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## AiG—‘If the Church did its job properly, we’d be out of a job!’

By Dr Monty White

**T**here is a growing tension in churches between many lay people and their leadership concerning the Bible’s historical account of origins. Our supporters and friends often struggle to understand why so many Christian churches, organisations and leaders become annoyed about the stand that AiG takes on the interpretation of the early chapters of Genesis—especially about the six days of Creation.

One reason is that many evangelical pastors have been taught by Bible Colleges that have compromised the Scriptures. Today, so many Colleges want their qualifications recognised and validated by secular universities. In order to achieve this, they have to have their curricula vetted by the academia of the university, who are usually atheistic evolutionists, and who do not even believe the Scriptures! Thus the teaching that the Bible is the infallible Word of God is compromised.

Such Bible Colleges generally adopt a mantle of ‘tolerance of many views’ on Genesis. We have been told that one leading UK Bible College adopts the view that theistic evolution is *the* popular view, and therefore the College will teach this view until another popular view arises. In practice, this so-called ‘tolerance of many views’ ends up being *intolerant* of the view that Genesis means what it says. They regard this as ‘just another doctrinal issue’ like baptism, tongues, prophecy, and so on. However, the origins issue is about ‘big picture’ things, like the origin of sin and death—the whole Christian worldview of a good world ruined by sin, awaiting redemption to a sinless, deathless state. It is at the heart of the modern struggle over Biblical authority and, as even *atheists* have pointed out, is foundational to the Gospel.

However, no Bible College would say of prophecy, for example, that ‘anything goes’ in that area. They properly draw the line *somewhere*, based on the *words of Scripture*. The Christian public deserves more than just some fuzzy statement that such and such

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Bible College ‘believes in Creation’ and allows a ‘range of views’. It has a right to know *where* a College ‘draws the line’ on the Bible’s history. Does it allow for the view that death and suffering existed before the Fall? Sadly, most have compromised, even though they are not often ‘up front’ about it.

We would once again **urge** all potential students who want to know what a College is really prepared to take a stand on, to ask them to fill out one of our general questionnaires (free at <[www.AnswersInGenesis.org/questionnaires](http://www.AnswersInGenesis.org/questionnaires)>). Words today in ‘evangelical-speak’ jargon often do not mean the same to all users, which is why specifically worded questions are important.

We have had ‘distress calls’ from students at ‘conservative’ Colleges, saying their faith was ‘drowning’ and worse. Let me share with you a really sad story told to us by Warwick Armstrong of AiG Australia. It concerns a young practising homosexual who became a

Christian through the AiG ministry. He immediately renounced his former lifestyle, married and later entered a Bible College as a rejoicing, victorious believer. Some time later, Warwick followed up on him. Tragically, he had gone back to his old ways, plus now he had a drinking problem. Why? He said that his Bible College taught him that the literal Creation account was wrong—that which ultimately led him to faith was a lie! Confused, saddened and not knowing what to believe anymore, he left the College (which had a ‘creationist’ statement of faith), his own faith in tatters.

So, in a perfect world, AiG shouldn’t need to exist—we would be glad to be out of a job. But as long as a denial of the inerrancy of Scripture continues—and with your ongoing support—we will continue to ‘Uphold the authority of the Bible from the very first verse!’

God bless you and thank you for your support.

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## Breaking ground—both sides of the border

‘Groundbreaking’ would be an apt description of Dr Monty White’s recent ministry tour of Ireland (both north and south of the border). Not only was he kept very busy (speaking 19 times in 13 days, plus giving live interviews on three radio programmes), but he was delighted to see so many students attending the meetings, and asking questions about Creation, e.g. How do we know there’s a God? Where did Cain get his wife? Why is there suffering?

Monty was saddened, though, to meet so many young people who had never read the Bible, and were totally ignorant of its contents—reflecting the ‘Christian’ state of our nation today. After listening to the talks, a couple of students said that they were going to get a Bible and start reading it, as they realised it had the answers to their questions!

At one meeting a woman in her late forties said that she had become a believer in her early

twenties, but had not bothered to listen properly to any sermon she had ever heard. However, while listening to Monty’s talk on ‘Genesis and the Real World’, she said she was challenged to think about what the Bible actually teaches and what she really believed.

On each radio interview, Monty told how he had been converted from atheism to Christianity, and shared about the vision of AiG. It was also a real joy for him to meet several people who were converted as a result of attending Ken Ham’s meetings in Belfast a few years ago. Creation evangelism works!

Monty will be ministering again in Ireland next October—see our Web site for details at that time. It is because of your support that AiG is able to undertake such vital ministry. Thank you.



## FEEDBACK

‘Thanks for the materials in the mail. You guys never cease to surprise me. Keep at it! I get the impression that the real fruit of your labours won’t show for a couple of decades yet, when the kids with minds now impressed with creation teaching grow up and take their positions in our society.’

—**Michael B.**

‘It was really good and encouraging to hear about God’s creation in a scientific way. In Poland, evolutionism is very popular, and even some of the believers in churches are saying that the first and second chapters of Genesis are only myths, legends. I thank God because there are still people in the world, people like workers in AiG, who believe in God’s Word and they aren’t afraid to speak about it. God bless all of you.’ —**Christopher N., Poland**



## Librarian converted through reading *Creation* magazine

Recently, some supporters purchased gift subscriptions of *Creation* magazine for several university, college and public libraries in an Eastern European country. One supporter placed an issue in the public library of his home city and three months later returned to place the next issue.

The librarian told him that *Creation* was the most read of all the magazines in the Foreign Language Section, and that as a result of her reading it, she had become a believer. No wonder *Creation* magazine has often been called ‘the world’s best witnessing weapon’.

You can be involved in this type of ‘silent’ evangelism by placing *Creation* at your local library, doctor’s office, or workplace too.



## Book now for our HOUSE PARTY!

**Friday 11th to Sunday 13th April**, at Herne Bay Court Christian Centre, Canterbury Rd, Herne Bay, Kent CT6 5TD.

**Theme:** *The Creator who became our Saviour.*

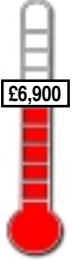
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## New ministry vehicle

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A huge thank you to all who have so generously contributed towards the cost of our ministry van for ferrying resources to venues. We now have £6,900 in the 'kitty'. Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated.

## Will Ken Ham stir up England again?

Who can forget the national headlines and controversy that accompanied Ken Ham's last visit here to the UK?—it even embroiled the Prime Minister! What was meant for evil resulted in great publicity for the creation movement. So, please support this tour through your attendance, and by widely advertising the meetings. Thank you.

### Ken Ham's meetings

**Saturday 15 March**, 3.00pm, Holland Road Baptist Church, Holland Rd, Hove, **Brighton**.

**Sunday 16 March**, 10.00am, 6.30pm, Church of Christ the King, Clarendon Centre, New England St, **Brighton**.

**Monday 17 March**, 7.00pm, Brookfield Community School, Brook Lane, Sarisbury Green, **Southampton**.

**Tuesday 18 March**, 7.00pm, COGIC Centre, Dunstable Rd, **Luton**.

**Wed. 19–Thurs.**

**20 March**, 7.00pm, Barnabas Christian Fellowship, The Barnabas Centre, Longden Coleham, **Shrewsbury**.

**Friday 21 March**, 7.00pm, Sherrington Lecture Theatre, University of Liverpool, Ashton St, **Liverpool**.

**Saturday 22 March**, 2.00pm, Ice House Christian Centre, Victor St, **Grimsbury**.



## Please pray for all of the ministry.

See our Web site <[www.AnswersinGenesis.org/events](http://www.AnswersinGenesis.org/events)> for more details.

**Saturday 11–Sunday 12 January**, 2.00pm, Church in the Barn, Broughan, **Penrith**. *Philip Bell*

**Saturday 11 January**, 7.30pm, Bradford Creation Science Group, Sunbridge Road Mission, Sunbridge Rd, **Bradford**. *Dr Monty White*

**Friday 17**, 7.30pm, **Saturday 18**, 11.30am–4.30pm, **January**, Bethel Faith Centre, Leek Rd, **Stoke-on-Trent**. *Philip Bell*

**Monday 20 January**, 10.00am, Kristen Tjeneste Menigheten, Lagerveien 21, 4033 Forus, **Stavanger**, Norway. *Dr Monty White*

**Friday 31 January**, 8.00pm, Baptist Evangelical Church, 6 Rue des Oliviers, 1018, **Lausanne**, Switzerland. *Dr Monty White*

**Saturday 1 February**, 9.15am, Salle Communale, 1418, **Vuarrens**, Switzerland. *Dr Monty White*

**Mon. 3–Wed. 5 Feb.**, 7.00pm, Austrian Creation Meetings, **Saltzburg**, Austria. *Dr Monty White*

**Saturday 8 February**, 7.30pm, Freie Baptisten Gemeinde, Zwernitzer Strasse 26a, 81243, **Munich**, Germany. *Dr Monty White*

**Saturday 8**, 7.30pm, **Sunday 9**, 11.00am, **February**, The Pastures Community Church, 166 Pasture Rd, Stapleford, **Nottingham**. *Philip Bell*

**Sunday 9 February**, 10.00am, Freie Baptisten Gemeinde, **Ingolstadt**, Germany. *Dr Monty White*

**Sunday 9 February**, 7.00pm, Evangelische Freikirchliche Gemeinde, **Kulmbach**, Germany. *Dr Monty White*

**Monday 10 February**, 7.30pm, Freie Baptisten Gemeinde, Schallershofer Strasse 72a, 91056, **Erlangen**, Germany. *Dr Monty White*

**Wednesday 12–Thursday 13 February**, 7.00pm, Grace Baptist Church, Im Boseldorn 23a, 69126, **Heidelberg**, Germany. *Dr Monty White*

**Wednesday 12 February**, 7.30pm, Highcliffe School, Greengate Lane, Birstall, **Leicester**. *Philip Bell*

**Sunday 16 February**, 10.30am + 6.30pm, ChristianLife Ministries, Parkside, **Coventry**. *Philip Bell*

**Wednesday 26 February**, 7.30pm, Maranatha Fellowship, 73 Holyhead Rd, **Handsworth**. *Dr Monty White*

**Thursday 27 February**, 7.45pm, Holywell Free Church, Berkely Rd, **Loughborough**. *Dr Monty White*

**Sunday 2 March**, 7.00pm, The Plymouth Christian Centre, Cattedown Roundabout, Embankment Rd, **Plymouth**. *Philip Bell*

**Wednesday 2 April**, 7.30pm, Bethany Christian Fellowship, Talke Rd, **Walsall**. *Dr Monty White*