How can you get involved?

Our vision is to enlist at least 100 leaders and 35 congregational teams in the Pacific Northwest in EcoFaith Recovery's "Practices for Awakening Leadership." You can join us today in the following ways:

- Get acquainted with EcoFaith Recovery by signing up at our website to try one or more EcoFaith Initiatives. www.ecofaithrecovery.org
- 2. Become a Member, Journeyer, or Friend of EcoFaith Recovery. Learn more at www.ecofaithrecovery.org.
- Enlist any existing or new team from your congregation pledging to practice EcoFaith's "Practices for Awakening Leadership," and be listed on our website.
- 4. Become a liaison between EcoFaith Recovery and your faith community .
- Join our Contributing, Sustaining, or Regeneration Circle to help us raise \$70,000 in 2014 to fund the part-time staff, communications & infrastructure urgently needed to support our volunteer leaders as they grow this movement.
- Use this brochure to invite others to learn about EcoFaith Recovery, participate in EcoFaith Recovery Initiatives, and consider joining us as Members, Journeyers or Friends!

About Our Logo

We envision ourselves as a tree of life, rooted and growing at the confluence of Ecology, Faith and Recovery – three deep and wise tributaries, merging to form a powerful, rushing river of life-giving water.

<u>Eco</u> is the environmental and eco-justice movements that have expanded our awareness of climate change and other causes of ecological devastation.

<u>Faith</u> is the rich biblical, theological and spiritual resources of the Christian faith traditions.

<u>Recovery</u> is the sharing of our stories in community, the discovery of our collective power, and the turn to a higher spiritual power, who many of us call God, in order to effectively face this crisis with creativity and imagination.

GET IN TOUCH WITH SOME OF OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEER LEADERS BY CONTACTING US AT:

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For the Recovery of Human Life and the Healing of God's Creation

IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Eco Faith

Who We Are Together

On either side of the river is the tree of life...

and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. (Rev. 22:2)

www.ecofaithrecovery.org

Who are we?

We are a broad network of volunteer leaders and faith-based communities in the Pacific Northwest who are:

- *recovering* our true vocation as people of faith and citizens of earth;
- *restoring* our sanity in the midst of an addictive culture and economy;
- reconciling a right-relationship with all of creation, including all human communities;
- rediscovering courage to rise up with the most vulnerable and oppressed in the face of human systems that escalate injustice and climate change;
- reclaiming our prophetic imagination for the flourishing of an earth-honoring and life-honoring faith, economy, and culture.

Why do we exist?

To identify existing and emerging leaders, develop our leadership potential through EcoFaith's "Practices for Awakening Leadership," and lift one another up to support our faith communities in taking courageous public action for the recovery of human life and the healing of God's creation.

What are our goals?

We enlist leaders, teams and faith communities ready to engage in our "Practices for Awakening Leadership" in order to:

- Create and network small groups and learning communities who dare to name and understand how and why industrialized civilization has become unsustainable. Together we then rediscover more resilient and regenerative ways of life.
- 2. Mentor and nurture one another, especially young adults, so we can grow together as leaders who provide powerful spiritual, economic and community leadership for decades to come.
- 3. Enlist our congregations in building and rebuilding powerful institutions and networks that not only understand the causes of this crisis, but that can also employ the vast resources of Christianity, creation, and community toward the work of healing.
- 4. Awaken and engage the vast imagination, leadership, relationships, and financial resources of our Eco Faith Recovery Network to make all of this possible.

What are the "Practices for Awakening Leadership?"

A spiritually grounded approach to recovering our God-given vocations so we can grow as leaders, maintain balance, prevent burnout, and become more effective over time. You can find them at www.ecofaithrecovery.org/

What do we do together?

Together we:

- Deepen our engagement with EcoFaith's "Practices for Awakening Leadership" by participating in various EcoFaith Initiatives described on our website;
- Enlist teams of leaders from our faith communities to intentionally develop our leadership potential so we can support our congregations in taking public action for the healing of creation and its human communities;
- List those congregations, groups and teams on our website that have pledged to practice the "Practices for Awakening Leadership;"
- Co-sponsor and publicize those groups, worship services, and events which advance Eco-Faith's "Practices for Awakening Leadership" that are sponsored member congregations;
- Offer five stipended, mentor internships per year to help young adult leaders develop;
- Share stories of what it means to engage in "ecofaith recovery" at Leadership Retreats and on our website;
- Connect leaders and congregational teams with one another in online forums so they can build community, deepen their recovery as leaders, inspire one another to courageous public action for the healing of creation, and develop new ministries together.