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Creation Museum Hosts Coast-to-Coast Hiker: Daniel Johnson Treks through Cincinnati Area on Nationwide Quest to Share Gospel Message

PETERSBURG, Ky., Jan. 11, 2010 – An outdoor enthusiast from Colorado is hiking his way across the country in an effort to bring attention to his evangelical Christian faith, and is scheduled to be at the Creation Museum on Monday and Tuesday, January 11-12. At the museum, he hopes to connect with local fans who have been following his progress online.

Daniel Johnson departed from the "top" of Maine in June 2009, and hopes to reach the "bottom" of California in August 2010. His journey, which he calls "Coast to Coast for Christ," has garnered media attention all along the way – his intent from the beginning.

Inspired by a coast-to-coast hiker who undertook the challenge for no particular reason, Johnson decided that he could launch a similar effort, but with a specific purpose in mind – to share his Christian faith with people he meets along the way.

As a fan of the Creation Museum, which he has visited before, and a fellow believer in a literal interpretation of the creation account in Genesis, Johnson is excited to be in the museum's "back yard" – Cincinnati. He plans to spend parts of Monday and Tuesday at the museum, which is located in northern Kentucky, just across the Ohio River from Cincinnati. He has encouraged local residents to meet him at the museum, offering free passes to the first four people who can pick him out of the crowd.

Johnson recently finished hiking the Appalachian Trail, and is now following the American Discovery Trail, which should take him all the way to California. The Creation Museum's hiking paths around a three-acre lake make a great side trip while in Kentucky.

"We are looking forward to hosting Daniel at the Creation Museum today and tomorrow, and we hope that the visit will be an encouragement to him on his remarkable journey," said Creation Museum founder Ken Ham. "We commend him for using his love of hiking to bring attention to the gospel message and we want to support him in any way that we can."

The Creation Museum is an outreach of Answers in Genesis (AiG), 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 acclaimed museum, which recently had its 935,000th visitor (since its grand opening in May 2007), AiG outreaches include about 300 teaching meetings each year, an award-winning website and magazine, and the "Answers" radio program airing on several hundred stations.

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Note to Editors: For more information about the Creation Museum or Answers in Genesis, please visit www.creationmuseumnews.com. 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 melany@alarryross.com.