

ANOTHER PROFILE OF TRANSFORMATION



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When did you first discover the American Scientific Affiliation (ASA)?

I was blessed to discover the American Scientific Affiliation as a high school student while browsing the Internet for resources on science and faith. Having grown up in fundamentalist Christian environment, I thought modern science was baseless and in harsh conflict with Christianity. My passion was to become a scientist, pursuing evidence for the conclusions about creation. But as I learned more, I began to question whether Christianity really was in such conflict with modern science — or if science was as evidentially baseless as I'd been informed.

How long have you been a member and what has ASA meant to you?

I've been a member for nearly 7 years, having joined as a high school student. It's been exciting to see the proliferation of robust resources and honest conversations about science-faith issues, but the benefits ASA provides are truly unique. ASA has been in existence for nearly 75 years - longer than most of us have been alive. The PSCF journal balances scholarship and practicality better than any other religion-science periodical that

I have encountered. The annual meetings and local chapters provide meaningful face-to-face interaction and friendships that are invaluable in an increasingly online-dominated world. With new and strategic ventures like *God and Nature* magazine, ASA is poised to reach more people like me who are looking to integrate their love of science with their Christian beliefs.

What do our friends and membership partners need to know about how ASA is making a difference?

ASA plays an important role in the Christian faith journey of many people from various walks of life. This advent season is a welcome time to remember with gratitude those whose membership dues and gifts have allowed people like me to be part of the valuable fellowship at ASA.

Your brother in Christ,

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