



Creation Care

Encouraging households
to care for God's world



We know the earth is the Lord's



We know he made it,
and it is good

God saw all that he
had made, and it was
very good.

Genesis 1:31

We know he made it, and it is good.

We know God's creation is in trouble

Antarctic instability 'is spreading'

By Jonathan Amos
BBC Science Correspondent, Milan

16 May 2019



Climate change: Global sea level rise could be bigger than expected

By Matt McGrath
Environment correspondent

20 May 2019



Nature crisis: Humans 'threaten 1m species with extinction'

By Matt McGrath
Environment correspondent, Paris

6 May 2019



Climate crisis: CO2 levels rise to highest point since evolution of humans

'We don't know a planet like this'



We know creation is in trouble because of the actions of humans

Our neighbours are suffering because of human destruction of God's creation

Climate change could 'force UK residents to abandon their towns'

'We can't win a war against water,' says head of Environment Agency

Jon Sharman | Thursday 9 May 2019 08:18 | 45 comments

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Plastics killing up to a million people a year, warns Sir David Attenborough

UK air pollution 'linked to 40,000 early deaths a year'

By Michelle Roberts
Health editor, BBC News online

'Our very survival is in doubt': Disasters and threats to life escalating due to human activity, UN warns

'Change is happening more quickly and surprisingly across multiple dimensions and scales than we ever thought possible'

We know we're commanded to love our neighbours as ourselves and we know our neighbours in the UK and around the world are suffering the effects of the damage we have done to the earth. We know, as Christians, we can't simply walk by on the other side. We must do something.

But we don't
always know
what to do



But we don't always know what to do, or where to start – it can be overwhelming

The Creation Care scheme



The Creation Care scheme is designed to help households systematically look at seven areas of their life, to see where they're doing well, and give ideas for how they can better care for God's creation in each of these areas:

Worship and prayer

Home

Garden

Travel

Food

Possessions

Community and global engagement

It's designed to help households work out what their next steps are in caring for God's creation, whether they're completely new to this, or have been trying to live sustainably for years.

There are links to resources on the website, and you can sign up for monthly emails, focusing on a different area each month, giving hints and tips.

How it works

Worship and Prayer

1.1 How often do you spend time outdoors enjoying nature? *

- Select -

1.2 How often do you spend time in nature (eg. garden, park or further afield) praying or worshipping God? *

- Select -

1.3 How often do you pray about local or national environmental issues? *

- Select -

1.4 How often do you pray about international or global environmental issues? *

- Select -

1.5 How often do you pray for groups or organisations working on environmental problems?

- Select -

Is there anything else you want us to know, related to this area?

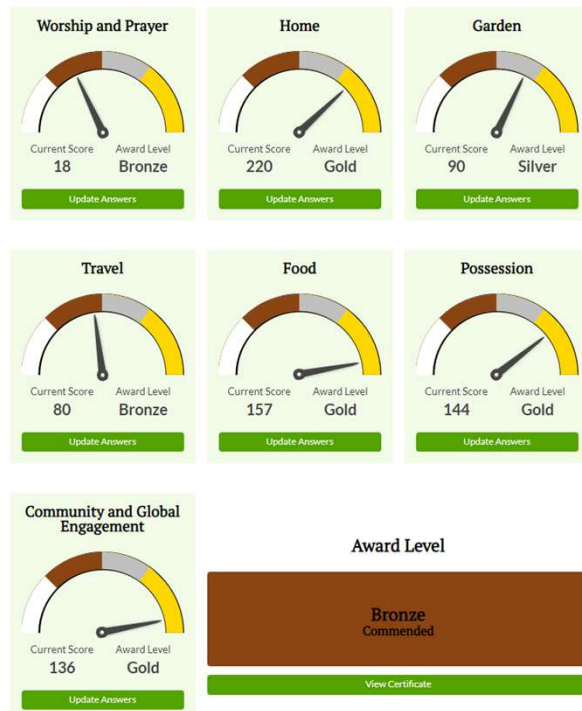
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Score	Award Level
0	None

The scheme is based around an easy-to-use online questionnaire, with questions for each of the seven areas. Fill it out

See how you're doing

- ▶ In each area
- ▶ And overall



And then see how you're doing in each area, and overall.

Create your 'to do' list

- ▶ Get ideas for changes you can make to better care for God's creation
- ▶ And keep track of your progress by creating your personal 'to do' list

To Do List

Worship and Prayer

How often do you spend time outdoors enjoying nature? [Go To Question](#)

How often do you pray for groups or organisations working on environmental problems? [Go To Question](#)

Home

The gas supplied to our home is generated from renewable sources and/or charged according to our supplier's 'green tariff' [Go To Question](#)

The lighting in our home uses energy efficient light bulbs as follows [Go To Question](#)

We try to save water by having short (less than 4 minutes) showers or sink washes rather than long showers or baths [Go To Question](#)

Our heating thermostat is set to [Go To Question](#)

Garden

Do you have any of these management features in your garden? [Go To Question](#)

Travel

We usually choose holiday destinations that we can travel to by [Go To Question](#)

Food

We avoid products with unethically sourced palm oil [Go To Question](#)

While you're working your way through the questions, you can get ideas for changes you can make to better care for God's creation, and create a personalised to do list of questions that you want to come back to.



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Celebrating success

The scheme is also designed to help us celebrate our successes, with Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards for households who reach at least bronze, silver or gold in all seven areas. And Commended and highly commended certificates for those doing well in at least five of the seven areas.



Taking part as a church

“Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds”

Hebrews 10:24

As members of the church, we're not alone. Hebrews tells us
“Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds”
Churches can be part of this through encouraging member households to take part, and celebrating successes together, for example through giving out awards during services. [ADD DETAILS ON WHEN YOU WILL GIVE OUT AWARDS, OR OTHER WAYS YOUR CHURCH WILL ENGAGE WITH THE SCHEME, IF APPLICABLE]
[REPLACE THE PICTURE WITH A PICTURE OF YOUR CHURCH ON THIS SLIDE]

Christ's pilgrim people



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The Anglican Baptism liturgy describes the Church as Christ's pilgrim people. Rather than be daunted at how far we have to go in caring for God's creation, we should instead get on with taking the next step, and then the next. If you feel overwhelmed by the scale of the challenge of responding to climate and ecological breakdown, use the Creation Care scheme to help you identify which areas you need to work on first. Then focus on taking the next step, then the one after, and so on, as together we press on towards the goal.

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Email Address *

Password *

Confirm Password *

Sign up today to work out what your next steps are in this journey of caring for God's wonderful creation.