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I will be attending some of the conference and require lunch / dinner on Friday / Saturday (please delete as appropriate -lunch & talks/workshops costs £35/€40; evening meal & talks/workshops costs £25/€30) ☐

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Directions from North : About 5 miles after Loughbrickland Lake (on your left) you will see a small housing estate on your right—move to right lane of dual carriageway. Watch for the signpost for Dromantine and turn right into Derrycraw Road. Continue on the Derrycraw Road to the T-Junction at the end. The Main Gates of Dromantine will be directly opposite you.

Directions from South : When approaching Newry continue on the dual carriageway towards Belfast—d**o not** take any of the exits signposted for Newry. After you pass a signpost saying Banbridge 10 miles, watch out for a large signpost for Dromantine. Turn left at Derrycraw Rd, where there is a small housing estate. Continue on the Derrycraw road to the T Junction—the Main Gates of Dromantine will be directly opposite you.

*A **public talk and open forum** involving all the speakers will take place at 8pm on Friday 14th September. Spread the word! Suggested donation: £10 (£5 unwaged)*

*Please send your completed booking form and payment (cheques should be made payable to **Representative Church Body**, which kindly administers our account) to:*

Fiona Murdoch,
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God's Creation – Our Responsibility?

Eco-Congregation Ireland

Inaugural Conference

Dromantine, Newry, Co. Down

14th—15th September 2012

Speakers :

Prof David Horrell - teaches modules on a wide range of New Testament topics in Exeter University, including New Testament ethics. Co-author of *The Bible and the Environment: Towards a Critical Ecological Biblical Theology* and *Greening Paul: Rereading the Apostle in an Age of Ecological Crisis*.

Dr Alastair McIntosh - Fellow of the Centre for Human Ecology, Glasgow, Honorary Fellow of the Schumacher Society and Visiting Professor of Human Ecology at the University of Strathclyde. His books include *Soil and Soul*; *Hell and High Water* and *Rekindling Community: Connecting People, Environment and Spirituality.*

Rev Peter Owen-Jones - Anglican clergyman, author and television presenter. His 2009 BBC documentary, *How to Live a Simple Life*, saw him turn his back on consumerism to follow in the footsteps of St Francis. His books include *Bed of Nails*, *Psalm* and *Letters from an Extreme Pilgrim: Reflections on Life, Love and the Soul*.

Dr Anne Primavesi - Fellow of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Study of Religion, Birkbeck College, University of London. A systematic theologian focusing on ecology, her books include *Cultivating Unity within the Biodiversity of God* and *Making God Laugh: Human Arrogance and Ecological Humility*.

Prof Stephen Williams - Professor of Systematic Theology at Union Theological College, Belfast. He has published in different areas in biblical studies, theology and intellectual history, including *The Limits of Hope and the Logic of Love* and *Revelation and Reconciliation: a Window on Modernity*.

Workshops :

- God's Creation and poetry
- Sustainable living and spirituality
- Celtic spirituality
- Ecology and the Eucharist
- Ethical investments
- Ecology and the economy
- Climate change
- How to become an eco-congregation
- Helping children and young people nurture respect for the earth

Workshop facilitators will include Dr Una Agnew SSL, Rev Grace Clunie, Robert Cochran, Mary Kate Hagan RSM, Alex Hill, Dr Alastair McIntosh, Hugh O'Donnell SDB, Rev Peter Owen-Jones, Tony Weekes and Fitzroy Presbyterian Caring for Creation Group .

"For You love all things that exist … Your Immortal Spirit is in all things"

Eco-Congregation Ireland (ECI) encourages churches, communities and individuals to adopt an eco-conscious approach to worship, lifestyle, property and finance management, community outreach and contact with the developing world.

ECI involves members from the Roman Catholic Church, the Church of Ireland, the Methodist Church in Ireland, the Presbyterian Church in Ireland and the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Ireland.

The stark sign of our time is a planet in peril at our hands and it is poor people who suffer most from environmental impoverishment.

Commitment to the poor and commitment to the well-being of life on this planet must go together as two inter-related dimensions of the one Christian vocation.

The great incomprehensible mystery of our transcendent God is also the dynamic Spirit at the heart of the natural world and its evolution.

When people begin to think about God in relation to this fragile earth, it leads to a whole new approach in theology, biblical studies and everyday spirituality.

~ ***Catherine Brennan SSL, ECI chairperson***

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We do not wish the cost of the conference to prohibit anyone from attending. If you need bursary assistance, or if you would rather pay a £50/€50 deposit in advance and pay the remainder on arrival at Dromantine, please let us know.