



environment

God made “the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water” (Revelation 14:7, NIV). He also made people in His image, placing them within this creation to manage the environment in a faithful way.

Are we taking this responsibility seriously?

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The refusal of some to practise good and faithful stewardship within the boundaries of God's creation has led to an ecological crisis. Our air and water is polluted, our forests and wildlife plundered and our natural resources exploited.

Adventists believe the preservation and nurture of the environment relates intimately with the way we serve God. We advocate a simple, wholesome lifestyle and call for:

1. Respect of creation
2. Restraint in the use of the world's resources
3. Re-evaluation of our needs
4. Reaffirmation of the dignity of created life

God set aside the seventh day of the week, the Sabbath, as a reminder of His creation. Adventists respect the Sabbath. It reinforces our sense of relationship with the Creator and His creation.

Our commitment is to confirm our stewardship of God's creation, although we believe total restoration will be complete only when God makes all things new.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church released a statement on caring for creation in 1992, a statement on the environment in 1995 and a statement on stewardship of the environment in 1996. Visit www.adventist.org.au to read the full statements.



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