**DESIGN SCIENCE ASSOCIATION**  
**APPLICATION FOR VOTING MEMBERSHIP**  
**STATEMENT OF BELIEF**

1. The Bible, in its entirety, is God’s inspired word. In its original autographs, it is fully accurate, not only concerning spiritual issues, but also in matters of history and science.
2. The universe and all that it contains, both living and non-living was designed by God and created out of nothing in six literal days as described in Genesis. Biological changes since creation have been confined within the created kinds.
3. The creation occurred several thousand years ago, not millions or billions. 
4. The Noachian Flood, as described in Genesis, was an historic event, worldwide in extent. 
5. Acceptance of the Lord Jesus Christ, who is God and Creator, is mankind’s only path to reconciliation with God. 

*I have read and subscribe to the Statement of Belief of Design Science Association and wish to become a voting member. Enclosed is my membership fee.*

Signature: _______________________________________

(Yearly membership fee is $15.00 for individual and $5.00 for each additional family member. Voting members must be eighteen years of age or older.)

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**Horst Matschukat**  
*Already Gone: Why the Young Leave Church*

**This year, Ken Ham and Britt Beemer published a scientific research report entitled ‘Already Gone’ that deals with the phenomenon that 61% of young people today leave the church by the time they start college. Ham and Beemer discovered that this trend starts already in the junior and senior high grades, and maintain that: “The problem, in both the United Kingdom and America, began when the Church basically disconnected the Bible from the real world. Churches in America are not places where people typically talk about dinosaurs, fossils, or the age of the earth—that is left up to the secular schools and colleges. Effectively, the Church concentrates on the spiritual and moral aspects of Christianity. The “disconnect” between faith and fact is an illusion created by an overwhelming misinterpretation of the facts.”**

Observational science confirms the Bible’s history and, thus, also the Christian doctrines (like the gospel) that are based in that history.”

The authors further state that Sunday school does not produce the desired results and they hasten to add that Sunday school teachers and leaders are not to blame for the outcome. This, of course, immediately begs the question: *Who is responsible for these results?*

Popular speaker Horst Matschukat will walk us back in history and show that the problem originated about the same time Sunday school was started by Robert Raikes in England in 1780. *The answer will surprise you.*

**This month’s DSA meeting** will be held on Saturday, December 19, 2009, from 9 to 11:30 AM. Join us as we consider the unnecessary “disconnect” between faith and fact. And be sure to not miss special in-between Christmas music from the richly talented Dennis Marcellino!

Also: note that all are invited to bring a plate of their favorite seasonal treats—see you there!
Elections for Design Science Association will be held in January 2010. DSA members can consider now if they would like to run for board member or officer positions.

If interested, call Keith Swenson at (303) 665-9563