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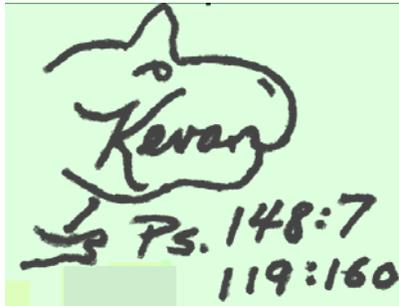
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Interview with Kevan Myers, by Ron Cooper, 6/21/2008:



[At left is his signature creating teeth in a dinosaur outline.

These are his quoted verses.]

Psa 148:7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:

Psa 119:160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.

Kevan Myers is a young man working as a tour guide at the Dinosaur Adventure Land (part of Creation Science Evangelism) in Pensacola, Florida. He just helped us with the filming of our video for the Time Machine, Special Effects Trailer. He has developed a good Australian accent he uses nicely.

Q: Kevan, would you give a brief background on your family and why you are in Creation Ministry?

A: Our family is from the Midwest and had always raised me to believe the Bible and to live what it says. I trusted in Jesus from a young age; however when I would play dinosaurs, I would never think about people being there. All the dinosaur books I had seen were just dinosaurs. I hadn't quite come to the point of realizing the problem with

that until I was about 5 or 6. We went to an Answers in Genesis Seminar with ICR. I heard Dr. Dwayne Gish and Ken Ham speak and that completely transformed my thinking in that area. So my father went and bought as many books as he could afford about dinosaurs and creation. That started my family on a journey to share with our friends. We taught at day clubs and we always taught creation. When we moved to Florida, I asked God for three things. One of them was to be able to speak on Creation and have a ministry in that. It is something I have always wanted to do since I heard Ken Ham speak. When I remembered Dr. Kent Hovind was from there, I applied, learned, and have gotten into the creation ministry at CSE (Creation Science Evangelism) as a result. **[There is more to come in future ARK newsletter issues and on the ARKY.ORG website.]**

Tots and Television

(from Focus on the Family)

Forty percent of 3-month old infants regularly watch TV, and by age two that percentage increases to 90 percent, according to a study at the University of Washington. Between ages 2 and 5, American kids are watching **four** hours of TV each day. What's the long term effect of all this TV watching at such an early age? ***The likelihood of hyperactive disorders later in life grows by 10 percent with each hour of daily TV viewing before age 3.***

Mentoring within the Creation

Movement:

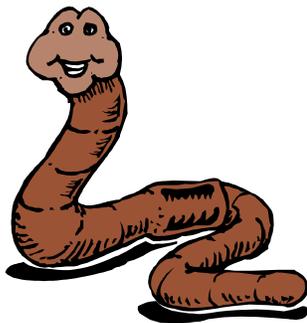
by Ron Cooper

Brenda and I went to see the new movie, "Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed." We both enjoyed it. As we were leaving, I spoke to a young guy who was also at the film. His name is "AJ" Guerette. He is from Maine and wants to build a creation ministry in New England. He is a senior at Cedarville University and is already speaking on creation. We hope to continue working with him this upcoming year. In the past, Ron encouraged Bruce Malone to publish the one page per article book called "Search for the Truth." SFT contains one article written by Ron, "We Become What We Think About." Ron has tried to encourage the SE Ohio group and they have had success in distributing materials at fairs. The Columbus OH group, CRSEF, has been around for 20+ years and has taken a more active role in public ministry. We have always been supportive of Answers in Genesis and they have been helpful with our programs. Mentoring needs to be increased in the creation movement between individuals and groups. The ICC has also helped in that role. We hope many more of you will be active in your family, church, and community schools. Local active involvement is essential and has great potential if we can grow more trained parents to be active with their family.

Wheeling WV

"Good Zoo"

A zoo that is not evolutionary; only the facts were presented. It is a good small zoo, but named for a boy named "Good." This is the first zoo I have visited that did not include millions of years in their descriptions. It's beautiful and located on a donated mansion estate, "Oglebay Resort & Conference Center" with several other attractions. <http://www.oglebay-resort.com/goodzoo/>



Indiana Creation Science Association

State Fair Booth:

You can help

The Indiana Creation Science Association is working on having a booth at the Indiana State Fair. One of their members has generously suggested the idea and offered to pay the high fee for the booth space. What they need are volunteers to help man the booth. The fair runs daily from 9 am to 9 pm from August 6-17. They need 1-2 people there at all times, so you can see it is quite a demanding schedule. They are proposing 4 hour shifts, 9-1, 1-5, and 5-9. Whatever you can do helps, even if it is only one shift. They will be selling books and having conversations with people about our creator with the goal of directing them to Him as their Savior. A friend who leads a local street-evangelism ministry has agreed to contact some of his friends to help them out. If you're on a shift with one of them, you might pick up some valuable pointers on how to witness to people Biblically. If you plan on helping, **please contact them ASAP** and no later than July 15th. If too short on workers, they cannot do it. If close to filling out the schedule, they might still benefit from hearing from you after July 15th, but it will help their planning to hear from you by the deadline. Email Akniffen@aol.com.

Scholarship opportunity!

CRSEF (*Creation Research, Science Education Foundation*) is pleased to announce the following \$1000.00 scholarship opportunity open to all who graduate from high school in 2008. The successful applicant will be enrolled as a freshman at any institution pursuing a degree. Two (2) students demonstrating outstanding achievements, leadership, and involvement in creation science, and who have strong academic goals that will ultimately impact and advance creation science will be selected to receive a scholarship award. For details visit website, <http://www.worldbydesign.org/> and apply by July 18, 2008.

Progress on Trailer DVD

On Saturday, June 21, 2008, Ron Cooper, Tammy Collins, and Kevan Myers traveled to Carmel, IN to shoot the acting portions of the new DVD to be used in ARK's 10 seat special effects trailer on the road. Tammy and Ray Collins are volunteering to run this ministry on weekends when they are not working. Other



people can be trained if desired. Kevan works as a park guide at the Dinosaur Adventure Park in Pensacola, FL with his family. This was "green screen" acting. The backgrounds and interactions will now be added in about 50 hours of work by Brian Wrasman of "Indy Video Guys." Brian is a Youth Pastor who loves video work. His labor, backgrounds/pictures, production costs are only partially paid for. Kevan Myer's air & ground travel also partially paid. The trailer computer is being upgraded and a new card added for the communication interface between the computer and the trailer special effects mechanical devices. If all goes according to plan, all the pieces will be working in July. Pray and help as you can. Our August meeting should be using this new program in the trailer!

Warning! about Rob Bell

Rob Bell is not considered orthodox in his beliefs. Please do some research on his beliefs! ARK showed a very interesting DVD by [Rob Bell](#) called, "**Everything Is Spiritual**". This DVD was a dynamic pastoral speaker presenting a blend of Genesis, Science, and Religion that is advanced, intriguing, and makes sense. Rob is a great speaker! He is also not a conventional Christian. He made some great points here, but skirted many issues. I would not support other programs by him, but I do find this one worth seeing. We are not stocking it, unless we could economically limit ourselves just to it. That means we would have to buy several and be able to sell them. Does anyone want to buy this from us? It is available in secular bookstores. <http://shop.everythingispiritual.com/>

The Secret Garden

I have been told by many of you that you have driven by "ARKY's Bookstore" hundreds of times or several times without stopping or realizing it was there. It looks like a house, but has been a business place since it was built in 1943. It looks small, but probably has the world's largest collection of titles for sale on Biblical Creation Science and History. It has a small yard that is a secret because you can drive by so quickly. Marvin Jones keeps it mowed. Diane Silver keeps the many plants going. Ron and Brenda Cooper do general duty and other planting. It keeps getting prettier with the care it gets. If you would like to assist let us know. If you would like to see it, stop by for a quick visit and maybe stop by the store also.

The Sixth International Conference on Creationism (ICC)

The next ICC is from August 3-7 in Pittsburgh. The ICC is the world's leading scientific conference for developing the creation model and will feature about forty original papers and special evening presentations by the world's leading creation researchers and speakers. The ICC Conference offers something for everyone! There are technical presentations during the morning and afternoon, which requires registration to attend. Also, there are free evening presentations that are geared for the general public. You can learn more at www.icc08.org or write to ICC 2008, P.O. Box 99303, Pittsburgh, PA 15233-4303

Collect used religious books for Missionaries

Love Packages is a ministry which sends used Christian books overseas to countries where the literature can help Christians who can use them. Please see the website, www.lovepackages.org, for detailed information on what materials are accepted and where the shipping containers are sent. Love Packages will pick up the boxes of used books you bring to us at 2002 S. Smithville Rd, Dayton, OH. We will collect donations until August to be given to this organization. You may also buy new materials from us at discount for this purpose.

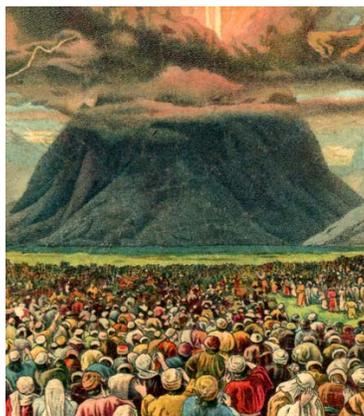
Prayer Requests

“Unless the Lord builds the house...” Please be in prayer for the ministry of the Ark Foundation.

- For Ron as he 'adjusts' to retirement
- For the Lord to use the Ark Foundation in strengthening believers and draw unbelievers to Himself
- Wisdom for Ron and the board in the direction Ark should take
- New church contacts
- More believers learn about and take advantage of Ark's resources
- Finances for paying off the building, operating expenses, and equipping trailers
- Praise for Kevan Myers help and the others helping produce the Time Machine video
- For Ray and Tammy in developing the trailer ministry
- For the materials and expertise needed to complete the “Time Machine” trailer
- Open up opportunities/locations for presenting seminars and traveling presentations
- More volunteers, financial partners, and prayer partners.

New ABR Website

The Associates for Biblical Research has a new website, <http://www.biblearchaeology.org/>. This site is packed with fascinating articles written by the staff of ABR for the serious or casual student. Articles include: the fascinating world of biblical archaeology; updates and answers to current issues in biblical; and theological studies. Ron Cooper checked out, “[Is Mount Sinai in Saudi Arabia?](#)” as one of many available. He agreed partially, but would have to reflect and



study more. It's not the Bible, but it does and has added much support over the years. People just disagree on how to apply the facts they find, usually until their light comes on! I wish I could control the switch!

Europe Argues Over Intelligent Design

from the Koinonia House October 02, 2007 eNews issue

Scuffles between Evolutionism and Creationism have been consistent fare in the United States for decades. Americans, however, do not have the monopoly on debates over origins. Europe is also dealing with its share of battles over whether to allow any form of Creationism or Intelligent Design into science classrooms.

In Lisburn, a suburb of Belfast, the council voted last week to encourage all of its elementary and secondary schools to include theories like Intelligent Design in their curriculum.

The city of Lisburn is not alone. MP David Simpson recently asked the Education Minister about whether materials were available to schools that wanted to teach theories like Intelligent Design in the classroom. According to a party spokesperson, it is the policy of the Democratic Unionist Part (DUP) of Northern Ireland to educate students on alternative theories to evolution.

Humanists in Belfast are outraged of course. Les Reid, chairman of the Belfast Humanist Society, argued that it was "totally inappropriate to bring religious ideas into the science classroom."

With no "wall of separation between church and state" in Northern Ireland, however, these actions by public officials do not create a constitutional crisis. The Department of Education simply made clear that the choice over whether or not to teach alternative theories was up to the schools themselves.

A spokeswoman said: "The revised curriculum offers scope for schools to explore alternative theories to evolution, which could include creationism, if they so wish."

Council of Europe - On the Continent, on the other hand, teaching alternative theories to evolution has become a human rights issue. But human rights do not, apparently, include the right to consider alternate theories to evolution. Rather, the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly is scheduled to vote ...

To read the complete article go to :

http://www.khouse.org/enews_article/2007/1250/print/ and http://www.khouse.org/enews_article/2007/1253/print/

ARKY's Calendar of Events (as of 6/23/08)

Jul 11-12: AM until PM. **Christian Home Educators of Kentucky (CHEK)** with various speakers at Valley View Baptist Church, 8911 Old third Street Road, Louisville, KY. Ph: (502) 348-4239. ARK exhibiting. Ron will do a presentation on, "What Does Evolution Have to Do with Christianity, Cults, and Religions": A vast variety of religions exists and is drawing millions into their fold. Are you aware of Christianity's competition and the delusions Christians believe? This seminar will give you the apples-to-apples comparisons with an added twist: How does evolution play into each of them? You will hear some surprises and interesting Christian solutions.

***Jul 14:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. **A Foundation for Change** with Ken Ham DVD at ARKY's House. Ph: (937) 256-ARKY. Learn how God has used AiG's life-changing "relevance" message! Features the full length video "Genesis: The Key to Reclaiming the Culture (80 min) plus teaching from other key productions (including two from the 1980s) and a special bonus section with memories from Ken Ham.

July 19: 7:00 pm—9:00 pm. **FREE Concert in the Park** with [Jaci Velasquez](#) at 101 E Helena St, Island Metro Park, Dayton, OH. Lawn seating, bring chairs. Food is available for purchase.

Jul 25: 9:00 am until 11:00 am. **Early Readiness Training** FREE seminar for the K2-K4 years with Ruth Amos at Grace Baptist Church, 960 Children's Home Road Urbana, OH. CALL (937) 652-1681 to register. We want our children to excel or be successful but may not realize that we can encourage them with home learning activities. Sorry no child care available.

Jul 28-31: AM until PM. **2008 Hillsboro OH Family Camp** with Various Speakers. Ark exhibiting until Tuesday noon.

Jul 30-Aug 3: AM until PM. **17th World Convention of Christian Churches** at Convention Center, Nashville, TN. Ark exhibiting.

Aug 3-7: AM until PM. **2008 International Conference on Creationism** (6th, each about 4 years apart). "Developing and Systematizing the Creation Model of Origins" with [Peer Reviewed Scientists](#) at Radisson Greentree Hotel, Pitts-

burg, PA. See web site link for details, <http://www.icc08.org/>. Contact address: Creation Science Fellowship, Inc.; P.O. Box 99303; Pittsburgh PA 15233-4303 or Email CSF at csf_icc@csfpittsburgh.org

Aug 6-17: AM until PM. **Indiana Creation Science Association State Fair Booth** (See Article).

***Aug 11:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. **ARK's new "Six Days of Creation"** produced DVD with Myers/Collins at ARKY's House. Ph: (937) 256-ARKY. We believe this new production will be available to see in the Time Machine, Special Effects Trailer by this date.

***Sep 8:** 7:00 pm until 8:35 pm. **Creation: Science Confirms the Bible is True** DVD with Dr. Jason Lisle at ARKY's House. Ph: (937) 256-ARKY. This systematically dismantles Darwin's claims and shows that the very things he used to propagate his beliefs actually undermine those beliefs! He also refutes the dating methods most commonly used to support the evolutionary timeline (billions of years). This DVD clearly shows that God's word is the final authority in all matters on which it touches.

Sept 20-24: AM until PM. **4th Annual Creation Evidence Expo 2008** with [Director Frederick Boyd](#) 3855 East 10th, Indianapolis, IN. Ph: (317) 345-9072. Reaching Generations with the Truth: Creation Evidence Expo 2008 will bring to light overwhelming evidence presented by leading creation scientists, Dr. Carl Baugh, Dr. Willie Dye, Dr. Charles Jackson, Dr Thomas Sharp, and Dr. John Whitcomb. The audience will be clearly shown the inaccuracies of the theory of evolution, and see the scientific creation evidence of the Genesis account of Creation. <http://www.creationevidenceexpo.org>.

Sept 27: 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. **Chocolate Festival** at Montgomery County Fairgrounds Coliseum, Dayton, OH. FREE 6th Annual WFCJ event. ARK exhibiting.

***Oct 13:** **Formed to Fly** DVD with Dr David Menton
***Nov 10:** **Creation, Evolution and Deception** DVD with Dr Monty White

Note Asterisk () Indicates regular ARK meeting at ARKY's House, 2002 S Smithville Rd, Dayton, OH. One mile South of US 35, just past Wayne Ave. Park on side or at the Tin Shop., Dayton, OH. Ph: (937) 256-ARKY. The ARK monthly meeting is every 2nd Monday. **Membership NOT required to attend meetings!***

All "CURRENT EVENTS" are updated on web page at <http://www.arky.org>.

Upcoming Conferences Planned

ARK wants to repeat the “Death of Evolution” and the “God’s Health Plan” conferences. The quality was very high, but we need to try different churches and find a suitable set of dates. If your church would like to sponsor one of these or another topic, contact us at 937-256-2759 for details. Other sample topics ARK is prepared to address are:

- The Role of the Family in Preserving the Creation Message.
- The Relevance of Creation Today.
- What does Science Know about Creation?
- Why Do We Know Jesus Is Coming Again?
- The Role of Dinosaurs in Modern Thought.
- Has Anybody Been to Kansas Recently?
- Creation and Our Founding Fathers.
- Why Death and Suffering Exist, but Are Not the Real Issue for Life.
- Teaching High School and College Students Why They Can Believe the Bible Is True and Truth.
- The 10 Commandments Today.

Cincinnati or Columbus Zoo Trip

ARK has purchased several cases of “The Complete Zoo Adventure,” by Gary and Mary Parker to be used on family or group zoo strips. The retail price is \$16.99 and we want to distribute these new books at \$10.00. We also want to organize a field trip to use them.

This is the description on the book: You and your family will learn these fascinating facts and many more in this exciting, evolution-free guide to the zoo. Sections focus on preparing for the trip, learning while at the zoo, and activities to reinforce what you learn. This is a great way for homeschoolers or any family to direct a field trip or to just learn about God's creation in the classroom. Perfect for all ages, this guide has checklists, connect-the-dot pictures, word finds, fact cards, a field journal, and more in the activity section. A great way to make learning fun, the guide also includes Scripture memory text listings to show kids that God's creation is found throughout the Bible. Over 25 reproducible worksheets included for both younger and older students with a detailed educator's guide.

Its summer time and this will make a super trip for you to learn God’s Creatures as He designed them to be! Please contact us for your family trip or for us to organize a group rate trip at 937-256-2759. We would like to see several trips made by November.

The Creation Museum

It is in our neighborhood and it’s great; it’s growing, and it’s fun. ARK has sponsored two bus trips this year, and it’s time to find a core home school or church group to anchor some more trips. We are also trying to arrange some very low cost (perhaps free trips) for the unemployed.

We have always been able to provide some scholarships on trips because of the use of a group AND the generosity of our members and friends. So don’t let money stop your family from participating. Group participation can enable you to go when you could not otherwise. It’s called Christian Love in action. So be a lover or a lovee’ of God’s message at the Premier Museum in our area.

The outside park is beautiful. The petting zoo is open. The exhibits are amazing and there are millions of people who still need to experience this God honoring museum for the first time or another time, with some first timers. It’s fun to share the wonder with adults, children, and grandchildren of the life changing message in exhibits and film!

COSTS

All costs are at group rates and may be supplemented with some ARK help.



Financial Statement

General Fund

Balance 1/1/08 \$6,625.17

Receipts

Memberships	285.00
Donations	614.14
Speaker Gifts	0.00
Projects – CC	375.00
DRCF-2007	444.00
Refunds	0.00
Children's Ministry	820.00
CEF-Collins	375.00
Special Events /Banquet	1,923.85
Equipment Sold	7.00
Miscellaneous	-0-
Internet/Phone Sales	94.17
Non-Tax Sales	915.53
Taxable Sales	7,476.49
Sales tax collected	510.45
Shipping & Handling	12.00
Total	20,477.80

Disbursements

Newsletter/CC	90.98
Office	320.10
Telephone	350.13
Children's Ministry	1,834.36
CEF-Collins	375.00
Exhibiting	2,831.65
Web	-0-
Inventory	7,051.15
Equipment	291.49
Supplies	592.69
Insurance	764.83
Professional Fees	281.26
Sales Tax Paid	827.93
Speaking	40.00
Misc.	475.00
Tithes&Gifts	-0-
Museum Trailer	-0-
Reimbursed	111.75
Property Tax Escrow	-0-
Total	16,238.32

Balance 5/30/08 4,239.48

Building Fund

Balance 1/1/08 -2,227.74

Receipts 4,259.32

Expenses

Mortgage	2,783.97
Utilities	1,336.92
Real Estate Taxes	-0-
Advertising	79.00
Other	11.44
Total Bld. Expenses	4,211.33

Balance 5/30/08 -2179.75

Net Balance, Both Funds 2,059.73

ARK Supporter Benefits

- 20% discount:** minimum on all purchases;
- Quarterly newsletter:** ARK members receive news and expansion plans;
- National support:** 10% of supporters' general donations is given to Answers in Genesis, our voluntary support for a national Biblical creation science organization;
- Webpage:** www.arky.org provides logical, Biblical information to a world saturated with an unbiblical, ill-suited naturalism for the needs of people;
- Monthly ARK meetings:** interesting speakers or DVD program on a variety of subjects, provided FREE to the community.
- Major speaker programs:** sponsored into the area or promoted by ARK;
- Local ARK speakers:** available for community and church events;
- Encouragement and Answers:** for belief in the Biblical Creator;
- Leadership training:** periodically opportunity to learn how to serve in your church or school or study group;
- Public materials:** make available Creation resources – books, audios, and DVDs to public;
- Lending library:** by mail or at ARKY house for supporters;
- Bookstore available:** during regular hours and by appointment.
- Bookstore honors specials:** when offered by AiG, ICR, and WallBuilder if items are in stock.

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ARKY's Bookstore

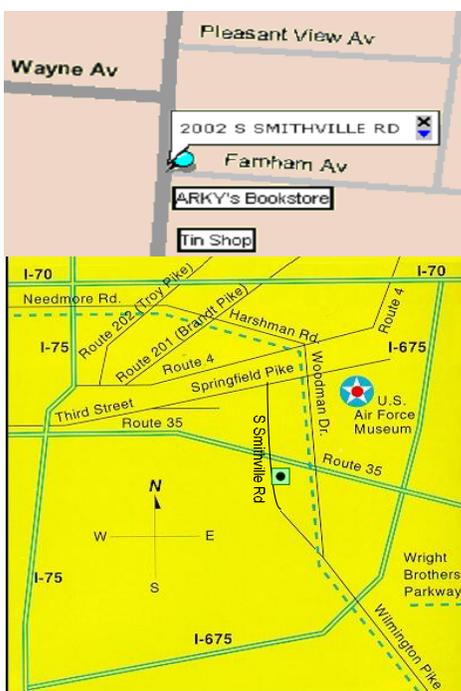
Bookstore hours manned by volunteers are:

Tuesday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm;

Thursday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm;

Saturday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm;

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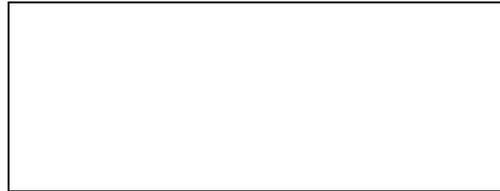
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Host Creation Guests

Do you have the gift of hospitality? When we invite outside speakers into the area, they need a place to stay. If you have suitable rooms, which will vary by guest, let us know what you can provide. Occasionally a group may need several places. We would like to establish a list.

Sewing Ministry

If you would like to do sewing projects that will sell in the store, please contact Brenda, 256-2759.

FOR SALE

ARK property, 2 LIKE NEW cube style end tables/night stands with shelf and 2 doors in Oak finish, \$50.00 each OBO. See at ARKY's, if interested.



Schedule Work Days

Can you devote two to four hours of activity at ARKY House? Ron is available all day/evening when not exhibiting. Activities may be electrical, plumbing, painting, construction, yard/garden work, computer, etc. depending on your interests/skills. Please call 937-256-2759 to schedule your time. It will be greatly appreciated.

Summer Fun with Science 101

BUBBLES. – Ingredients: ½ cup of Joy dish-washing liquid, 2 cups of water, 2 teaspoons of sugar. Mix the solution in a shallow pan. Add food coloring for pretty bubbles (keep outside). Make bubble wands out of wire, clothes hangers, etc. Dip and wave to create bubbles or blow into the wand.

Thought

He hung on the Tree for you. Are you willing to walk on the ground for Him?