

# Origins Insights

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## The 2008 International Conference on Creationism

By Reid Moon

The board of directors of Creation Science Fellowship is proud to announce that plans are well underway to host the Sixth International Conference on Creationism (ICC) in the fair and distant land (distant from Pittsburgh) of San Diego, California. You may well ask "Why San Diego?", and I would respond, "A good question."

To coordinate and produce the ICC, two significant responsibilities must be fulfilled. There is the administrative role and the technical role. In recent years, CSF has lost the crucial volunteer base that played a vital part of planning and coordinating the technical side of the conference (from publishing the call for papers to

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### Dr. Henry M. Morris, home in glory

excerpted from [www.icr.org](http://www.icr.org)

CSF was saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Henry M. Morris on February 25 at the age of 87.

Dr. Morris was a brilliant scholar and theologian and was widely considered the "father" of the Modern Creation Movement, authoring well over sixty books on biblical creationism, scientific creationism, and commentaries on the Bible.

At the March 3 memorial service Dr. John Whitcomb, co-author of *The Genesis Flood*, remembered Dr. Morris as a humble man with a powerful message, and a vibrant relationship with his Creator.

## CSF Meetings

### CSF South

New Wine Harvest Church  
268 Old Clairton Road, Pleasant Hills

No Meeting in March

May 23 Speaker: Robert Walsh  
Topic to be announced

October 17 Speaker: Dennis Wert  
Topic to be announced

### CSF North

Next Meeting April 25, 2006, 7:00 pm

Peter's Creek Baptist Church  
6300 Library Rd (Rt 88)  
South Park, PA 15129

Dr. Jerry Bergman  
*Evolutionist and Atheist to a Christian Creationist*  
See enclosed flier for details

publishing the written Proceedings of the ICC). In March of 2005, the board of CSF asked Bob Walsh to approach Dr. Larry Vardiman at the Institute for Creation Research in San Tee, CA to see about their interest in assuming this essential element of the 2008 ICC.

We are happy to announce that after several conversations with Dr. Vardiman by e-mail, by phone and in person, CSF of Pittsburgh and ICR have formed a team to facilitate this most important conference to the creation science community. We are glad that Dr. Andrew Snelling has agreed to fill the role of Chairman of the Technical Review Committee. His knowledge, experience and enthusiasm for the ICC make him ideally suited to take on this key role.

Those who plan to submit abstracts of papers based on original, never-before-published research can look for a call for papers sometime in late spring of this year. We are confident that the high standards that are the hallmark of this conference will continue as ICR takes over this critical role. As ICR fulfills the technical responsibilities, CSF will oversee the administrative role of planning and coordinating the conference.

In addition to the new location and the new partnership that exists, there are a few other new twists to the Sixth ICC. Although the location has not yet been finalized, we hope to soon choose between two college campuses in the San Diego area. Either of these campuses will make a truly wonderful venue for our 2008 conference.

Another change that is in the works concerns the length of the next conference. One of the suggestions that were made during the 2003 ICC on the Geneva College campus was for a “tighter” conference. In the past, the ICC has been a six-day event. The 2008 ICC will be a three-day conference tentatively planned for August 4 - 6. It is our hope to cut down on the expense of this ICC for our attendees who paid upwards of \$650.00 to attend the 2003 conference at Geneva College. It is our hope that a more affordable conference will translate into a greater number of attendees.

Planning a shorter conference presents the challenge of scheduling a time slot for the 50 plus authors and their papers. To accomplish this we will again have two morning and two afternoon sessions with four or possibly five authors scheduled to present their papers at each session. Some thought has been given to follow the 2003 schedule and all of our attendees present for the first presentation of the day. These details will be finalized once the total number of papers to be presented is determined by our partners at ICR.

The web site for the 2008 ICC is under the direction of Bob Ivey who also serves as the CSF newsletter editor. We will introduce on-line registration to our web site so that our attendees may use either the internet or the traditional “hard copy” method of registration. We hope to have the web site up and operational sometime in the first part of 2007. In addition to registration, the web site will have links to accommodations on campus as well as area motels, transportation to and from the San Diego Airport, and points of interest in the San Diego area.

We will again have the ICC bookstore on site with hundreds of creation titles both old and new. CSF Bookstore Chairman, Stu Chandler has agreed to oversee all of the purchasing and coordination of volunteers needed to run of the ICC bookstore. This huge assortment of eclectic creation titles all under one roof is indeed a rare and stimulating shopping experience. We plan to have both hard copies and CD copies of the 2008 Proceedings available for sale at the ICC bookstore.

We are very excited about our new partnership with ICR and hosting the sixth ICC in San Diego in August of 2008. There will be other details published in our newsletter as our planning proceeds. Please join the board of CSF as we seek God’s wisdom and direction. Please pray that God will bless the planning for this 2008 ICC and provide for its personnel and the financial obligations that go along with it.

## Help Needed With Publicity

By Steve Sobek  
CSF Publicity Chairman

Steve Sobek, the CSF Publicity Chairman, is requesting help with publicizing our quarterly CSF North meetings.

There are three ways you can help:

First, you can help by lifting up our meetings and speakers in prayer. Dr. Jerry Bergman will be speaking at our April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting at Peters Creek Baptist Church. Let's pray that God will give Dr. Bergman wisdom as he prepares his presentation. Pray that God will draw people to the meeting and that hearts will be changed.

Secondly, you can help by sending out promotional emails. I will be preparing an email announcement sometime in March. I would like to send it to all of you so that you can pass it on to your church leadership and to others. My email will contain details of the event and hyperlinks to a full color flier and full color map that will be posted on our CSF website. It will also contain the text suitable for church newsletters.

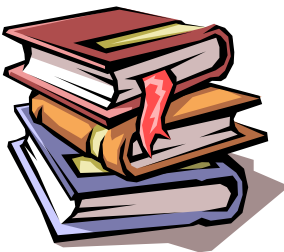
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Third, you can help by joining the publicity committee. Committee members will not only do the things listed above, but will also help by calling pastors of area churches after we send them a flier, putting up posters in the community, and other things that I haven't thought of, but maybe you will. I will be absolutely ecstatic if ten of you respond willing to call ten churches each.

I hope that every one of you will at least get involved with the first and second items above and that God will raise up at least ten of you to join the publicity committee.

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## Creation Science Reading Lists



Attendees of the 2003 ICC, many of them new to the subject of Creation Science, were overwhelmed by the large selection of books available in the book store area. In order to help people in their selection process the idea of making available a reading list, similar to those provided in public libraries, was put forward. While this could not be done at the time of the conference, a set of reading lists has been produced and are now available as a FREE resource on our web site, [www.csfpittsburgh.org](http://www.csfpittsburgh.org).

There are three separate reading lists categorized by level of interest: Basic, Intermediate and Advanced. Each list is a compellation of materials being offered by organizations such as ICR, AIG and other publishers. These lists make a handy reference or can be used as a checklist in building your personal creation science library.

The reading lists will be updated from time-to-time as more materials become available.

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