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John Wesley and creation evangelism

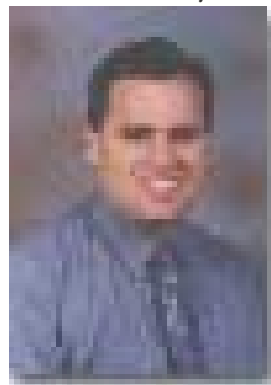
Let me share with you an exciting 'creation evangelism' report this month.

On one of my recent open-air evangelistic outreaches, a young man in his 30s stopped to hear me preach. After listening for fifteen minutes, he interrupted me to ask, 'What motivates you to preach out here?' I explained why and shared my testimony. Then to my amazement he told me that he was the great-great-great-great-grandson of John Wesley, the famous Christian outdoor preacher! So when he saw me doing the same thing, it triggered the questions he had always had about his great ancestor.

In our long discussion, he told me that he never went to church because his father was an atheist (imagine that!) and his mother had no interest in spiritual things. He said that he believed that there must be a God but was perplexed about how we could boldly assert that He is knowable and why could we be so confident in thinking that our God is the right one!

I was shocked to discover that a descendent of John Wesley was an atheist! This made me wonder about what had happened to his spiritual heritage.

Of course, each individual must decide to trust and obey the Saviour, regardless of how famous his or her ancestors were. Malachi



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2:15 tells us that one of the responsibilities of parents is to produce *godly offspring*. Therefore, parents need to teach from Genesis because it is the basis for Christian doctrines, the New Testament Gospel message, and also for making sense of scientific observations as they relate to history. The goal of this teaching is to produce *godly offspring* who will continue in the faith.

That's where I began with Robert. I discovered that he had no Biblical knowledge, so I began by explaining that the Creator Himself gave us a written account of how He created everything in six days, including the human race, beginning with Adam and Eve. I went on to describe the Fall into sin, the Curse and the other 7 C's of History (Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, Consummation).

As I spoke from Scripture, I could see the 'lights come on!' The 'stumbling blocks' (1 Cor. 1:23) to salvation were being removed! Robert realized that he needed to respond to what the Creator, Jesus Christ, had done on his behalf. Clearly, the Lord was preparing

his heart for the Gospel! As our conversation concluded, he said, 'I'm overwhelmed with all that has happened so far tonight. I need to think more about this. Pray for me.' I prayed with him and he was very grateful.

Faith comes by hearing, hearing by the Word of God (Rom 10:17). All the obstacles were removed and the seed of the Gospel was planted. How exciting! Please pray that he will continue to reflect on what he heard.

There are some lessons in this. First, the importance and effectiveness of 'creation evangelism!' Are there people in your circle of influence to whom you could witness? An effective way to start is by answering their questions about Creation and Genesis. Lend out an *AiG* video, book or back issue of *Creation magazine*. Our materials are meant to equip you to be successful in reaching others for Christ.

Finally, it is critical that parents equip their children with a solid Biblical worldview, beginning with Genesis, so that they are able to understand and defend the accuracy of the Bible when

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WHO ARE WE?

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Museum testimonies!

So many **AiG** supporters are commenting positively about the future Creation Museum and Family Discovery Center near Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, that you'd think it was already open!

Actually, it will be at least a year and a half before this large complex, which will feature first-class exhibits, will be open—yet excitement is already building throughout the United States and even the world. (Some international supporters have told us that they intend to fly to America for the museum's grand opening!)

As land preparation continues, construction documents are prepared, and exhibits are designed (stay up-to-date on the progress by going to our Museum Web page at: www.CreationMuseum.org), **AiG** receives numerous letters and e-mails from supporters who anxiously await the opportunity to take a 'walk through Biblical history' in the future museum. Here is just a sampling:

Thank you so much for your efforts, ministry, and astounding offensive moves against evolution. I am a ninth-grade student attending a secular school, and I have been bombarded with evolutionary lies for quite some time now. I cannot express my gratitude enough for the positive influence that you have had on me. I can't wait to visit the museum when it is finished!

—E.A., Michigan

'Let's get that museum built! Thank you, Lord, for the AiG ministry. You are a great encouragement to my Christian walk.'

—A.A., Saugus, California

'We receive exciting communiqués from you regarding the museum. Each time, the Lord [has led] me to send \$300. I pray the Lord will bless it and multiply it. God bless you, Ken, and all of your staff everywhere.'

—J.M., Santa Rosa, CA

'We discontinued membership at our local (evolutionary) museum of natural history and are sending the money to you to proclaim the truth about Earth's history to the glory of God.'

—P.B., West Mifflin, PA

To help us build this facility (we are not taking out a mortgage, but will be relying on gifts from supporters), please call the American **AiG** office directly to place a donation (1-800-778-3390). Please note that donations from Canadians are not tax deductible.

Open House!

We will be having another open house on Nov 17, 2001!

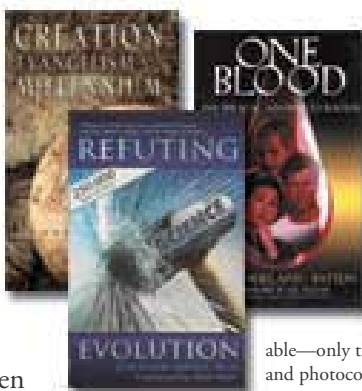
Come see the Canadian office, warehouse and bookstore at 380 King St N, Waterloo, ON



FREE Study Guides Available Online!

Study guides are now available for:

- *Refuting Evolution*, by Dr Jonathan Sarfati
- *One Blood*, by Ken Ham, Dr Carl Wieland, and Dr Don Batten
- *Creation Evangelism*, by Ken Ham
- *Answers ... with Ken Ham* 12-video series



free to make multiple copies of these study guides for classroom, Sunday school or Bible study (there are no copying restrictions).

Click on 'Creation Education' then 'Online Study Guides.'

Note: there are no print versions available—only the free download, which can then be printed and photocopied.

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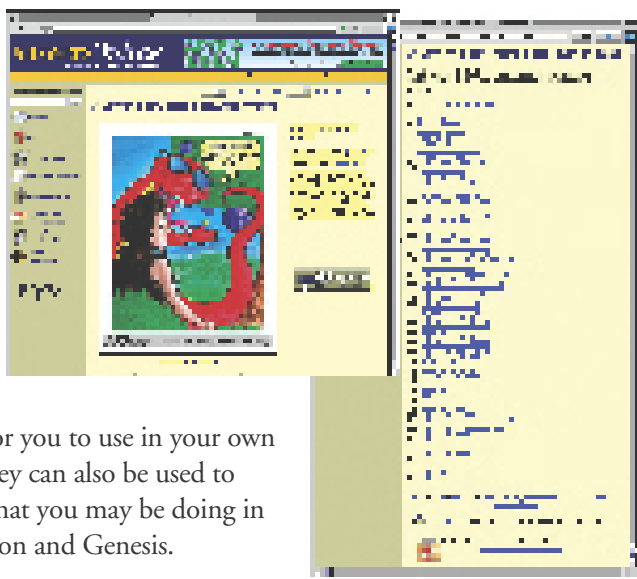
confronted by alternative worldviews or secular higher education. *AiG's* children's materials can be used to teach your children that God's Word is true even when it mentions that God created in 6 days, just 6,000 thousand years ago. God's Word is a trustworthy account of history!

Free Creation Illustrations!

Many of the overhead/PowerPoint illustrations used by *AiG* speakers can now be downloaded for free from our Web site! A new one is added each week and more than 60 are currently available!

Many of these graphics, produced by our own illustrator/cartoonist Dan

Lietha, are now available for you to use in your own creation presentations. They can also be used to supplement any teaching that you may be doing in the area of creation/evolution and Genesis.



The following article was posted on our Web site on Aug 7, 2001.

'Back to school, back to the Bible'

I am a high school student who will be entering a university in Illinois, USA, in the fall. I will be majoring in geology and astronomy, and am a staunch creationist.

Even though my beliefs will be called into question innumerable times, I will be able to stand firm while hearing the [evolutionists'] side of the argument. I have received enough education to know that it is the creationists who are scientific.

I stumbled upon your Web site while looking for information about current evolutionary theory and creationist stances on scientific issues. I have been fervently defending the Word of God to the best of my ability, but what I have run into is nothing short of closed-mindedness to the evolutionary contradictions to fundamental science.

I believe that the relationship between origin science and religion will not

grow closer over the coming years, but I can say that in order to reject the false teachings of the evolutionists, we should put on the armour of God, and then use scientific laws to aid us. Despite what evolutionists say about God as being unnecessary for abiogenesis [development of living organisms from nonliving matter] and evolution, it is clear that their 'debunking' of Genesis is beginning to fool the common man into believing that God doesn't exist.

I offer you kudos and best wishes for your mission to build a Creation Museum (near Cincinnati, Ohio, USA) that will offer exhibits that are overlooked by evolutionary scientists.

Creationists need to learn that the ideas of an old Earth and evolution are man-made ideas that were placed into human minds by Satan.

—C.H., Illinois

French Translators Needed!

Several months ago, we mentioned the need for translators. Praise God! We now have one volunteer in Quebec working on translating some of our tracts into French. (This is in addition to the dozens of volunteers around the world who are translating *AiG* materials into many languages.)

More translators are needed! If you are interested in translating *AiG* materials into other languages, including helping to reach French-speaking Canadians, please contact Katia at 1-800-350-3232 x466 or e-mail translations@AnswersInGenesis.org



Prayer Points

- Praise report: For many families that have been strengthened in their faith as a result of our family seminars.
- Wisdom and strength for Henry de Roos in his various roles as husband, father, missionary and teacher.
- That God would raise up qualified speakers, office staff and volunteers to support the growth of the ministry.
- That *AiG* materials would be used by Christians across Canada and around the world to win others to Christ.
- That the website would reach even more people than the thousands that it already reaches (approx 11,000 visitors per day!).
- Wisdom and discernment for Richard Fangrad and the Canadian *AiG* directors.
- For the Creation Museum construction—and completion.

Speakers' Schedule

Please pray for these upcoming seminars.

Sept 9, 2001

Keswick, ON, 10:30 am
Keswick Christian Church
Info.: Rev. Dr. Randy Dixon
(905) 476-4548
Henry de Roos

Sept. 20, 2001

Toronto, ON, 7:30 pm
Toronto Free Presb. Church
Info.: Dr. Frank McLelland
(416) 284- 9835
Henry de Roos

Sept 22, 2001

Keswick, ON
10:30 am, 12:30, 1:45 pm
Keswick Christian Church
Info.: Rev. Dr. Randy Dixon
(905) 476-4548
Henry de Roos

September 29, 30, 2001

Milton, ON
Sat. 5 p.m. & 6:30 pm
Sun. 9:45, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Graceway Baptist Church
Info.: Pastor Walter Isaac
(905) 878-1629
Henry de Roos

October 7, 2001

Brantford, ON, 7:30 pm
New Cov. Congregational
Info.: Pastor Lance Tweedie
(519) 753-4549
Henry de Roos

October 13, 2001

Orillia, ON
Saturday Seminars
First Baptist Church
Info.: Pastor Steve Barker
(705) 326-3800
Henry de Roos

October 14, 2001

Newmarket, ON, 10:30am
Living Water Fellowship
Info.: Pastor Johan du Toit
(905) 895-9991
Henry de Roos

November 3, 4, 2001

Newmarket, ON
Sat. p.m. & Sun. Seminar
Calvary Baptist Church
Info.: Pastor Dan Biggar
(613) 735-5293
dbiggar@webhart.net
Henry de Roos

November 10-11, 2001

Goderich, Ontario
Saturday 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Sunday 11:00am
Calvary Baptist Church
Info.: Pastor Andrew Swanson (519) 524-6445
calvary@hurontell.on.ca
Henry de Roos

November 24,25, 2001

Wyoming, ON
Saturday & Sunday Sem.
Peoples Church
Henry de Roos

Ministry Needs

There are many ways to help *Answers in Genesis* uphold the Bible in a skeptical world. Do you know of supplies or equipment that could be donated to the Lord's work? Below are some of our equipment needs. If you can help please call Richard Fangrad at (519) 746-7616.

Speaker needs

Video Projector

- XGA video
- Minimum 2000 ANSI Lumens output

Office Needs

Laptop computer

- Latest model not required, but it should be a reliable Pentium-based system.

Colour printer

- High resolution, near photo quality