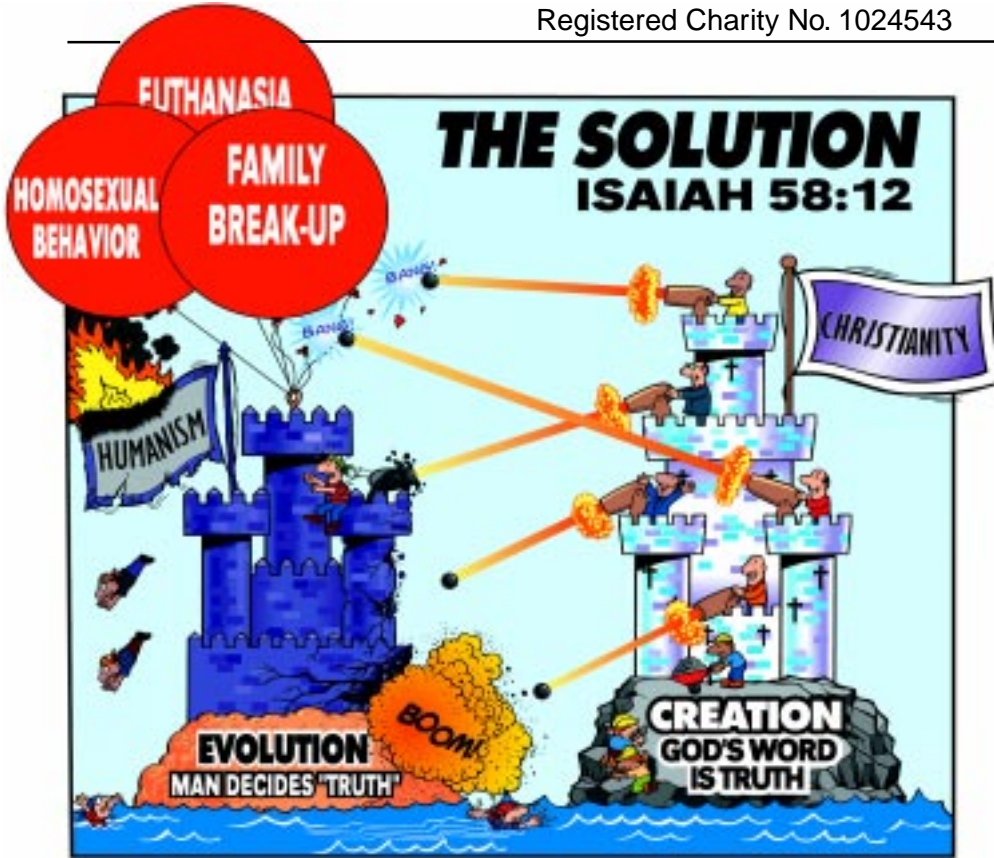


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Creation – *Why it matters!*

■ **By Dr Monty White,**
CEO of AiG(UK)

The doctrine of Creation is important for it impinges on doctrinal issues such as the authority of Scripture and the Atonement; and moral issues such as homosexual behaviour, abortion, divorce and euthanasia. It even affects the question of law and order.

Sir Julian Huxley maintained that 'Darwin's real achievement was to remove the whole idea of God as the Creator of organisms from the sphere of rational discussion.' Sir Julian touched upon a vital truth in this statement, for what evolutionists really want to do is to remove God, not just from the area of origins, but from all areas.

I have often thought that one of the

reasons that the question of origins is so popular is because it is the ultimate "whodunit?" God, or chance natural processes? Do you believe God and his Word (the Bible), or do you accept the words of scientists and what they write (and then re-write and re-write) in their textbooks? In fact, the creation/evolution question actually reflects your attitude towards the authority of God's Word—the Bible.

The question of origins is also about the meaning of life. The answer to this question is what everyone wants to know. What purpose has life? Why are we here? The Bible answers this by telling us that everything was created for God's own purposes (Revelation 4:11) and that God made Earth to be the dwelling place of His very special creation—human beings (Isa.

45:18). This is in stark contrast to the evolutionary account of origins—that everything, including the human race, is the result of a cosmic accident and that there is no purpose in the existence of anything in the universe. No wonder then, indoctrinated with evolutionary teaching, so many people are living out their lives eating and drinking, for tomorrow they die!

God's remarkable written Word, the Bible, right at the beginning tells us why people, naturally (of 'the flesh'), do not know God and why, naturally, they cannot have a relationship with him. The reason is sin. The Bible, however, also teaches that the blood of Jesus Christ, God's son, cleanses from all sin.

This is the very heart of the Gospel—the good news is that we can have our sins forgiven! The doctrine of salvation actually shows the importance of the doctrine of creation. Salvation depends on the fact that a perfect Adam once lived in a perfect world. If there had been no perfection, then there would have been no Fall; and if there had been no Fall, there would be no need of salvation. This has been summed up succinctly: No Adam, no Fall; No Fall, no Atonement; No Atonement, no Saviour.

The Bible is very specific about how we should conduct our lives, and about moral issues facing mankind at the beginning of the twenty-first century—issues such as homosexual behaviour, abortion, divorce and euthanasia. Christians are often found fighting these issues (and even fighting each other about these issues) but not attacking the present-day foundation upon which these teachings rest—that is, evolution.

According to evolution, there are no moral absolutes with regard to male and female—this is why homosexual practices, for example, which are abhorrent in the sight of God, are commonly viewed as acceptable. Again, according to evolution, there is no sanctity of human life—humans are 'just animals'. Hence aborting an unwanted child is seen as acceptable.

Paradoxically, according to evolution, success involves having as many offspring

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News from Romania

By Emil Silvestru*

Well, I'm still around—it looks like God considers I haven't finished my job here. Quite a job!



1. The book I translated, *What Is Creation Science?* by Morris and Parker, has made it to the stands (the Manifesto of the Romanian Foundation for Creation Research was published as an appendix to the book). I have received a lot of positive correspondence, including from academics. Virtually all wish to join the Foundation! You can imagine the work of answering so many intellectuals!

2. I am preparing a creationist lecture tour of the most important academic cities of Romania—11 of them.

3. I was invited to ROMFEST—a meeting of Romanian intelligentsia of the Diaspora, focused on the role of Christianity in the restoration of the Romanian nation. I wrote a paper for this.

4. We would like to produce a series of top quality creationist documentaries.

*AiG financially supports Emil's research.

as possible so that more of our genes get passed on to the next generation. So it is easy to see why promiscuity is acceptable and the Christian monogamous marriage, with one man having one wife, is under so much pressure in a world dominated by evolutionary views.

The philosophical argument for euthanasia is based on the evolutionary view that humans are just animals. In this view there is no difference between 'putting down' a pet dog in order to relieve its pain and suffering and 'putting down' an old sick relative for the same reason. Contrast this with the Word of God: 'You shall not murder' (Exodus 20:13). At the time of writing, euthanasia has just been legalised in Holland. How long will it be before it is legalised in other European countries?

I believe that evolutionary teaching is one of the contributing factors to the increasing lawlessness in the UK. All through our education system, children are

taught that: they are animals, there is no purpose to life, there are no moral absolutes and there is no God to whom they have to give account for their actions. They are taught that the rule of life is the survival of the fittest. Is it any wonder then that people behave the way that they do? The Bible teaches that the training we receive as a child often influences later behaviour (Proverbs 22:6).

So the creation/evolution question affects all our lives. The question of origins determines the type of society in which we live.

Today's society is reaping the fruits from the tree that Darwin and his followers planted in the middle of the nineteenth century. The axe needs to be wielded against that tree so that its evil fruit is destroyed and so that the foundations upon which so much of our permissive society is built will be removed.

Please pray for us as we endeavour to take the message of creation around the UK and other countries of Europe. □

Many helped through ministry tours

From left: Irene and Monty White, the Lord Mayor of Belfast, The Rt Hon. Sammy Wilson, and Tas and Lorraine Walker. Tas was able to briefly explain the importance of the Creation message at a civic reception.



We have accompanied two overseas visitors on ministry since joining AiG.

In Sept./Oct., geologist Dr Tas Walker from AiG Australia spoke to a total of over 2,500 people at 15 churches in Leicester, Bridgnorth, Chester, Edinburgh and Northern Ireland. It was quite an adventure and a steep learning curve as we embarked on our first tour.

Churches overflowing

Most of the churches in Northern Ireland were full to overflowing with people wanting to hear the message of creation, and the question times proved popular. Book and video sales were good—this is encouraging as the message will now be in people's homes. Tas was interviewed twice on BBC Radio Northern Ireland, and Monty was interviewed once when he was able to inform listeners about the work of AiG.

Stormy reception

In November we hosted Dr David

Menton, Associate Professor of Anatomy at the Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, USA. Both Monty and David spoke at the University of Sussex. Afterwards, David faced a hostile and rude couple of questioners who would not let him answer the questions that they asked him. The rest of the time, David ministered at churches where the congregations were far more receptive and appreciative of the message.

David spoke about dinosaurs at a number of venues: at a young people's meeting at Herne Bay Christian Centre; to 200 people at Elim Church, Plymouth; and at Kensington Baptist Church, Bristol. At a couple of meetings in the Swindon area, David used his knowledge of anatomy to



Dr Menton

good effect when he spoke about the skin and the eyes. Both talks overwhelmed the audience with the complexity of each organ and pointed to the fact that the human body is indeed

wonderfully designed by God. On the final weekend of David's visit, both Monty and David ministered at Bethel Baptist Church, Barry, South Wales.

Most of David's itinerary was held in the stormy and flooded areas of the country. We experienced many answers to prayer regarding the weather conditions and were greatly encouraged by the number of people attending the meetings despite the dreadful weather. It was wonderful to us that the rain stopped while the van was being unloaded and loaded at the venues.

Monty has also taken a number of meetings on his own. He has spent four evenings ministering in churches in South West Wales and has taken part in a mission organised by the Christian Union at Aberystwyth University, and also at the London Bible College (see report, p. 4).

Requests for ministry

We have created a new Seminar Department. Daily there are requests for meetings, contact regarding details for booked meetings and enquiries about how to arrange meetings and advertising. Some folk contact us for encouragement when they are having difficult times in their own churches—often with their church leaders who do not realise the importance of the first chapters of Genesis. Indeed, my life has been transformed since starting work for AiG in September—providentially the Lord has given me the strength to cope with all the changes and the workload.

—Irene White (Seminar Co-ordinator)

AT LAST! An easy way for you to promote the truth of biblical creation to hundreds, or thousands—and break down barriers to the Gospel.

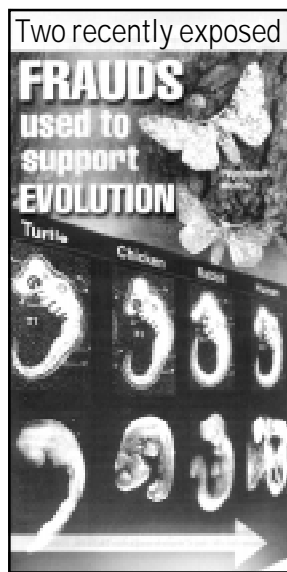
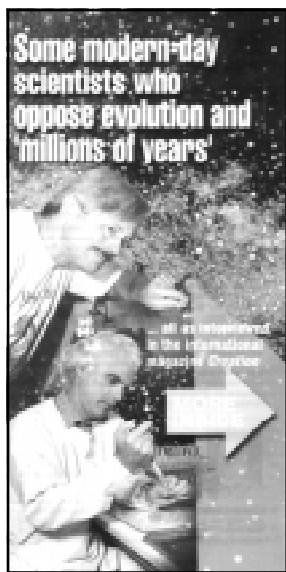
Use these colourful, glossy, professionally presented 'witnessing weapons', which are cheap enough to distribute by the thousands—with your name on them if you want.

For years, many have wanted to give out our materials widely in their community. But it is generally too expensive to do this by the hundreds and thousands with magazines and books. Tracts are much cheaper, but are very limited in their appeal and impact. So we've produced two strategically designed, full-colour, glossy, A4-size, doublesided and prefolded outreach pamphlets. These are designed to:

- Have a special space where people who wish to can print or stamp their contact details for follow-up.
- Be of the same top-quality presentation and appeal as Creation magazine.
- Be really affordable, because of our printing them in huge quantities, so that people who want to put thousands in their local newspaper will find it manageable.
- Give enough information to intrigue, challenge, and whet the appetite of any genuine seekers, encouraging them to find out more. (Either by contacting the person distributing the pamphlets, or through our website, or by obtaining a full information pack, catalogues, etc. from us.)
- Strike at the heart of several smug assumptions by evolution-believers. Thus, these two outreach pamphlets deal with the following issues:

1. Highly qualified scientists who back Genesis creation.

We have taken extracts from our magazine interviews, with colour photographs, about a leading geophysicist, molecular biologist, astronomy professor, zoology professor, and several more actively



The covers of our two new full-colour glossy pamphlets

practising researchers and academics. Many will be stunned as they have been indoctrinated to believe that "all scientists back evolution"!

2. Recently-exposed frauds used to promote evolution.

Unbelievers tend to be shocked to discover that certain 'evidences for evolution', which they were taught as absolute fact, have in very recent times been uncovered as fraud-based.

Such are the peppered moths of England, and the recently exposed scam about embryos being very similar in their early stages. It makes unbelievers more open to the possibility that other things they have been taught about evolution might not be true, either.

We encourage each of you to consider using this new tool, prayerfully, to strike telling blows into enemy territory in this spiritual warfare in which all of us Christians are meant to be actively engaged.

Possible ways to use these new tools:

- Leave these outreach pamphlets in strategic places here and there in your daily comings and goings.
- Do a mailbox drop in your community (respecting any 'P.O. mail only' signs, we suggest). If too daunting, the local yellow pages usually tell of people who will do this for you, for a modest fee.
- Ask for quotes on having several thousand included in a community newspaper. This is often surprisingly cheaper than a display ad, and a glossy colour brochure really 'stands out' in a black-and-white publication.
- Give one to the folk in your church, if they need to be 'creation-evangelized', too! If your church is generally supportive, it may want to be involved in this as a special project into their whole community, putting its name in the contact details.

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- Lots more ways that you can come up with, even just handing them or mailing them to your friends.

Prices for these outreach pamphlets, pre-folded, postage included, are (you choose any mix of titles you want):

1000	£60	(pro-rata for more)
500	£35	
200	£19	Sample pack of
50	£ 7	one each: FREE.

Website blessing

'Ever since I have been visiting the web site, my wife and I have been truly blessed; the information and edification is wonderful. Our children have been blessed too. The construction of the site is a credit to the organisation and the work is a blessing to the Lord.'

—Michael, Manchester

Boy helped by *Creation* magazine

A lady from Cambridgeshire bought a bundle of old wildlife magazines at a car boot sale. Her young son found in them a back copy of *Creation* magazine. When they found our telephone number inside they were very excited! The best of it was that the son had been under some difficulty in defending his faith at school regarding 'Where did the races come from?' and found just the article in that one magazine to answer all his questions! Isn't that great—the Lord works in wonderful ways!

Letter from Leicester

Irene and I have settled into our new roles here at AiG HQ in Leicester, although we have not yet sold our house in Cardiff.



We have a busy year ahead. The highlights include my visit to STH Basel in January, Ken Ham's visit in April, my giving two talks at the Assemblies of God Annual Conference in April, and my week's ministry at the Herne Bay Court Christian Centre in August. Details of these and other meetings

during 2001 can be seen on the AiG website (see front page—in the UK section, click on the Event Calendar).

The Board has asked me to look for a replacement for our old VW Caddy (now too small to cope with the volume of stock needed at meetings). This will probably take place in the spring and we estimate it will cost at least £10,000.

Thank you all for your prayers and support.

—Monty White

Olympic Games outreach—Feedback

Steve Mayo, leader of the Eternal Gold Olympic outreach team has given us the following report:

'The 4 Big Questions book provided by Answers in Genesis proved to be a key component of our Olympic outreach. During fourteen days of personal evangelism on the streets of Sydney, we spoke with tens of thousands of people.

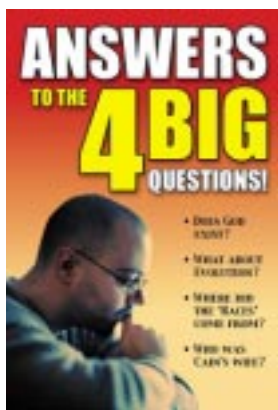
'It was not unusual to have questions like, "How do you know God exists?" and "Where did the races come from?" posed to us. The 4 Big Questions book was effective not only because it addressed these questions, but also because it caused people to take the Gospel seriously.'

Jeana from Korea

'One of our teams was working in the Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens. Pastor Ken spoke to a Korean lady and asked if he could share with her about the ultimate prize—eternal life.

'As Ken finished presenting the Gospel, the lady said, "I have an emptiness in my heart. I wish I could believe Jesus were true."

'She had many questions—the kind you would expect from a bright uni student. Ken had a 4 Big Questions book handy. She was very thankful to receive it and promised to read it. She also asked for a recommendation for a church to attend in her neighbourhood.'



Richard from USA

'One of our team members, Steve Schultze, met Richard, from California, at the beach in Manly. They got into a lengthy discussion which was tempered by Richard's boast that he was a proud evolutionist. Even so, Richard listened to the gospel.

'As their conversation drew to a close, Steve asked him if he would accept a 4 Big Questions book. Richard was glad to receive the gift and promised to read it.

'This same scenario was played out every day of the outreach. In some cases, we secured contact numbers so that we could follow up on the person later.

'Sixty-one people professed faith in Christ, with this number increasing as we have received response cards through the post. Many of the recent additions are no doubt due in part to the Lord's use of the 4 Big Questions book.

'We are also using the book as a resource for each of the 61+ who professed faith in Christ. One man, Paul, who was saved in the Blue Mountains two weeks ago, pored over the book with amazement and sends his appreciation.'

—Steve Mayo

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50	£45	(all post-free)
10	£12.50	
1	£ 1.50	

MINISTRY CALENDAR FOR 2001

Please Pray for us.

Ministry by Dr Monty White

January 19. Rugby School: 'For by Him were all things Created'.



January 27/28. Breakfast & preaching, Aesch, Switzerland. Details from Rev.

Reinhard Moeller, Basel (061) 751 8575.

January 29 to February 2. Series of lectures on the Bible and Science at Staatsunabhängige Theologische Hochschule, Basel, Switzerland.

February 8. The Upper Room Market Place, Leicester. Dr White will be the after-dinner speaker. Contact Rev. P. Bassett 0116 2708410.

February 17 am, & 18 Morning service at Alconbury Independent Baptist Church Little Stukeley, Huntingdon. Contact Pastor Tom Rooney 01480 455 300.

March 14–18. Venues in S.E. London. Contact Mike Moore 01959 565 955.

March 19, 1–2 pm, Christian Police Association, Vauxhall, London.

March 21, 7.30 pm, Community Hall Birstall, Leicester. Contact Mr Shepherd 0116 2214044.

Ministry by Ken Ham

April 4, 7.30 pm, Gateway Church International, 102–104 High St, Crawley, West Sussex. Contact Fiona Portwood 01293 427075.



April 5, 7.30 pm, Gateway Church International 102–104 High St, Crawley, West Sussex. Contact Fiona Portwood 01293 427075.

April 6, 7.30 pm, Sunderland Free Church. Contact Richard Bulmer 0191 551 1154.

April 7, 3.00–5.00 pm, and 6.30–8.00 pm, Sunderland Free Church. Contact Richard Bulmer 0191 551 1154.

April 8. Morning Service, Sunderland Free Church. Contact Richard Bulmer 0191 551 1154.

April 9, 1.00–2.00 pm, Police Christian Association, Vauxhall, London.

April 9, 7.30 pm, Calvary Chapel Westminster, London. Contact Ali 0207828 5520.

April 10, 1.00–2.00 pm, Scotland Yard Police Christian Association, London. 7.30 pm, Calvary Chapel, Westminster, London. Contact Ali 0207828 5520.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR 2002 DIARY

Saturday, March 9, 2002.

Creation Conference, Newcastle upon Tyne, with **Ken Ham**.

Saturday, March 16, 2002.

Creation Conference, Leicester, with **Ken Ham**

LBC students resist creation teaching

Monty White spoke at the London Bible College recently, and was surprised at how many of the students were theistic evolutionists.



These students refused to accept that the early chapters of Genesis were the revealed Word of God, arguing that this was written merely as a polemic to counter the idolatrous views prevalent in the Middle East at that time.

This reaction reinforces the need for the work of AiG through its seminars as well as its literature. It also reminds us to pray for each other as we uphold the truth of the Bible from the very first verse.

In the Dec. 2000 Creation magazine:



- Did Einstein believe in God?
- How do geckos walk upside down?
- We evaluate a reported dinosaur sighting in Papua New Guinea.
- Earth looks its age—young!
- We interview Oxford graduate Dr Shaibani, consultant for the FBI and teacher of the physics of medicine to physicians and surgeons.
- Life from non-life—is it possible? If not, why do our schools still teach it?
- Ken Ham interviews creationist author Dr John Whitcomb.
- Stories from all around the world show evidence there was a worldwide flood.
- £12.95 for four 56-page issues p.a.