



BLESSED EARTH

Serving God, Saving the Planet

Christmas 2010



Greetings brothers and sisters.

May the joy and peace of Christ find you well and with loved ones in this season of hope.

This is the time of year when we at Blessed Earth look back on the past year and celebrate the doors that God has opened and look forward to our work in the year ahead. This is also the time that we make **our one and only yearly request for your financial support.**

I will personally remember 2010 as a year of "firsts," both in the Sleeth family and in our work:

- January Our first Blessed Earth Board retreat
- February Completion of the first film series, *Hope for Creation* and *Hope for Humanity*
- March Completion of our first 12-week curricula (the 120-page *Hope for Creation* and *Hope for Humanity* Guidebooks)
- April Our first international simulcast (reaching 2,200 groups in 45 countries and all 50 states)
- May The graduation of our daughter and our daughter-in-law from Asbury University
- June Our son's marriage to Valerie
- July Our first steps toward a Center for Creation Care Studies with Asbury Seminary
- August The beginning of clinical medical training for our son (and the first of many father-son medical consults)
- September Nancy's and my first month together in 22 years, as empty nesters
- November Our first invitation to speak at the National Cathedral (more details next spring)
- December Blessed Earth's first 1,000 speaking engagements, in our first four years of ministry

None of this would be possible without you praying for us, volunteering your time and talents, and supporting the Blessed Earth ministry through your generous donations. For this, and for all of God's gifts, we are grateful.

Your brother in Christ,

Matthew Sleeth, MD
Executive Director, Blessed Earth

P.S.—Please indicate on your donation form if you would like us to send you a **complimentary set of the Blessed Earth film curricula.** We encourage you to donate a set to your pastor, church library, Christian education leader, local Christian school or college. Gift the films to a friend or relative...or to honor a person or occasion.



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CHURCH SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Partnering with churches is a top priority for Blessed Earth. Below is a partial listing of churches with whom Blessed Earth has partnered.



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| Beargrass Christian Church
Louisville, KY | Dayton Presbyterian Church
Dayton, OH | Church Street United Methodist
Knoxville, TN |
| UMC Workshop
Ashland, VA | Second Presbyterian Church
Lexington, KY | All Souls Church
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St. Louis, MO | The Brandermill Church
Midlothian, VA | Smallwood Baptist Church
Knoxville, TN |
| Lexington Unitarian Universalist Church
Lexington, KY | Santa Barbara Community Church
Santa Barbara, CA | Great Commission Fellowship
Wilmore, KY |
| Central Christian Church
Marshalltown, IA | Ocean Hills Church
Santa Barbara, CA | Community Missionary Church
Wilmore, KY |
| First Presbyterian Church
Richmond, KY | Mount Olivet United Methodist Church
Arlington, VA | Grace Fellowship Church
Timonium, MD |
| Communality
Lexington, KY | The Falls Church
Falls Church, VA | Westminster Presbyterian Church
Dayton, OH |
| Christ Fellowship Church
Evansville, IN | Epic-Remix Church
Pompano Beach, FL | Chinese Bible Church
Boston, MA |
| Christ Church Cathedral
Lexington, KY | All Saints Church
Winter Park, FL | First Presbyterian Church
Evanston, IL |
| Trinity United Methodist Church
Birmingham, AL | Christ Episcopal Church
Warren, OH | College Hill Presbyterian Church
Cincinnati, OH |
| Disciples of Christ General Assembly
Indianapolis, IN | Alliance Church of the Nazarene
Alliance, OH | Jackson United Methodist Church
Jackson, TN |
| Brookside Wesleyan Church
Wellsville, NY | Glendale Baptist Church
Nashville, TN | Forest Heights Church
Jackson, TN |
| Madison St. United Methodist Church
Clarksville, TN | First United Methodist Church
Wilmore, KY | Tennessee United Methodist Church
Memphis, TN |
| KY Creation Care Conference
Louisville, KY | The United Methodist Church
Cincinnati, OH | Adat Shalom Synagogue
Bethesda, MD |
| Christ the King Catholic Church
Athens, OH | Los Gatos United Methodist Church
Los Gatos, CA | River Road UU Church
Bethesda, MD |
| Baker United Methodist Church
East Aurora, NY | First Presbyterian Church of Monterey
Monterey, CA | First Congregational Church
Evanston, IL |
| Christ United Methodist Church
Olean, NY | First Congregational Church of Sonoma
Sonoma, CA | First Presbyterian Church of Glen Ellyn
Glen Ellyn, IL |
| Southland Christian Church
Lexington, KY | Westminster Presbyterian Church
Sacramento, CA | Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
Bethesda, MD |
| Hunter Presbyterian Church
Lexington, KY | St. Augustine's by the Sea
Santa Monica, CA | Gunnison Community Church
Gunnison, CO |
| Centenary United Methodist Church
Lexington, KY | Saint Luke's Episcopal Church
Long Beach, CA | Rock Spring UCC
Arlington, VA |
| Trace Williams Baptist Church
Sugar Land, TX | Fairview Community Church
Costa Mesa, CA | Saint Barnabus Episcopal Church
Annadale, VA |
| Chapelwood United Methodist Church
Houston, TX | Culver Palms United Methodist Church
Culver City, CA | Common Ground Luth Ch of St. Andrew
Wheaton, MD |
| Disciples of Christ Regional Conference
Fall Creek Falls, TN | Central Baptist Bearden
Knoxville, TN | St. Mark's Church, Capitol Hill
Washington, DC |

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

PSALM 24:1

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| St. Michael's Episcopal Church
Arlington, VA | Cypress Creek Church
Spring, TX | University Christian Church
Fort Worth, TX |
| National Council of Churches
Washington, DC | St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Houston, TX | Arapaho United Methodist Church
Richardson, TX |
| Damascus United Methodist Church
Damascus, MD | Deer Park United Methodist Church
Deer Park, TX | Midway Hills Christian Church
Dallas, TX |
| First United Methodist Church
Burlington, VT | Christ Church Cathedral
Houston, TX | Union Baptist Church
Waterford, CT |
| Ohavi Zedek Synagogue
Burlington, VT | Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church
Houston, TX | |
| St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Beaumont, TX | University Presbyterian Church
Austin, TX | |

CAMPUS SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS



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| Western Washington University
Bellingham, WA | Kentucky Wesleyan College
Owensboro, KY | Union College
Barbourville, KY |
| Western Kentucky University
Bowling Green, KY | Pacific Union College
Angwin, CA | Dordt College
Sioux Center, IA |
| Georgetown College
Georgetown, KY | Westmont College
Santa Barbara, CA | Asbury College
Wilmore, KY |
| University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY | University of California
Santa Barbara, CA | Harvard Medical/NAE - Capitol Hill
Washington, DC |
| Lee University
Jackson, TN | Trevecca Nazarene University
Nashville, TN | Capital University
Columbus, OH |
| Campbellsville University
Campbellsville, KY | John Brown University
St. Siloam Springs, AR | Wesley Seminary
Washington, DC |
| Hendrix College
Little Rock, AR | Yale University
New Haven, CT | University of Massachusetts
Dartmouth, MA |
| Southern Nazarene University
Bethany, OK | Palm Beach Atlantic University
West Palm Beach, FL | Gordon College
Wenham, MA |
| Ohio University
Athens, OH | West Virginia University
Morgantown, WV | University of Maryland
College Park, MD |
| Northwestern College
Orange City, IA | St. Paul Christian Academy
Nashville, TN | Good Shepherd School
St. Johnsbury, VT |
| Gardner-Webb University
Boiling Springs, NC | Belmont University
Nashville, TN | St. Johnsbury Academy
St. Johnsbury, VT |
| Quincy College
Quincy, MA | Vanderbilt University
Nashville, TN | Middlebury College
Middlebury, VT |
| Northwest University
Kirkland, WA | Houghton College
Houghton, NY | St. Joseph's College
Rutland, VT |
| Richland College
Dallas, TX | Plumstead Christian School
Doylestown, PA | Gailer School
Middlebury, VT |
| Abilene Christian College
Abilene, TX | Grove City College
Grove City, PA | Rice Memorial High School
Burlington, VT |
| Catawba College
Salisbury, NC | Drew University Theological School
Madison, NJ | Wheaton College
Wheaton, IL |
| | Andover Newton Theological School
Eliot, MA | Judson College
Elgin, IL |
| | Asbury Theological Seminary
Wilmore, KY | Texas Southern University
Houston, TX |
| | Trinity Western University
Langley, British Columbia, Canada | Baylor University
Austin, TX |
| | Lynden Christian School
Lynden, WA | University of North Texas
Denton, TX |

Southern Methodist University
Dallas, TX

Biola University
La Mirada, CA

Sierra Student Coalition
Meriden, NH

OTHER SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Festival of Faiths
Louisville, KY

Christian Educators Conference
Louisville, KY

Pisgah Academy
Versailles, KY

Lansing Lee Conference
Hendersonville, NC

A Christian Ministry in the Nat. Parks
Grand Canyon, AZ

DoGood Conference
Atlanta, GA

Q Gathering
Chicago, IL

Blessed Earth International Simulcast
Worldwide

Redbud Festival
Barbourville, KY

Lexmark International
Lexington, KY

Kingdom Bound Festival
Darrien Lake, NY

Flourish Conference
Duluth, GA

Spring Leadership Conference
Linden, TN

Living Lightly Festival
Muncy, IN

SC UMC Environmental Conf.
Fayetteville, AR

City of Sumter Earth Day Celebration
Sumter, SC

U.S. Senate Value Actions Team
Washington, DC

Northland Creation Care Conference
Longwood, FL

Jubilee Conference
Pittsburgh, PA

Church Solutions & Expo
Phoenix, AZ

Cherokee Health Systems Conference
Knoxville, TN

Conservation International
Crystal City, VA

Star Lake Env. Studies Facility
Star Lake, NY

Mayor's Sustainability Task Force
Knoxville, TN

Community Creation Care Retreat
Marriottsville, MD

RCLI Leadership Encounter
Richmond, VA

Kentucky Sierra Club Annual Conf.
Louisville, KY

Greenbuild Conference
Chicago, IL

Sierra Club Summit
Tucson, AZ

Trust for the Future
Nashville, TN

Kentucky Solar Coalition
Berea, KY

Sierra Club Midwest Conference
Evanston, IL

CELC Creation Care Forum
Bethesda, MD

Sierra Club
San Francisco, CA

Peace & Music Festival
Spring, TX

Solar Fest
Tinmouth, VT

The Great Warming premiere
Burlington, VT

Ichthus Music Festival
Wilmore, KY

Catalyst Conference
Duluth, GA

Compassion Coalition
Knoxville, TN

American Academy of Env. Medicine
Rockville, MD

World Vision Headquarters
Washington, DC

MEDIA COVERAGE



Franciscan Associates
The 700 Club
Christianity Today
Relevant Magazine
Indianapolis Star
EEN Podcast
Publishers Weekly
Louisville Courier-Journal
United Methodist News Service
Christian Science Monitor
Grand Rapids Press
ReadtheSpirit.com
Abilene Reporter-News
EverydayChristian.com
San Francisco Chronicle
Tampa Tribune
Grist.org
Fort Worth Weekly
Baylor University's The Lariat
The Charlotte World
Birmingham Weekly
BreakPoint with Chuck Colson
Catalyst Space
Lexington Herald-Leader

The Lexington Examiner
Times Daily
WorldNetDaily.com
The Other Journal
Women's International Perspective
The Jessamine Journal
The Winchester Sun
Guideposts
Christian Retailing
Covenant Companion
St. Anthony Messenger
Today's Christian Woman
Religion News Service
Dallas Fort Worth Star-Telegram
TheGoodSteward.com
Creation Care Magazine
TruthOut
Washington Times
Waco Tribune
Beaumont Enterprise
Harlan Daily Enterprise
Austin Chronicle
Fort Worth Weekly
Seven Days

Alternet.com
Associated Baptist Press
Los Angeles City Beat
Bradenton Herald
The Huffington Post
Fort Wayne News-Sentinel
Connellsville Daily Courier
The Tennessean
Good News magazine
Alan Colmes Radio Show
The Tavis Smiley Show
WKYT Television (Lexington, KY)
WLEX Television (Lexington, KY)
Audubon Magazine
Praxis Podcast
America Magazine
Along the Way Radio Show
Berea College Podcast Network
The George Washington University Hatchet
The Honolulu Advertiser
DevoZine
Living with Teenagers magazine
Ignite Your Faith magazine