

DVDs on Environmental Stewardship / Nature

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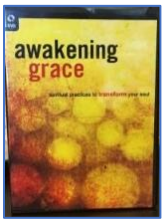
ARISE (101086) On every continent, women are taking the lead to protect and restore the natural environment and are empowering others to respect the earth. This documentary DVD presents the stories of a diverse group of 13 women in five countries (Kenya, Ecuador, India, Israel, U.S.) who have initiated solution-oriented environmental projects in their communities, towns and villages. CLOSED CAPTIONED (captions available in English and Spanish) *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school -Adult. 78 Minutes.



ATOMIC HOMEFRONT (101101) This DVD shines an urgent and devastating light on the lasting toxic effects that nuclear waste can have on communities. The film reveals St. Louis, Missouri's past as a uranium processing center for the atomic bomb, and the governmental and corporate negligence that lead to the illegal dumping of radioactive Manhattan Project waste throughout North County neighborhoods. Focusing on a group of moms-turned-advocates, the film follows the women as they confront the EPA, government agencies that are slow to provide aid, and the corporations behind the illegal dumping of dangerous radioactive waste in their backyards. Both a harrowing indictment of institutional misconduct and a tribute to the heroism of mothers fighting to protect their families, this film is essential viewing for anyone interested in environmental grassroots activism, government and corporate responsibility, and the effects of nuclear waste on human health. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: Adult. 96 Minutes.



ATOMIC STATES OF AMERICA (101087) In 2010, the United States approved the first new nuclear power plant in 32 years, heralding a "Nuclear Renaissance". But that was before the Fukushima accident in Japan renewed a fierce public debate over the safety and viability of nuclear power. This DVD documentary journeys to nuclear reactor communities around the country to provide a comprehensive exploration of the history and impact to date of nuclear power, and to investigate the truths and myths about nuclear energy. Based in part on Kelly McMasters' book "Welcome to Shirley", about growing up in the shadow of the Brookhaven National Lab on Long Island, the film explores the evidence for serious health consequences documented by people living in Shirley, as well as near other nuclear facilities. Their concerns call into question who can be trusted to provide truthful information, and how much influence the nuclear industry has over the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and its decisions. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: Adult.



AWAKENING GRACE: SPIRITUAL PRACTICES TO TRANSFORM YOUR SOUL (101088) Author: LeRoy, Matt and Summers, Jeremy. In this ten-session DVD study, come together with your community of disciples in a journey of spiritual transformation and see how God's grace forms your lives into Christ's image. It offers a simple and creatively engaging approach to the ancient practices that open hearts to God's transforming work. Sessions: A foundation (6 min.); 2) Scripture (7 min.); 3) Prayer (7 min.); 4) Worship (7 min.); 5) Mercy and justice (7 min.); 6) Sabbath (8 min.); 7) **Creation care** (6 min.); 8) Covenant friendship (7 min.); 9) Generosity (8 min.); 10) Creative expression (10 min.). Includes sample participant book. Age: Adult. 73 Minutes.



DRYING FOR FREEDOM (104083) More than 50 million Americans live in communities where clotheslines are banned as unsightly. This documentary DVD explores the environmental and economic impacts of these bans in the U.S. and in India and other countries that are following our lead. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 49 Minutes.



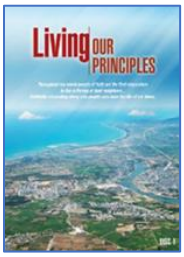
FOOTPRINT: POPULATION, CONSUMPTION, AND SUSTAINABILITY (106091) This DVD takes a dizzying spin around the globe, witnessing population explosions, overconsumption, limited resources, and expert testimony as to what a world straining at its limits can sustain. We spend time with indigenous health workers, activists, and the ordinary people in the Philippines, Mexico, Pakistan and Kenya, women who all challenge the idea that our world can continue to support the weight of humanity's footprint on it. *Copyright limit:* Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: Adult. 82 Minutes.



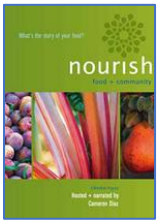
IDLE THREAT (109046) Idling engines consume more than 6 billion gallons of gasoline annually in the U.S., a significant but little-known contributor to local air pollution, respiratory disease and global climate change. This DVD documentary is a lively look at George Pakenham's spirited struggle to improve public health by raising awareness about idling's impact, starting in New York City. Against all odds, he succeeds, helping improve local air quality, and in the process gains world-wide recognition for the anti-idling cause, with articles featured in the Wall Street Journal, New Yorker magazine, and the Financial Times. Featuring Click and Clack from NPR's Car Talk, and Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Idle Threat profiles one man's challenging quest to make his city and the world a healthier place, and shows that sometimes one person – and a simple act like turning a key – can make a big difference. DVD includes a 37-minute educational version and a 64-minute full-length version. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 37 Minutes.



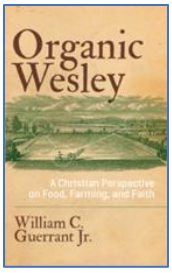
LIGHT BULB CONSPIRACY: THE UNTOLD STORY OF PLANNED OBSOLESCENCE (112104) This DVD documentary uncovers how planned obsolescence has shaped our lives, economy, and environment since the 1920's, when manufacturers deliberately started shortening the life of consumer products to increase demand. The film also profiles a new generation of consumers, designers and business people who have started challenging planned obsolescence as an unsustainable economic driver. Two segments: a 52-minute version that is CLOSED CAPTIONED and a 74-minute version without captioning. Nine short bonus segments are also included. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 52 Minutes.



LIVING OUR PRINCIPLES: UNITED METHODIST SOCIAL PRINCIPLES (112120) Featuring the stories of persons in the United States and around the world, this DVD series explores the question: 'Who is our neighbor?" As people of faith, we live in a world not yet fully realized as the realm of God. We believe that by grace God's kingdom is within our reach as we put our faith into action, transforming both the personal body and the body politic, the mind, and the soul into the image and reflection of Christ. Session 1) **The Natural World - in the face of nature's turbulent change communities put their principles into action (43 min.)**; 2) Nurturing Community - individuals and communities nurture and support those who have suffered, offering restoration and healing (38 min.); 3) Together in Community - forming partnerships to meet the needs of others (44 min.); 4) Economic Community - communities and persons work to create a more just and stable society (48 min.); 5) Politics, Power and the World - persons who take public office because of their faith (50 min.). 6) A selection of stories from previous episodes (55 min.). Includes guide. Age: High school - Adult



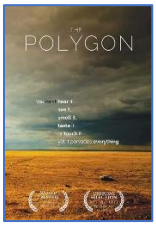
NOURISH: FOOD + COMMUNITY (114047) This DVD documentary vividly illustrates how what we choose to eat - individually and as a society - has an effect around the world, and how making more wholesome choices can improve the health of the environment, our communities and ourselves. With beautiful visuals and inspiring stories, it traces our relationship to food from a global perspective and suggests the steps individuals can take to create a more sustainable food system and live more healthful lives. In addition to the main feature, the DVD also includes 11 bonus segments (24 minutes total). CLOSED CAPTIONED (captions available in English and Spanish) *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 25 Minutes.



ORGANIC WESLEY: A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE ON FOOD, FARMING, AND FAITH (115027) Author: Guerrant, Wiilliam. In this ten-session DVD study, William Guerrant examines the intersection of the teachings of John Wesley with the ethics of the contemporary food movement. Wesley's teachings can provide us with guidance as we seek to make food choices that are consistent with our Christian values -- the choices that are best for our bodies, our fellow creatures, our communities, and the environment. Sessions: 1) The rise of industrial agriculture and the emergence of the food movement (12 min.); 2) John Wesley (7 min.); 3) Nutritious food (11 min.); 4) Eating in moderation (16 min.); 5) Farm animals (18 min.); 6) Organics, processed food, and chemical-based farming (20 min.); 7) Globalization and local economies (13 min.); 8) Wesley in conflict with the food movement (13 min.); 9) Recovering a Wesleyan food ethic (11 min.); 10) Living the ethic (20 min.). Includes book with discussion questions. Age: High school - Adult. 141 Minutes.



PLANT THIS MOVIE: THE INTERNATIONAL URBAN AGRICULTURE DOCUMENTARY (116090) This documentary DVD explores the evolution and growing impact of the international urban agriculture movement -- from cities across the United States to diverse countries around the world. CLOSED CAPTIONED. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 81 Minutes.



POLYGON (116088) This documentary DVD shares the stories of persons impacted by nuclear testing in Kazakhstan from 1949 - 1991. CLOSED CAPTIONED. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 52 Minutes.



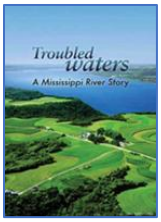
SCARRED LANDS AND WOUNDED LIVES: THE ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT OF WAR (119113) Author: Day, Alice and Lincoln. This DVD explores the environmental effects of war. In all its stages -- the production of weapons through combat to cleanup and restoration -- war pollutes land, air, and water, destroys biodiversity, and drains natural resources. The DVD also contains a supplemental guide with additional information. Bonus segments: Ecosystems, War, and Climate Change (4 min.); Environmental Pathways to Peace-Building (4 min.); Forging a New Ethic (5 min.); The Top Priority (4 min.); Interview with the filmmakers (6 min.). *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 67 Minutes.



START BECOMING A GOOD SAMARITAN (119056) This six-session DVD study is designed to take you out of your comfort zone and help you live out Christ's love in world-changing ways, right now, right where you live. Session titles: 1) Becoming a Good Samaritan; 2) Caring for the Sick; 3) Seeking Justice and Reconciliation; 4) Honoring the Poor; 5) **Tending to God's Creation**; 6) Loving the Forsaken. Contributors include John Ortberg, Eugene Peterson, Philip Yancey, Desmond Tutu, Joni Eareckson Tada, Rob Bell, Shane Claiborne, and more. DVD segments approx. 30 minutes long. Includes leader's guide and sample participant's guide. CLOSED CAPTIONED. Age: Adult. 180 Minutes.



SURVIVING THE TSUNAMI: MY ATOMIC AUNT (119151) Author: Miyake, Kyoko. Film director Kyoko Miyake remembered Namie, a fishing village ravaged by the 2011 Fukushima nuclear catastrophe, as her childhood paradise. Revisiting her family's hometown after 10 years abroad, Miayke's multilayered documentary DVD examines the disaster's profound personal, social and environmental impact. While Namie's younger generations have permanently relocated elsewhere, Miyake's Aunt Kuniko, like other older residents, has clung to dreams of eventually returning to her home. Over the course of a year, Miyake follows this warm, indomitable businesswoman as she recalls happy family memories and strives to adapt to life outside the contamination zone. Subtitles are provided during times of foreign dialogue. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: Adult. 52 Minutes.



TROUBLED WATERS: A MISSISSIPPI RIVER STORY (120060) This DVD documentary traces the development of America's bountiful harvest and examines its effect on the legendary river, as well as the "dead zone" created in the Gulf of Mexico. Knitting together federal energy, farm and environmental policies, the film makes a compelling case for revamping US agricultural policy and practices. It also helps viewers to grasp a profound truth – that a single drop of water in the upper Midwest has an impact far downstream. Through beautiful photography and narrative, it emphasizes solutions, providing a hopeful blueprint for progress and positive change. The film tells the stories of farmers, scientists and citizens who are pursuing more sustainable land-use practices that meet the goals of an ambitious, food-producing nation, while ensuring the long-term health of its most precious natural resources. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 57 Minutes.



WITH MY OWN TWO WHEELS (123082) This DVD documentary links together the stories of five individuals around the globe in a film about the power of the bicycle to improve lives. For Fred, a health worker in Zambia, the bicycle is a means of reaching twice as many patients in a week. For Bharati, a teenage girl in India, it provides access to education she otherwise wouldn't have. For Mirriam, a disabled Ghanaian woman, working on bicycles is an escape from the stigma attached to her disability. For Carlos, a farmer in Guatemala, pedal power is a way to help neighbors reduce their impact on the environment. For Sharkey, a young Latino man in California, the bicycle is an escape from the gangs that consume so many of his peers. The film can be used to better understand their life circumstances, the power of an "appropriate" human-scale technology in an increasingly hi-tech world, and to inspire discussion on how we can each contribute to improving the lives of people around the world, even in simple ways. *Copyright limit*: Your church can only show this DVD in a group of its own members (cannot advertise to the general public) Age: High school - Adult. 43 Minutes.