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Dear Newsletter Recipient,

WesleyNexus continues to move forward in its mission to promote science and religion within the Wesleyan tradition. In May, the Baltimore Washington Annual Conference passed a resolution affirming the importance of science and faith coming together in dialogue within the church by encouraging "people who are so included to utilize the resources available on the www.wesnex.org website for discussion purposes." To see a summary statement in the conference newsletter, go the link <u>here (see first bullet)</u>. To see the full resolution, go to the link <u>here</u>.

The Montgomery County Science and Religion Discussion Group completed their 11th year of meetings this month. Dr. Maynard Moore discussed a paper on the problem of evil which was presented to the IRAS conference in Chautauqua, NY the week of June 18-25. The month before, Dr. Curt Thompson lead a discussion of his book The Anatomy of the Soul. Dr. Thompson is a psychiatrist who lives and practices in Northern Virginia. His website can be found <u>here</u>.

It is always enjoyable to find new resources on the Web. I recently discovered a website called <u>Religion Dispatches</u>. The site contains a wide variety of articles including ones specifically related to the science and religion dialogue. These can be found under the tab <u>"Science"</u>. As stated on their About page, "Religion Dispatches is a daily online magazine dedicated to the analysis and understanding of religious forces in the world today, highlighting a diversity of progressive voices and aimed at broadening and advancing the public conversation." It has become one of the links I check on a daily basis.

We at WesleyNexus will continue to support the science and religion dialogue in our local communities and to spread the word wherever we can. As always, if you have comments or suggestions, please contact us.

God Bless,

Rick Barr Secretary, WesleyNexus