with people in their community, to serve them and open doors to share Christ. I received this beautiful article from **Laurie Neal**, in which she shares one way the **Aspen Park Church** family, in Colorado, has been able to get acquainted with their neighbors. To read the story, [click here](#).

Vista Fellowship fall series begins » The fall evangelistic series at **Vista Fellowship**, in Longmont, Colo., has just begun. **Joel Kratzke**, former pastor, is the evangelist for this series. So far, 63 visitors have attended.



Joel Kratzke

There are many young people coming to the series who have expressed their appreciation for the insights they have learned from Joel, including learning more about the Antichrist when he preached on that topic recently. Let's keep praying for those who are hearing God's Word that they will continue to be blessed and encouraged by what they are learning, and answer the call of the Holy Spirit!



Daniel Birai, Longmont Church ministry leader, plays the piano as the praise team leads.

On the road » It was a delight to worship with the **Longmont Church**, in Colorado, last Sabbath. The church has a new, locally funded ministry leader, **Daniel Birai**, who has been a blessing to Pastor **Steve Snow** and the church family with his musical gifts and enthusiasm. We especially enjoyed their praise team, youth involvement in various aspects of the service, and fellowship at the meal afterward.

This has been a full week! My wife, Diane, and I were with the Mid-America Union leadership team most of the week, and are looking forward to supporting the **Franktown Church** evangelist meetings this evening.

Tomorrow, we will drive to **Eden Valley Institute**, in Loveland, Colo., and join those who are present for the 50-year celebration of this ministry. Pastor **Shawn Boonstra** is the guest speaker for this special weekend.

After participating in the Eden Valley Institute Board Meeting on Sunday morning, I will head to Lincoln, Neb., for the **Union College** Board of Trustees meeting on Monday.

After that, Diane and I are going to take a vacation! Because we will be taking some time off, there will not be a *Nuggets* newsletter next Friday.

Blessings to all in our wonderful church family as we celebrate again the Sabbath time with our Savior!

Pastor Gary Thurber

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