

Teaching about Science and Christianity

Featuring "Test of Faith," a Faraday Institute Resource

Workshop Preceding the 2009 ASA Annual Meeting

Baylor University, Waco, TX

Friday, July 31, 2009

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Workshop Leaders:

Edward B. Davis, Distinguished Professor of the History of Science, Messiah College
Deborah Haarsma, Associate Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Calvin College

Workshop Description:

The morning session will introduce participants to teaching about science and Christianity in college-level courses. The afternoon session will introduce the video/book course, "Test of Faith," produced by the Faraday Church Resources Project. Significant time is allocated for discussion in both sessions. For more information, contact Dr. Edward Davis: tdavis@messiah.edu

Limited number of scholarships available.

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www.testoffaith.com

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Location: Baylor University, Room and Building TBA, Waco, TX

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Participants: The primary audience is junior faculty members at Christian colleges. Others may also attend at the discretion of the workshop leaders.

Fee: \$50. Lunch during the workshop and all materials distributed at the workshop are included.

Scholarships: Up to 25 scholarships of \$400 will be awarded to participants who meet *all of the following criteria*:

- The recipient has, or will soon have, junior faculty status (assistant professor, lecturer, or equivalent) at a Christian college or university.
- A given institution may have only one scholarship recipient, but other faculty from that institution may attend the workshop at the discretion of the workshop leaders.
- The recipient will attend the full annual meeting and will register for the meeting by **June 1**. The scholarship (\$400) will be applied to the total on-site cost of attending the meeting, with any balance being the responsibility of the recipient at the time of registration. There will be no scholarship refund.
- The recipient agrees to distribute information about the “Test of Faith” materials to the rest of the faculty at their institution and to local pastors; the recipient also agrees to supervise at least two showings of the three-part video program, “Test of Faith,” produced by the Faraday Church Resources Project. These showings are to be held on the campus of the recipient’s home institution, during the academic year 2009–2010, at times scheduled to facilitate attendance by faculty colleagues and local pastors. Invitations will be sent to colleagues and pastors by the recipient. The showings must include excerpts from each of the three parts and allow for some discussion by the audience. The “Test of Faith” course materials provided by the Faraday Church Resources Project must be available for audience members to preview.
- The recipient agrees to file a report about the showings to the ASA office within 30 days of the last showing. The report should include the date and location of showing, the number of attendees, and any relevant feedback from the audience.

The full amount of the scholarship will be credited toward the on-site cost of attending the 2009 ASA Annual Meeting, including the cost of this workshop. Scholarship recipients will also be given a complimentary copy of the DVD and other course materials.

Workshop description:

The workshop includes a morning session (8:30 to noon), a lunch break (noon to 1:00), and an afternoon session (1:00 to 4:30). The morning session will introduce participants to teaching about science and Christianity in college-level courses. Attention will be given to educational goals and attitudes, possible topics, disciplinary and inter-disciplinary approaches, textbook selection, and assignments. In the afternoon session, participants will view the video sessions and review the supporting materials for the course, "Test of Faith," produced by the Faraday Church Resources Project. Significant time is allocated for discussion in both sessions. For more information, contact Dr. Edward Davis: tdavis@messiah.edu.

To apply for a scholarship:

Junior faculty at Christian colleges may apply for a scholarship by sending the completed scholarship application form to the American Scientific Affiliation, Box 668, Ipswich, MA, 01938 or to carol@asa3.org. Applicants should state some specific areas of interest related to Christianity and science, discuss any specific courses they have taught or will be teaching or any other venues in which material related to this topic would be of value, and affirm their acceptance of the expectations placed on scholarship recipients. To qualify for this scholarship, the application must be received no later than **Monday, April 6**. Applicants will be notified of the results by Thursday, April 30, and will receive registration information for the ASA Annual Meeting. Successful applicants must accept their scholarships by submitting the registration form for the meeting no later than **Monday, June 1**.

