Water: Continuum of Action

Awareness	Involvement	Leadership
Calculate your water footprint and compare with the average American. www.h2oconserve.org	Set a goal and begin water reduction in your home, work, or church. www.wateruseitwisely.com	Share water saving tips in your church bulletin, business, and community newsletters.
Educate yourself about water quality in your area and threats to human and environmental health.	Volunteer with organizations that promote water quality and protection of aquatic ecosystems.	Distribute educational materials at a church or community fair.
Read and study church teachings related to human rights, care of creation and water.	Facilitate a faith community study group. **Resource:** *Climate Change*: *Our Call to Conversion*: Four Session Process prayer, discussion, hope, and action. www.ipjc.org	Draft a corporate stand or social justice practice statement for your church.
Learn about the growing privatization of public water sources. www.ipjc.org/links/water.htm www.foodandwaterwatch.org	Organize a group viewing and discussion of *Flow: For Love of Water; Thirst; Water: Sacred* & *Profane; Running Dry; American Southwest: Are We Running Dry?*	Rally support in your community to use tap water over bottled water and support public water systems. www.thinkoutsidethebottle.org
Read *Blue Covenant: The Global Water Crisis and the Coming Battle for the Right to Water*, by Maude Barlow.	Start a book group discussion on what responsibilities corporations like Nestlé and Coca Cola have in ensuring public access to local water?	Organize public education/grass-roots organizing on the intersection between private corporations and public water systems.
Understand the central connection women have with water as primary caregivers and household managers. www.un.org IPJC *A Matter Of Spirit*, Water Sustainability 2016 — www.ipjc.org/journal	Lead a study group on the sustainable development goals, https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org.	Publicize the recommendations for gender equality regarding water management and decision making with a news article or public service announcement.
Learn more about water conflict. www.worldwater.org pulitzercenter.org/downstream	Organize a viewing of *River of War, River of Life: The Fate of the Nile*. www.unwater.org/worldwaterday	Use the 2016 UN World Water Day materials to increase the commitment to cooperation, not conflict.
Make a personal commitment to support organizations that promote water sanitation education, training, and access to clean water for the impoverished. www.water.org, www.water1st.org, www.1h20.org	Hold a water forum. Invite speakers from water advocacy organizations. Collect signatures for the 31st article in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on water. www.article31.org	Work with organizations that empower local communities in water resource management.
Research current water laws and regulations. www.citizen.org www.epa.gov	Contact your state and federal legislators to address your concerns on water issues.	Advocate for water legislation that protects and sustains human and environmental health. www.worldwatercouncil.org

Books, DVDs and other resources are available from IPJC.

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