



North Carolina Interfaith Power & Light

a program of the North Carolina Council of Churches

Greetings from **North Carolina Interfaith Power and Light (NCIPL)**! We work with communities of faith across North Carolina to address climate change and to find practical, hope-filled solutions through education, outreach and advocacy. We provide concrete, practical ideas for making your congregation and your home more energy efficient and sustainable.

NCIPL's [emPOWERed program](#) is a free service to congregations across the state interested in reducing their energy use, saving money and even transitioning to using solar power. Through our [Energy Savings Analysis](#), our team takes a look at your energy consumption, identifying ways to reduce energy use and save money. In person, we offer an educational presentation and then a walk-through of the facilities. Recommended solutions may include such simple tactics as programmable thermostats for only when spaces are in use, directing vents towards the center of rooms rather than windows, installing weather stripping and even having the utility company reclassify the congregation so that it is billed appropriately. Through emPOWERed, we have engaged dozens of congregations across the state, encouraging creation care and helping them save thousands of dollars in energy costs. You can read more about NCIPL's programs and congregations' success stories [at our website](#).



For congregations wanting to go the extra mile, NCIPL can also support them in planning for and assisting in acquiring solar panels. While the planning and installation of solar panels can be complicated and costly, NCIPL has the expertise and connections to help you get there. There are many creative financing strategies which make the investment feasible for communities of faith. You can read more about this program [by clicking here](#) or [contacting us](#) with any questions.

We invite you to watch Rev. Joe Hoffman, Gary Silverstein, Rev. Randy Orwig, and NCIPL Director Susannah Tuttle speak about their experience with renewable energy [by clicking here](#).

Recognizing that every major faith tradition calls for care of the environment, our guiding principle has been to support faith communities in building this awareness and turn towards action. You can read more about NCIPL's resources, events, history, staff, and volunteers [at our website](#). Please contact NCIPL [by email](#) or by phone at (919) 612-5526.



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About NCIPL: North Carolina Interfaith Power and Light was founded in 2000 by Sister Evelyn Mattern as the Climate Connection: Interfaith Eco-Justice Network, as a program of the North Carolina Council of Churches. It joined the [Interfaith Power and Light](#) national network in 2005 as the sixteenth state affiliate.