



**Council of Bishops**  
The United Methodist Church



***Climate Crisis Response from the Council of Bishops***

**November 2-5, 2021**

**Bishop Julius C. Trimble**

1. Encourage and support the action on climate change at the Annual Conference level, including support for passing the Net Zero Resolution and moving toward net-zero emissions. Annual Conference determines how they will engage congregations in education and action around climate stewardship.
2. Review the COB document, "God's renewed Creation," to determine how to best address the intersection of climate change, poverty, racism, and colonialism. Work alongside partners, including UMW, GBCS, GBGM, Wespeth, Ecumenical, and Interfaith Partners at the general Church and local community level.
3. Encourage the use of the GBCS website to sign onto letters related to climate justice.
4. COB joins the General Boards, and Agencies pledge "Our Climate Commitment to Net Zero Emissions."
5. In our public statement summarizing meeting action, we reaffirm Paragraph 160.D Global Climate Stewardship as our ongoing commitment to join the movement to address creation care and climate change as an existential crisis the Church cannot ignore.