

THE FARADAY INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE & RELIGION

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Looking back on the first 11 years and preparing for the next 20

In this season of Thanksgiving, we are looking back on our first eleven years and celebrating with gratefulness all we have been able to achieve through the encouragement, prayers and generous giving of our supporters across the world.

From our small beginnings in 2006, we have grown to become a leading and highly-respected voice in the science and religion dialogue worldwide, not only within the academic community but in churches, schools, colleges and the public square. Our voice has been one of reason, balance, honesty and respect – an antidote, we hope, to the prevailing narrative of conflict and misunderstanding. We are proud that with the help of our supporters we have been able to contribute a positive message of how science and faith can work together to their mutual benefit, and we are thrilled at how, with support from our donors, we have been able to provide a pastoral resource to many who have struggled with 'faith as the enemy of science' or vice versa. Our international impact continues to grow through courses, on-line resources and Faraday Papers in different languages, and we feel especially privileged to be welcoming an increasing number of American speakers and delegates to our activities in Cambridge. Also noteworthy is the fact that 60% of the downloads of Faraday lectures from the University of Cambridge website are to US-based viewers.

As we write, we are excited to report that we have just completed a move into our new premises within the Cambridge Woolf Building (illustrated above) located within the grounds of Westminster College, made possible by a generous donation that has secured us a 20-year sub-lease. This is the first page of a new chapter in which we hope to consolidate our core resources and create a stable platform with which to attract the next generation of leaders, scholars and communicators.



In our new premises we will be able to grow our work on a number of fronts. These include:

- Scholarly research into the "Big Questions" of science and religion, such as human identity and origins, genetic determinism and free will, the nature of reality, ways of knowing and environmental issues.
- Outreach to the general public via public lectures, seminars and courses, with the continued provision of international travel bursaries to attend our Cambridge flagship events.
- Outreach to church leaders through the creation of a new community of practice, the provision of on-line resources, and the development of teaching and training resources.
- Outreach to both elementary and high schools, building on our highly successful program of school visits (>250 sessions have so far been held, reaching >14,000 students) with the appointment of new staff, the commissioning of high quality books on science and religion and the purchase of new teaching resources.

Please help us continue and expand these vital activities by making a donation to our US Friends of Faraday 501(c)3 tax-exempt organisation.

For example:

- \$100 could purchase demonstration materials for our schools visits.
- \$200 could fund the translation of a Faraday Paper into another language.
- \$700 could finance one of our bi-weekly research seminars given by an overseas scholar.
- \$1,000 could fund a travel bursary for an Eastern European delegate to one of our weekend courses.
- \$2,000 could procure venue, expenses and honorarium for a major public lecture.
- \$4,000 could fund a travel bursary for an African delegate to our summer course.
- \$7,000 could pay for the design of a church resources section on our website.

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"In the ongoing worldwide discussions of the relationships between science and confessional Christianity, there can be few researchers better equipped than those connected with The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion. The Cambridge connection helps to ensure that its papers and lectures exert thoughtful influence way beyond the borders of the United Kingdom".

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"I have been delighted in recent years to see the way in which The Faraday Institute has enabled so many people to move beyond the sterile and now clichéd stand-off between scientific knowing and the many other kinds of human knowing. A world without the vital contribution of science is rightly unthinkable, but to make science the measure of all things is to fail to celebrate many equally vital aspects of our remarkable world, including faith".

The Rt Revd Prof N.T. Wright, St Andrews University, formerly Bishop of Durham, UK

