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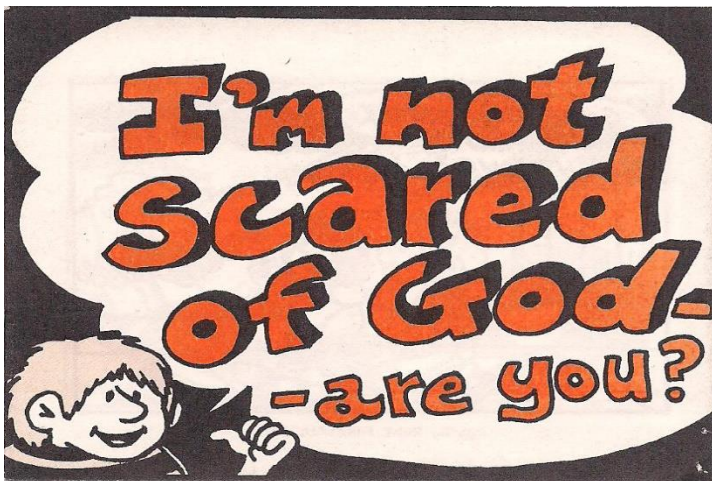
Dear ones,

I always try for encouraging, uplifting material in these newsletters and, to some extent, succeed. But the most compelling issues today are essentially bad news, because there are bad things happening to our country, our culture, and on the World scene—things that are threats to life as we have known it—things that would have been unthinkable only 6 years ago. Thus, many of the articles are troubling, yet they deal with things about which we must be aware; and people continue to write and call me saying that they learn things in these newsletters that they read or hear about nowhere else.

So, please pray for me, and I will try to make wise selections; for I always have much more material than there is room for in our limited space.

OUR NEW FEATURE: “GOD’S ARMY” PUBLICATIONS

In the last issue we introduced a long-awaited new feature: the classic publications of the ministry “God’s Army” which brought so many people into God’s Kingdom in the “Jesus People” days, especially hippies, lost in self-destruction in the search for truth. This issue’s classic is the tract, “I’m Not Scared of God—Are You?” Tracts from previous issues will be archived, so that you can return to them.



SOME GOOD FRUIT FROM THE FORRESTERS OF “GOD’S ARMY”

More than 40 years ago Bob and Lois Forrester (founders of “God’s Army” and other ministries) encouraged Linda Gawthorne, one of the young people in their ministry, to enter Wycliffe Bible Translators. Today, after

living with the Kogi tribe in Columbia for most of her life, Linda has earned their trust, learned their language, created a written form of their language, and translated the New Testament into the Kogi language. The first printing of the Kogi New Testament is finished. She has also reared Kogi children as her own; many have gone to school and some of them to college. Now in her '60s, she is back in the States for surgery on her worn-out knees. Please pray for her, and thank God for such a consecrated life, and for the Forresters' long-ago ministry to her.

CORRECTION CONCERNING PETER LABARBARA

In the last issue I included an article about Tim Cook, Apple CEO, who has declared that his sexual perversion is a gift from God. In that article, I quoted Peter La Barbara, founder of Americans for Truth about Homosexuality, who called Cooks statement "beyond blasphemy." In quoting La Barbara, I identified him as a "former homosexual." I was wrong about that; Peter La Barbara has never been a homosexual. I hope Peter will forgive my error, and I am grateful to our reader Beverly McDowell for bringing my error to my attention.

I was thinking of the ministry to homosexuals, Exodus, which was founded many years ago by ex-homosexuals; I pray that, in the future, I will be more careful.

BOOKS BY BILL BLOOD

Bill and Dottie Blood, my dear friends of many years, live in Orlando and operate a Christian web site, www.billanddottieblood.com. Bill is a retired Army officer and a veteran of many years as an active Christian. He has seen much as a Christian, including undeniable miracles, and has written three books based upon what he has seen and learned. The books are free; just visit the web site and request them.

IS THIS AMERICA OR MEXICO?

Our nation was once a cultural melting pot, a society where immigrants could come, by way of the legal immigration and naturalization system, find freedom and opportunity for a better life, learn our language and become, literally, part of us.

Sad to relate, this is no longer true; the immigrants in the pot no longer melt, and most of them are illegal, and many of them dangerous felons. They seem determined to retain their foreign identity, speak their foreign language only, and create within our borders a colony of their native country. Worse, still, Muslims not only demand to live among us by their own medieval, barbaric Sharia law, but their ultimate goal is to co-opt our nation and force us to live as they do.

Mexican immigrants, mostly in the Southwest, want to create their Mexican colony and, some day, take back California, Arizona and New Mexico. It is worst in California, where Mexican zealots pull down the American flag from public flagpoles, and run up the flag of Mexico. At times it gets physical; in recent times a group of Mexican thugs beat an elderly American veteran for waving an American flag at a 4th of July parade in San Diego.

And in May of 2010 a group of American boys at Live Oak High School in the San Francisco area were told to change their shirts because they had American flag motifs. Why? Because it would offend the Mexican students, who were wearing shirts with the Mexican flag on them, to celebrate a Mexican holiday. The parents of the high school boys sued the school district, and the federal district court ruled against the parents; they appealed, and the ultra-liberal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals (3-judge panel), also ruled against the parents. They requested a full-court decision, and on 17 September, after four years in court, the 9th Circuit refused to re-hear the appeal. The Mexican flag is OK; the U.S. flag is offensive. (NBC-Bay Area, et al) (**NOTE:** Yes, this story began more than 4 years ago; the courts move slowly, and this story has also had to wait for room in this issue.)



The four “Gringo” high school boys and their “offensive” shirts.

COMMON CORE SCIENCE STANDARDS VOTED DOWN, BUT...

Frankfort, Ky.—In September a bipartisan committee in the Kentucky Legislature voted against adopting Common Core’s Next Generation Science Standards curriculum. Martin Cothran, of the Family Foundation of Kentucky, said that half of real science is left out of the Common Core science standards, “to make room for trendy things like ‘climate science’ [global warming].” The new science standards use the terms “climate,” “weather,” and “global warming” 130 times; yet the terms “mammal,” “bird,” “reptile” and “amphibian” **are completely absent**. Cothran went on to say, “There is not a single instance in the standards of any student being required to identify, name, define, classify, observe or describe any individual natural object. In fact, a student could easily meet the new science standards without ever meeting an animal, a plant or a mineral. There is no mention of the taxonomy of animals, no morphology of plants, and no attempt to teach about the varieties of rocks and minerals.” In other words, the standards are NOT about science; they are about an agenda—propaganda.

A particularly foul-mouthed liberal blogger, furious because the legislative committee had voted against the standards, said that their decision was an example of the reason that “Kentucky kids tend to be the dumbest [a foul expression so base that I wouldn’t even print the “bleeped out” version] on the planet.”

However, the committee’s decision is moot; Kentucky’s Democrat governor says that he will implement the Common Core standards anyway. (Family Foundation/Houston Chronicle)

DON’T CONFUSE US WITH THE FACTS

A rather extreme and revealing example of open-minded intellectual freedom and “diversity” in academia (“only when you agree with us”) occurred at California State University Northridge in recent times. Mark Armitage, archeologist and manager of the Electron and Confocal Microscopy Suite at Cal State Northridge, in a 2012 archeology dig in the famed Hell Creek formation in Montana, made a remarkable find. He and a colleague discovered a triceratops (a dinosaur, suggestive in appearance to a Rhinoceros) horn with soft tissue in its interior. The obvious next thought is that soft tissue could not survive in the freeze-thaw environment of Montana, with insects, microorganisms, and other destructive factors, for 65 million years.

Armitage and the colleague published their findings in the journal *Acta Histochemica* in 2013. The result? He was fired. A university official angrily shouted at him, “We are not going to tolerate your religion in this department!” This was not the first time soft tissue has been found in dinosaur bones; but it is the first time it has been found in a Triceratops horn.

In 2005 North Carolina State University scientist Mary Schweitzer found soft tissue in a Tyrannosaurus Rex leg bone. She described “transparent, flexible, hollow blood vessels.” Similar soft tissues have been found in other dinosaur bones, but establishment evolutionists have invented possible ways to explain these discoveries away. None of their “explaining it away” holds up under close scrutiny, but they have already decided. To them it is just another vexing case of “Don’t confuse me with the facts; my mind is made up.” They fiercely defend their humanistic pride, and they don’t want to lose their intellectual respectability and their grant money, which pays all, or some, of their salaries. (WND/World/et al)

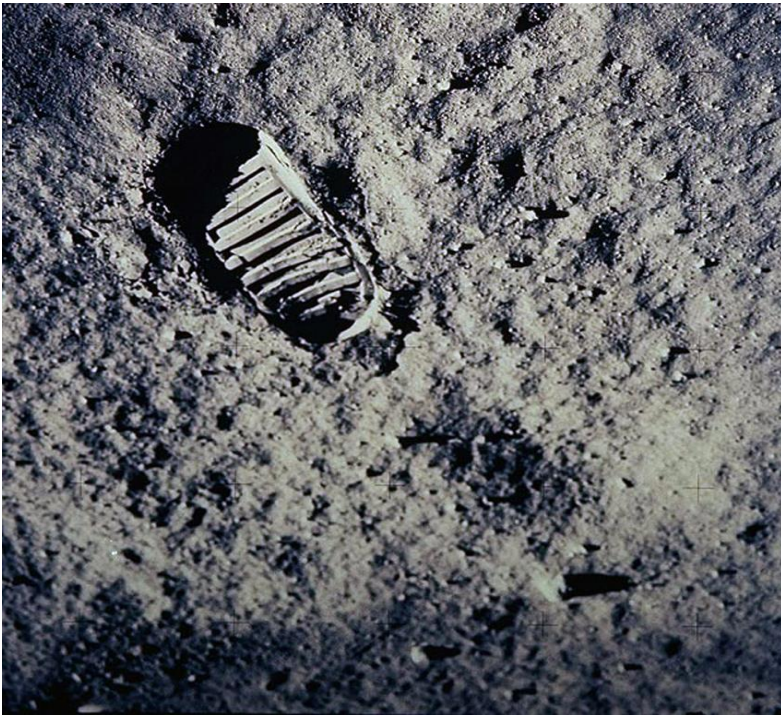
EVIDENCE FOR A YOUNG EARTH, SEEN AND HEARD BY THE WORLD

The humanist/atheist scientific establishment has been ignoring the evidence for a young Earth for a very long time. One example of this involved our successful Moon landing in the Summer of 1969.

Since there was nothing known about the surface of the Moon in terms of supporting a man in a heavy space suit, there was serious concern among the top scientists planning the operation for the safety of the astronauts. Since there is cosmic dust that accumulates on all planets (including Earth), and since it accumulates at a known, constant rate, there was serious concern as to how deep it would be on the Moon’s surface. If the universe is three or four billion years old, as the conventional wisdom declares, how deep would the cosmic dust on the Moon be, after accumulating for such a long time? There was very real fear that the astronauts would sink in it over their heads and be lost (with the Lunar Lander sinking also).

I was in Viet Nam on 16 July 1969, very busy doing other things, when Neil Armstrong took that “one giant step” onto the surface of the Moon. We heard the event, however, on the radio (there was no live-feed television in Vietnam). I didn’t get to see it as it happened; but the World saw it as it happened, and I have seen it on film many times since. Most of us can simply think of it, and see in our minds those footprints in the cosmic dust on the surface of the Moon; they were (and still are) only about 1 inch deep. This is exactly the depth we would expect them to be if the universe (including the Moon) is 6,000-to-10,000 years old, as the Bible record declares.

Faced with this undeniable evidence before them (and known to the rest of us), one would hope that the scientific establishment would have been excited about the new discovery, and would have set about to reestablish their time and space paradigms. But no, instead they ignored it where possible, and quietly went to battle stations, seeking ways to explain it away. It is sad, but their “objective search for the facts” is not objective at all, unless they can find facts that fit into their pre-conceived positions.



MORE EVIDENCE OF MORMON DECEPTION

Mormonism is a vast and successful, vastly wealthy, non-Christian cult; yet their missionaries come to your door, instructed to tell you that they are Christians, and ask if you would like to have them conduct a Christian Bible study in your home. They are themselves deceived, and are utterly sincere; but they are dead wrong.

Changes in military headstones for the graves of veterans are one example. All over the world, in France, Belgium, North Africa and other such places, there are military cemeteries filled with the bodies of our servicemen who fell in the line of duty, with row upon row of headstones. These headstones are identical, except for one thing: most have Christian crosses engraved in the top; many bear the Cross of David, marking the grave of a Jewish soldier who gave his life. But this is no longer true. Years ago, Mormons demanded, and

received, a change: there would be no cross on Mormon headstones; the Christian cross has been replaced with an image of a mythical angel named Maroni (you will not find Maroni in the Bible or in any Christian literature, ancient, medieval or modern). Maroni, blowing his trumpet, is the fundamental Mormon symbol.

The next time a pair of sincere-but-deceived Mormon missionaries shows up at your door, calling themselves Christians and offering to conduct a Christian bible study in your home, show them this picture and ask why, if they are Christians, do they reject the universal Christian symbol, the cross of Christ, for the headstones of their dead?



“TEMPLE DENIAL” TAKES ANOTHER HIT

In the Oct/Nov/Dec 2012 issue I wrote about the latest collision of absurd Muslim propaganda with truth; it is usually referred to as “Temple denial,” the fable, made out of thin air with no evidence, to the effect that there was never a Jewish presence on the Temple Mount, especially no Temple. In fact, Muslims would have us believe, there was no Jewish presence of any kind in all of Jerusalem. In that issue I wrote of the work of Israeli archeologist, Benjamin Mazar, working at 1st Century level on the south side of the Temple Mount. Among building stones and fragments the Romans had shoved off the mount at the time of their destruction of the Temple, he found the “trumpet stone,” which was engraved with directions “to the place of the trumpet.” Recently Dr. Mazar’s granddaughter, Eilat Mazar, PhD, Hebrew University archeologist, also working at the 1st Century level, at the base of the south side of the mount, discovered a treasure trove of evidence of Jewish presence. It includes 36 gold Jewish coins, gold and silver jewelry, and a special gold medallion, engraved with a menorah candelabrum, a shofar trumpet, and a Torah scroll. She has added priceless finds to her grandfather’s evidence. (Israel Today, in IMG)

A POINT TO PONDER

Al Capone owed \$150,000 in back taxes, and he went to Alcatraz. Al Sharpton owes \$4.5 million in unpaid taxes, and he goes to dinners and frequent friendly consultations at the White House.

MILESTONES

Died

24 Dec 2014.—**Creighton Cutler (“Charlie”) Baker**, old, close and dear friend, in San Diego, at 87. His wife, Olga, played a key role in bringing me to a personal relationship with Jesus. I could write a book about him, his family and our family, but will let this suffice.

9 Jan.—**Andrae Crouch**, legendary Christian musician, composer and performer, in Los Angeles, at 72. He was definitely one of a kind. I have seen him play the piano with one hand, lift the other hand in praise, and dance before the Lord, all at the same time!

27 Jan.—**Elizabeth Fincher**, long-time dear Christian friend, of Pass Christian, Miss., at 92. Elizabeth loved the Lord, was compassionate and generous with those in need, and loved animals and wildlife in general. After hurricanes, she walked miles through the wreckage, searching our homeless pets and taking them in. I was quoted at her funeral that “I don’t believe in reincarnation; but if it is true, I would like to come back as a raccoon in Elizabeth’s back yard.”

A FINAL WORD

Treasure and use each day as if it were your last, and never give up hope; God has a limitless supply of new beginnings, and He makes beautiful things out of broken pieces.

(Sources: AP-Associated Press; BBC-British Broadcasting Corp.; BP-Baptist Press; CNS-Cybernetic News Service; Fox-Fox News; Brightbart-Breitbart News; FOF-Focus on the Family; FRC-Family Research Council; HE-Human Events; HC-History Channel; HuffPost-Huffington Post; IMG-Israel My Glory; JP-Jerusalem Post; LAT-L.A. Times; NA-New American Magazine; NM-NewsMax.com; NR-Natioinal Review; NW-Newsweek; NYP-New York Post; NYT-New York Times; ONN-OneNewsNow; PWB-Pastors' Weekly Briefing; USAT-USA Today; VOM-Voice of Martyrs; W-World Magazine; WND-World Net Daily; and WT-Washington Times.)