

Faith Leaders Converge in Washington, DC June 21-23, 2015

We are seeking leaders of all the faith traditions to stand with us in solidarity as we work to solve the climate crisis driven by ever increasing greenhouse gas emissions. We invite leaders-- clergy, professors of religion, and seminarians-- to our national conference (June 21-23, 2015) to witness the severity of the crisis to the Creation, to represent the positions of their faith traditions on the crisis, and to join our lobbying teams who will be meeting with Members of Congress.

WHO: Citizens' Climate Lobby (www.citizensclimatelobby.org) and Citizens' Climate Education are non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots organizations focused on national policies to address climate change. We train and support volunteers to respectfully engage Members of Congress, the media, and the public.

WHAT: We believe politicians don't create political will, they respond to it. CCL proposes a steadily-rising fee on carbon with revenue from the fee returned equally to all households. Research and political experience shows this approach reduces greenhouse gas emissions, increases employment and the gross national product, reduces pollution-related deaths, and covers the increased cost of energy for two thirds of American households.

WHEN: 2 p.m. Sunday, June 21 through 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, 2015.

WHERE: Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC. The conference registration fee will be waived for religious leaders.

WHY: The world's major faith traditions and religious leaders have endorsed powerful statements highlighting the scientific consensus on the environmental crisis, the need to take positive action to address the needs of victims of the climate crisis, to restore the Creation, and to examine the spiritual roots of our condition. A strong moral voice is needed to move Congress into action.

ACTIONS: Participants will receive lobbying training, join our lobby teams, have opportunities to network with individuals from other faith traditions, and may join a conference panel and discussion groups concerned with how members of faith-based communities may work to solve the climate crisis. Like all our volunteers, you would be representing yourself—and your witness and your presence will speak volumes. We will endeavor to place you in meetings with Members of Congress who share your religious perspective.

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