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SERIES OF EVENTS TO TACKLE LIFE'S BIGGEST QUESTIONS

TORONTO – Philosopher and Christian apologist William Lane Craig is coming to Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto to participate in a series of public events from January 25 - 28, 2018. Craig is Research Professor of Philosophy at Talbot School of Theology and Professor of Philosophy at Houston Baptist University. Author of more than 30 books, he is widely considered one of the world's most influential living philosophers.

Among the events Craig will participate in is an open forum—together with other academics—at Wycliffe College, 5 Hoskin Ave., Toronto on Thursday, January 25 at 7:00 p.m. Craig—together with astrophysicist Barth Netterfield and Old Testament biblical scholar Marion Taylor—will respond to student questions about the Christian faith.

Also at Wycliffe College, on Friday, January 26, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Craig will deliver the keynote address at the Toronto Christian Scholars Symposium, a gathering of interdisciplinary scholars who hold to the Christian faith. Co-sponsored by the Network of Christian Scholars, the annual event provides an avenue for conversations where practical and theoretical issues pertaining to the expression of faith in research and teaching can be explored.

Later that day, at 7:30 p.m., Craig will participate in an event as part of the bold and enlightening Religion and Society Series, co-sponsored by *Faith Today* magazine, RZIM, Power to Change, and the U of T Secular Alliance. Onstage at Convocation Hall at the University of Toronto, he will address the question, “Is there meaning in life?” Joining the dialogue will be Dr. Jordan Peterson, the well-known U of T psychology professor whose book *Maps of Meaning: The Architecture of Belief*, is considered to have revolutionized the psychology of religion, and philosopher and author Dr. Rebecca Newberger Goldstein. In naming Goldstein a MacArthur Fellow, the MacArthur Foundation described her work as “brilliant arguments ... for involving readers in questions of morality and existence.” The discussion will be livestreamed to community groups via YouTube.

The event – moderated by journalist Karen Stiller – is sure to be provocative: the three scholars each hold to very different beliefs about the nature of life.

“We feel that questions surrounding the meaning of life are some of the most important questions to be asked,” says Wycliffe Program Director, Steve Hewko. “We look forward to the conversations that will be sparked by these events in the New Year.”

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