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Dr. Allan E. MacRae
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Dear Dr. MacRae,

I am a recent graduate of Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary and am presently pastoring a small Baptist church in Danville, Indiana. While in seminary under Dr. Leon Wood I became very interested in the O.T. area and am now pursuing studies in Near-Eastern Languages and Literature at Indiana University.

In the General Association of Regular Baptists, of which I am a part, there has recently been a lot of discussion over creation - the days, etc. I have held to the age-day theory and this view is really looked down upon as being another term for Theistic Evolution, which I do not believe. However the more I study Hebrew grammar, I find some problems with the age-day view so I am really in a state of confusion. I have rejected the gap theory as an exegetical impossibility, so where do I go now?

I have purchased Whitcomb's book on The Flood and find many evangelical scientists (A.S.A.) and theologians (E.T.S.) think he has some good material but do not agree with him completely. Would you give me your personal opinion of his material and conclusions and your general feelings for flood geology?

Also I am trying to subscribe to some magazines and quarterlies that deal with the O.T. and related subjects. Could you suggest some titles that you feel are worthy of subscription? At present I receive the Biblical Archaeologist. Also I would appreciate knowing about any books that you could recommend for good concentrated study on the O.T.

I realize you are very busy, so if you cannot answer this letter I will understand.

Sincerely,



Leon Rowland