Colorado Family Church: February Local Highlights

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With February come and gone, we look forward to the light at the end of the tunnel of a long and cold winter this year and the beginning of spring. Please take a look at some of the highlights from our community over the past month.

Attending Regional and National Conferences



Anisa Tanaka and Yoshiko and Unja attended our subregion's youth pastor gathering in the Bay Area, California. We are so grateful they could represent our community and be a part of these important regional meetings.

Also, Pastor Adonia and Mike and Nathian attended a national leadership gathering in

planning for the year, and some outings in nature.



Ongoing Interfaith Activities in Grand Junction



Our Interreligious Sharing Series in Grand Junction, Colorado has begun a mini series," Uplifting our Spiritual Founders." On February 16th, we learned about Mary Baker Eddy who founded the Church of Christ, Scientist in 1879. According to Mary Baker Eddy, God is Spirit. Love. Truth. She showed the world that healing can take place in the present, not just in Biblical times, by tapping into and unequivocally

believing Jesus' teachings and by connecting to the Divine laws of God.

Mary Baker Eddy was a preacher, a business woman, a world religious leader. She founded The Christian Science Monitor, now a global newspaper, in 1908 at the age of 87. Her most famous book is Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures.

Eleven religious leaders or representatives were present for the program: Muslim, Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, Methodist, Baha'i, and peace organizations, Women's Federation for World Peace and Universal Peace Federation. After learning about the remarkable Mary Baker Eddy, people shared openly and sincerely about their own experiences of healing, with everyone listening attentively. We concluded with an informative tour of the Christian Science Church.

Celebrating True Parents' Birthday & Foundation Day



We had a simple pledge service and breakfast to celebrate True Parents' Birthday and Foundation Day. It was really nice to gather all together and we are grateful to everyone that came and our volunteers for preparing the offering table and breakfast. You may enjoy the short video that was shown that morning.



Valentine's Date Night



This month, our elder's group and wonderful volunteers organized a special Valentine's Date Night! As you can see, it was a blast for the children, and the parents could have some quality time together. A huge thank you to all volunteers for making this possible.

Youth Ministry



This month, our youth ministry team organized a teen girl's get-together where they made sushi rolls art and had a discussion about how the choices you make affect your life. Thank you to our amazing youth ministry team for the consistent care of our youth.

Continued Renovations and Improvements

This month the Chetverikov family moved into the vacated 4-plex unit. They are settling in well there. We were able to make some upgrades to our internet and network system (that services all 3 buildings) due to donations of equipment from Anton Smirnov. Thank you Anton! We also did a number of other various improvements. The boiler in the 4-plex unexpectedly died and needed to be replaced. It was 27 years old and past its life expectancy. Fortunately, we were able to get it done in a timely manner. The gate lock for the courtyard also broke last month, and we replaced it with a more commercial-grade lock. Also, we have been making improvements to the cafe, including a new commercial griddle and some shelves for supplies. Lastly, we did some carpet cleaning and small improvements in the parsonage to prepare for many visitors that will be coming and staying there in March.











Through the Sunday services this month, we finished our series on Stewardship and had some powerful additional messages, one of which was given by guest speaker Rev. Richard Buessing. If you missed any of them, you can find them all on our <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>Youtube channel</u>. For quick reference, this month's recordings are below.

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