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‘German nuclear physicist and professor at the Department of Physics at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (ETHZ), Gunther Scheizle, surprised his colleagues this week when he revealed his faith in God. . . forcing him to reconsider his “previous understanding of life and the universe.”

“I can understand my coworkers’ surprise, I have always been known as somewhat of **a no-nonsense, anti-religious atheist**, I once threw a heavy physics book at one of my students just because he even mentioned the possibility of Intelligent Design in the universe.

I guess he was right after all,” he acknowledged with a grin.

The 57-year-old experienced a heart attack during one of the most powerful tests to be done on the large hadron collider yet, last January, 2016.

“We tried to push the hadron collider’s limits that day and beat our record of 6.5 teraelectronvolts (TeV) per beam and that is when I started to feel uneasy and eventually lost consciousness,” he recalls. Although I was unconscious and my body lay paralyzed on the floor, I felt like I was outside my body and could hear and see all the commotion my heart failure had caused around me,” he explains.



The large hadron collider (the world's most powerful particle collider) at CERN.

“That is when beings of light came and comforted me.

They did not say anything, but I knew I was going to survive and that my mission on earth had not yet been accomplished. I knew I was not dead. All I remember after that, is waking up in the ambulance in excruciating pain.

All my preconceived notions of reality were permanently destroyed.

How could I face my fellow coworkers and family with such an incoherent story?” He wished to tell his story to others because he could no longer live with this burden on his shoulders,

“All I hope now is that my fellow coworkers respect my beliefs and newly-found understanding of the world and **may God help us find the true meaning of life, be it through prayer or science,**” he concluded.