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Dear -----,

Our nation and our world sit at a critical juncture: We must reduce our emissions swiftly to keep warming to the “manageable low end” of 3-4 degrees F, says NASA’s James Hansen. For 20 years, the United States has failed to enact policies that will put us on a path toward a secure energy economy, or to invest in the technologies we need to replace dirtier industries. This year, however, we have a chance to turn our environment, our economy, and our hopes around. Faith organizations across the country are leading the way, by reminding us all of our responsibility as stewards of Creation and by taking action.

On **February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009**, at the beginning of the critical First 100 Days of the new administration, you can help engage millions of Americans in demanding clean energy solutions to global warming. The National Teach-In on Global Warming Solutions will engage campuses, congregations, communities, and organizations in all 50 states. The Teach-In will highlight the findings of the [Presidential Climate Action Project \(PCAP\)](#), a climate policy plan written with positive solutions in mind. Participation in The National Teach-In can be as simple as screening a short film and discussing it, or as ambitious as a community-wide festival. Here are the basic steps to get involved!

1. **Sign Up:** [Plant a flag](#) on our engagement map for your congregation! See the amazing events happening around the country, and network with people in your area.
2. **Visit Our Website:** We have developed a [Faith Organizer's Page](#), which should have literally everything you need, step-by-step. If you are not on the web, please call Madeline at 503-768-8229 to talk about how to get started.
3. **Show the Webcast:** Screen the half-hour, downloadable webcast "The First 100 Days," featuring Hunter Lovins, David Orr, Ray Anderson and Billy Parish. A version of the webcast directed specifically at a faith-guided audience will be co-produced by [Interfaith Power and Light \(IPL\)](#). Watch the film, then hold a discussion or debate with members, a community faith leader, or a Congressperson, using discussion questions provided by IPL. This is easy and fun: All you need to show the webcast is a computer and a projector!
4. **Invite your US Representatives** to engage with your congregation about our planet’s future. Visit your US Senator or Congressperson when they return to districts during the February 18<sup>th</sup> holiday. If you are ambitious, [contact Grady](#), and ask him to connect your representative with your congregation via live video-dialogue on February 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>.

There are also opportunities, big and small, for you to stay informed and take action throughout the first 100 days of the administration with our [calendar of important events](#).

The National Teach-In has organizers in each state, whose job is to help you plan an event and answer any questions that you might have. We can also find your representatives for you, help you strategize, connect you with other organizations in your area, and provide you with the [materials you need to get started](#).

To get involved, please contact your state coordinator at <http://www.nationalteachin.org/contact.php>, or call Madeline Kovacs at 503-768-8229.

We look forward to speaking with you. Together, we can truly set our nation and the world on the course toward a more just and prosperous future.

Sincerely,

The Organizing Team at the National Teach-In

Engage your Congregation. Educate Congress. Put Climate Change Solutions at the top of Obama's Agenda.

**The National Teach-In on Global Warming Solutions**

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