Faith-based Organizations Adapting to a Warming World: Community Approaches to a Global Crisis

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Moderator

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**Video**

**Katharine Hayhoe** is a Paul Whitfield Horn Distinguished Professor and Endowed Chair in Public Policy and Public Law in the Public Administration program of the Department of Political Science at Texas Tech University. She is also the Chief Scientist for the global conservation organization, The Nature Conservancy. Professor Hayhoe's research focuses on developing and applying high-resolution climate projections to evaluate the future impacts of climate change on human society and the natural environment.

Video: [Christians Climate and Culture with Katharine Hayhoe](#)
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**Dan Irvine** is Haiti Country Director for World Hope International, providing leadership to programs focused on health, education and child protection. He is also an ordained minister in the Wesleyan Church and has more than 40 years of ministry experience as a Pastor, Christian Educator, Missionary, and Administrator. He earned a MA in Ministry from Indiana Wesleyan University, a graduate certificate in International Family and Community Development, and is currently pursuing Ph.D. studies at Columbia International University.
Direct Impacts

- Food
- Water
- Safety
- Environment
- Disease
Weather extremes

• Disruption of rain and weather cycles
• Affecting food supply
• Flooding on “the saline”
Rising ocean levels

- Barlow, Paul M. (2003). "Ground Water in Freshwater-Saltwater Environments of the Atlantic Coast". USGS.
Good news in the form of..

- Community Health Engagement
- Local community meetings
- Subjects: Health, nutrition, family dynamics, agriculture, spiritual life
- Low cost, flexible, volunteer leaders

Capital Projects to reduce vulnerability

Example of first project
- Addressing water vulnerability
- Solar desal plant in collaboration with Give Power
Carbon footprint
Heat mitigation by design
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Naveed Khurram is the Administrator of Kunri Christian Hospital (Rural Health Care Project), which is part of the Diocese of Hyderabad Church of Pakistan. Naveed has served at Kunri Christian Hospital since 2007, prioritizing climate mitigation and adaptation measures. The vision of Kunri is the provision of holistic healthcare services to all. The hospital works to reach the most vulnerable communities impacted by disasters such as floods, droughts, and intense heat waves.