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Merry Christmas from the Ortner Family

Terry and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a blessed celebration of our Savior's birth and a spiritually rewarding and fruitful 2005. Your support for Wonders of Science results in eternal investments guaranteed in His Word that all labors in the Lord are not in vain. During the 70 years of ministry the Lord has drawn over 100,000 souls into His family. Here is His promise to you as recorded in Hebrews 6:10, "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which you have showed toward His Name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister."

Merry Christmas from our family to yours.

Dean and Terry



Our family: Dean, Terry, Amber, Steven, Stacy, Stephanie and Robert

SCIENCE CAMP IS COMING!

In three months, over 400 students, counselors and teachers will arrive at Oak Glen camp grounds to experience a wonder filled week of rockets, chemistry, forensics, physics and evening Bible messages.


Excitement has been building for our premiere experience of providing an educational science retreat for our seventh graders in early March next year. An added bonus for the sixth graders this year will be the opportunity to attend and mingle with the junior high, making friends and learning what their next year can be like.

Each of our grades had a special trip or program of some kind except for the seventh grade. Their eighth grade counterparts would leave for their historical studies trip to Washington, DC leaving the seventh grade behind in school. This camp will provide a wonderful extension to the seventh grade curriculum by providing an outdoor science experience in which we can integrate many different areas of science into an exciting learning experience.


Students will enjoy athletics along with the creative classroom programs being developed, then attend nightly Wonders of Science presentations they've heard about for years or seen on TV. Pray that their memorable experience will be one of a life changing nature of eternal value.



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TEACHERS DRAFTED FOR BLIMP WAR

The draft had to be re-instated for the recent Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) convention held in Anaheim, CA over Thanksgiving Week. Patriotic teachers rose to their feet, to the challenge and were victorious.

The purpose of the convention is to acquaint teachers with products and programs available for the classroom to better educate academically and spiritually. Attendance has ranged from 9,000 to 13,000 in recent years.

Last year, Dr. Jerry Haddock, Regional Director of ACSI, approached Wonders of Science and requested a special series of three seminars that would help teachers integrate spiritual truths into the classroom. Dr. Haddock envisioned WOS using the unique teaching demonstrations we have shown to be effective over the past 70 years in sharing the gospel.

It was so rewarding to hear the many positive comments as we watched the teachers totally engrossed in the interactive sessions.

Comments like, "My students will really come alive with this approach."

Others saying, "I've been to four seminars already and received nothing new for my specialty. I've learned more here in ten minutes than in the entire day so far!"

Some expected results were the several requests from teachers and administrators inviting WOS to their school for science assemblies. In today's typical Christian school perhaps half to even greater percentages of the student body do not know the Lord. Unfortunately it seems students can be "inoculated" with a weak form of Christianity, lulled into a false sense of security in a Lord they hardly know, if at all.

Pray for continuing opportunities as WOS makes its program available to schools and communities searching for an effective tool to reach today's challenged young adults.



The teachers are having fun with their Blimp War!



Leon and his Newtonian reflecting telescope

LOOK AT ALL THOSE STARS!

Some 15 years ago, while ministering at Rumney Bible Conference, NH, I had the wonderful opportunity to witness the above expression, spontaneously coming from the hearts of dozens of inner-city youths. The conference sponsored programs for the inner-city churches from New York City to bring disadvantaged youth out to enjoy a wholesome camping experience in a Christian environment.

The excited expression was uttered by a group of youths looking up into a clear sky for the first time with no light or air pollution. They had no idea there were so many stars. It was about midnight and I had the privilege of interacting with the group along with their leaders, answering questions about God's awesome creation. None of these young teenagers had ever been

outside of the inner-city before. It was actually amusing to watch them trying to walk around in the near total darkness, illuminated by starlight alone, with their necks bent back as far as they could, faces pointing straight up to wonder at God's handiwork. I'll never forget that moment as long as I live.

This whole scene flashed back into my mind when dear friends from El Paso, TX wrote to tell us of their uncle Leon's recent passing. He was an avid astronomer and had built a superb Newtonian reflecting telescope. Our friends wondered if Wonders of Science could use something like this.

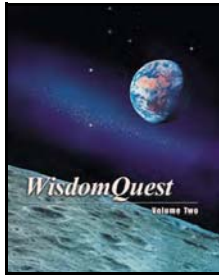
I was so excited I had to email Frank and Carolyn immediately! I had been gathering parts for years to build one myself, but so many other responsibilities kept delaying the dream. Not only can we use it for young people on our science tours, but my science classroom at Whittier Christian Junior High will provide a perfect launching pad. We can instill an interest in young minds to better appreciate the Lord's creation.

FREE BOOK OFFER!

Recommended Books & Videos!

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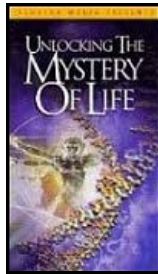
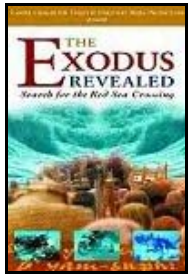
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Dean authored a two volume exciting action packed futuristic adventure, set in space as a Bible study for Grades 5 through 10.

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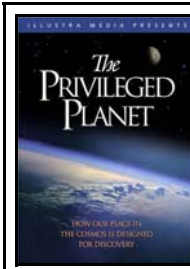
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COMMENT CORNER...

"I first saw you in Alton Bay, New Hampshire at the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center while I was working at their youth camp for the summer. I was amazed at the program, but it was more than just a teacher getting excited... I was amazed at the campers excited to be learning during the summer! We saw several kids make decision for Christ in a direct connection to your program.

--School Teacher, Vallejo, CA--

"This is exactly what I've been hoping to find at this convention this year."

"I'm a first year teacher and your seminar has given me so much confidence now. I feel less threatened by my new overwhelming responsibilities."

"Totally awesome! Your seminars were worth the day's drive to get here. What an amazing way to share the gospel in the classroom."

"Thanks to ACSI for bringing us a program like Wonders to equip us with the delicate surgical tools we need to meet today's challenged youth."

--Various ACSI Convention Teachers--

BE INVOLVED!

- ⚡ For the funds necessary to carry on the programs and to develop a set of portable equipment.
- ⚡ For God's leading in opening doors for continuing programs.
- ⚡ For God's leading and direction for the upcoming Science Camp.
- ⚡ For open and prepared hearts, ready to respond to the Lord's call.
- ⚡ For the strength and energy for Dean and Terry as they minister.
- ⚡ For closeness to the Lord during public ministry.
- ⚡ For all the delicate electronic equipment needed to present the programs.



**Wonders of Science
Counts on You!**

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