



## ICR & DARWIN IN BRITISH ISLES

The British Islands have witnessed numerous true revivals through the years. From the Wesleys to Spurgeon to Whitfield to Knox, the clear voice of Christianity has been heard for centuries.

Yet it was England which produced Charles Darwin, heralded as the Father of evolution by natural selection, a system which dominates British thinking. Naturalism has gone so far that this country, with deep Christian roots, is almost devoid of any Christian voice.

ICR has just returned from a September study creation tour of south England which attempted to address the questions: What sequence of events allowed this formerly Christian country to readily accept godless evolution? And what can be done in America to avoid the same fate?


About 40 tour participants joined Drs. Larry Vardiman, Ken Cumming, Andrew Snelling, John Morris, and tour host Tom Manning for two weeks visiting a variety of museums and geologic sites with these questions in mind. They consulted with British creationists to get their input, studied library holdings, and scoured museum exhibits. But such difficult questions involve a number of disciplines over decades of time and defy simple solutions.

The consensus involves the acquiescence of the Church of England in the late 1700s to higher criticism and its



abandonment of the doctrine of Biblical inerrancy. This opened wide the door to naturalistic thinking through which Darwinism entered mainstream culture. Scientists of his day opposed evolution on scientific grounds, but the church's embrace of evolution eventually won.

The group concluded that America needs strong Christian leaders who will uncompromisingly teach all of Scripture, especially its creation foundation. America also needs informed Christian laymen fully able to present a convincing creation apologetic, a systematic defense of this vital doctrine.

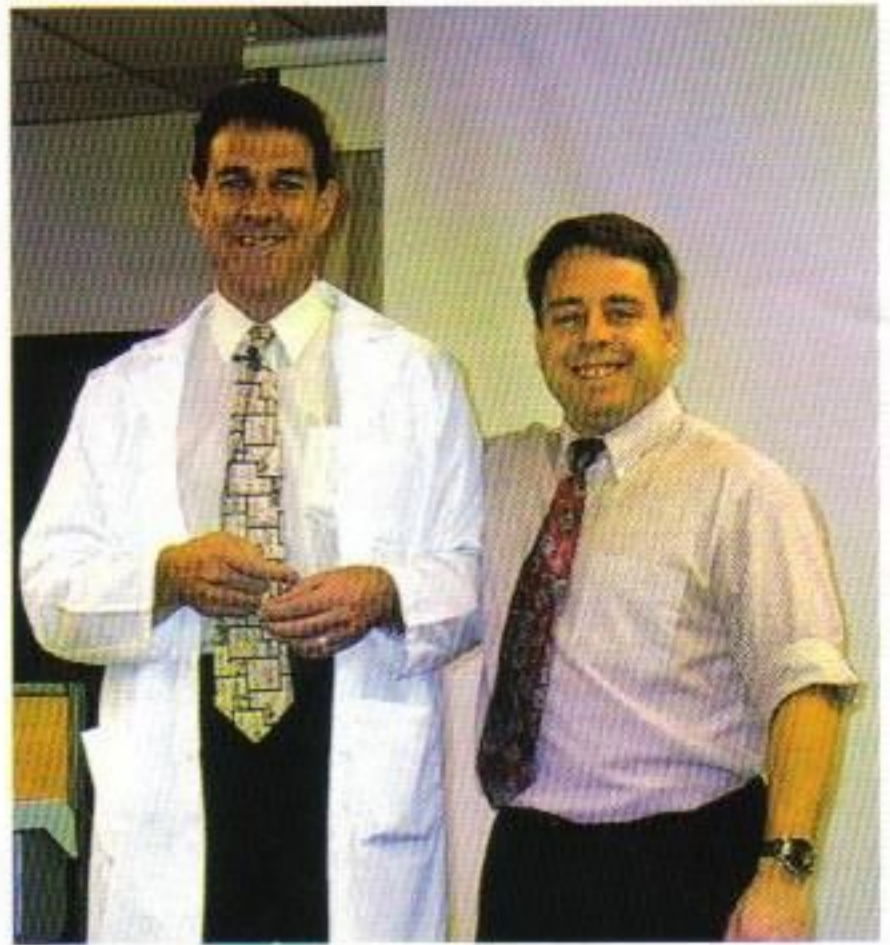
The trip which was highlighted by a visit to the Metropolitan Tabernacle in London (formerly pastored by Charles Spurgeon) and a meeting in the study of its present pastor, Dr. Peter Masters, himself a strong creation advocate. It ended with a celebration banquet addressed by Dr. David Rosevear, President of the Creation Science Movement in England. 

## ICR SPANISH MINISTRY EXPLODING ACROSS THE WORLD!

For many years, ICR has been producing the 60-second daily radio program, "Back to Genesis," which highlights evidences of God's wonderful creation. Many radio stations throughout the world carry "Back to Genesis" with more coming on-board all the time. Approximately nine years ago, through God's orchestration and the partnership of Dolly Martin, member of the Hispanic National Religious Broadcasters and Spanish Program Director for radio station KHCB-Radio Amistad in Texas, "Back to Genesis" was translated into Spanish.

With that decision, a new Spanish program was born. "De Regreso a Génesis," which is Spanish for "Back to Genesis," started reaching many Spanish-speaking countries with God's truth. In addition to Dolly Martin, Elia María Knapp began translating each "Back to Genesis" program into Spanish. Elia had been a volunteer for KHCB working with Dolly. Elia also translated the book, "What is Creation Science?" by Henry Morris and Gary Parker. "De Regreso a Génesis" has now become the fastest growing radio program that ICR produces and is carried by over 200 radio stations. Elia and Dolly have brought their joy and servant attitudes to "De Regreso a Génesis," and it has become a huge success.

Now one might ask, how do people in Spanish-speaking countries contact us about the "De Regreso a Génesis" programs? That's where missionary John Pendleton comes in. He lives and ministers in Zacatecas, Mexico. In 1999, he began answering correspondence that came from the Spanish-speaking world. Each year John gets more correspondence than the previous year. This year, he will be dealing with more than 400 letters and e-mails from Spanish listeners. His help



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has been quite valuable in promoting "De Regreso a Génesis," and he has become an important resource to ICR.

The following is a list of the countries around the world that carry "De Regreso a Génesis": Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina, Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Venezuela, Antigua, Barbuda, Spain, and Mexico. And of course, "De Regreso a Génesis" is carried throughout the U.S. including Puerto Rico. God has indeed opened many doors for Spanish ministry. ICR is reaching more and more of the world with the creation message! 🙏

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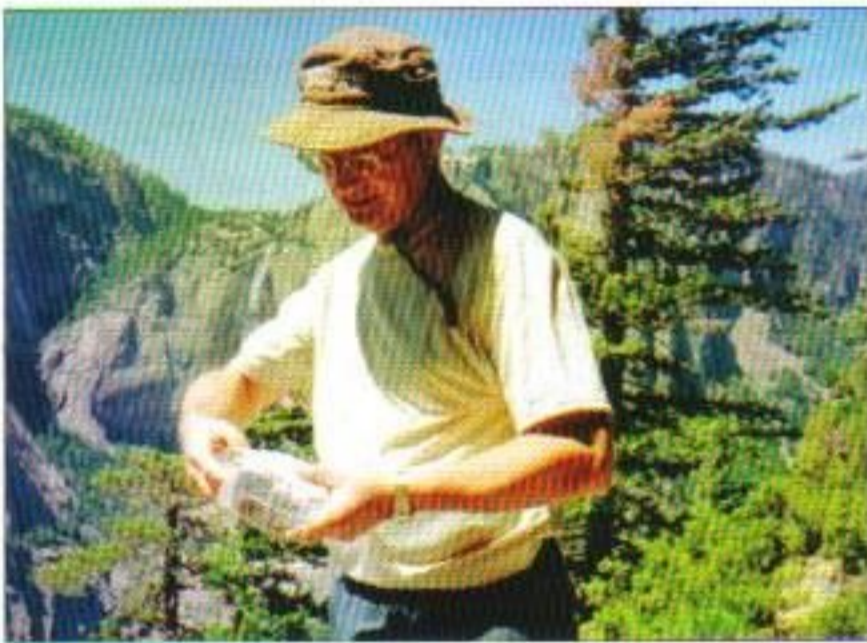
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## RATE SURVEYS YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK FOR RADIOHALOS

Drs. Andrew Snelling and Larry Vardiman traveled to Yosemite National Park over the Fourth of July holiday this past summer to collect samples of granite for the RATE project. More than two dozen fist-sized samples were collected across



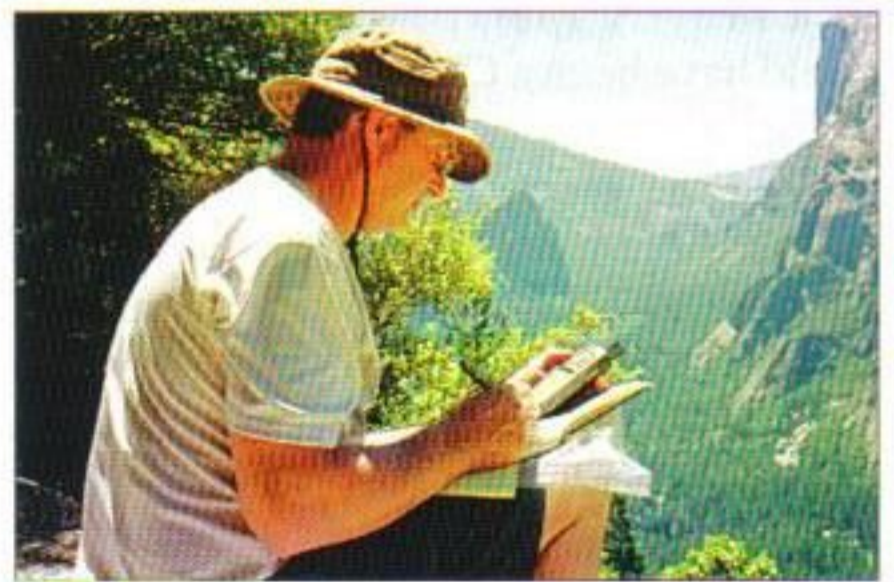
the Sierra Nevada from Fresno to Mammoth Lakes, California. Most of the one hundred pounds of rock collected during the field trip will be analyzed for radiohalos.

Yosemite National Park straddles the Sierra Nevada, a mountain range which runs about five hundred miles north and south along the eastern border of California from near Bakersfield to Mt. Shasta. The Sierra Nevada were formed during the Genesis Flood and exhibit hundreds of granite bodies which cooled from molten rock. Large masses of magma were sequentially intruded to near the earth's surface and cooled to form the interlocking bodies of granites in Yosemite. This region is one of the best exposures on earth of granites formed during the Flood and exposed by erosion when the Flood waters retreated.

Granite is a coarse-grained, intrusive, igneous ("fire") rock composed of varying concentrations of quartz, orthoclase,

and plagioclase. Usually imbedded in granites are biotite (black mica) flakes which contain zircons (small, difficult-to-melt crystals of zirconium silicate). These zircons generally contain radioactive elements like uranium, thorium, and polonium which form radiohalos in the biotites, the target of this sampling expedition. (See the *Impact* article by Dr. Snelling in this issue for a detailed explanation of radiohalos and the encouraging evidence which RATE is uncovering.)

Dr. Snelling was granted a permit by Yosemite National Park to collect granite samples in the Park. Drs. Snelling and Vardiman hiked No-name Trail from Glacier Point to the valley floor collecting samples along the way. The two pictures show Dr. Snelling gathering a specimen from No-name Trail and recording the location and characteristics of an outcrop. The two scientists also collected samples from west to east and over Tioga Pass. A large 25-pound sample was collected at an outcrop of Half-Dome granite named after the most famous geological feature in Yosemite National Park. In addition to



a study of radiohalos, this sample will also be analyzed for its content and the diffusion rate of helium.

The rock samples from Yosemite will be processed during the next two years to complete the survey of radioisotopes identified by the RATE group. Those who wish to help RATE financially may write or call ICR for a RATE brochure or request it online [[www.icr.org/ratebrochure/](http://www.icr.org/ratebrochure/)]. 