

GEOSCIENCE PROJECT REPORT

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Works in alignment with the

'I will Go' Strategic plan of the General Conference The three angels' message of Rev.14: 6-12

Calling all Adventists to understand our Fundamental belief No 6 on Creation and to reach the world with the









KEY FOCUS AREAS- DISCOVERING, ADVOCACY and SHARING

ADVOCACY/ SHARING

- Promotion of Origins and Biblical creation issues
- Advocacy for the establishment of GRI resource centres
- Capacity Development—Faith and Science Conferences

DISCOVERING

- Geoscience research in Dahomey Basin southwestern Nigeria
- Dinosaur Research project



ADVOCACY ----PROMOTION OF ORIGINS ISSUES

- Promotion of Biblical Creation in Churches, Conferences, Meetings of various church groups (AMO, AWM, AYM)
- Database of scientists
- Public Sharing of GRI/ GRI Live creation postings on Facebook, Instagram
- Sensitization of the church membership on Environmental stewardship on on World Water and Environment days,
- Facilitation of the participation of GRI staff in the International Conference for FAITH INTEGRATION held at Babcock University, July, 2021



DISCOVERING-- RESEARCH ON DAHOMEY BASIN, Southwestern Nigeria

Objectives

Reconstruction of flood to postflood sediment transport and trends of magmatic activities in the Basin

- IN-REACH 3 early career Adventist geologists from Nigeria,
- OUTREACH-- 3 other Nigerian Geologists (non- Adventists)





DISCOVERING: DAHOMEY BASIN NIGERIA SECTOR RESEARCH PROJECT





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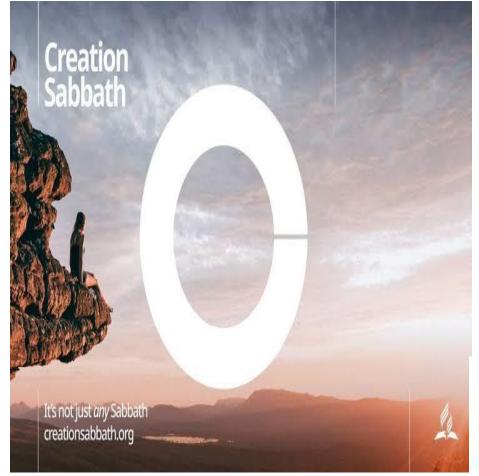
DISCOVERING: DINOSAUR RESEARCH WYOMING, USA



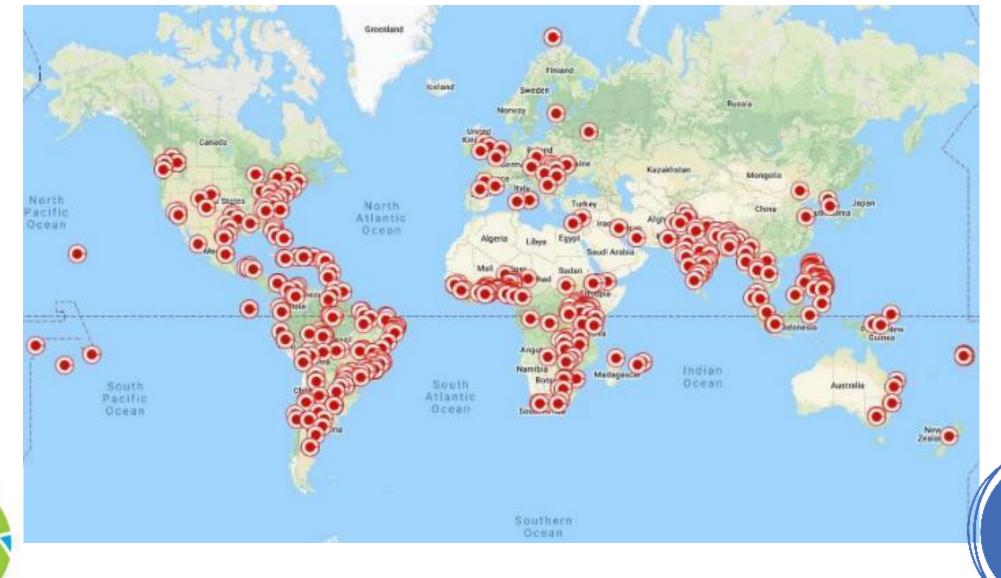
There Is an Answer!

SHARING----TO THE COMMUNITIES CREATION SABBATH

- CREATION SABBATH NOW HAS A WIDE ACCEPTANCE IN WAD
- 2017 was the first time that we celebrated Creation Sabbath in West Africa, though the World Church started a year earlier.
- Materials and resources were shared widely in the Region
- Report sent to GRI/ANN







WILL



SHARING--ESTABLISHMENT OF GRI RESOURCE CENTERS

- Geoscience resource centre established in Babcock University
- and Valleyview University, Accra, Ghana
- Talk with University in Liberia to be strengthened, Cosendai Cameroun to be initiated
- GRI is exploring and keen to collaborate with the WAD management on the establishment of a GRI BRANCH OFFICE





CHALLENGES

- Corona virus pandemic
- Little or no support from local Conferences and local churches in opportunities for promotions during services
- Communication issues--- No replies to correspondences
- No official base
- NO Budget





STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2021-2022



ADVOCACY

- Continuous engagement of the leadership and membership on BIBLICAL CREATION AND ORIGINS ISSUES
- Promotion of Creation Sabbath
- Populating the database of scientists
- Translation of fliers and posters to local languages
- Talks on Resource centres-----Adventist University of West Africa, Monrovia, Liberia and Adventist Jnversity, Cosendai, Cameroun

DISCOVERING AND SHARING

- Advocacy for more Resource centres
- Research on geology of Dahomey basin to be completed
- Initiation of new Research topics e.g. Dinosaur research
- Virtual talks to the scientific community in WAD on Dinosaurs, Paleopathology, Origin of life etc.
- MOU with some public Universities

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