

Eco-Congregation

FOR WHOM?

- our children, grandchildren
- our communities
- every creature
- all of creation

WHY?

- we want to protect the created world
- we have the world to cultivate and shepherd it
- we think about our environment responsibly
- we want to act for a more environmental society
- we believe that we can change it
- if we cooperate, we can be the change

HOW?

- congregational programs
- with the preference of the local farmers
- with the smart use of the world's resources
- with the celebration of Creation Time

and other servings.



*May none of God's wonderful works
keep silence night or morning.
Bright stars, high mountains,
the depths of the seas,
sources of rushing rivers:
may all these break into song as we sing
in Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

May all the angels in the heavens reply:

Amen! Amen! Amen!

*Power, praise, honour, eternal glory to God,
the only Giver of grace.*

Amen! Amen! Amen!

(Third-century hymn)

ECO- CONGREGATION

*Protecting the Created World
project of the Hungarian
Reformed Church*



*God saw all that he had
made, and it was very
good.*

(Genesis 1:31)



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Eco-Congregation Label

The congregations, church communities and institutions that can apply for the title are those who take active steps in protecting the created world through their approach, voluntary and low-cost operations, and in their church services based on a deep commitment to saving creation.

Eco-Congregation Award

If the congregation can realize/work out its own creation-saver program for four years, it is eligible to receive the Eco-Congregation Prize. The qualification plaquette and logo can be obtained for three years.

The creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.
Romans 8:19

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Will their sovereignty over plants and animals consist in anything other than the fact that they have more to be thankful for than these creatures of the earth?

Karl Barth



It is a nonprofit trade programme with the aim to promote both farmers' and consumers' responsibility for the created world.

We would like to help those farmers who earn their every-day-bread from the work of their fields, and in our globalised world they have to face their unpredictable future.

We would like to help those consumers who are forced to buy imported goods instead of local, that arrived on their shelves through a process they do not know.

The programme has been designed to serve as a direct link between rural farmers and urban consumers of the church.

The Church Farmer's Market related to the Eco-Congregation program is organised by the Hungarian Reformed Charity.
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