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NEW DVD FROM ANSWERS IN GENESIS
EXAMINES HYPE ABOUT GLOBAL WARMING:
Scientists From Around the World Weigh in on Causes, Effect, Future

PETERSBURG, Ky., September 4, 2008 – While they're not out to earn an Oscar, renowned earth scientists from around the world have joined forces to create a documentary that repeatedly refutes Al Gore's “An Inconvenient Truth.” Produced jointly by Answers in Genesis and Coral Ridge Ministries, “Global Warming: A Scientific and Biblical Exposé of Climate Change” releases on DVD this week.

Featuring climatologists, meteorologists and myriad other Ph.D.s, the program confirms evidence of global warming, but emphasizes that it is minute in scale, and reassures audiences that the Earth is not headed for catastrophic flooding as predicted by Gore.

“Global Warming” spends more time investigating possible causes of the phenomenon and what the appropriate response should be for humans worried about their environment. Topics include greenhouse gases and CO₂ levels, and whether or not their impact on global warming is significant or even something that needs to be addressed. Other possible causes, such as solar emissions, are considered as well.

Scientists featured in the program include Dr. Roy Spencer, principal research scientist at the University of Alabama; Dr. John Christy, director of the Earth System Science Center at the University of Alabama; George Taylor, State Climatologist for Oregon, and Michael Oard, a retired lead forecaster with the National Weather Service. Answers in Genesis staff astrophysicist Dr. Jason Lisle and Institute for Creation Research atmospheric physicist Dr. Larry Vardiman also lend their expertise to the discussion.

While not a scientist, Dr. Richard Land with the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission weighs in on the Christian’s responsibility to care for the environment and what that, if anything, has to do with global warming. He agrees that humans are to care for the Earth, but that it is important not to elevate the creation above the Creator.

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The DVD reminds audiences of the overreaction to Rachel Carson’s book “Silent Spring” in the 1970s, which purported that the pesticide DDT caused cancer and other mortal ills far more dangerous than the malaria-infested mosquitoes it killed. Malaria had almost been eradicated, but as a result of the response to this book, DDT use was halted. Since then, it has been determined that DDT was not nearly as harmful as Carson stated, and now malaria kills over one million people a year.

The program further contends that politicians are prone to using environmentalism as a platform when it aids them in furthering their agenda, but that audiences need to examine the evidence rather than follow the latest fad. Christians, especially, are encouraged to use reason to ferret out the answers and to not overreact.

“I think Christians need to have a balanced view of global warming,” Lisle said. “On the one hand, it is something that we should be interested in and concerned about, because God has given us dominion over this Earth and we are to be good stewards of it. At the same time, we know that God takes care of the Earth as well, and it is something that is self-maintaining to some extent.”

“We need to not buy into the viewpoint just because of the intensity of the argument,” Vardiman said.

“Global Warming: A Scientific and Biblical Exposé of Climate Change” is available online at www.answersingenesis.org, for $14.99. It is also available at www.Amazon.com. Runtime is 48 minutes.

Answers in Genesis is a biblical apologetics ministry which conducts more than 300 teaching meetings each year, hosts an award-winning website and produces the “Answers” radio program heard on more than 800 stations throughout the U.S. Its Creation Museum opened to international acclaim on Memorial Day 2007 and has attracted nearly 550,000 visitors since then.

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