



## *Greetings from The Northwest Earth Institute!*

Thank you for your interest in Northwest Earth Institute programs. At the heart of NWEI's work is a series of seven study guides that facilitate small group dialogue. These discussion guides can be offered in the workplace setting, your home, center of faith, or anywhere groups are inspired to meet. They can be a wonderful resource as you participate in the Association for Global New Thought's *Season for the Earth*.

Discussion guide topics include:

- [\*Menu for the Future\*](#)
- [\*Global Warming: Changing CO<sub>2</sub> course\*](#)
- [\*Choices for Sustainable Living\*](#)
- [\*Voluntary Simplicity\*](#)
- [\*Healthy Children – Healthy Planet\*](#)
- [\*Exploring Deep Ecology\*](#)
- [\*Discovering a Sense of Place\*](#)

The small group discussion experience provides a unique framework for exploring personal values, attitudes, and habits while addressing the relevant issues of our times. Each program listed above is a participant-led series of discussions held over a four to nine week period. Participating groups meet for an hour to an hour and a half each week to discuss readings included in the discussion guide. Over the past 15 years, over 85,000 people have participated in NWEI programs. In 2007 NWEI made the commitment to address the critical issue of global warming, exploring ways in which citizens can make a difference in their communities. This year, NWEI's newest course, [\*Menu for the Future\*](#), explores emerging food system alternatives and the effects of modern industrial agriculture on human and ecological health, offering practical suggestions on creating and supporting a more sustainable food system.

On behalf of the thousands of organizations, workplaces and volunteers who are involved in promoting Earth Institute programs, we trust your experience with the courses will be of deep value. To learn more and bring the discussions to your community, [click here for a detailed organizer guide](#). We look forward to hearing back from you as we move forward together in the work to co-create a sustainable world..

Best Regards,  
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