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### UPCOMING EVENT:

#### 2009 Field School for Teachers

A field school for teachers is scheduled for July 12-23 in Denver, Colorado. More information is available at: [http://www.grisda.info/main/field\\_trips/teachers\\_2009.html](http://www.grisda.info/main/field_trips/teachers_2009.html)



*Garden of the Gods, one of the sites to be visited by the 2009 Field School for Teachers. Photo by Ronny Nalin.*

### “GLORIA PATRI” CONFERENCE

From June 26-29, 2008, three GRI scientists, Ben Clausen, Tim Standish and Jim Gibson participated in a conference in England celebrating God the Creator. The Conference, named Gloria Patri, was jointly sponsored by the British Union of Seventh-day Adventists, the South England Conference of SDAs, Andrews University, the Faith and Science Council, and the Geoscience Research Institute. The Wyboston Lakes Conference Center was the venue for the conference, which featured speakers from several European countries, as well as from Africa and North America.

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*A highlight of the Gloria Patri conference was the dedication of graduate students to the glory of God. Dr. Humberto Rasi (far right), past director of education for the Seventh-day Adventist Church, led out in the ceremony.*

### CHRISTIANITY AND SCIENCE IN BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

A seminar on the integration of faith and science was held July 13-24, 2008 at the Geoscience headquarters in the Ortner Building, in Loma Linda, California. This was the 38<sup>th</sup> seminar on the integration of faith and learning, and the second devoted specifically to integrating faith and science.

The seminar on integrating faith and science involved 25 participants from fourteen countries, in addition to plenary lectures from eleven scholars. Lectures addressed topics as diverse as world-views and epistemology, biblical interpretation, geological and biological



*Participants and lecturers at the 38<sup>th</sup> Seminar on the Integration of Faith and Science.*

issues, and the impact of Christianity on science. The seminar also included a trip to the Page Museum to see the famous fossils of the Rancho la Brea tar pits, and a field trip to see the San Andreas Fault, Mormon Rocks, and the Rainbow Basin near Barstow.

### SEMINAR AT SPICER MEMORIAL COLLEGE

Some three hundred students and faculty members attended a seminar on Christianity and science at Spicer Memorial College in Pune, India, from September 17-20, 2008. The Seminar was jointly sponsored by the college and



*Participants of the creation seminar at Spicer Memorial College.*

the Geoscience Research Institute. Drs. Clausen, Standish and Gibson participated from GRI, along with Dr. Susan Thomas and Dr. Roy Jemison Injety from Spicer.

### GRI WEBSITE

More than 100 articles on Genesis written by theologians are listed on the GRI website. These articles are useful reading for classes in science and faith. The list is found at [www.grisda.org/resources/GRI\\_ref-sda-theo.htm](http://www.grisda.org/resources/GRI_ref-sda-theo.htm)

