

Colorado Family Church: July Local Highlights

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We had a very busy July full of summer camps and family camp, and now we are moving into the end of summer and a time of many changes happening in our community. We look forward to sharing many of those changes and updates in next month's Highlights. Please enjoy our updates from July!

Family Camp



This year's family camp was packed and we had a full weekend of biking, games, camp fires, s'mores, swimming, singing, and so much more. We hope it was a great experience for everyone that came and we hope to see you there next year.

Camp Journey



A whole year of preparation and investment by many people culminated in a great Camp Journey 2023! We are grateful for all the staff and volunteers and all the parents that entrusted their youth to the camp. [Enjoy photos here..](#) We also had a number of our youth attend Camp One Heart. You can watch a video from that below.



Interfaith Activities in Grand Junction



Two events are highlighted in this month's interfaith report from Grand Junction.

The first marked the 70th Anniversary of the Korean Armistice by gathering at the Korean War Memorial with representative members from City Hall.

Gale gave a short, but effective speech that covered the Korean War, Rev. Moon being incarcerated in a communist prison and then liberated by the American forces, the need to unite North and South Korea, and the meaning of Peace Road.

Antonio read aloud the names of the 16 nations that fought to drive out communism or donated supplies. We all took turns reading the names of the people from Fruita who died fighting in the Korean War, a war that took place just 5 years after WWII ended. We concluded with a prayer and tears.

The second event was a WFWP/Peace Road Prayer Breakfast. The theme was "Bridging the Black White Divide. "

The First Christian Church not only hosted us, but cooked and served a hot, delicious breakfast. Thirty people attended: representatives from 5 different Christian churches, Baha'is, Black Citizens and Friends, the service organization, Diaper Depot, Grand Valley Interfaith Network as well as the mayor of nearby Palisade and the pastor of Crossroads Methodist Church.

Two young women from Black Student Alliance, an organization of Colorado Mesa University, presented on Black culture.

Afterward, we had an honest and open discussion among the somewhat racially mixed audience. We then created space for the 4 black women in attendance to honestly share their experiences of racism in the Grand Valley. They told us later they were happy because they felt heard and validated.



Divine Principle Education in Cameroon



Rev. Ngalame has been continuing to invest in Divine Principle education and bringing people to the Blessing in his home country of Cameroon. Here are some photos of the 1, 2, and 7 days workshops. His goal is to raise at least 43 singles and Blessed Couples to receive the blessing by 2027 and to have a Church Center in Kumba-Cameroon. He is looking for financial assistance to achieve these goals. If you would like to help, please contact Rev. Ngalame.

Congratulations & Welcomes



We are excited to welcome a new family to our community. Tetiana Andrushchenko and her daughter Natalie are from Ukraine will be staying with the Christian family.

Continued Renovations and Improvements

This month, we've been working non-stop on the renovations for the new parsonage. A huge thank you to all those that have come out to help. It would take too long to list everyone's names, but we are incredibly grateful and wouldn't be able to undertake this big project otherwise. Next month, we will have move-in photos!







Sunday Sermons

Through the Sunday services this month, we had messages on a variety of subjects, in particular on seeing from God's perspective. If you missed any of them, you can find them all on our [Facebook page](#) and [Youtube channel](#). For quick reference, this month's recordings are below.

- [Becoming Like Children](#)
- [God's Perspective: It's Not About Me](#)
- [Seeking God's Perspective](#)
- [True Freedom](#)



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