

TAKING THE SAVING GOSPEL TO A LOST WORLD

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"...GO INTO ALL THE
WORLD AND PREACH THE
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GRAND TETON FAMILY ENCAMPMENT

This annual, four-day event takes place each July in Wyoming's beautiful Grand Teton National Park. Just to the north is Yellowstone National Park. The venue for the Sunday through Wednesday worship services, lectures and classes is the Amphitheater at Colter Bay Village. Most of the Christians who attend are from congregations in our western states. Some bring their RVs for accommodation. Camping areas are provided for those who want to rough it and stay in a tent. Cabins are also available to rent. The scenery, of course, is spectacular and the fellowship with members of the Lord's church from so many different places is wonderful. We have participated several times in the past, most recently in 2014. We always made the long trip by road, but this year, using air miles, we flew into nearby Jackson Hole and rented a car. This time I preached twice and Rose taught one of the ladies' classes. **Ron White**—who has preached in Clearfield, Utah for many years—is in charge of the program and always does a terrific job. The messages I heard were true to the word, very informative and encouraging. "**Christ Shall Appear a Second Time...**" was the theme this year. This is based on a statement in Hebrews 9:28 and most of the lessons covered various aspects of God's teaching on the important topic of what will happen at the end of the world. I was assigned to speak on "**The New Heavens and the New Earth**" and "**No Man Knows the Day or the Hour.**" The ladies' classes were on various matters. Rose's lesson was on the providence of God. It was entitled "**Who Knows?**" and was based on a statement in Esther 4:14. If you might be interested in

attending the Teton meetings sometime in the future let me know. When I receive news from Ron White about dates and themes I will pass that information along to you. If you need extra incentive—the temperature at night was in the 30s and the high each day was about 70 degrees.

CONCERNING UKRAINE AND RUSSIA

The fighting and bloodshed in **Ukraine** continues but is no longer big news here in our country. No one knows what the future holds but it seems certain that Russian President **Vladimir Putin** still intends, if at all possible, to bring Ukraine under his control. **Rose** and I, along with **Don** and **Elnora Oelze** plan our usual autumn trip to **Kremenchuk**, Ukraine for early October. Christian refugees from the war zone are being cared for there and generous saints here are helping to provide housing for them.

In the past the church in **Russia** has been blessed by a very effective Bible school in the far-northern city of **Syktvkar**. Others were taught but the main purpose was to help train preachers. It's been a great blessing to me to teach there eight times. For the past few years onsite studies were suspended and the emphasis was on distant, correspondence study groups in Russia and Ukraine. The on-campus studies were planned to start again this September and I was scheduled to teach 1 & 2 Corinthians in December. A recent message from the Dean of the school, **Larry Little**, informs me that the resumption of the studies in the city will be delayed till September of next year. I still hope to be a part of that good work.

Rose and I have been doing foreign mission work for more than 40 years. This includes living overseas nearly 20 of those years. When I'm not out of the country I am available to give PowerPoint presentations about some of the interesting and important places we work. Maybe you know of a congregation that might be interested in this.

Your coworker,

Ronald Coleman