

## Costa Rica Creation Safari March 2018

Eleven creation explorers joined David and Mary Jo Nutting and 3 evangelical Costa Ricans (bus driver, coordinator, and a creationist who described God's design in animals, birds etc.) for a wonderful time exploring Costa Rica's amazing diversity and natural wonders. We had devotions or power point presentations every day.

Alpha and Omega Institute was founded by David and Mary Jo Nutting and can be found at [www.discovercreation.org](http://www.discovercreation.org).

The sites that we saw included a large volcano, beautiful waterfalls, stunning ocean beaches, mountains, cloud forests, rain forests, dry forests, and valleys. In the wild, we saw 4 types of monkeys, 3 toed sloths, tapirs, coati, an active puma den, basilisk lizards, iguana, and 33 crocodiles. In captivity we saw many poisonous snakes and frogs. We also observed a fantastic array of colorful birds (including pelicans, ibis, herons, egrets, hawks, scarlet macaws, toucans, hummingbirds, flycatchers, 3 wattled bellbird, and the very rare quetzal), fabulous butterflies, and amazing flowers/vegetation. We saw plantations of bananas, plantains, coffee, pineapple, and African Palm Oil and many fruit orchards

The Nutting's ministry is to encourage people to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ as they discover creation and walk confidently in the truth of His Word and to be exposed to a sound Biblical worldview. In light of the foundational overview of recorded history found in Genesis 1-11, we see abundant evidence of design, complexity, and interrelationships in God's created life. We also see evidence of suffering, disease, and death as a result of Adam's sin and its spread to all creation.

Evidences abound for catastrophic geological processes including earth plate tectonics and massive catastrophic erosion during, and following, the Flood of Noah. This resulted in rapid deposition of layers quickly burying animals and plants (now preserved as fossils). Finally, we saw evidences of post-

Flood events giving rise to the distribution of plants and animals around the globe; the dispersion of varying people groups: and the evidence of a common root of history, religion, and culture as seen in a archaeological and anthropological museum.

The time in Costa Rica was very rewarding and refreshing! All praise goes to our God, our great Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, Lord, and Coming King!

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