

INTERFAITH DIALOGUE ON EARTH CARE
A Regional Conference in Bowling Green, KY on February 19/20, 2010

FRIDAY 6:30 PM-9:00 PM MASS MEDIA TECHNOLOGY HALL, WKU

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Registration for Saturday**
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Welcome, and Sponsors' Dinner with President Ransdell, WKU
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Keynote Speech: **"Serve God, Save the Planet"** by Dr. Matthew Sleeth
Chairperson: Lawrence Snyder, Associate Dean Potter College, WKU
Opening Statement: Isabel Mukonyora, Global Christianity, W KU
Respondent: Ingrid Lilly, Hebrew Studies, WKU

SATURDAY 8:00 AM-4:00 PM CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1215 STATE STREET

8:00 am - 8:30 am **Registration and Breakfast**

SESSION ONE

8:30 am - 9:00 am Chairperson: Michael Blewett, Christ Episcopal Church
Address: **"Environmental Ethics and the Expanding Problem of Evil"** by Scott Aikin,
Philosophy, Vanderbilt University
9:00 am - 9:10 am Respondent: Adrian Switzer, Philosophy, WKU
9:10 am - 9:35 am **"Interdependence and Ecology: A Buddhist View"** by Jeffrey Samuels, Religion, WKU
9:35 am - 9:45 am Respondent: Theodore Harden, Philosophy and Religion, WKU
9:45 am - 10:15 am **Coffee and Group Discussions**

SESSION TWO

10:15 am - 11:45 am Chairperson: Michael Seidler, Philosophy, WKU
"Ecological Ethos more than Ethics: The Hebrew Vision of the Earth" by Ingrid
Lilly, Hebrew Studies, WKU
11:45am - 11:55 am Respondent: Peter Connolly, Unitarian Universalist Church
11:55 am - 12:25 pm **"Reading and Preserving Ayat: The Signs of an Islamic Ecology"** by Scott Girdner,
Islamic Studies, WKU
12:25 pm - 12:35 pm Respondent: Nagy Morsi, Islamic Center
12:35 pm - 1:00 pm **Group Discussions** led by William Samson, Sociology, Georgetown College, KY
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm **Lunch**

SESSION THREE

2:00 pm - 2:30pm Chairperson: Pia Antolic, Philosophy, WKU
"Practical Lessons from Conference" led by Raymond Goetz, Holy Spirit Catholic
Church, and panel of spokespersons from different congregations
2:30pm - 3:00pm Chairperson: Eric Bain-Selbo, Head of Philosophy and Religion Department, WKU
"Where do we go from here?" led by Margie Bowker, Biology, WKU, Planning
Committee, and Sponsors
3:00pm - 3:30pm **Closing Remarks and Prayer**