

Stonehenge

Although it is not part of "The Jesus Voyage" per se, there has been some British media and public interest in moving a "bluestone" from Wales to Stonehenge using a curragh.



Stonehenge, photo by Author, 1983.

This interest was stimulated by the British so-called "Millennium Project" of April 2000 when a volunteer horde of "neo-slaves" failed to drag a bluestone from Wales to Stonehenge using the conventional land route.

I wrote a full-page article in Toronto's *National Post* newspaper (April 2000), with maps and illustrations, arguing that the job had been fairly easily done in megalithic times, and with a fraction of the people necessary for land haulage, using curraghs and shallow canals.

Once "The Jesus Voyage" curragh has been constructed at a suitable site in Brittany, the vessel could be either sailed or pulled by trailer to Britain and used to move a bluestone from the Preseli Mountain quarry in Wales to the Stonehenge site. In fact, if this aspect can be firmed up with interested British organizations and individuals, then the bluestone-moving could be worked into the larger project as part of the pre-voyage testing and shakedown procedure. Bluestone-moving would be a good test of the vessel's strength. The experience might also decide the issue of using oars or paddles.

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