

## **Resources Suggested by Our Panelists**

### **From Nancy Goede**

The Lutheran School of Theology's Green Zone, a student group dedicated to environmental issues, has an occasional indoor winter farmer's market, and a monthly First Friday movie series around the theme for the year. This year's theme is food justice and sustainability. It's best to look for them on Facebook.

LSTC also has the Zygon Center for Religion and Science. They publish a monthly newsletter, and host seminars and lectures that are open to anyone. <http://www.lstc.edu/events/opportunities.php>

### **From Rob and Shiva Dosenbach**

Bahá'í paper on Climate Change : <http://www.bic.org/statements/seizing-opportunity-redefining-challenge-climate-change>

A spiritual dimension : <http://www.bic.org/statements/sustainable-development-spiritual-dimension>

For international Environment Forum : <http://www.iefworld.org/activities.htm>

Bahá'í public website : <http://www.bahai.us>

Environment and sustainable development : <http://www.bahai.us/social-action/sustainable-development>

Bahá'í international community , statements and reports: <http://www.bic.org/statements-and-reports/statements>

### **Sacred Writing on the subject:**

“This is the day to make mention of God, to celebrate His praise, and to serve Him; deprive not yourselves thereof. Ye are the letters of the words, and the words of the Book. Ye are the saplings which the hand of Loving-kindness hath planted in the soil of mercy, and which the showers of bounty have made to flourish. He hath protected you from the mighty winds of misbelief, and the tempestuous gales of impiety, and nurtured you with the hands of His loving providence. Now is the time for you to put forth your 26 leaves, and yield your fruit. The fruits of the tree of man have ever been and are goodly deeds and a praiseworthy character. Withhold not these fruits from the heedless. If they be accepted, your end is attained, and the purpose of life achieved. If not, leave them in their pastime of vain disputes. Strive, O people of God, that haply the hearts of the divers kindreds of the earth may, through the waters of your forbearance and loving-kindness, be cleansed and sanctified from animosity and hatred, and be made worthy and befitting recipients of the splendors of the Sun of Truth.” (Bahá'u'lláh, Epistle to the Son of the Wolf, p. 25)

“Say: Nature in its essence is the embodiment of My Name, the Maker, the Creator. Its manifestations are diversified by varying causes, and in this diversity there are signs for men of discernment. Nature is God's Will and is its expression in and through the contingent world. It is a dispensation of Providence ordained by the Ordainer, the All-Wise... This is an existence which knoweth no decay, and Nature itself is lost in bewilderment before its revelations, its compelling evidences and its effulgent glory which have encompassed the universe.” (Bahá'u'lláh , Tablets of Bahá'u'lláh Revealed After the Kitáb-i-Aqdas, p. 142)

### **Bahá'í Prayer:**

“Blessed is the spot, and the house, and the place, and the city, and the heart, and the mountain, and the refuge, and the cave, and the valley, and the land, and the sea, and the island, and the meadow where mention of God hath been made, and His praise glorified.” —Bahá’u’lláh