Pledge for Faith-based Action in Response to the Climate Crisis

Creation is sacred. People of faith are called to care for creation. Our privilege provides the opportunity, and our faith traditions demand we act for climate justice. The climate crisis reaches every corner of the Earth: the oceans are polluted and warming rapidly, the air is being degraded, species are going extinct, and the most vulnerable and marginalized in our human family are at the highest risk of facing the worst impacts of climate change. This must change. Due to the harmful actions of humans, we are currently facing an unprecedented planetary emergency. Humanity created this crisis; therefore, we also have the ability to solve it.

As a person of faith, I will...

- **Strive to alleviate** our world’s injustices caused by climate change.
- **Promote** equity for all people affected by the climate crisis, especially for those who are most marginalized and vulnerable.
- **Reject** the excesses of the culture of materialism, by remembering that creation is to be shared equitably across humanity.
- **Revere** creation as a gift, and recognize I am a part of nature - not independent from it.
- **Embrace** human and technological diversity in my climate action to create a wide variety of solutions.
- **Invite** human creativity and the historically oppressed and marginalized to lead climate action through their experiences and insights.
- **Value** our common home by protecting the individual places I cherish as I work to sustain the entire planet.
- **Commit** to individual and collective action to make sure climate change doesn’t become irreversible.
- **Rejoice** in the opportunity to live a lifestyle that does not waste and only consumes what I need.
- **Grow** in my individual faith through climate action and face this challenge with the hope that my faith provides.
- **Empower** our youth to lead. Global youth are embracing the historical values needed to force the powerful to act on the changing climate.

I have a duty to implement climate justice throughout the world. Climate action strengthens my faith. I need love and empathy to solve the climate crisis. As a person of faith, I am called to climate action.