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WIPL Interfaith Statement on Climate Change: Please read and sign!

WIPL has drafted an [Interfaith Statement on Climate Change](#). We invite you to join us in signing it by completing [this online form](#).



[Sustainable Travel to Worship](#)

Travel sustainably. Sustainable travel, a moral issue that is good for our health, economy and the environment. We encourage congregations in Wisconsin to join us. This activity involves a special, optional state-wide friendly competition between congregations to record the highest proportion of all trips to worship that use a car-limited transit mode during any day of worship. [Learn more](#).

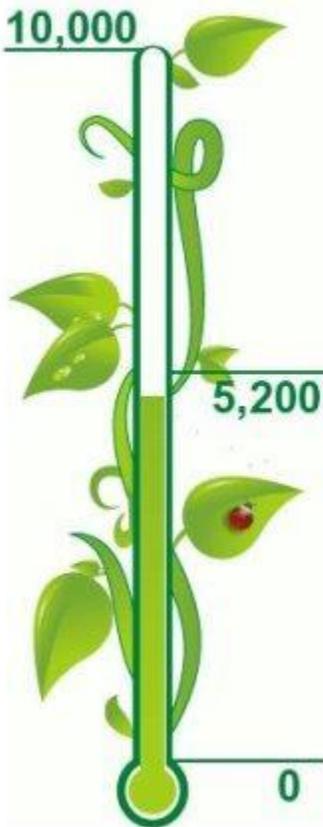


WIPL [Cool Congregations](#) Trainings and Workshops

A WIPL **Cool Congregations Training Day** is planned for late September at the HOPES Center, Racine. Visit our [Cool Congregations](#) webpage for more information, and watch for updates.

On Sunday 10/21/12, WIPL, a sponsor of the [Ground for Hope-Wisconsin](#) conference, will present a Cool Congregations workshop at the Islamic Society of Milwaukee.

Support the EPA's Proposed Carbon Standards



Fossil-fuel burning power plants currently emit more than two billion tons of carbon pollution and other toxic pollutants into the air each year. This pollution fuels global warming and increases the number of unhealthy air days, resulting in more respiratory ailments, heart attacks, heat-related deaths, and other harmful health effects.

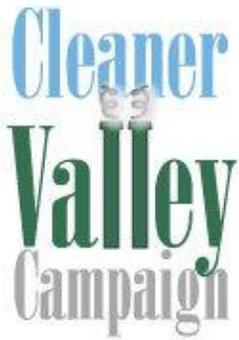
Power plants are the largest source of global warming pollution in the country, and there are currently no limits on the amount of greenhouse gases they can emit.

The EPA has proposed [historic new safeguards](#) to limit carbon pollution from fossil fuel burning power plants. Your voice is needed now to support the proposed protections and to counter big polluters who are spending millions to get Congress to block the EPA's action.

[Click here to send a letter to support the EPA's proposed carbon safeguards.](#)

Once submitted, IPL will send your email immediately to EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson for inclusion in the public comment "docket" connected to the proposed carbon standards.

So far, IPL has collected 5,200 comments of their 10,000 comment goal from the Interfaith Power & Light community. [Help us meet our goal](#) of 10,000 comments by **June 25**.



Cleaner Valley Coalition Press Conference

This Wednesday, the [Cleaner Valley Coalition](#) is hosting a press conference, on the first day of summer, to highlight Milwaukee's alarmingly poor air quality this year so far. As families head outside for the summer to enjoy everything Milwaukee has to offer, they should not have to worry that the air they breathe will make them sick. It's time to hold We Energies accountable for their lack of action on the plant. This is just the beginning of an active summer to ensure We Energies has no other choice but to finally do the right thing this year.

We can win this year, but we need supporters there, holding signs, helping spread the message!

Wednesday, June 20, 2012, 10am [RSVP HERE](#)

Location: Along the Hank Aaron Trail on Emmer Street in the Valley, just south of Menomonee River (Click [HERE](#) for map)

[Lake Monona Water Walk July 6-8, 2012](#)

Join in a walk around Lake Monona to raise awareness, appreciation, and gratitude for the waters of our community and our world.

A highlight of the Year of Water in Monona, WI, the [Lake Monona Water Walk](#) 2012 will be led by First Nations Ojibwe Grandmother Josephine Mandamin and William Waterway Marks. The Lake Monona Water Walk will include a welcoming event with live music, a festival in Winnequah Park that includes a Winnequah Park Water Walk for young families, a "Flick 'n' Float" screening of Waterlife at the Monona pool, a Bike-A-Thon, and a community potluck, all building enthusiasm for the Lake Monona Water Walk itself. Wisconsin IPL will also have a display table at the event.

SPECIAL NOTE: All congregations/clergy are invited to attend the Sunrise Ceremony and All Traditions Water Blessing on Sunday July 8 beginning at 6:30am (6:30am - 9:00am) at Frostwoods Park, located at the corner of Winnequah Road & Frostwoods.

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