Colorado Family Church September Local Highlights

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Fall has arrived, and the changing leaves and weather is a constant reminder of the cycle of life and that everything shifts with time. The monthly update is a little late this month, so thank you for your patience. Please enjoy the updates from this month and we look forward to sharing many more things in the October news.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE



This month we began our annual Marriage Course. Four couples have signed up and we are so grateful to Gelo and Kazuyo for continuing to host this program every year and for all the cooks who are preparing such nice meals for all the couples.

CONTINUING INTERRELIGIOUS WORK IN GRAND JUNCTION



After a summer hiatus, the Interreligious Sharing Series restarted in Grand Junction the last day of September. The leader of the Christian Science Church, founded by Mary Baker Eddy, hosted us. The Communications Director of The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints enthusiastically participated for the first time and Antonio and Gale represented UPF and WFWP.

As these faith leaders were fresh to our interfaith series, we repeated the topic, "What is the Purpose of Life?" Everyone shared well-thought-out content and listened attentively to each other's presentations. We were all happy to have learned something new to enrich our own lives of faith and plan to gather at the LDS Church in October.



PREPARING FOR CAMP JOURNEY 2023



The staff of Camp Journey have committed to organizing next year's camp, and in order for that to happen, they have put together this online fundraiser. Prices for rental properties have skyrocketed for 2023, many having doubled, so we need to raise additional funds for next year's camp to happen and still charge reasonable fees to participants. If you would be willing to help with the fundraiser, <u>you can donate here or just click or tap on the photo above.</u>

CONGRATULATIONS and PRAYER REQUESTS



We are excited to welcome the Gavrysh family to our community. Eugene and Rita, together with their children Mariya, Kristina, and Viktor, have relocated to our community from Ukraine. We hope their

family can feel welcomed in our community as they begin their new life here.

CONTINUED RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

This month we focused on finishing the apartment for the Gavrysh family and began renovations on the final downstairs unit. We also made some safety and usability improvements to the church for the preschool.









Above are final photos from the upstairs apartment. Many people pitched in to make this happen, and we are so grateful for all their help and support. Below are "before" photos from the downstairs unit. You will see the "after" photos in next month's email.















Through the Sunday services this month, we shared a variety of messages on a wide range of topics. 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.

The Ceiling is Not White

Being Owners of Our Lives

Finding More Joy in the Things We Are Already Doing

Living Fully in the Time We Have