

IntraVic

How can anyone put his faith in Christ if he's never even heard about Him? How can he hear about Him if no one tells?

Romans 10:14 (Clear Word)



God Questions Job

38 Then the Lord spoke to Job out of the storm and said, "Who is this who speaks without knowledge, who makes my purposes unclear? ¹Brave yourself like a man, I want you to answer my questions. ²"Where were you when I created the world? If you know the answer, tell me. ³Who stretched the measuring line over the globe and decided how large it should be?

Big CAMP at Elmore 2011

April 21-25

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Having been an active pastor for 16 years, Ryan Bell is now the senior pastor at Hollywood Adventist Church. He has pastored in a wide variety of contexts and has travelled internationally as a speaker and teacher on topics of ministry in a post modern world.

Dr John Hammond has recently retired after a career of 41 years in the educational system. He enjoys communicating with 'youth' of ALL ages, is fun loving, enjoys a practical joke, and has a passion for stripping away cliched impressions to make the Bible come alive again.



Brad and Kandus Thorp originate from western Canada. While Brad originally had other ideas, he firmly believes God put him in ministry. He has worked as a pastor, evangelist and teacher. In 1993 he began working for what would become the Hope Channel, where he is currently serving as President. Kandus is Vice President. An accomplished pianist, she hosts the 'My Story, My Song' musical program on Hope Channel, and has been involved in training hundreds of people around the world, in television production. Kandus and Brad will celebrate their 29th anniversary while at the Elmore.

Grenville Kent is a besotted husband and the proud father of five young children. His main hobbies are sports with his family, films and cooking with too much garlic, while one of his favourite Bible texts – one no atheist can argue with – is "And the man whose hair is fallen off his head, he is bald" (Leviticus 13:40)



Originally from the UK, Dr Bryan Ball is now an Aussie, living in the Lake Macquarie region with his wife, Dawn. A retired academic, church administrator and author, in his spare time, Bryan enjoys photography, golf, mineralogy and music.





Camp 2011...

We are looking forward to another successful Easter Camp at Elmore.

In the Meridian venue, our speakers come from Hope Channel. Brad and Kandus Thorp from the US, and Grenville Kent from Sydney.

“I thank God for His tenacious grace,” writes Brad. “Grace that will not let a person go! Grace that will transform the most hardened criminal or a stubborn student like me. God’s grace is my Hope! God’s grace is OUR Hope! Grace fills our lives and gives us courage, optimism and joy even in our messed up world.”

Titling their series of presentations “World View of Eternity”, Brad and Kandus will share wonderful messages of how God’s amazing grace brings hope and optimism that can revive and change our lives.

On Thursday, they will discuss World Views in Collision. Their Friday presentation is entitled Endless Evolution or the First Morning of Eternity, and on Sabbath they will talk of the Treadmill of Appeasement or Gratitude for Grace. Brad and Kandus’s final presentation is Sunday evening, where they address Christ’s Description of Revived and Reformed Saints.

Also speaking in the Meridian will be Bryan Ball, former South Pacific Division President, and John Hammond, former director of Adventist Schools in Australia.

John has an uncanny ability to tell creative stories that teach and instruct but also move the heart. “We have heard Bible stories from our earliest years and the earliest version tends to stick with us unaltered ever after,” says John. “For instance, when you hear the children’s song that begins ‘Now Zacchaeus was a wee little man...’ I would be pretty sure that the mental image you immediately get in your head will be the same image you have had since the first time you heard it - perhaps at the age of four. We have heard the story of our Salvation and stories from the Bible for so long that I suspect the images in our minds and the well-worn pathways of recollection are somewhat clichéd and it may be time to look at some of these stories anew. I look forward to your company at Elmore.”

In the Youth venue, the main speaker will be Ryan Ball. His presentation will be along the lines of VicYouth’s theme for 2011 - ...now go - and John 20:21 “...As the Father has sent me, I am sending you...”

Nick Kross will be presenting to the Teens and Daron Pratt will be with the Juniors.

Applications are due in soon, so collect yours from your local church, or download a copy from vic.adventist.org.au and mail it in this weekend.

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A Note from the Editor...

Richard Dawkins, the high priest of atheists, visited Melbourne in 2010, spruiking his theory that evolution alone was reasonable and rational, and that a belief in creationism was utterly absurd and ridiculous.

Together with his disciples, he promoted his anti creation, anti God and anti Christian message. Dawkins is not alone in his beliefs or in his agenda.

As Christians we face many situations in our daily lives where we are confronted with people who hold similar views and defending our beliefs is often very challenging. It is with this in mind that the current issue of IntraVic focuses on creation.

For the Christian, creation is central to the understanding of the large questions of life. Our view of creation shapes the way we see our God and how we treat our fellow human beings. Our belief in creation also influences how we keep the Sabbath and how we look after our planet – it has a very practical influence on our lives. But it also contributes to our understanding of the Great Controversy.

I reflect on what has happened in Christchurch and Japan - it appears as if what was spoken of by the prophets is happening before our eyes. We are living in chaotic and disordered times.



I trust that at such a time each of you can have confidence in what the God of creation has revealed to us. I trust that we can have hope in what is promised - a new earth and a new heaven.

And I trust that we will never lose our message of hope.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. God had recreated it just as He had made it in the beginning. The old heaven and earth were gone... Revelation 21:1

God is Creator of all things, and has revealed in Scripture the authentic account of His creative activity. In six days the Lord made “the heaven and the earth” and all living things upon the earth, and rested on the seventh day of that first week. Thus He established the Sabbath as a perpetual memorial of His completed creative work. The first man and woman were made in the image of God as the crowning work of Creation, given dominion over the world, and charged with responsibility to care for it. When the world was finished it was “very good,” declaring the glory of God.

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MATTHEW AND HIS SON HENRY

Devotional... ...More Than Just A Story

Matthew Hunter grew up attending church. As a child, he particularly loved the children's story segments, however there was one that made a lasting impact on him, as the minister concluded the Bible story with "...although this is just a story and isn't real, you can be sure that God truly loves you."

As a child, God was so real to me. Each week as I attended church, I could just feel His presence. I remember loving the children's stories, hearing of how God had worked in the lives of other people. And

through the services, I would stare at the picture on the wall of Jesus, his arms outstretched as He stood on a mountain top, and wonder what He really looked like, what he would say to me when I finally met Him face to face and what would it be like to run into His arms for a great big hug.

So when the minister of my non-Adventist church told us one week the story of how God created the world in six days, resting with His creation on the seventh, my imagination kicked into overdrive as I marvelled over the power on display as God formed the world. Then with one line, a line that I remember clearly to this very day, I was bought back to my time with a shattering crash...

He said, "Although this story is just a story and isn't real, you can be sure that God truly loves you."

I knew he was trying to be encouraging, but I felt anything but comforted by his words. What did he mean "just a story"? What did he mean "not real"? If it wasn't true, then wasn't it all lies... so what was the point of the story at all?

As I grew up, I continued to mull over that. If God didn't really create the world in the way the Bible says, then what does this story really tell us about God? That He is limited to working within the parameters of our observations of the natural world and how things happen in it?

What a weak and powerless view of God my childhood minister had. I remember returning to my seat angry and wishing the minister had never told that story.

Many Christians today are choosing to accept the explanations on the origins of this earth given us by science. The only problem is that in presenting findings as fact, science rarely explains the list of assumptions, based on observations, made in order to reach the conclusion; assumptions often untested or verified by impartial scientists.

It is understandable that there would be great pressure on Christians, especially those who work in scientific fields, to yield to these views when the majority of people accept them as fact, while historically, the scientific community has actively suppressed evidence that even implies the contrary could be true.

Some may ask the question, "What does it really matter how God created the universe as long as we believe He did it?"

This question is valid; one we need to consider. Is it possible that God didn't create the earth exactly as the Bible says? After all, it was not intended to be a science textbook. So could God have just started and then guided the process of evolution?

Does it really matter how God created the universe, so long as we believe that He did do it?

What a weak and powerless view of God my childhood minister must have had...

*It is He who sits above the circle of the earth...
Isaiah 40:22*

The problem with this view is that although the Bible is not intended to be a science textbook, it is intended to reveal the God of this universe. If our God truthfully reveals Himself through His Word, then we can expect the Bible to reveal truths that will be scientifically accurate even though they may be expressed in non-technical terminology.

An example of this is the idea of a round earth hanging in space. In Hebrew transcripts of the Bible, there are a number of examples where this

concept is clearly explained in descriptive terminology.

The earliest secular reference suggesting the concept of a spherical earth, appearing a millennium or more after Job lived, is found in Greek philosophy, dated around the 6th century B.C. Yet, in the Middle Ages, this very idea was laughed at by scientists of the day.

The biggest problem with accepting evolution as a legitimate way for God to create this world comes, not from science, but from the very foundation stone of our entire faith in God, and that is Jesus Christ.

The Bible teaches us God made Adam and Eve without sin, and that as a result of sin, or their broken relationship with Him, death, the ultimate consequence of this broken relationship, entered the world. God is pictured as the only source of life and without Him we are ultimately disconnected from this source.

The Bible teaches that it is because of this, Jesus Christ came to earth as a human, to live in relationship with God but without sin, as Adam and Eve and everyone since has failed to do. And also, He came to take the consequence for sin upon Himself through death on the cross.

The Bible teaches that it is only by faith in this substitutionary death, and the resulting washing and regeneration through the Holy Spirit, that we are saved and can be reunited with God in a perfect face-to-face relationship again.

If God used evolution to create Adam and Eve this completely invalidates what He did through Jesus, because evolution teaches that new life and development is created through a process involving death. This would mean that God used death to create life and that death could no longer be seen as the result of sin, because it would then predate Adam and Eve's transgression. If death then is not the consequence of sin then Jesus' death on the cross does not pay for our consequences and the Gospel does not exist.

Can we have confidence that God created the world as He said in His Word? The weight of historical evidence for Jesus' life, death AND resurrection alone, leads us to the conclusion that the Bible is still the best fit for explaining life on earth and shows God's commitment to restoring it to its original state.

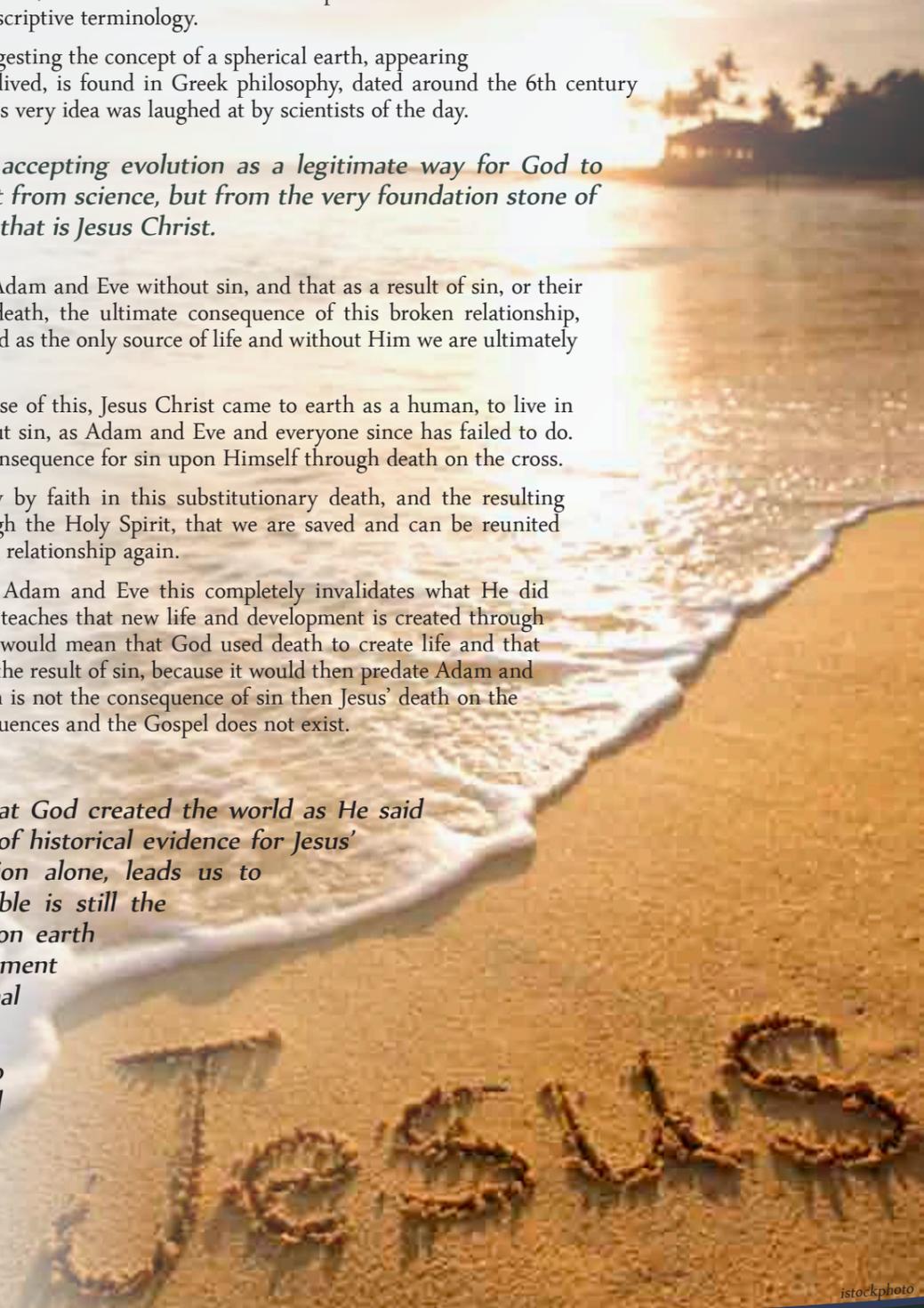
It is comforting to me to know that the power behind this world is not chance but purpose.

*Matthew Hunter
Minister for Bairnsdale & Cann River*

He stretches out the north over empty space and hangs the earth on nothing...

He has inscribed a circle on the surface of the waters, at the boundary of light and darkness

Job 26:7. 10(nasb)



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Scientific Evidence... ...In Support of Creation

John Ashton is the strategic research manager at Sanitarium, and with his scientific background, has a special interest in matters pertaining to creation. He recently gave a presentation to our pastors where he outlined a number of lines of reasoning that showed serious flaws in the theory of evolution. We asked him if he could write an article for IntraVic outlining the reasons why belief in creationism is rational and defensible. Here is what he has to say.

Modern science text-books assert that evolution is a fact and popular science writers such as Richard Dawkins, along with

most nature documentaries, convey this viewⁱ. An increasing number of evolutionists recognise, however, there is growing evidence the theory of evolution is in trouble.

Recently, attention was drawn to the shortcomings in evolutionary theory by philosopher, Dr Jerry Fodor, in an extraordinary article titled *Why Pigs Don't Have Wings*. In it, he presented compelling arguments for why Darwinian type "natural selection" cannot be an effective basis for species evolutionⁱⁱ. This piece attracted a lot of comment from other scientists and he went on to develop his arguments further in a book coauthored by professor of cognitive science, Dr Masimo Piattelli-Palmarini, entitled *What Darwin Got Wrong*ⁱⁱⁱ.

Since "natural selection" comprises the essential core of Darwin's theory, Fodor's paper presented a serious challenge to the scientific integrity of evolution and in response, sixteen of the world's leading evolutionary scientists met together in 2008 in Austria to discuss these serious threats to evolutionary science. Science journalist, Suzan Mazur's report^{iv} on the conference, where Dr Jerry Fodor was quoted as saying "... basically I don't think anybody knows how evolution works"^v, highlights a growing realisation by these scientists that if natural selection is rejected or marginalised as the underpinning evolutionary process, then Darwin's theory is dead.

This statement is a far cry from the confident assertions found in biology textbooks and museum displays. Furthermore, nobody knows how evolution works because nobody has ever scientifically observed it – either in the past, or in the laboratory. No one has been able to set up an experiment and make one type of organism evolve into a new type of organism (unless we include deliberately removing genetic information, or inserting genetic information from another organism, neither of which is true evolution).

To have no mechanism for how evolution can occur, as well as no experimental evidence, leaves evolution far from being a scientific fact.

Evolution requires two important biological processes to occur. Firstly it requires abiogenesis - the process by which a primordial living organism or cell forms from non-living molecules: a process that has never been observed. This requires a very large number of specific biological molecules, enzymes and chemical compounds to form, by chance, in just the right concentrations at the same time.

With modern technology, we now understand so much more about the complexity of the biochemistry of a cell, not to mention the extremely complex code of life – the DNA – contained within the cell, that we can say, with

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confidence, a living cell could never arise by chance^{vi}.

The second requirement of evolution is that a new genetic code for a new organism also has to arise by chance. For example for a fish to evolve a leg to become an amphibian, some fish eggs have to contain the new code so that in development the 'new' creature grows part of a leg instead of a fin.

But scientists now recognise that chance mutation cannot produce a new code – mutations simply destroy parts of existing codes^{vii}. Neither do environmental or selection pressures produce new codes. In fact, scientists still have no proven explanation of how new genetic codes can form.

As Dr Fodor so candidly points out, there is no known mechanism for how evolution can occur.

On the other hand there is a growing recognition of the evidence of a global flood and a young earth.

A recent analysis of radiometric dating data revealed many results problematic for people adhering to the old theories^{viii}. For example, when volcanic lava flows, known to be less than 100 years old, were dated by three different methods they gave widely differing results ranging from hundreds to thousands of millions of years. So if young rocks give old dates, how can we know the real age of any rock by these methods?

Additionally, carbon dating of coal samples and of diamonds gave dates of thousands of years. Where as on the evolutionary time scale, they should be tens of millions of years old for coal and thousands of millions of years for the diamonds.

The authors of this study conclude that the radiometric dating methods have major problems and are in need of repair^{ix}.

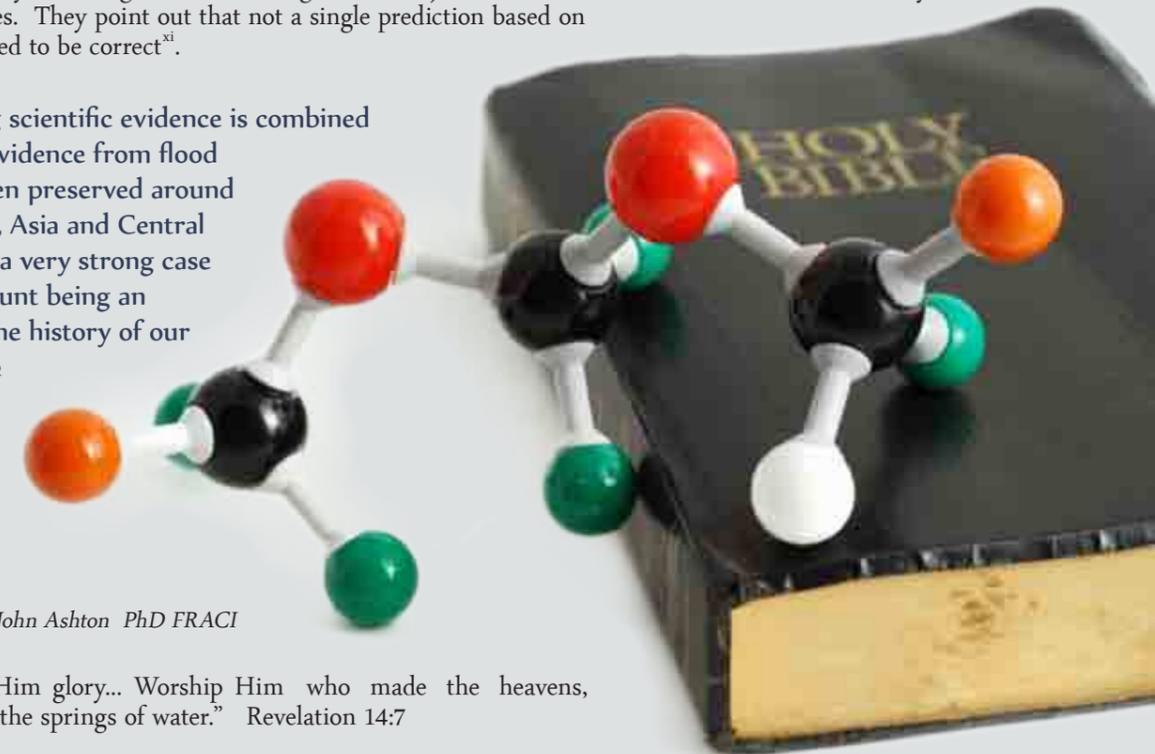
There is also growing recognition that the fossil layers testify of world wide global extinctions of species which were buried under water transported sediment - exactly what we expect would have happened during Noah's flood^x.

Even the Big Bang theory is coming under increasing attack, not just from creationists but also from evolutionary astronomers themselves. They point out that not a single prediction based on the Big Bang has proved to be correct^{xi}.

When this emerging scientific evidence is combined with the historical evidence from flood stories that have been preserved around the world in Europe, Asia and Central America^{xii}, we have a very strong case for the Genesis account being an accurate record of the history of our world. Never before have we been in a stronger position to preach the importance of the Sabbath and first angel's message.

John Ashton PhD FRACI

"Fear God and give Him glory... Worship Him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water." Revelation 14:7



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Creation and Evolution: Still Nothing New Under the Sun!

NOTHING NEW

We like to think of our age as unique. We are modern, sophisticated and advanced. Unlike the ancients who were mired in superstition and mythology, we like to think all our views are based on the sure evidence of science. We think we have moved from faith to fact. Evolution is presented as a recent idea that emerged out of objective modern scientific discoveries and is free of old speculations. In reality we have forgotten that Solomon said there is “Nothing new under the sun.” Even in the area of evolution Solomon’s words prove to be true. As early as 500 BC we find ancient Greek thinkers advocating ideas very similar to evolution.

BE AWARE OF GREEKS BEARING (PHILOSOPHICAL) GIFTS

In the 5th century BC Greek philosophers Leucippus and Democritus were attempting to explain the world through a naturalistic philosophy (one based in natural processes and excluding God). They suggested that the universe was composed of atoms which initially collided and clumped together in purely random fashion and eventually formed larger units, this progressed until they produced rocks, trees, animals and humans. Democritus even believed that humans originally lived in primitive animal-like conditions eating simple foods (like the hypothetical cavemen we hear about). Eventually, due to fear of wild animals, humans formed together in communities, gradually developing language, clothing and agriculture. While supernatural beings were not directly denied, they had no role in

People can understand Him sufficiently if they only watch His power and divine attributes at work in nature. It has been that way since the creation of this world. So they have no excuse for what they’re doing...

They exchanged the truth about God for a lie and... ended up worshiping things He created instead of the Creator.

Romans 1:20, 25

creation or origins. One could be forgiven for thinking you were reading about modern evolutionary theory.

This ancient theory did not come about by scientific trial and error. Instead it was, and is, one of the few options available to anyone who assumed (ahead of time and without compelling proof) that the world could and should be understood using purely materialistic explanations.

In fact, this is a faith commitment.

Evolutionary belief is a faith commitment involving belief without incontrovertible scientific fact

To rephrase: evolutionary thinking did not come about because of clear incontrovertible scientific facts but relies on first accepting materialistic assumptions and then attempting to explain the world by these controlling ideas. By definition God is excluded from the beginning. This is anything but a neutral theory. Given these assumptions you can only then ‘find’ evidence which supports the theory and excludes creation.

FROM FRY PAN TO FIRE

Before we react negatively against these Greek thinkers we should remember their context. They lived in a world where the only divine forces or gods on offer were the capricious, meddling gods of the Greek pantheon, the impersonal, uncaring and inescapable force of fate, or a distant and limited god of the philosophers who himself was dependant on and subject to external nature. They did not know the God of the Bible. One of the reasons they came up with their materialistic approach was to release people from the fear of death, fate or the unpredictable gods. If all things are caused by natural causes then there is no need to fear these things as they are either not involved or not interested. They went from superstitious fry pan to naturalistic fire

MEDIEVAL MIX UP AND MODERN REVOLT

Unfortunately, in medieval times the God of the Bible was fused with the god of the philosophers and the authoritarianism of the Roman church. In order to free themselves from such authorities, modern thinkers threw the baby they never really knew, out with the bath water they were drowning in. The materialistic view of Democritus returned but now with an added anti-Christian vengeance. The appropriate desire to resist false authorities was fused with an inappropriate and passionate desire to reject all authorities including God and Scripture. Hence our modern world was born as a potent mix of freedom hungry but self-centred and self-exalting humanity.

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In such a climate there was a need for a grand theory to ground a purely naturalistic world view, a theory that could account for life itself and its entire development without God. The theory needed to eliminate God, especially an interventionist God like in the Bible; one involved in the world, active in salvation, and warning of judgment. Evolution proved an essential tool in this grand intellectual project. It satisfied deep psychological, political and philosophical needs. It allowed us to think of humanity as the brilliant but accidental outcome of a godless random natural process. Humans were not answerable to a Deity, His holy book or His representatives. We simply needed to understand natural processes and chart our own destiny. Humans could assert themselves as they wished. And they have. The political, philosophical, sexual, spiritual and social movements which make up our modern world, and give it an underlying hostility to God, owe much of their thinking and legitimacy to evolution.

Evolutionary theory evolved around the assumption that God was not part of the equation

ADVENTIST PERSPECTIVE

As Adventists we too want freedom from conscience-intruding human authorities. However, we also recognise that the Creator alone does have the right (not to mention the love, perfection, goodness, justice and wisdom) to guide and bind conscience. Therefore we seek the real freedom which comes through divine empowerment to follow what is good, not the cheap and destructive ‘freedom’ to do whatever we want, even if it is evil. We also recognise that the Creator alone can inform us of things that are outside the scope of science and human thinking. This includes things like the future, eternal life and resurrection, and salvation. Crucially for this discussion it involves trusting the biblical account of origins given in Genesis.

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Faith in God not only reaches into the future, but also into the past. By faith we understand that God created the whole universe out of nothing. So the things we see were made out of things that didn’t exist.

Hebrews 11:3

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding no one can fathom.

Isaiah 40:28

The heavens declare God’s glory and the skies reveal His handiwork. Day after Day they speak to us, and night after night they reveal God’s wisdom. They do not have to speak with words or sounds, yet their voice is heard everywhere and their words reach the ends of the earth.

Psalms 19:1-4



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EH PAUNG - BIBLE WORKER FOR THE KAREN COMMUNITY, BENDIGO

As We Reflect His Light... ...stories of God's Grace

In spite of hardship, Eh Paung determined to live his life for Christ. This year he has joined Conference staff as a Bible Worker in Bendigo. The Lord led him to Bendigo, where the church there already had a passion for the Karen refugees. Most of these people have had prior contact with our Church through the English language schools in the camps. Therefore, Bendigo is ripe for evangelism to the Karen people right here and now.

"I lived in Nuh Poe camp in Thailand as a refugee for twelve years," says Eh Paung, "before coming to Australia with my wife and three children in November 2009, under the Australian Humanitarian Resettlement Program. Originally from the Karen State in Burma I had to flee to the refugee camps in Thailand due to persecution by the Burmese Army.

"Whilst in the camp, I undertook several roles, one of which was teaching English in the Seventh-day Adventist School, which I did for five years. I also worked in my church as a Sabbath School teacher, church elder and lay pastor.

"The camp was home to 19,000 refugees and for several years I worked as the Camp Secretary as well as a plumber for one of the many non-government organisations supporting the refugee people in the camp.

"My family and I were settled in Bendigo by the Australian Government and upon arriving I transferred my membership to the Bendigo Seventh-day Adventist Church."

Several years before Eh Paung arrived in Bendigo, Ruth Welling had already developed a passion for helping the Karen refugees through her voluntary role with the Loddon Campapse Multicultural Services. Since 2007 she has been involved

with the support and settlement of Karen refugees in Bendigo. At that stage, there were only two Karen families there and the third family to arrive were Adventists with teenage children. "I was heavily involved with this family, helping them settle," says Ruth. "They are my adopted family now!"

Finding that, due to our educational system's involvement in the refugee camps, many Karen people, regardless of religious affiliation, have in some ways been touched by the Adventist church, Ruth was keen to bring more Karen refugees to Bendigo, but the immigration department told her that Bendigo is not their desired place for primary settlement. There are now, however, over 300 Karen people living in Bendigo, as they move after primary settlement, or are sponsored by families who already live there.



A KAREN REFUGEE CAMP IN THAILAND. (WWW.PHOTOLOSS.COM/08888888)

Those of you who suffer for your faith, remember that God allows it to happen for a reason which we don't always understand. We do know that God is a loving Creator and that we can trust Him. So commit your lives to Him and continue to do good.

1 Peter 4:19

"These are a people familiar with and favourably influenced by Adventism. And they are so in need of support. Which is something we at Bendigo Church are able to do," Ruth explains. "The church has embraced this passion."

Eh Paung was able to settle in Bendigo as his cousin had settled there a few months earlier. "He sent us several e-mails, prior to his arrival," says Ruth, "and we could see his command of our language was very good. From there we discovered his experience teaching English." So when his application for refugee status was successful, Ruth and church elder, Noemi Cummings asked Bendigo Church to consider employing Eh Paung as a worker for the Karen people. There were, by then, about 20 of the Karen people attending Bendigo church, but no one could interpret for them or study the Bible with them in their own language.

Now, the church has two rows of pews dedicated to the Karen people, connected with headsets for those who cannot understand English. Eh Paung sits in the mothers' room and translates for them. And each Sabbath, John Cummings drives the AdventCare bus to collect those who have difficulty with transport.

With his recent appointment to Conference staff, Eh Paung has shared his vision for his work in Bendigo.

"My vision is to continue to maintain the Karen people's links to the Seventh-day Adventist Church. I am currently involved in regular home visits to the Karen community as well as our own church members. I act as a resource person for interpreting, a contact with government organisations or assisting with document translation.

"I want to see the Karen youth come to know God and I am currently studying the Bible in Karen with ten of them. I hope to one day have a Karen congregation in Bendigo; a full church of Karen people worshipping our great God together."

Although only recently employed in this capacity, Eh Paung was already very active within the Karen community and last June Ruth Welling opened her home to these people on a regular basis. "We have a home group for Karen people meeting every second Sabbath afternoon. Approximately 40 people attend regularly and we recently added a Children's Sabbath School to the program. After the service, the group share a fellowship tea, strengthening the social connections and building friendships."

"These meetings," explains Ruth, "are organised for Sabbath afternoon in order to make it easier for non-Adventists to attend with their Adventist friends. Being closer to the town centre, rather than at the church, makes it easier for them to get there too."

Conference President, Pr Wayne Stanley recently spent a Sabbath afternoon with these wonderful people in the Welling home and commends the Bendigo church for having taken a special interest in, and supporting the Karen community relocated into the area.

Hasn't the Lord blessed this community? Bringing someone committed to serving His people, to a church with a similar vision, enabling them both to be even more effective for the Him.

Eh Paung believes the Lord has further blessed his and the church's efforts, through his employment by the conference.

"I am confident this blessing will see a full Karen congregation praising God together in Bendigo soon."



BENDIGO CHURCH MEMBER, RUTH WELLING



HOUSE CHURCH AT THE WELLING HOME

Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land, raised his right hand to heaven. And he swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said "There will be no more delay..."

Revelation 10:5,6

Sharing Their Faith at Tamworth

THE CHATELIER FAMILY

For the third year running, Gavin Chatelier & his family have used the Tamworth Country Music Festival, where around 50,000 fans gather each year, as an opportunity to witness to others about their faith & love for Jesus.

This year, after busking for almost ten days straight, they were chosen from 650 buskers to be in the busking finals. "While we did not receive an award," says Gavin, "we were excited about taking to the main stage to share our family gospel music and wholesome messages through the songs we sing."

Involved in full time gospel music ministry, The Chatelier Family see the festival as another opportunity



for establishing relationships with people who pass their way. "As people stop to listen we are able to hand them invites to our gospel music concerts and church fellowship programs that we hold in partnership with ours and other church denominations in the area. We were blessed once again by overwhelming support through the purchases of our CDs & attendance of around 200 to our finale concert. It was a great start to the new year!"

Bible Workers Graduate

GATEWAY CHURCH

Five young people graduated from the Bible Worker training program at Gateway's training centre in 2011.

On the day of the graduation, Pr Gary Webster, Director of the Institute of Public Evangelism, preached in the morning, with the ceremony following in the afternoon.

"There are so many things I have learnt and gained... I'll practise my skills for my service for God," said one graduate who has now departed to study Master of Divinity at Andrews University. "Gateway offers a different kind of Bible school because it is practical and in the front-line of a soul-winning church. It is a blessing to learn from dedicated young people at Gateway," said another.

"Our objective is to train an army of youth workers to finish God's work," explains Johnny Wong, Training Coordinator. "We are blessed to see many go back to their local churches and make an impact."

Gateway Adventist Training Centre has been running Bible worker training programs since 2003. Over 35



young people have been involved throughout the years, having received training and personalised coaching and mentoring by Gateway leaders. Two previous bible workers are currently serving as pastors and six are now studying theology in our Adventist tertiary institutions. Several have further pursued missionary service overseas. The 2011 Bible Worker training program commences in the middle of June and runs for four and a half months. If you are interested in joining this program, please contact us at pastor@gatewaysda.org

Women's Ministries at Work

WARBURTON CHURCH

The Women's Ministries Team at Warburton started the year by inviting ladies to a Sabbath breakfast. At 8.00am about 40 ladies gathered together in the Redwood Community Centre, and were delighted to find tables set with white cloths and flower arrangements in the Vista Room, overlooking the river and mountains.

Amidst lively conversations and a delicious array of healthy food, Roseli Peach, formerly of Warburton and visiting from Brisbane, presented a moving and personal devotional, inspiring a deeper prayer life and faith in God's care.

Surprise gifts were made to a number of women, some because of a special need, others for being the youngest or oldest there, showering affirmation, love and support.

This year, with plans well underway, the Team seeks to focus on three areas of activity - spiritual, health, and social - to empower the women to enrich their lives, deepen their friendships and strengthen their faith... to be women after God's own heart. Ultimately it is hoped that this ministry will shed a gentle light of faith and love in the church. *Sue Marshall*

Happy Endings and Beautiful Beginnings

BAYLES SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

2010 concluded on a busy note for members at Bayles with a well attended community Christmas program held in the Uniting Church of Koo Wee Rup and the hiring of buses to take families from the local area to Nunawading for the experience of Road to Bethlehem.

The residents of Killara Hostel in Koo Wee Rup were thrilled when Bayles Church members and friends delivered a very special Christmas program. Our little children won the hearts of the residents and staff as they joined in with action songs and finger plays from Sabbath School. "Thank you for bringing real Christmas to us" said one resident, "the children bring so much joy to our hearts."



Christmas Day saw our numbers drop to less than ten, so an informal family worship time was planned, followed by a Sabbath nature scavenger hunt in Bayles Fauna Park. Golden Monarch butterflies flitted and fluttered in the hundreds right throughout the Park - it was a spectacular sight and added a special joy to the day.

January 2011 came and we rejoiced as Courtney Bennetts planned her baptism at Lysterfield Lake. The evening baptism was followed by a fellowship tea by the Lake. What a special time it was. Family and friends joined



in the happy occasion and we were truly blessed as we witnessed Courtney's baptism.

It was, however, tinged with sadness as this was our final time together with our Pastor and his family, whose ministry has richly blessed us.

Then the floods hit Queensland. With our local CFA asking for supplies of cleaning goods, kitchen utensils, insect repellent and other such things, our members put together two washing baskets full of these much needed items for the Lockyer Valley. One of our members,



Pam Wiwysyk, has been impressed to make quilts for Queensland and a sewing group has commenced in the church hall, with seven ladies helping. Pam is hoping to have 50 quilts completed for Queensland before winter hits..

Our small country town made it into the news for the first time as we, too, were affected by flood. It was a somewhat scary experience, with lots of water everywhere... but Praise God damage was minimal.

Our prayers and thoughts are with one of our members, Sean Charles who is now in Korea teaching English. We will miss him but we know God will bless Sean as he seeks the plans God has for his future and lets Him continue to lead in his life.

Not long ago we had Children's Church at Bayles and little Amber Ross and her baby brother Maxwell Ross were dedicated to The Lord. It was a happy day with many visiting relatives from the community joining with us.

We look forward to this year of 2011 unfolding month by month. God is so good - He leads us because He loves us - and we want to be His hands in our local area this year.

Bayles communication reporter

The Tradition Continues : Christ in the OT

EAST PRAHRAN CHURCH

For a number of years now, members of East Prahran have held monthly programs with guest speakers and presenters for both Sabbath School and Church, often with lunch and an afternoon program as well.

This year is no exception. The theme they will be exploring on the first Sabbath of each month beginning April 2 is CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

East Prahran church is honoured to have Dr Grenville Kent presenting at this first in the series. His topic will be 'ONE GREATER THAN SOLOMON' and he intends giving the whole day's program touches of authenticity from that era.

Grenville Kent has worked as an evangelical speaker in about 25 countries, particularly reaching young people and students.

A film-maker, he is currently working with the AUC on a documentary series called Big Questions, in answer to new atheism. This is a wonderful resource for Christians to give to friends. Grenville also works as a lecturer in Old Testament and Cultural Apologetics at Wesley Institute in

iDiscover Impacts Hundreds

GATEWAY

Each year, this active church conducts a combined evangelistic campaign for the work in the City, the East and the West. After much prayer, it was decided to run it differently in 2010, with the three series being held simultaneously.

Titled 'iDiscover: Revelation's Prophecies', the presentations, held on three university campuses, spanned five weekends. With divine leading, fervent prayers and diligent efforts, team members set out to distribute the 90,000 invitation brochures. From door knocking on thousands of homes to train station distribution at 7.00 in the morning and street distribution on Melbourne's busy streets at 8.00 at night, members faithfully gave the gospel

Flooded But Still Praising God

MILDURA CHURCH

When Mildura and surrounding districts were severely affected by torrential downpours, there was widespread flooding, property damage and road closures. Several church families spent nearly a week in emergency accommodation, and another member lost produce packed on pallets ready for market. Water inundated the AdCare shop damaging the floor stock. While the school escaped major damage, it was unable to open for a time.

Even though damage was widespread, there were many who were unaffected by the inundation; the cost to many properties and crops will be high, but there was no loss of

Sydney and is a research-active Old Testament scholar. He gained his PhD at Manchester University.

"Grenville is an expert on the Old Testament," says church member Mary Drost. "Having him come will give a wonderful start to the year's special series at East Prahran." Sabbath School will start at 10am and the combined lesson will be taken by Grenville's cousin Dr Don McMahon.

Following the preaching service there will be a luncheon and plenty of opportunity to talk to Grenville.

"For our second program in May," concludes Mary, "Pr Merv Sapprowhawk will take the lesson discussion, followed by Dr Peter McGowan with the main presentation. Plan to be there!"

invitation to those from every nation, kindred, tongue and people.

God, who is not slack concerning His promises, has certainly blessed. More than 500 seekers for truth attended at least one presentation with more than 40 people making decisions to be baptised at the conclusion and Bible workers are studying with even more.

The presentations strengthened trust in the Bible, enabled people to discover and accept Jesus as their personal Saviour, provided valuable Biblical lifestyle principles and opened minds to the future as prophesied in the books of Daniel and Revelation.

Erika Copaceanu



BILL ARNOLD AND GRAND DAUGHTER ZARA DOWDY

life, and we can praise God for His protection of His people.
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A Journey to Baptism

WARBURTON CHURCH

It was Visitor's Month, May 2010, when Wendy Cunnington accepted an invitation to attend Warburton Church, from her workmate, Simone Beaumont.

The topic for the month was "A Journey - Toward the Restoration of Life". Subject matter covered restoration of your life, self, values, relationships and love. Little did Wendy anticipate the far-reaching, life-changing effect those subjects would have upon her, nor that it would lead to her wonderful baptism six months later. As a keen nature photographer, Wendy felt there really must be a God because of all the beauty she saw. However, she had a non-Christian background, and had hardly ever been to a church. So coming with Simone was a new experience! She greatly enjoyed visitor's month, and with ongoing encouragement from Simone and other church members, she continued to attend Warburton Church. Wendy soon asked "What do I have to do to join this church and be baptised?" At this stage Wendy was introduced to Kathy Kearns, who studied the Bible with her. Then on 27 November 2010 Wendy was baptised in a joyful service, surrounded by friends and her new church family.

Pastor David Edgren told a story in his inimitable style, highlighting what baptism is all about, and Bev Irvine told a children's story about baptism, giving a great explanation of what the children were about to witness, and answering lots of questions. In his sermonette "A Lifter of Hearts," Pastor Richard Araya-Bishop encouraged us all to be somebody to someone, just as Jesus was a lifter of hearts to those around Him. He used an illustration from the story of the prodigal son, who eventually came back to his father.

On his return the son was presented with three things:

a clean robe - the symbol of acceptance and love; a ring - indicating social position; and sandals - to strengthen his new walk in straight paths. The son's heart was lifted up from shame to glory in just a moment. In just such a way do we find acceptance with our heavenly Father.

As he baptised Wendy, Pastor Richard assured her that God was working in her life and she was really valued as a person. "We all know that 'life is a journey, not a destination' but as we journey through life, we discover that every step counts toward our destiny," he said. You never know when a seed may be sown that will grow to fruition at the right time, given the right care - love, guidance, study, fellowship and service. Visitors Month last May helped plant and nurture that seed, and we were blessed to be part of Wendy's baptism. May God bless you Wendy

Sue Marshall

WARBURTON CHURCH WILL HOST ANOTHER VISITOR'S MONTH IN MAY 2011. THE TITLE WILL BE "NECESSARY JOURNEYS - HOW TO FIND POWER POINTS FOR YOUR LIFE." ALL ARE WELCOME - AFTER ALL IT IS VISITORS MONTH!

Building Bridges

BURWOOD CHURCH

The initial plan was to have a service project for the teens through to the older youth, to help these groups bond, however the project escalated to include the whole church and saw over 40 people arrive on March 6 at the local Ashwood School which specialises in educating students with mild intellectual disabilities.

From shovelling bark to pushing wheel barrows, from raking to weeding and pruning, bridges were built between church members of all ages, as they worked and chatted in the lovely early autumn sunshine.

The school principal, Helen Hatherly, and business manager, Heather Jones, worked along side church members and provided them with morning tea.

It is hoped that the bridge built with this local school will be strengthened, as a number of church members



expressed an interest in maintaining a relationship with the school, perhaps helping out several times per year, and Heather and Helen are excited about this idea.

Sherrie Courtney



The Domino Effect

GEELONG ADVENTIST CHURCH

Adventist youth recently hosted a three day conference called *The Domino Effect*, at the Mercure Function Centre. Focusing on Matthew 24 and end time events, the conference featured international speaker Peter Gregory and saw an attendance of over 300 people from all ages and backgrounds.

In this article, program coordinators, Rebekah Alsop and Ryan Williams explain how it came about and how the blessings flowed both ways.

The vision of the Domino Effect is that of a chain reaction, seeing people boldly sharing the truth about Jesus. The young people who organised the event experienced the blessing of serving God and felt gentle encouragement from the Holy Spirit to go forward, sharing the beautiful light of truth with others.

It all began when the Holy Spirit pressed upon the hearts of the Geelong youth to share Jesus with their community. This was the first time that we had attempted anything like this and it was as though we were on the edge of a cliff taking a giant leap of faith. We had no money and very little time in which to organise things, but despite the odds being against us, we had faith that God would work it out. We focused on prayer and challenged the team and church members to pray every day for God's providence and for an outpouring of His Spirit on the conference. We saw God provided for every need and lead the team through many challenges. We have no doubt from the feedback received that those who attended were blessed but we, the volunteers, felt even more blessed through serving others. We now have our sights on making The Domino Effect an annual event and seeing it grow bigger and better each year. We have a longing to set the hearts of Geelong and the surrounding areas on fire for God.



Whilst conferences are a great way of reaching many people in a short amount of time, we feel that people need a place to be connected with, so that they can receive the nurturing they need to grow in a relationship with Jesus. We plan to have a strong emphasis on care groups at our next event, explaining their benefits and equipping people to run them. The Domino Effect is a testament to young people stepping out in faith and using their talents for God's service. We would like to inspire you to stand up and be bold for His kingdom. To cultivate strong hearts for truth that lead to action with strong hands.

God declared in Jeremiah 29:11 that He has a mighty plan for you. We hope that as you read this, you are encouraged to get involved with your local church. Never think that you have nothing to offer, because with God all things are possible! Now is the time for God's children to rise up and build His kingdom. May God bless you as you strive to serve Him.

"Let those who are rejoicing in the light of present truth, now make haste to impart the truth to others." (Councils for the Church 64.1).

AUDIO AND DVD COPIES OF THE 2010 DOMINO EFFECT CONFERENCE ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST OR ONLINE AT WWW.BEYONDPATMOS.ORG. EMAIL BJALSOP@YAHOO.COM FOR DETAILS.

Creation and Evolution:

Still Nothing New Under the Sun!

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The Adventist view is not a threat to science as a methodology. It is a rejection of 'scientism' as an ideology (turning science into a philosophy and world view). Scientists should have the freedom to reach conclusions that disagree with evolution if that's where the evidence leads. And should a model which incorporates scriptural and historical claims (such as the flood) better explain the evidence, then that should be allowed and not ruled out from the start due to naturalism.

THE THEISTIC EVOLUTIONARY DEAD END

Adventism also avoids theistic evolution. Oil and water don't mix. God can be added back into evolutionary thinking but He can only ever then appear as a domesticated god of philosophers and scientists. At any point in which Scripture disagrees with evolution this god is redefined and further cut down in size. He can never be the revealing, creating, judging, saving, intervening God of scripture. The god of theistic evolution has had his wings cut (and sometimes much more). He is not the starting point, the great alpha and omega, the one creating the universe, speaking continents into existence, breathing life into dust, judging the world by flood and fire, and even raising the dead. No, he is no threat at all. He will fit into whatever scenario is needed.

Let's put God back into the equation and allow Him to be the God He says He is

LET US HEAR THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER ...

In the end let God be God. Let us not try and fit God into a world view which starts without him. Let us not make the mistakes of the ancient Greeks who thought that unaided human reflection would unlock a universe which is vast beyond our imagination. If the human mind begins alone with itself and proceeds alone by itself, it ends alone by itself. The result is a pathetic limited tiny perspective which rejects evidence to the contrary. You can't force the ocean into a thimble. You can't reduce the universe to naturalism. But you can listen, trust and depend on a God who is infinite, perfect and a marvellous Creator.

...In six days, I the Lord your God created the earth, the sky, the seas and everything in them, and on the seventh day I rested in the joy of having made it all.

Exodus 20:11

Pastor Anthony MacPherson

PASTORAL STAFFING 2011

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LATIN AMERICAN	Pr Miguel Flamenco		Dr Denis Hankinson

The 'Must Have' Resource!

CONFERENCE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

A new set of DVD's has just been released by the Victorian Conference Health Department and is available at the Adventist Book Centre. This set is aimed at maintaining or improving the quality of life for all age groups. These are a 'must have' resource, at the very least for your church library.

NUTRITION AS WE GROW OLDER

Life offers many treasures – the most valuable of which are health, a happy home, true friends and peace with God. We as humans come in widely assorted sizes, shapes and colours. Yet as different as we are, whether we are rich or poor, young or old, we all look for the same thing, to be happy, feel fulfilled and have good health.

Our world is filled with sickness and disease of all kinds. According to the bureau of statistics the rates of heart disease are so high, that every 10 minutes someone in Australia dies of heart and blood vessel disease. Looking at cancer it is not much better.

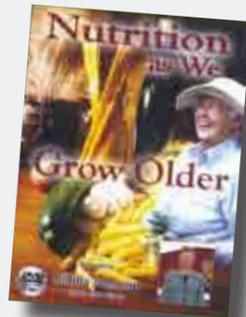
We are what we eat, your body is an amazing piece of machinery: feed it properly, drink enough water to meet your needs, exercise it, allow time for relaxation and rest and it is likely to run well.

Forget to refuel with food that contains the nutrients the body needs to function as it was designed to and chances are it will let you down.

Subjects covered include: Guidelines for good nutrition; Importance of fibre; Water and why the body needs it; Kidney health; Exercise; Advantages of including enough plant foods in the diet; Heart Health; How diet can reduce the risk of cancer; What is diabetes, how can it be managed, and can it be prevented?

You will find the information on this DVD set interesting and useful to maintain or regain your quality of life.

Two health lectures, with cooking demonstrations. Cost: \$19.95



FOOD HABITS FOR A LIFETIME (children)

Our children are a precious gift. We want to give them the best possible start in life.

Establishing healthy eating habits at an early age will provide children with a healthy start that can protect them in their teen years and well into their adult life.

Attitudes to food are shaped quite early in life and examples from parents and guardians can strongly influence a child's attitude for a lifetime.

Feeding children can be a big challenge! They can be fussy eaters, with particular likes and dislikes. Sometimes they will appear uninterested in eating, other times they will eat you out of house and home. And just to increase the challenge, this is the time children need to learn the importance of good food and healthy lifestyle habits.

Of course, children don't usually have heart disease or high blood pressure, but what they eat now can set the stage for these diet-related diseases later in life.

If you want your children to be healthy adults, now is the time to teach them about good food.

Over the past 20 years, rates of obesity in children have risen greatly in many countries around the world, including Australia. Some researchers are speaking of an 'International epidemic of childhood obesity'.

Begin now, encourage your children to make healthy food choices; involve them in planning meals, shopping and cooking.

Three health lectures with cooking demonstrations. Cost: \$49.95



LIFE AT ITS BEST (Youth series)

Our ability to make decisions is one of the most important gifts we have as humans. Choice is the first step to improved health and wellbeing.

You can choose to be healthy! Healthy eating, regular exercise, and enough sleep combine to provide the foundation of good health.

If you are healthy you will be able to achieve better results for your efforts, whether at school, university or workplace.

The drinks you choose also make an impact on the health of your body, either in a positive or negative way. Water is the best choice, and absolutely essential for the healthy functioning of every organ in your body.

Healthy eating is a must. Learn how food affects the body. Discover the food group we need to have mostly on a daily basis, the group we only need in moderate quantities, and foods that belong to the least group.

Did you know that your immune system (the system that maintains and restores your health) is affected by your level of physical fitness, and the foods and drinks you choose on a daily basis?

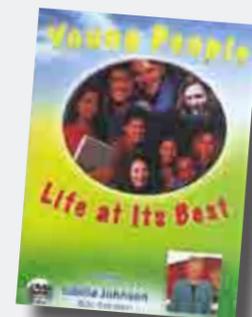
Rest is just as important as physical activity, you must have adequate rest to have your body and mind functioning at its best. It is the balance between work and rest, action and play that yields the greatest rewards.

This is a great time of your life show the world what you can do! You can achieve at school, perform in sport, and look your best, if you understand what it is that helps your body to function at its best.

From the God you choose, to the lifestyle you follow, you can have life at its best.

Two health lectures with cooking demonstrations. Cost: \$19.95

Sibilla Johnson



A Dream Comes True

AN LE'S STORY

Eric Hoare, Literature Evangelist Area Manager, was recently working with another LE, Graham. Graham shared this story with him.



Visiting one of his customers, Tarnesia, Graham demonstrated the books available on character development before moving on to the Family Bible. As he opened it, Tarnesia became animated. With excitement she explained that she had had a dream two days earlier where she could see the pages of a book. As Graham was showing her what it was like inside, she told him that this was the very book in her dream! Tarnesia placed an order for some message books, and Graham is looking forward to sharing more of God's truth with her when he visits with her next.

Refugee Training Will Benefit Many

ADRA AUSTRALIA

More than 3,500 Karen Refugees on Thailand's border will benefit from ADRA Australia's commitment of \$1.5 million over the next three years to support the education and training, in vocations such as sewing, cooking, auto-mechanics and barbering, of close to 3,500 Karen refugees in Thailand.

Participants in the program will not only receive practical training that will assist in income generation, but will also support the self-reliance of their families and wider communities. It is expected nearly 50,000 individuals will benefit from this project. The vocational training courses will be designed to meet both Thai and international education standards, ensuring the benefit will flow well into the future.

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GATEWAY EAST - Bible workers	Miss L Webb, Miss S Koh, Mr J Musk
LILYDALE - Bible workers	Miss J Sherar, Miss S Bektas, Miss E Gallagher
NORTHPOINT - Bible worker	Mr Eric Johnson
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PRESTON - Bible worker	Tba
RINGWOOD - Bible worker	Mr Sebastian Davila
ROBINVALE - Bible worker	Miss Alysia Craddock
SPOTSWOOD - Bible worker	Mr Shane Myat Kyaw
WANTIRNA - Bible worker	Tba
WARBURTON - Bible worker	Miss Yonina Moffatt



And God saw that it was GOOD!

What would it have been like, to be Adam, on the day of his creation? If it were you, what questions would you have asked your Creator? What would have caught your interest the most – the garden? The animals? Yourself, perhaps? Or would it have been the glorious Being that had just breathed life into your nostrils?

Let your imagination run free, as you read...

The sixth day of Creation week emerged as a beautiful cool morning. The sun, rising in the east, shone on the Creator's back forming a long wispy shadow in front of Him. He seemed to be studying His shadow with a concentrated effort. The corners of His mouth turned up in a gentle smile. As the smile spread across the Creator's face, the area where His shadow fell and a border area around His shadow, turned to reddish dirt. It was as if the grass had parted to allow the soil to see the sun. The part of the new patch of red dirt covered by God's shadow began to bulge. It was taking shape, rising to meet the shadow of its Maker. Soon there was a very long, stretched out form on the ground—a three dimensional copy of the Creator's elongated shadow.

God's smile slowly faded and the soil stopped rising. He then walked to the far side of the dirt figure and knelt next to it. He pointed His right finger and pushed it gently into the dirt—at the spot where the belly button would be if the man on the ground were real. His finger sunk into the dirt, turning it to clay.

From where His finger had created the navel, the Creator drew a line up the middle of the clay body - dividing the clay man in half. The Creator dug his hands into the line and pulled half of the clay away. Now there were two piles of clay—one that looked like half of a very tall, very skinny person—and the pile now being formed into something new.

The hands of God formed a new clay man, this one smaller and proportioned more like a normal person. As a final touch, He pushed his finger into the figure's middle, making a belly button.

When He finished, the Creator sat back on His heels and admired His work. He smiled, happy with His creation. Then He took a breath. Of course He had been breathing all along, but this was a very deep, very long and very special breath. The Creator—the giver of life—leaned forward and put His mouth above the clay man's mouth. Then He breathed out. As He exhaled His lips moved, forming a word. It was a long drawn out word, taking the entire breath. It was the word 'Spirit' and it did something amazing to the clay man. The red clay went shiny. The shininess changed to a soft skin like substance. Then the reddish colour deepened to reveal a tanned muscular human. The man sat up. The first thing he saw was the face of God. Jesus smiled a winning smile and said, "Adam, my son, you were formed by my hands and brought to life by my Spirit, which I give to you in every breath."

Adam opened his mouth; speech came easily to him, "Thank you, my Creator. You are my everything!"

Jesus extended a hand to Adam and helped him to his feet. Then draping His arm across the shoulders of His new creation, the two of them looked out over the glorious Garden of Eden. The sun shone full from behind them causing the river and everything beyond to shimmer and shine in its reflected brilliance.

The Creator spoke, turning to place His free hand on the man's chest, "Adam, you are but shadow and breath," and then with a sweeping gesture taking in all that was before them, He finished, "And yet, for you the universe was made!"

Jesus and Adam walked through the Garden.
Jesus explained to Adam the amazing things

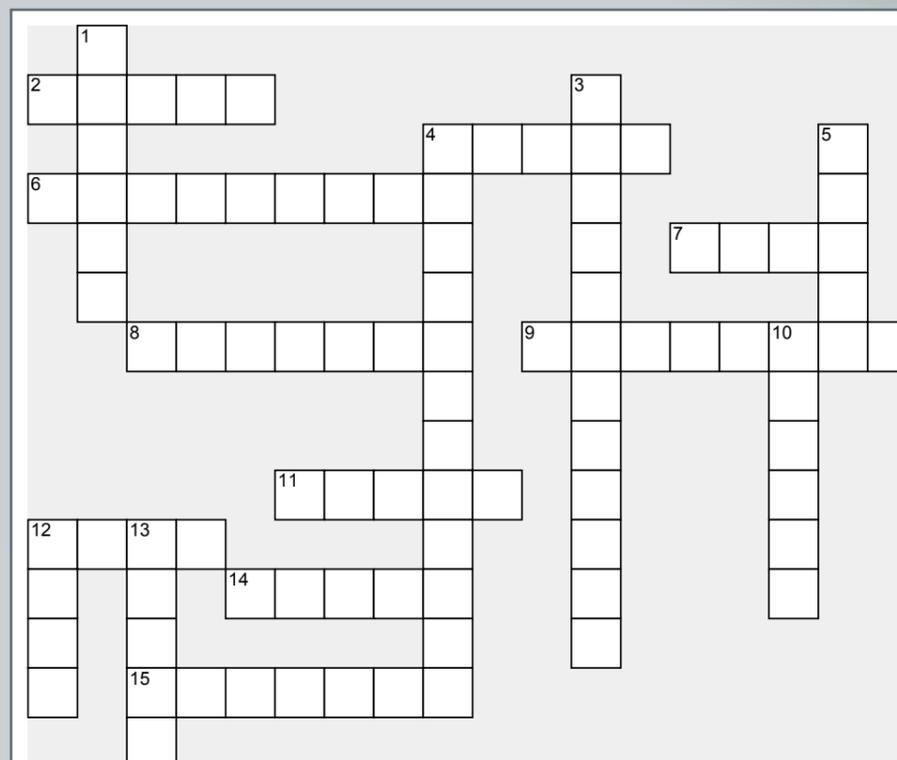
that had taken place in the last six days. The entire world around them had taken shape—light, land, sea, sun, moon, rivers, trees, day and night.

Then Jesus said, "But today is special, Adam! Today I created and named you."

"And I thank you," Adam said. "I am greatly honoured to live in your paradise and care for your Creation."

"And I am honoured to have you as my servant," Jesus answered. "Serve me faithfully—with all your heart, all your mind and all your soul—and you will be fulfilled and happy."

And "God saw all that He had made, and it was very good" Genesis 1:31



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ACROSS

- 2 The planets, stars, sun and moon all declare God's ... (Ps 19:1-4)
- 4 All God had to do to create the heavens (Ps 33:6,9)
- 6 In Colossians, Paul tells us not only did God create everything we can see, but also everything that is.... (Col 1:15-17)
- 7 After the river flowed through the garden, how many rivers did it divide into? (Gen 2)
- 8 Ex 20 :11 tells us why we have the Sabbath - because God is the and He wants us to remember this.
- 9 God didnt just create our world, He made the... (Heb 1:2)
- 11 In the beginning God created this (Gen 1:1)
- 12 The river Pishon flowed through a land rich in what precious metal? (Gen 2)
- 14 What did God tell man to be to the creatures He had created?
- 15 In the beginning God created this (Gen 1:1)

DOWN

- 1 On Day 3 God created...
- 3 Where did God put man after creating him? (Gen 2)
- 4 On Day 5 God created (2 words)
- 5 On day 5 God also created...
- 10 What God did on the 7th day
- 12 God looked over everything and saw that it was... (Gen 1:31)
- 13 On Day 1 God created...

Taking it Deeper...

Just as God used His power to create us and His grace to save us, he has a role for us to play in the life and well-being of planet Earth and its inhabitants. What do you think it is? Genesis 1:27-28

God knew His creatorship would be challenged. Paul addressed the need for faith to see past this, in Hebrews 11:3.

God set up a memorial to Creation, a day where we can celebrate what He has done, and acknowledge him as our Creator. Exodus 20:11

Written by David Edgren - Pastor, Author and Director of Sabbath Schools and Children's Ministries, 28 Stories is designed to strengthen Adventist faith as they explore the 28 Fundamentals of our beliefs.

For a study guide for all ages, taking you deeper, visit vic.adventist.org.au and click on the 28 Stories tab.

An Exciting Offer!

CAMP HOWQUA

Camp Howqua had an exciting year in 2010, with many improvements being made to the facilities.

The 2009 church offering enabled us to build a deck on the back of the Main Lodge which, despite having no furniture as yet, has been warmly received by our guests. In addition, the water slide, or "Wedginator" as the kids have named it, has had a major revamp and we now have both the slides operational. Soon the remaining minor details, such as fencing and gardens, will be completed. School groups that have already used the twin slides are loving being able to race each other to the bottom.

There has also been a steady increase in occupancy over the past several years, generating healthy financial returns. This has enabled us to accelerate some projects and renovations with many commenting on the changes and improvements that they see each time that they visit.



Camp Howqua did suffer some draw-backs with the September 2010 floods. The Survivor course, Swing Bridge and camp area roads sustaining major damage, but through these trying times, God continued to blessed us as we endeavor to do His work. We praise Him that no groups were too badly inconvenienced by the damages.

This summer has been unseasonably wet with the Howqua River flowing very well and Lake Eildon filling up fast. The great thing



about the weather conditions experienced is that we have been able to establish quite a number of deciduous trees. The autumn colours they produce will be spectacular and our clients will be able to enjoy God's beauty as they come for their camps.

We recognize that the position Camp Howqua now enjoys as one of Victoria's premier Christian Camping facilities has only been made possible due to the efforts that have been put in by many Churches and individual members as well as the Victorian Conference's financial backing over the leaner years. We understand that financial strain is a fact of life and that attending a church camp may be out of the question for many. We are now in a position to help to make it more affordable. For this reason the Camp Howqua Management Committee members would like to make an exciting offer: as of 1st April 2011 we are pleased to offer SDA groups 50% discount off the price of Main Lodge accommodation for your next Church camp.

We would love to encourage everyone to come and enjoy Camp Howqua with your Church family and enjoy the fellowship in a different way to the usual Sabbath. It is the perfect opportunity to bring a friend or a neighbour along to enjoy each other's company while also being blessed in the beautiful surrounds of Camp Howqua.

Warren, Ursula, Richard & Kellianne
Camp Howqua Management Team



Henry Drake – 100 Years Young ADVENTCARE WHITEHORSE

This gentle and cheerful man celebrated his 100th birthday on the 4th of January, and a lifetime of anecdotes and accolades came out of the woodwork at Adventcare Whitehorse where he and his wife, Jean, together with 45 friends and family, gathered for afternoon tea. Henry has three children, eight grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. The afternoon tea was a chance for a wonderful reunion, with family travelling from Hong Kong, and around eastern Australia. The telling of Henry's life story in poetic verse added to the delights of the day.

The eldest of four, Henry excelled at Dandenong High School and moved into Primary school teaching. The Depression years saw him give up this career to assist his father, studying book keeping while working in the furniture business. Post war, the factory closed and Henry and his wife, Sarah Olive, purchased a hardware store in Carlton and remained active members at St Columbs Anglican Church, Hawthorn.

Tremendous sorrow hit when Sarah Olive took ill, passing away in 1955. Later, Henry sold the business, moving into wholesale hardware for the remainder of his working years.

In 1962, he married Jean, whose interest in good nutrition and hygiene ensured their good health and physical ability. They were able to work well into their 60's and enjoyed caravan holidays and organized group tours throughout Australia and New Zealand.

In retirement, they continued to have a busy and fulfilled life until Jean was admitted to Box Hill hospital in 2003.

From there she was eventually transferred to nursing home care at The Avenue in Blackburn. Henry adapted well to the challenges of living alone. He kept his life disciplined and purposeful, but he felt increasingly lonely. When The Avenue closed its doors in 2006, AdventCare Nunawading was chosen for Jean's care, as the beautifully completed Barrett wing provided possible hostel accommodation for Henry's future needs. A few months later, Henry accepted respite care to help monitor the effects of new medication. The care received and the comfort of his lovely room in a tastefully furnished facility, with easy access for frequent visits to Jean, lightened his load and gave him the opportunity to feel and appreciate the advantages of making his own transition to permanent residency.

Henry continues to appreciate all the care he receives, the kind manner in which staff respond to his needs and the good humour that is part of his general environment. He is happy and content at AdventCare.

Thank you to Evonne Bills, Henry's daughter,
for supplying Henry's history



Inaugural Swimming Event GILSON COLLEGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school held its inaugural Swimming Carnival on the 17th of February. The primary students were able to participate in the traditional swimming races, as well as many fun events.

Grades 1 & 2 took part in 25 metre kickboard, noodle and egg and spoon races. Students from Grades 3 to 6, who were non-swimmers, had 50 metre kickboard, noodle and egg and spoon races. Those in the upper grades who could swim, participated in 50 metre freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.

The fastest competitors from each age group were selected to swim at the Caroline Springs Primary Sports Association Regional Swimming Carnival on the 1st of March. Gilson College competed against eight other schools from the local region. Overall, Gilson came fifth and achieved firsts in two single events and a relay race. Students who won their swimming events at the regional



competition then progressed to the Zone Swimming Carnival at Oak Park held on the 22nd of March.



Meet the Director

EDINBURGH EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

Tanya Pascoe is the Director of the Early Learning Centre, and we asked her to tell us a little about herself, the Centre and her vision for it.

I grew up in Queensland where my father was a prison officer and my mother was a very good, hardworking homemaker. For some years we resided at one of the prisons where my father worked, and living amongst prisoners for the last years of my schooling was a real eye opener! I became an Adventist when I was fourteen, and ventured to Avondale after completing school, where I had the best four years of my life studying for a Bachelors Degree. This set me up for a teaching career that sent me to many different places. I have taught in New Zealand, Albury and Lismore, Essex Heights in Mt Waverley, and at Warburton, Ironbark and Edinburgh schools.

After 16 years of teaching as a generalist, a principal's release and a specialist teacher I have now moved into the Early Learning Centre as the Director. It is a very different and exciting role. I no longer teach but I do have a lot of contact and am working to foster a relationship with each of the children at the centre. Edinburgh Early Learning Centre was originally started to become a feeder into the primary school and ultimately the high school, but I believe the Early Learning Centre does a lot more. It opened its doors in 2006 with eight families

and now has 73 active families on the register. We do, however, have room for more and would love to see growth in the three-year old's room. This has become a matter of prayer for the staff. This centre has so much to offer as it is set off the road amongst trees, has a large outside play area and it a strong connection with the primary school and the academy. My vision, which I pray is in sync with God's, is to see this centre expand with families who are keen for their children to grow up knowing a little more about Jesus. I would love to see the classrooms full to capacity and to have a waiting list. Is this too much to ask? I don't think so. Children at this age absorb so much and our influence is so great. I am appealing to anyone who sees children's education and our mission as important, to seek God in pray on our behalf, asking Him to send to us the children and families that he wants us to reach.



TANYA AND HER SON, JODY, FIRST DAY OF PREP

Located at the Conference Office, Central Road Nunawading.
The Centre will be closed from April 18 to April 29, due to relocation to Elmore for Easter Camp.
Should you wish to place any specific orders to be collected at Elmore, please call Tina before these dates on 03 9264 7760



Scholarship Program

Wednesday 6th April 2011

Nunawading Christian College is a Prep-Year 12 independent school that offers quality, Christian education to your son or daughter. Our school strives for academic excellence whilst also nurturing the individual student.

We are currently offering three year scholarships to students who are in Years 4 and 9 in 2011. Scholarship exams will be held at Nunawading Christian College Secondary school on Wednesday 6th April 2011.

For further details about the program, or to obtain an application form, please phone the school on 9877 3555 or email mroberts@ncc.adventist.edu.au. Prospectus packs are also available on request.

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Congratulations to Crystal and Shaun Taylor, on the safe arrival of Riley John, on March 1.



Also to Nyadeet and Gatkuoth Chol. Panom arrived on February 1, ahead of schedule and thus alleviating the need for a caesarian, for which her parents praise God Almighty.

May the Lord bless you and keep you as you care for these precious little ones of His.

ADS AND NOTICES

AUSSIE ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL HELPS
Want help getting your Sabbath School lesson ready for Sabbath? Or, if you're not teaching the lesson, would you like some spinners to throw into the conversation? Have a look at the study helps written by three of Australia's conference Sabbath School directors. <http://vic.adventist.org.au/ss-lessons>

SABBATH SCHOOL TEACHERS WORKSHOP
Your conference Sabbath School Director David Edgren is available to run Sabbath afternoon workshops to reinvigorate your Sabbath Schools with passion, purpose and mission. Ask your Sabbath School Superintendent to organise a SS Teachers Workshop soon!

LOWER PRIMARY DIVISION AT CAMP 2011 (AGES 6 & 7)
Please take note of these changes to what was printed in the camp application form. Your meetings are: Mornings 9:30-12:30 and Afternoons 2:30-4pm Friday and Sunday. There are no evening programs for this age group. Your cost is \$20 for craft, snacks and resources and \$5 for the "Arnie Shack" concert. There is no charge for day visitors

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Sunset times

Bairnsdale time is 10 minutes EARLIER & at Hamilton the time is 12 minutes LATER

Sabbath	Opening	Closing
March 26		7.24
April 1,2	7.15	7.13
April 8,9	6.04	6.03
April 15,16	5.54	5.53
April 22,23	5.45	5.43

OFFERING SCHEDULE - APRIL

- April 2 - Local Church Budget
- April 9 - World Mission Budget
- April 16 - Union Offering
- April 23 - Annual Convention
- April 30 - Local Church Budget



on Sabbath. For each child, please fill out the form included in the camp application or download more from vic.adventist.org.au

GIANT BOOK SALE
Mark May 22 on your calendar, for the next Giant Book Sale at Nunawading church hall
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With Connect - Adventist Singles Network. May 17 - July 2011 <http://nsw.adventist.org.au/singles-network> for more information

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:
Stock Controller/Data Entry Clerk needed for the Pacific Islands. This job involves keeping track of and ordering stock for Literature Evangelists in Samoa, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu, Tahiti, New Caledonia and Fiji. This is a full time position of 36 hours per week (8.30 to 5.30 Monday to Thursday and 8.30 to 12.30 Friday). Skills required: Excellent data entry, a good knowledge of Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel and excellent communication skills. This job is based at the Publishing Department of the South Pacific Division at the Signs Publishing Company in Warburton. Please post your Curriculum Vitae to John Brereton, Publishing Department, PO Box 201, Warburton VIC.

3799 or email it to lsirilo@adventist.org.au
Pastoral worker needed - Mont Albert church is seeking a bi-lingual worker to assist with evangelistic work in the local community. 10 hours per week, the worker will be involved in friendship evangelism, Chinese group Bible study, supporting small group ministry and some translation from English into Mandarin. For more information contact Jody Eddy on 0412 381 515 or jodyeddy@adventist.org.au

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As part of the Australian Open Garden Scheme, this magnificent garden will be open Sunday May 1 and Monday May 2 from 10am - 4pm. Morning and afternoon teas available both days, light lunches available Sunday only. Entry \$6.00, proceeds going to a Maranatha One Day Church project.
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AUTHORS SPEAK AT LILYDALE SDA CHURCH

Come and hear widely-published Adventist authors, Kay Rizzo (USA), and Pr Bruce Manners (Avondale College church) share some exciting stories. They are guest speakers for the annual Adventist Book Centre seminar being held on April 1-6. There will also be ABC managers from around the SPD sharing news from their part of the world.



When: April 2, 9am—Kay Rizzo,
11:15am—Pr Bruce Manners

Where: Lilydale SDA Church, 608 Hull Rd, Lilydale

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