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EDUCATING THE EDUCATORS: Creationists Engage Teachers at NEA Convention, Sharing Creation with Evolution's Strongest Proponents

SAN DIEGO, July 2, 2009 – Attendees at this year's annual meeting of the National Education Association in San Diego this week will be the unlikely recipients of thousands of dollars worth of Bibles and creationist materials, offered by members of the Creation Science Educators Caucus. This caucus endeavors to help public school teachers better understand the massive problems with the evolutionary belief system that is taught as fact in most science classrooms.

The NEA meets each year to discuss legislation and policy within the assembly. The group supports a distinctly liberal perspective on many issues. For the past 14 years, the NEA has allowed a consortium of creation proponents to have a presence at the convention, and engage in friendly dialogue with the attendees. As part of the outreach by the Creation Science Educators Caucus, Answers in Genesis has donated thousands of free DVDs and books.

"We are pleased to be invited by the Caucus to join this unique outreach to the nation's leading educators," said Ken Ham, Founder and President of Answers in Genesis and the highly acclaimed Creation Museum. "We are honored to be able to provide materials and volunteers for this educational endeavor."

In addition to the usual Answers in Genesis creation DVDs and literature that are being distributed by the thousands at no charge, volunteers from the ministry and other creationist colleagues have flown to San Diego at their own expense to engage convention attendees in conversation, hoping to introduce NEA members not only to the faults in evolutionary thought, but also to faith in Christ. In fact, a large banner at the Caucus booth states: "For by Jesus Christ all things were created."

"Our goal this week is not to create controversy or hold a revival. We simply want to balance the representation of views presented at the conference," said Ham. "I hope that participants will take the time to watch a DVD or read a book that the Caucus is handing out, and that they will see how the Bible is confirmed by observational science. Also, we always welcome a friendly debate with evolutionists!"

Answers in Genesis is a biblical apologetics ministry and a nonprofit Christian organization dedicated to confirming the validity of the Bible from the very first verse. In addition to the Creation Museum, which recently had its 750,000th visitor (since its grand opening in May 2007), Answers in Genesis outreaches include about 300 teaching meetings each year, an award-winning Web site and magazine, and the "Answers" radio program airing on 800 stations.

Note to Editors: For more information about the Creation Museum or Answers in Genesis, please visit <u>www.creationmuseumnews.com</u>. To arrange an interview with Ken Ham or other Answers in Genesis representatives, please contact Melany Ethridge of A. Larry Ross Communications at 214.912.8934 or <u>melany@alarryross.com</u>.