



Jesus said: "Ye are the salt of the earth ... Ye are the light of the world ..." (Matthew 5:13-14)

WELCOME TO MARCH AD 2009 EDITION....

WELCOME & EDITORIAL

Rev Peter Rahme – Salt & Light Editor

2009 is shaping up to be another productive year for CDP. We have a number of exciting initiatives for which we seek your prayerful and financial support . By the grace of God and to His glory we will continue to stand up for and speak out on values that made our nation great such as family and marriage, freedom of speech, free enterprise and financial integrity.

1. February - 'Fireproof Your Marriage' Campaign We hosted the premiere of Fireproof in the NSW Parliament House Theatre on Wed 4 February. We have also organised screenings at churches and venues including Homebush West, Camden, Tahmor, Campbelltown, Londonderry, Port Macquarie, Taree and Coffs Harbour (more to come).

2. March - 'Holy City' Sydney March Please join Rev Nile & myself in the Korean Churches' Outreach to Sydney 14-15 March with a great Jesus March on Sunday 15 March at 3.00pm through Sydney streets and an Outreach Service in Martin Place. These activities are the Christian response to the unholy Mardi Gras Parade.

3. March & April - 'Darwin's Debate' 2009 marks the 150th anniversary of the publication of Charles Darwin's *Origin of Species* and the 200th anniversary of his birth. The world's media has gone crazy in its celebration. It is a pivotal year in the creation/evolution debate. We plan to lead this debate by hosting two very important events.

- **On the 4th March from 12 Noon - 2pm - at our new CDP Christian Worldview Monthly Forum in the NSW Parliament**, Dr Mark Harwood, well known internationally in the commercial communications satellite field, was the guest speaker. Mark has over 30 years experience as a scientist in the Australian telecommunications industry, specialising in satellite communications. He will cover the philosophical implications/ramifications of Darwinism, the interpretation of science that influenced him and why so many scientists today aggressively promote this theory.
- **On the 1st April - Premiere of "THE VOYAGE THAT SHOOK THE WORLD "**. This major new film about Darwin, produced by Creation Ministries International (CMI) and distributed by Con Dios Entertainment, will challenge evolution in a fresh way. The project, with an estimated budget of close to a million dollars, is among the biggest documentary film ventures ever undertaken by any faith-funded Christian organisation in the world.

Call me on 1300 667 975 to book a screening of *FIREPROOF* and/or *THE VOYAGE THAT SHOOK THE WORLD* for your CDP branch or for your Church.

BIBLE DEVOTION

Rev Peter Rahme – CDP Deputy President

Zoology or Theology

A man who had been looking for work for a long time decided to inquire at the local zoo. He told the zookeeper, "I would like a job. I will clean cages. I will do whatever you need."

The zookeeper said, "I'm sorry. We would love to hire you, but there just aren't any openings right now." Noticing how big and burly the man was, the zookeeper had an idea. He said, "This is crazy, and you don't have to agree to it, but would you be willing to put on a costume and pretend to be a gorilla? Our gorilla died last week. He was our most popular exhibit. If you will be the gorilla, we will have a suit custom-made for you. We'll pay you really well." Desperate for work, the man took the job. Feeling a little apprehensive on his first day, he put on the gorilla suit and climbed into the cage. He made a few gorilla moves and beat his chest a little. The people loved it. The next day, he tried shaking the bars, screaming, and running around. The crowds started growing. By the third day, he was really enjoying his job and began swinging on the vines. But he swung too far, went over the wall, and landed in the middle of the lion's cage. The lion turned and walked toward him rather quickly. The man knew that if he called for help, people would discover he wasn't really a gorilla. But if he kept quiet, he would be the lion's lunch. So he screamed, "Help!" "Shut up, Stupid!" the lion whispered back. "You'll get us both fired!" (Source - Greg Laurie's Harvest Daily Devotional)

The above illustration is humorous because the two human beings after pretending for a while to be animals and being silly and having a little fun caught each other out. But what if they were serious in being them-animal-selves *"....to demonstrate the basic nature of man as an animal...."* or to teach *"....that the human is just another primate."* or worst still *"...to highlight the spread of man as a plague species"*

Well that's exactly what happened few years ago in 2005 on the August Bank holiday weekend in a London Zoo. However this time it was not **2** silly out of work with funny animal suits but **8** serious willing volunteers (3 Males & 5 females) with fig leaves coverings.

(To read the full article, [click here](#))

<http://www.saltandlight.org.au/articles/zoology.pdf>

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Rev Fred Nile MLC - CDP Founder & President

VICTORIA'S TRAGIC BUSHFIRES

All Australians have been shocked at the unusual and exceptional high death toll as a result of the horrific Victorian bushfires. The loss of life now reaches 210 with 30 missing persons!

The National Day of Mourning was very moving, especially the National Service in Melbourne which will help to encourage all the survivors, however the Christian content was almost non-existent.

Now a Royal Commission has been established to investigate the fire, particularly the causes of the high death toll. Factors being canvassed include the policy of stay and defend your home, but how do you combat a huge fireball that consumes all in its pathway?

Another factor is the insidious Green Party influence in Victoria in both State and Local Government, that has restricted the historic, regular back burning which clears the build up of bushfire fuel.

The Greens are blaming so-called "Global Warming" and "Climate Change", yet they ignore facts such as the huge Black Thursday on 6th February 1851, where Melbourne's temperature reached 47 degrees and the same temperature as Saturday 7th February 2009. In 1851 the bushfires destroyed 10 times the area destroyed this year. Also, at the same time the city of London was covered with unprecedented heavy snow – so much for global warming!

Our prayers and compassion reach out to all those families that have lost loved ones in the Victorian bushfires.

To read the full President's Report, [click here](#)

<http://www.saltandlight.org.au/articles/President's%20Report%20March%202009.pdf>

BRANCH NEWS

HORNSBY BRANCH

The Hornsby Branch meets 7.30pm on the first Tuesday of every Even month except December 2009, at the Mount Colah Community Centre Pierre Close Mount Colah.

HUNTER BRANCH

Newcastle, Wallsend & Charlestown Branch meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month. All are welcomed. For more information contact Milton Caine on 0410 027 593

KIAMA BRANCH – Lesley Kadwell (President)

The Kiama Branch meets bi-monthly on the last Monday of February, April, June, August, October starting 7:30pm at John & Lesley Kadwell's, 8 Moona Ave, Kiama Downs. Dates for the rest of 2009 are 27 Apr; 29 Jun; 31 Aug & 26 Oct. For more details contact Max Cracknell 4237 7186

GOSFORD/TERRIGAL BRANCH AGM - Stephen Brinton (President)

The AGM of the CDP Gosford/Terrigal Branch is on 8th MARCH 2009 at Erina Community Baptist Church on the corner of Carlton and The Entrance Roads (now

Central Coast Highway) Erina, commencing at 2.00 p.m. sharp. Pastor Peter Rahme, will be our guest speaker.

At the meeting, election of Office bearers will be held to fill vacancies for the positions of: Branch President, Vice-President (2 positions), Treasurer, Secretary and Delegate to State Council. The above positions will be declared vacant at the AGM, at which time nominations for these positions will be called for from the floor. All nominations must have a proposer and seconder and nominees must indicate their acceptance of the nominated position. Should the nominee not be present at the AGM, they should declare, in writing, their acceptance of said nomination. Any position may be nominated, in writing, prior to the AGM and any such nomination should reach the Secretary no later than 2nd March 2009, address to: Secretary, CDP Robertson Region, PO Box 3410, Erina NSW 2250.

INTER STATE

CDP (WA) - By State Director Gerard Goiran

The next Federal election for the House of Representatives and half the Senate can be lawfully called as early as August next year.

However, should the Labor government find it difficult to pass its legislation through the existing Senate (with the balance of power currently in the hands of the Greens, Family First and an independent), it could call an election as early as in the second half of this year for the House of Representatives and the whole (not half) of the Senate. CDP wants to be ready to contest the next election whenever it is called. Our first priority is to select a team of candidates for the 15 WA seats in the House of Representatives as well as a strong Senate team.

We will be looking initially for a team of 6 candidates for the Senate with a mix of country and city candidates. So all up, we need 21 candidates. The plan is to start preparing candidates as soon as they nominate. At the last Federal election, CDP stood its ground until the very last round of eliminations for the Senate. We came close because in spite of a low primary vote, we attracted strong preferences from most parties. Our all up vote was double that of the previous Federal election.

If you were a candidate at either the last Federal or State election, you should definitely nominate. However, if you have no previous experience in this area, you should not feel deterred from applying if you feel God is calling you to take a stand. The sooner you nominate, the sooner you can be trained and the more confident you will be when the election is called.

If you wish to nominate, please contact Gerard at the office or by email. All you need do is state whether you would prefer to stand for the House of Representatives in your area or for the Senate. A decision on each application will be given within a month of receipt. For the Senate, you need not state whether you wish to be at the top of the list or not as the

Candidate Recruitment Committee and our State Council will make this decision.

N.B. The call to stand for Parliament is a different call from the call to serve in Parliament. Sometimes God simply wants us to stand and be salt and light in a political campaign but does not call us to serve in Parliament. Do not feel that if you are not called to serve in Parliament, you are automatically not called to stand as a candidate for the CDP.

Also our newsletter is now on our website see

http://www.cdpwa.org.au/08news.php?content_id=6(CDP WA - Office Address is Unit 4, 294

Great Eastern Hwy, Midland WA;

Postal - PO Box 237 Thornlie WA 6988 <http://www.cdpwa.org.au/>

Email cdpwa@cdpwa.org.au Toll Free 1300 305 237)

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CDP (VIC) – Sent by State Chairman Spero Katos

we invite you to attend our prayer meeting each month e.g. we had one last night (Friday 27 February); we propose having a 'northern suburbs rally' in March/April with Dr Dallas Clarnette speaking on the 'Freedom of Religion & Belief' and the 'Bill of Rights'.

For more details about CDP (VIC), email skatos@genesis.net.au or write to Reply Paid 99, Sandown Village, Vic 3171 -No postage required, Tel. (03) 9887 9350; www.cdp.org.au/vic/

INTELLIGENT DESIGN

by James Whitehall-

You've found a watch! There it was, wedged near a small smooth rock, on an otherwise barren landscape. Clearly, the rock's smooth form resulted from natural processes, but did the watch also arise by natural processes, by randomness, by chance? Or was it designed, fashioned by the intelligence of a watchmaker? Obviously the latter, we have no hesitation in concluding. In 1804, William Paley used this watchmaker argument to convince the scientific community of the day that it is possible to recognise intelligence and design in the creation of the world. The majority of scientists no longer accept this today.

Fifty-five years later, Charles Darwin contended that the mechanistic laws of nature are completely adequate to account for the origin and existence of all forms of life. No intelligence or design was necessary. Darwin's perspective, known as the doctrine of naturalism, has since pervaded every branch of science so that boldly most scientists now proclaim, "there is no designer". But is it possible that science can be used to prove that something was designed? Can we use our five senses to prove that that the watch was designed, that is to say that we were designed? A resounding NO, the evolutionists say.

Cleverly, the evolutionists *define* science in a way to *exclude* the possibility of design They seek to build the doctrine of naturalism into science by redefining science such that it prohibits non-naturalistic explanations, such that it prohibits a designer. Niles Eldredge, a prominent evolutionist argues, "*If there is one rule, one criteria that makes an idea*

scientific, it is that it must invoke naturalistic explanations for phenomena." For evolutionists, any discussion about the possibility of intelligent design or there being an intelligent designer is not scientific. As such, it doesn't belong in a classroom where science is studied.

It is here the debate centres. Must science be restricted to looking only at naturalistic explanations to the exclusion of the possibility of a designer? Absolutely not. Naturalism is not a criterion of science, as Eldredge argues. Science does not begin by assuming all phenomena are naturalistic. Rather, the basis of science is the search for truth, and truth can include both naturalist and design explanations. Should an archaeologist investigating the Sphinx restrict himself to only a naturalistic explanation that the Sphinx was caused solely by the unguided forces of wind, rain, ice, floods etc? Absolutely not. The archaeologist is searching for the truth, and uses science to conclude that the Sphinx was intelligently designed

Many prominent evolutionists agree that the SETI project (Search for Extraterrestrial Life) is a perfectly proper and valid scientific investigation. Every day large antennae meticulously sweep the heavens in search of evidence from which it may be inferred that there is intelligence out there. If in both Archaeology and SETI evolutionary scientists are supportive of efforts to find evidence of intelligence, then why not in biology? Surely if our scientific toolset can conclude the Sphinx was designed then how much more so the human cell with its vast array of complexity.

It is widely agreed that for any scientific theory to have credibility it must be explanatory from the perspective of our five senses and that it must not contradict itself. A scientific theory must also be falsifiable (testable). We must be able to envision a set of observations that would render the theory false. That is, it must predict things that we should *not* observe.

Let's examine the scientific theory of intelligent design, as proposed by William Paley. His theory states: *"An intelligent designer is necessary for the origin of life from non life"*.

Firstly, his theory is explanatory – it explains the origin of life. Secondly, it does not contradict itself or any other known scientific laws, and thirdly is falsifiable. His theory plainly predicts things we should not observe; we should not observe the spontaneous arising of life without an intelligent designer. If someone does, then Paley's theory is wrong, and an intelligent designer is not necessary for life. Paley's theory has been subject to extensive scrutiny, but has never proven false.

Paley's theory is true science; the argument from design *is* valid scientific reasoning. It is legitimate to use our five senses to examine the machinery of life, to construct a set of theories as to its origin and to prove that we were designed. Furthermore, it is legitimate science to draw conclusions about the attributes of the designer himself. It's no wonder that apostle Paul concluded "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead" Romans 1:20

James Whitehall is a student of evolutionary biology. He holds degrees in applied science, theology and business. James is a former director of the young people's division of the Christian Democratic Party.

FUZZY MEMORIES

By Robin Lillicrapp – Pastor, Better Way Baptist Church, Berwick Vic

Many Australians have revisited historic sites in Pawa New Guinea to clarify memories of past events related to military campaigns of WW11.

High on the list is the trek over the Kokoda campaign territory. Stories of courage and tragedy come to life as visitors retrace the steps of old-soldiers. Hearing afresh their guide's explanations of the events of the campaign supplies vital perspective on what otherwise was dim and distant: a fuzzy memory.

Nearly 40 years ago, I was privileged to routinely visit and enjoy the hospitality of the Kienzle family estate; Mamba, at Kokoda in the highlands above Port Moresby. Recently, I re-established contact with members of the family. Soc (Wallace) Kienzle is the son of the late Capt' H.T. Kienzle. He grew up at Kokoda in an environment that was reminiscent of a "Boys Own Magazine" adventure. Gold, Cattle, Rubber, Trade Stores, and more were his playground of youth. At the early age of 14, he had trekked the entire Kokoda Track. There were few places he did not know. This stands him in good stead as he now regularly guides visitors to the region.

One thing though eluded his complete comprehension of his famous father Berts' role in the wartime campaign. Although aware of Capt' Kienzles' participation in the Kokoda campaign, he was amazed to discover critical information that helped him to form clearer perspectives on the history of his Father during that period.

This information only came to light after his Dad's death when a camphorwood chest came into his possession. Soc had grown up at Mamba. The chest had been in the hallway of his family home all the while. Soc, now nearly 40 years old himself, saw its contents for the first time.

What he found was a treasure trove of information that among other things pointed to his Father as being the director of a campaign that has historically gripped the imagination of Australians for the past half century. Principally, the logistics of supply lines and repatriation of the wounded had been organised and administered by Capt' Kienzle and trusted Lieutenants backed up by the now legendary "Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels." This revelation broke open the barriers to Soc's complete understanding.

When he read and understood the records of his fathers campaign journals, a new chapter in his life began.

We may see parallels here with the Heavenly Fathers record of creation and purpose too often locked away from view in back rooms or upon crowded bookshelves.

A mere passing glance or flick of the duster does nothing to reveal the riches between the covers. A complete understanding comes from perusing and meditating upon the contents. Only then does the message of the Father to those He loves become a life changing event. John 3:16 resounds the essential meaning and purpose of God towards mankind:- **For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**

What a tragedy to live a life without knowing the price paid for the preservation of ones soul. What a wonder to comprehend and know that the sacrifice made has been both bought and

supplied free of charge to us by the Father. What liberty we may now have to repeat the message with clear memory to those who need to know.

KAREN'S KORNER

by Karen Goderie (Pender)

Please pray Against the sinful nature of the The "Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras" which Fred Nile has stood against for so many years. Pray for Fred's spiritual protection at this time. Particularly that the blood of Christ cleanse our city of the affects of this sinful event." . Also pray for the Holy City Sydney March on the 15 March ,(for more see 'Welcome & Editorial') to be an outreach and blessing to overcome the effects of the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras.

NORTH KOREA

From A Glimmer Of Hope, To Deepening Darkness

By Elizabeth Kendal - Principal Researcher and Writer for the World Evangelical Alliance Religious Liberty Commission (WEA RLC)

<http://www.worldevangelicals.org/>.

In North Korea all religion other than the veneration of the ruling Kims is criminal. Christians are executed or, along with three generations of their family, incarcerated in prison labour camps where they are cruelly worked, tortured and starved to death. After several years of tentative but positive steps towards openness and Korean rapprochement, the Kim regime has made a dramatic U-turn and is returning the northern state to Stalinism, escalating militarism and intensifying the isolation essential for regime survival. This is a crushing blow for the severely persecuted North Korean Church. Our Sovereign Lord is our only hope. We pray that he will sustain his Church and intervene in North Korea, restoring Pyongyang to its former glory as 'The Jerusalem of the East' -- for the glory of his name.

For more details on persecution of the Church in North Korea see: United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) 'A Prison Without Bars' March 2008

http://www.uscirf.gov/images/A_Prison_Without_Bars/aprisonwithoutbars-final.pdf

FWN EDITION

MARCH ISSUE

The '**Family World News**' is a monthly Christian newspaper edited by Rev Fred Nile. Now in its 15th year of publishing, FWN's mission is to keep you informed of how Government and politics affect you and your family. In the March 09 issue just out ,you'll read some excellent articles e.g-the earlier article -'**Intelligent Design by James Whitehall**. Annual Subscription @ \$36.00 incl.GST.....Special Concession @ \$30.00 Incl. GST (Pastors, Ministers).To subscribe, please send your name, address & credit card details FWN GPO Box 1566 Sydney 1005.

JOHN MAXWELL

Thinking For A Change

In his book, *Thinking for A Change*, John Maxwell says: "The right thought, plus the right people, in the right environment, at the right time, for the right reason, always produces the right result." Let's examine those words:

- (1) **The right thought.** Thinking produces ideas and ideas have power. But every idea begins as a "seed thought" - you have to nurture it!
- (2) **The right people.** Every time you expose the right idea to the right people, incredible things happen. In their company it blossoms and becomes infused with possibility.
- (3) **The right environment.** In the right environment thinking is valued, ideas flow freely, fresh eyes are welcome, change is expected, questions are encouraged, egos are checked, ideas stimulate better ideas, and thinking generates teamwork.
- (4) **The right time.** The Emperor Hadrian said: "To be right too soon, is to be wrong." While still in the stretching stage of an idea, present it without expectations, time frames or rigidly defined goals. Why? Because if you try to implement your ideas too early they may not survive.
- (5) **The right reason.** JP Morgan said: "A man always has two reasons for doing anything: a good reason and the real reason" Motives matter.

Sometimes an idea becomes great when it partners with another one; other times it excels just as it is. One thing's for sure: as you stretch your thinking, you'll discover that your thinking is stretching you.

KESWICK CONVENTION

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Theme - **Glorious Church Painful Reality**

Subject - **1st Corinthians**; Speaker **Christopher Chia**

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YOUR SAY

Dear Peter,

That is such great news congratulations to you and Fred. May the lord richly bless you both and open more doors to preach the good news. You can always count on my

support

Amanda B.

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Moyes Morals

Congratulations on the open stand you have taken in frankly exposing so much of the skulduggery taking place.

*We worked for many years in mission with an all too similar character
our God can still work in spite of human frailty.*

*We have been great admirers of Fred's for many years, continue to pray,
and pass on "Salt & Light" at any opportunity.
Every blessing and victory to you,
Kev & Wendy E.*

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*Hi Peter
What a joy it is to receive the salt & light Feb edition
thank you so much for keeping us up to date
We will keep you in our prayer
Chris & Gerda H.*

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*G'day Peter,
Good job on "Salt & Light". As you may or may not be aware Lea-Anne & I have
relocated to Perth in response to the Lord's leading & preparation through
the years. Am really pleased to see that the "Fred Nile School of Politics"
is about to commence & sorry that I am not able to be there to participate.
Onward & Upward with-in Jesus.
Brendan*

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*Dear Peter
I very much enjoy and appreciate the depth in your writings, and wish to encourage you in the
LORD.
Under the heading "Job trusted God in adversity" you quoted Rom 8:28 adjacent to GOD HAS A
PURPOSE, but I wonder what version you were quoting from, as the NIV states along the lines that
we know that "God works out everything for the good of those who love Him".
I too used to state it as something along the lines that everything works out etc, as if... 'it'll be OK
mate. It'll work out...somehow'. I know you most definitely don't think like that, but I just wonder
how it can be misunderstood when it is stated the way it was??
In Christian love
Gavin*

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*Dear Editor
Fred keep up the work that has been set before you and of course all the management of the
CDP.
We love all of you.
Yours truly -
John E.*

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