

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Cyanide Defense

And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. (John 12:32)



Wouldn't it be amazing if a creature developed a chemical defense that is deadly to practically every other creature but itself – especially if that defense meant exposing itself and its enemy to deadly cyanide?

Yet there is a species of millipede called Apheloria that does just this. Apheloria has, on each segment of its body, special glands that produce the chemical needed for defense. When the

millipede is attacked by an enemy, it mixes this chemical with a catalyst. The result is a chemical that is a mild irritant plus hydrogen cyanide gas – the same lethal chemical used in the gas chamber. In this defense, the millipede, as well as his enemies, is engulfed in a cloud of deadly cyanide gas. His attacker dies, but the millipede simply walks away unharmed.

This truly amazing defense clearly has a purpose. Even more amazing, if evolution is right, the millipede developed this remarkable defense quite accidentally, and at the same time he became immune to deadly cyanide gas! This defense is completely unlikely to develop without a planner. The millipede's immunity to cyanide makes sense if there was a planner, and it makes no sense at all if there wasn't.

God's fingerprints are all over the creation as He seeks to draw us all to Himself.

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, April 23, 2023

8:45am - Discipleship Classes

10:00am - Worship

VBS training following worship with lunch

4/28 - Makeup VBS Training 6:30pm

A Look Ahead

4/30 - 5th Sunday evening service

5/7 - No Breakfast (replaced by breakfast on Mother's Day)

5/14 - Mother's Day - Breakfast

5/19 - L.I.F.T. - Tea, coffee & fellowship

5/26 - Student Bowling

Thank you for joining us for worship today. If you are visiting or have any prayer needs, please fill out an MBC Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.

VBS Training

Who: All VBS volunteers or people who are curious about volunteering.

When: Sunday, April 23 right after the worship service. Lunch will be provided.

Makeup date: Friday, April 28 at 6:30pm.

Duration: Approximately 1 hour.

April 23, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S. 10:00am Svc. - Julie & Lindsey S. Wed. - April 26 - Linda W.

Junior Church

Chris S. - Laura S.

Wed. April 26 - Kids Connection

Amy Johnson - Ryan Gerling

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Steve G. 10:00am - Curtiss C., Joe G., Lester O. Wed. - April 26 - Tim R.

April 30, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S. 10:00am Svc. - Jamie B., Alana C. Wed. - May 3 - Cindy S.

Junior Church

Brenda K. - Abby J.

Wed. May 3 - Kids Connection

Amy Johnson - Ryan Gerling

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Gary S. 10:00am - Jesse W., Ryan W., Ed S. Wed. - May 3 - Jim F.

5th Sunday Evening Service

There will be a 5th Sunday evening service April 30 with a light meal in the FLC at 5:30pm. Service will be at 6:00pm.

