

CSA News

The Creation Science Association for Mid-America

"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in men" Psalm 118:8

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Quo Vadis America? ... CSA?

Reflections: Whither Goest Thou America

I took an informal poll of CSA leaders regarding their reflections on the 1992 elections. The replies, some of which are paraphrased below, were interesting:

Cal Myers: "For the first time, America made a conscience decision to choose immorality." I commented that Bush had difficulty convincing any of us he really believed the stands he tried to take. Cal replied: "True, but he steadfastly refused to take immoral positions." [Bush's opponent actively campaigned for the "right" to kill children, and the "rights" of people who have willfully chosen a life labeled by God to be an abomination, to be treated by others as though they were just living an alternate life style. He was elected commander and chief of an army he had refused to fight in, and leader of a nation he had actively campaigned against. It should also be noted, that Clinton is the first American president who actively campaigned **against Christianity**]. Cal's observation reminded me of the remark by the French historian, de Tocqueville, after touring the US, "America is great because she is good. When she ceases to be good, she will cease to be great."

My own reflections were: "Clinton's government will result in the flocking to positions of power all over the country of the grandest assortment of socialists, communists, homosexuals, atheists, and vicious, anti-Christian, intellectual imbeciles than at any time since the days of FDR. I'm not convinced Clinton is smart enough to be the antichrist, but I strongly suspect his administration will be able to boast that it has done as much to pave the way for him as any in history."

Glenn Kailer: "We voted in the tribulation."

"CSA 1993" - Our 10th Year

After several years of noting and studying the fact that evolution was being widely taught in science classes, museums, public parks and zoos, I had concluded evolution was not merely unscientific, it was a collection of pagan religious mythology that presented a real threat to individuals and society. I had begun expressing myself on the subject, and found I was being invited to speak to various groups. During the summer of 1983, at the exhortation of my wife, Penny, I attended an international conference on Creation in Minneapolis. It was like a breath of fresh air to find so many intelligent, highly educated men committed to Biblical Creation as the accurate history of the world.

I invited several friends who had expressed an interest in the subject to consider doing something about it. Walter Lang, founder of the Bible Science Association gave us his mailing list for the area. I spent some time with Walter, and found him to be essentially prophetic in some of his views. He told me that the "creation movement" of the mid-1900's had demonstrated beyond doubt that Creation was the best science, that they had enjoyed 30 years of relative peace ("They have largely ignored us"). He likened the era to that of Samuel and his school of the prophets followed by the period of David. He invited me to get into the creation ministry, punctuating his invitation with: "The era of peace is over, the Lord needs to send some David's into the field." I reflected on his comments and realized that, like David, the Lord had prepared me for this kind of warfare. I had spent over 20 years consuming technical material and conveying it to people who did

not want to hear it. I prayed, "Lord, here am I, if it's your will, send me."

We invited Walter to be our guest at our first meeting, December of 1983. About 40 people attended. Among those were Roy Holt and Larry Rink, both of whom were (and are) instrumental in our success. Roy, a natural researcher, had already done a considerable amount of it, and with the encouragement CSA provided, he really plunged into it. Larry, a natural doer, had already scheduled Creation lecturers by outside speakers, notably Dr. Gary Parker, and later, Ken Ham and John MacKay.

As with any ministry, or, for that matter, any venture requiring hard work and human organization and cooperation, there were setbacks. People dropped out, some over disputes, some because it interfered with intramural sports or TV football and other important family activities. On a number of occasions, the obstacles have produced considerable discouragement. But each time the Lord has provided new hope and new talent. Joining CSA leaders since its founding have been: Bob Farwell (a public school science teacher who formerly taught evolution), Ken Carlson (a consulting engineer with interest in and knowledge of coal formations), Glenn Kailer (a pastor who decided what CSA was doing was more important than what he had been doing), Calvin Myers (a medical physicist), Jim Henderson (a college biology teacher who decided it was time he do something on this issue outside the classroom), and now Greg Hinnens (a meteorologist) have all joined our roster of speakers. As mentioned last month, a number of others have provided other help, and several thousand have provided financial assistance.

Particularly encouraging to me is that all these have been exhorted into activity by the prior work of CSA. They are each living proof of the effectiveness of our work... they joined it! Obviously there were many others encouraged by it and many whose efforts contributed to it. Also encouraging is the support and the mail we receive as a result of **CSA News** and other activities.

It has been our "creed" that God knows full well how he created, that He has accurately communicated those facts to us, and that, a proper understanding of His account of origins is essential to an understanding of the meaning, purpose, conduct and destiny of human beings. It is my sincere prayer that **CSA** will persist and continue to succeed in helping those who truly want to know the truth about their origins.

"But What About The Tribulation?"

I have felt for a number of years that American "Christians" were living out a fairy tale. Most American pastors view their assignment as an easy job. They want to reside in a nice big building where lots of people come listen to them preach, and a few (not too many) come during the week to seek their advice on family matters. The laity, guided by this less-than-inspiring example, seems to think Christianity consists of going to church on Sundays and disliking the right things (as long as it doesn't interfere with career, or intramural basketball). I frequently find atheists more dedicated to their causes.

Meanwhile, the rest of the world, has been living **in** a tribulation. If you live in Russia, China, Eastern Europe, Asia, Spain, South America, et al, your Christianity has interfered with intramural

basketball for some time now. We do not know "Whither goest America," but our goal at CSA is to continue to go where people thirst, and to give them living water. Like Paul, we have no idea whether we will alter the course of history, we merely hope to face our maker (and even Paul) and be able to say with him, "We have fought a good fight, we have finished our course, we have kept the faith." 2 Tim 4:7

Tom Willis, President

A Field Report from Glenn Kailer

Editor's Note: This report is presented with several ideas in mind.

1. It gives you an idea of a "month in the life of a CSA missionary," 2. It gives you an idea of the caliber of man CSA has attracted (Glenn read CSA News and drove 65 miles to CSA meetings for several years before joining us), and 3. It gives you an idea what CSA could accomplish with more full-time people. While CSA work is almost entirely accomplished by people gainfully employed in secular jobs, even though Paul followed that path, it is not the one he recommended for others, and is **not** the Biblical model for Christian service.

On Saturday, October 3, I headed for Hiawatha, Kansas, for one of the regular monthly TFC Rallies sponsored by Midland Ministries. They gave me the opportunity to do two presentations in the one rally (poor kids?). I donned the famous mantle of power (a white lab coat) and, using actual pages from a Jr. Hi. "science" text, explained how they could prove evolution to themselves, their friends, parents, and pastors. When the mad professor strikes, he also includes a stirring appeal on how without evolution, teens have no basis for resisting less evolved parents, ignorant employers and fundamentalist preachers. Further, evolution is a necessary prerequisite to the personal autonomy so prized by today's youth. Without evolution, they have no justification for making their own choices in terms of sexual expression, use of alcohol and drugs, or even things like abortion. Evolution is so necessary to the world's "liberated" lifestyle. After the break, I spoke directly in terms of God's design in creation, including a plan for each one to be conformed to the image of Christ. Four teens made salvation decisions that evening. Praise God!

In Perry, Kansas, on Sunday, October 11, Pastor Larry Wright was the host for an all day Creation Celebration. There were five presentations in this mini-seminar, punctuated by a carry-in dinner.

Pastor Wayne Pittman launched a mini-seminar at the Crossroads Church in Hutchinson with a Saturday night salad supper after which I presented an Introduction to Genesis. On Sunday, the 18th, I preached a message on Creation and Redemption, a sermon based on Paul's Athenian visit. The Scriptures tell us that Paul preached Jesus and the resurrection. Those who heard his message clearly had no frame of reference for belief in divine incarnation or resurrection from the dead, for they lived in a philosophically constructed evolving world with no eternal Creator-God and no hope of human immortality. Luke tells us that those who heard Paul wanted "to know what they (Jesus and resurrection) mean." (Acts 17:20) Paul appropriately recognized that the gospel of Jesus was without meaning apart from the gospel of creation, so he began by explaining the relationship of God to the universe as is represented in the first verses of Genesis: God made the heavens and the earth. God is transcendent and not in any way dependent on man. God is eternal and omnipresent; we live and move and have our being in him. God is omniscient and will judge the world through the one he approved of, namely, Jesus, the again-and-forever-living one. Since all complex systems have their meaning and value bound up in their origin, and the origin of the gospel is in Genesis, the gospel requires knowledge of creation to have a

basis for value in a Gentile society. This connection between creation and redemption is the missing link in the advance of the church of the Lord Jesus in our own culture, based as it is in Greek philosophy.

"The Mad Professor Strikes Again!" was the theme for a special midmorning teen session on Sunday at Crossroads. Those kids are now competent to "prove" evolution to anyone, but they should have a hard time keeping a straight face while doing it!

On Sunday evening, in a session on "Creation, Design, and Purpose: The Front-line of Spiritual Warfare," we even had representatives from other area congregations present. One was the Pastor from the 1st Mennonite Church of Hutchinson. He suggested the possibility of a mini-seminar in their church sometime in the future.

On Thursday, October 22, I pointed the car to Moberly, Missouri for a weekend there. Friday morning started early with a 7:15 a.m. class in Christian Apologetics at Cental Christian College of the Bible in Moberly. Professor Larry Pechawer graciously gave up the whole class hour for the "Design & Purpose" presentation. He said that it was the first time he had heard anyone "fill the gaps" between design in nature and the antiteleological arguments of the humanistic philosophers. That is to say, anyone can see evidence of design in nature, but any dedicated atheist can say, "Well, it does look like design, but since we know it evolved, we must conclude that amazing accidents do happen." Once it is established that every complex system, the origin of which is known, has its beginning in the plan and purpose of a creator, it is clear that any rational person would accept the hypothesis that any complex system whose origin is unknown probably also has its beginning (and, therefore, meaning and value) in the design of its creator. With this simple observation in place, the argument from design in nature has much more force.

Later on Friday morning, I had the privilege of addressing the entire student body in chapel. The presentation theme was the standard Genesis 1-11 overview with an emphasis on "what Moses wrote." (John 5:47) One of the professors had told me that he had taken and taught a sophisticated view of Genesis days: "We don't know what '6 days' means." He agreed that there is no reason to think that Moses did not mean six, ordinary, day and night, evening and morning, 24-hour days. I showed him that there is no scientific reason, either, for denying the historical account of creation. Is there any reason for adopting mega-years except for someone's attempt to impose basic atheistic philosophy on science and history? The Christian can be set free from the bondage of erroneous mental constructs if he is a disciple of Jesus, holding fast to his word. (John 8:31-32)

On Saturday, I made two presentations to 350 or so 7th & 8th graders at a "Crazy Days" Rally. I again demonstrated the power of the white coat in proving evolution, to the delight of many adults as well as kids. In the second hour, I covered a discussion of the age of the earth with an expose of the circular reasoning of stratigraphic dating and a simple critique of radiometric dating followed by several simple evidences for a young universe. This group of teens with no rehearsal, performed one of the best choir renditions I have ever heard of Paul Ackerman's "It's a Young World After All" song.

On Sunday, October 25, about 175 people at the Union Avenue Church in Moberly saw a slide presentation on the rapid geologic changes during and after the eruption of Mt. St. Helens in 1980. A letter from the church secretary should encourage each of you who support this ministry on an ongoing basis:

"We want you to know how pleased we were to have you visit our congregation this past Lord's Day, and to share the material with us that you did. we, indeed, were blessed by your being with us.

"We are confident that minds and hearts were stirred and that

the message you brought here will have lasting effect on our people.

"We heard nothing but praise for your messages at Central. Our young people, by the way, were present at those sessions, and we feel that they gained much."

Much more is already on the schedule for the months to come. By the grace of God, results will be multiplied and the fruit of your involvement will be an increasing knowledge of the truth and the liberation of many to serve the living Creator and Redeemer of man.

Bert Wagoner Strikes Again

In March, 1992 we reported on the creative efforts of Bert Wagoner of Des Moines to get the Des Moines, Iowa school system to at least recognize creationism as a culture deserving of equal treatment under the Iowa Multi-Culture laws (See: "Is Creationism a culture," CSA News, Volume 9(2), March/April, 1992). These laws, rapidly spreading to many states, require the schools to treat **all cultures equally and fairly**. Educators, under the laws, are required to be sensitive to the "beliefs, values, lifestyles and attitudes" of individual students and subgroups. These laws require such things as: "Each student is to see themselves reflected in the curriculum." Yet even the beliefs of the Pilgrims and founding fathers of our nation are systematically excised from public school curricula today.

Bert filed formal motions with the school board, insisting that they obey the law. They ignored his motions using a technicality, and the Superintendent, Dr. Gary Wegenke, even claimed creation is adequately represented in the libraries. Bert has now filed a formal appeal to the State Board of Education, insisting that the Des Moines schools obey Iowa Multi-culture laws and the Supreme Court ruling that "students have a First Amendment Right to library resources" (Peco vs Island Trees School Board). This Supreme Court opinion even listed 14 suggested creationist books for public schools in spite of Dr. Wegenke's claims the Des Moines schools have none of these, and no other books on creation. For the complete text of Bert's motions and appeals, write CSA, or Bert Wagoner, 3701 E. 38th Court, Des Moines, Iowa 50317.

Book of the Month:

Unlocking the Mysteries of Creation

by: Dennis Peterson

One of the best family books on the creation/evolution dialog. Profusely illustrated. Contains a fairly unique section on the high technological knowledge and skills of early man, as well document in the Bible and by archaeology.

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Audio Tape of the Month: January, 1993

Geologic and Fossil Evidence For Noah's Flood

by: Bob Farwell

It doesn't seem to matter whether your evolutionist friend is an atheist or a "Christian," you can bet your bottom dollar he doesn't believe in a worldwide flood. If he believes in evolution, he has to believe that somehow the rocks provide evidence for his belief (though most cannot state exactly how they do). Conversely, if he believes a worldwide flood occurred several thousand years ago, you can bet he will also reject evolution. In the March, 1992 CSA meeting, Bob Farwell gave this excellent review of the worldwide evidence for a worldwide flood.

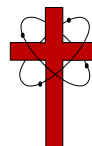
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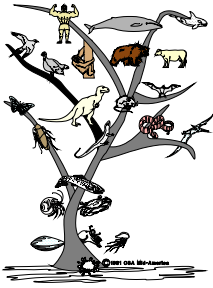
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CSA Meeting Tuesday, January 5, 1993



The Basic Institute in Creation Science
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The Origin of Kinds

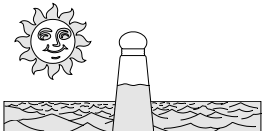
The "Great Proofs" Of Evolution

by: *Tom Willis*

A college professor jumped up and screamed at me "Evolution is just change, change is everywhere, evolution is a fact!" His statement served to illustrate nicely that evolution is not science. his behavior, which grew worse, illustrated that and evolutionists are not the open minded, nice people they would like us to believe. You see, evolution is not just (any) change, it is a belief that lizards give birth, somehow, to birds. And the change demanded by evolution is not observed anywhere. We will review 10 "Great Proofs" of evolution, and show that 1. None are even rational, 2. All provide excellent evidence for creation. Please try to control loud laughter during this meeting.

The Advanced Institute in Creation Science
The Age of the Earth Section:

The Sea's Missing Salt: A Dilemma For Evolutionists



A Video From the International
Conference on Creation

by: *Steven A. Austin, Ph.D.*
Russell Humphreys, Ph.D.

Various salts are added to oceans and other closed bodies of water on the earth by rivers. Water is removed by evaporation, but the salt remains. Since the 1800's a number of leading scientists have studied the saline content of these waters. Each time they have concluded that inputs greatly exceed outputs, clearly indicating these seas must be very young. It's time we took a more in-depth look at how evolutionists avoid this. I think you will see that, as with Helium in the atmosphere, another obvious question for old earthers remains, "Where did all the salt go?"

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Origin of Life Section:

The Origin of Man

The Myth of Human Evolution

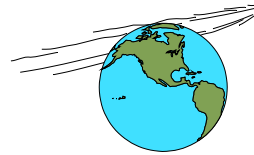
by: *Bob Farwell*



Charlie's
Uncle?

A high school science teacher, accustomed to communicating with young people, Bob brings a real sense of humor to this important topic: "Where did I come from?" Your answer to this question strongly influences, if not determines your answer to "What is the meaning and purpose of my life, how should I conduct myself?" If you wonder why people today believe it is appropriate to burn down buildings and kill their neighbors if they are disappointed by events around them, perhaps you should consider that they have been forcibly trained that they are animals, and that some of them are silly enough to believe their teachers.

The Advanced Institute in Creation Science
The Age of the Earth Section:



The Lifetime and Renewal of Comets

A Video From the
International Conference on
Creation

Like Helium in the atmosphere and salt in the sea, comets provide a physical process from which we can estimate the (upper limit) age of the solar system. They too have been studied by leading scientists for over a hundred years. The tails of comets a material being lost. It doesn't take a Ph.D. to figure that a ball cannot lose material forever. Estimates of this material loss in short period comets (orbits of less than a hundred years, like Halley's Comet) consistently indicate these objects must **all** be very young... **no more than about 10,000 years.**

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