



# Kentucky Interfaith Power & Light

Our mission is to protect God’s creation by mobilizing a religious response to climate change through conservation, efficiency and alternative energy.

We can help your religious community to reduce its carbon footprint. Your community can join with other religious communities by signing the covenant:

## The Covenant

We agree to partner with Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light in protecting God’s creation. We have already done or agree to do at least one of the following (please check one or more):

- Engage in an ongoing process of **education** with our members concerning environmental stewardship, energy production and usage in relation to global warming. (See back)
- Conduct an **energy audit** of our buildings to identify sources of energy waste and the potential financial savings of energy related improvements. (See back)
- Make **energy efficiency** improvements to our community’s buildings. (See back)
- Utilize **renewable energy** by purchasing green power, installing solar panels, or contributing to the Green Certificate fund. (See back)
- Analyze, reduce, and offset our greenhouse gas emissions with the goal of becoming a **non-polluting congregation**. (See back)
- Support **public policies** that contribute to our goals. (See back)
- Make an **annual financial contribution** to Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light. (See back)

Community Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Community Representative Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Kentucky Interfaith Power & Light (KIPL) pledges to work with your faith community to help you follow through on your covenant. We will provide you with the resources to: educate your members, conduct energy audits, become more efficient, install alternative energy, contribute to the Green Certificate fund, become a non-polluting congregation and support public policies that contribute to our goals.

Signature of KIPL representative \_\_\_\_\_

## **Education**

We can help you can educate your members concerning environmental stewardship, energy production and usage in relation to global warming. We can line up speakers or help you to host a parish mission. We can provide you with the resources to hold discussion groups. We have a lending library of films you can show to your members and we can provide materials for your religious leaders in preparing sermons.

## **Energy Audits**

We can provide you with a list of organizations that will conduct an energy audit of your buildings for you. They can identify sources of energy waste and will help you calculate the potential financial savings of energy related improvements. We can meet with your organization to help you plan your audit and improvements.

## **Energy Efficiency Improvements**

We can provide you with the names of organizations that can make energy efficiency improvements to our community's buildings. We will connect you to other congregations who have already made the changes to tell you how they did it.

## **Renewable Energy**

We can provide you with a list of ways to purchasing green power or the names of organizations in the area that can install solar panels or wind turbines. If you decide to, we have a Green Certificate fund that allows organizations to pool their money and install alternative energy at a local place of worship or school.

## **Non-polluting Congregation**

The ultimate in climate change action is attained when you analyze, reduce, and offset our greenhouse gas emissions with the goal of becoming a non-polluting congregation. We can tell you how to become one and assist you in implementing a plan.

## **Public Policies**

We will keep you informed when issues related to climate change come before government bodies so that you can rally grass roots support among your members. We do not hire lobbyists or lobby government officials directly. We are not affiliated with any political party and do not support any candidates running for office.

## **Financial Contribution**

Those religious organizations that have the means can make an annual financial contribution to Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light so that we can better protect God's creation. We hope that most covenant communities will want to contribute to us on an annual basis so that we can continue to mobilize other communities throughout the state.

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