

Faith Plans Newsletter | February 2023

After a long winter here in the northern hemisphere, when news of ecological disasters made the dark nights feel even longer, spring is beginning to appear at last. Fresh new buds are appearing on the trees and spring bulbs are pushing their shoots above the ground.

We too have been busy laying the groundwork for an exciting year ahead. The Faith Plans framework is now more accessible than ever, with a new multi-part email series packed with information about the Seven Key Areas. We're also finalising a Strategic Plan for the next three years, in time for the next newsletter.

We were delighted to receive an exciting new Faith Plan from the Armenia Inter-Church Round Table Foundation & Partners.

Our news feeds continue to be filled with stories of disaster, stories of courage and stories of conflict. While it would be easy to give up hope, we are heartened to hear stories from people of faith around the world who continue to do all that they can to protect people and planet, and to share them with you in this newsletter.

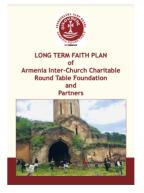
From the Faith Plans Team

Armenia Inter-Church Charitable Round Table (ART) Foundation and Partners launch new Faith Plan

This exciting new Faith Plan focuses on four of the Seven Key areas, namely:

- Faith-consistent use of assets
- Education and Young People
- Lifestyles
- Celebration

ART's mission is to contribute to poverty reduction, strengthen civil society, promote regional peace building and reconciliation, enable a fair and valuebased society through interventions in Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh.



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Distributing fruit trees in Uganda

Hajjat Sebyala Aphwa of Energizing Solutions presented mango seedlings at a Graça Machel Foundation workshop in Kampala, Uganda, in January. Over 300 fruit tree seedlings are being distributed to other workshop participants.



Latest insights from FaithInvest

FaithInvest has created a brand new section on its website, 'FCI Insights' which gives open access to a wealth of information about faith-consistent investing. It brings you the very latest in thought leadership about faith and finance.

FCI Insights will of be special interest to faith-based asset owners who are ready to explore the concept of faith-consistent investing in more detail, which falls under Key Area One in the Faith Plans framework.

Visit FCI Insights



NEW! – Faith Plans information series

Due to popular demand, we have a created a free, self-paced online information series for anyone who wishes to create a Faith Plan.

When you register, the series is delivered to your inbox each week for nine weeks, with links to online resources, exploring the Seven Key Areas of Faith Plans.

It also provides guidance on how to create your own Faith Plan, and suggestions for what to do next.

Register now

Share your Faith Plan

If you have already developed your Faith Plan, or have a draft Plan ready to go, please let us know. If you would like to showcase your Faith Plan on our website, alongside those developed by other faiths around the world, you can upload it here.

Upload your Faith Plan

Stay in touch on social media

We love to hear about your activities for people and planet.

Do <u>follow us on Twitter</u> for the latest updates, and share your own news with the **#FaithPlans** hashtag.

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Faith institutions own more than 5% of the world's natural forests Together we can restore, conserve and protect these valuable ecosystems for people and planet.
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Did you know?
The tropical domain has the largest proportion of the world's forests.
Tropical – 45%
Boreal – 27%
Temperate – 16%
Subtropical – 11%
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FaithPlans - For People and Planet

Faith Plans for People and Planet is a framework to help faith communities plan how to use their assets, investments and influence to drive positive action on the climate and environment.

Developed by FaithInvest and WWF's Beliefs and Values Programme, it is available to all faith groups via the <u>FaithPlans.org</u> website which has resources, guides and inspiring case studies.

Join the Movement of faith communities taking action to protect the planet!

The Faith Plans framework is a project of FaithInvest Twitter: @FaithPlans

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