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Greetings in Christ!

Our great God blesses us daily through so many things that we can see, hear, feel, smell, and taste. When one of those senses begins to be lost, often our wonderful brains begin to compensate with other senses becoming more sensitive. The exception is as we age, all of our senses begin to head downhill, that is when our faith in God reminds us that we will soon be “born” into heaven and will be blessed with the ultimate gift – the truth of salvation and everlasting life.

Creation and Life issues in the news: New research from Oregon State University revealed that a bird’s bone configuration is essential to the unique way it breathes. The study, published online in the *Journal of Morphology*, effectively determined that if a bird’s legs or ribs were removed or significantly altered, it would suffocate.

The discovery demonstrates that, in spite of popular belief, dinosaurs could not have evolved into birds.

Nature Watch: Road kill is often a way that we can become aware of species in the area. In recent weeks we’ve seen a badger, a brush wolf, large black cat (may have been bobcat), turkey buzzard, turkey, two fawns, several deer, a white squirrel, a black squirrel, a young beaver, a fish (may have been dropped by an eagle) and several raccoons with young. Automobile traffic kills more wild animals than just about any other cause.

Program Information: We hope you’ll be watching for information on our upcoming “Responding to Evolution” workshop scheduled for October 16-18. We will also be trying to schedule a two-day program of creation and life issues apologetics for pastors and lay people. This will be sometime in early November. We are starting to plan for winter and spring programs as well, so if you have suggestions for speakers and leaders please let us know.

From the Task Force: The Task Force is pleased to announce that AM 1100 the FLAG out of Fargo will soon begin Phase 2 of the campaign to raise up donors for Christ Serve Ranch. This phase will include invitations to information meetings, open houses at Christ Serve Ranch and “thank you”s to the many people who have already contributed. We’ll soon be announcing a wonderful opportunity for people, organizations, and congregations to own part of Christ Serve Ranch.

God's Word: ⁴"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' ⁵and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'?" Matthew 19:4-5.

Prayer List: 1.) Please remember Task Force member Gary Schroeder in your prayers as he awaits surgery later this month. 2.) Please pray for the Phase 2 efforts with AM 1100 that will kick off very soon. 3.) Please pray that the Lord might lift up an abundance of

donors and investors to help purchase Christ Serve Ranch very soon. 4.) Please pray for our young children who are daily exposed to a deluge of pagan and evolutionary thoughts through cartoons, magazines, schools, and even the History Channel. And 5.) please pray for continued protection and strength for those of us who are working on this project. The devil seems to be attacking us through work, family, and health issues.

Link of the week: <http://www.icr.org>. This link is to the Institute for Creation Research. They provide a number of excellent resources including numerous articles on current research.

Resource of the week: Colossians and Science by Walter Lang is available on line from www.creationism.org/lang That provides a free copy for educational purposes. Dr. Lang was a pioneer in the study and promotion of Creation-Science and was involved in the establishment and development of several national and international organizations dedicated to creationism.

Question and Answer:

Question: Is it possible that a bolt of lightning (electricity) could create life out of a primordial soup?

Answer: One illustration we've heard is the following: take a frog and put it in a blender. Run that blender for 5 minutes. In that blender you have all of the makings of a frog. Do you believe you could ever create a frog by shooting in some electricity into that frog soup? How then could life be created from a pond of chemicals and mud?

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