





# **Origins of Green Religion**

The United Nations' 27th Conference of Parties (COP27), which took place November 6-20 in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt, has been yet another predictable exhibition of political, corporate, and bureaucratic elites pushing global-warming hysteria, population control, global wealth redistribution, and world government. Also predictable was the globalists' hijacking of the world's religions to promote pagan ecotheology and the dystopian future envisioned in the Great Reset of the Davos billionaires club known as the World Economic Forum (WEF). This was all so predictable because we have seen it so many times before, and The New American has reported on it repeatedly and extensively over the past three decades.



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Globalist launchpad: UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali and conference organizers open the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro on June 3, 1992. Leaders from 178 countries and representatives of more than 1,000 nongovernmental organizations attended.

On site at the recent COP27 summit in Egypt (November 14-18), *The New American's* Alex Newman reported on the ongoing globalist push to harness the moral authority of religious leaders to promote the radical UN agenda under the guise of "climate justice" and "climate reparations" and of saving the planet from the non-existent emergency of so-called man-made climate change (formerly known as global warming, until the warming alarmists found they were losing public trust with their exaggerated and false claims).

(To see videos of our live, on-site COP27 reporting from Sharm El Sheikh, go to click here.)

### **Eyewitness to Earth Summit Lunacy**

This writer was an eyewitness reporter in Rio de Janeiro for the 1992 UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) — better known as the UN Earth Summit — from which the clamorous, clangorous climate-change cabal emerged. From start to finish, the Rio Earth Summit was suffused in pagan-pantheist-New Age "spirituality," and enshrined a new dogma of the "Sacred Earth" and "Divine Nature." I described this in detail in my reports from Rio and in my 1992 book *Global Tyranny...Step by Step: The United Nations and the Emerging New World Order*.

The following excerpt is one small example taken from that book, in the chapter titled "The New World Religion":

In his opening address to the UNCED plenary session, Earth Summit Secretary-General Maurice Strong directed the world's attention to the Declaration of the Sacred Earth Gathering, which was part of the pre-Summit ceremonies. "[T]he changes in behavior and direction called for here," said Strong, "must be rooted in our deepest spiritual, moral and



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ethical values."

According to the declaration, the ecological crisis "transcends all national, religious, cultural, social, political, and economic boundaries.... The responsibility of each human being today is to choose between the force of darkness and the force of light. We must therefore transform our attitudes and values, and adopt a renewed respect for the superior law of Divine Nature."

#### I noted further:

On the eve of the opening of UNCED, a midnight-to-dawn homage to the "Female Planet" was held on Leme Beach. After dancing all night, the worshippers followed a Brazilian tribal high priestess to the water's edge where they offered flowers and fruits to "Iemanje, mae orixa, mother of the powers, queen of the seas," and then invoked the blessings of the sea goddess upon the summit's deliberations. At the first plenary session, Uri Marinov, Israel's Minister of the Environment, issued a New Ten Commandments on Environment and Development....

The Union for Natural Environment Protection, an environmental group based in São Leopoldo, Brazil, declared the following about the work of the summit: "A world-wide citizens' movement is born around the UN system and will be in the years ahead a central focal point for the New World Order which Alice Bailey wrote about many decades ago and which is going to be politically free, socially fair, economically efficient and environmentally sustainable."



**The would-be gods:** Billionaire Maurice Strong (left) and Mikhail Gorbachev (right)at the 1997 UN Rio-Plus-Five Conference in Rio de Janeiro. Along with Steven Rockefeller, they drafted the UN Earth Charter. (AP Images)

The Alice Bailey referred to above by the UN acolytes is the infamous Luciferian occultist-theosophist, publisher of *Lucifer* magazine, and an avid proponent of the United Nations. Her pagan-New Age vision for a New World Order aligned closely with the apparent designs of the globalist elites, as demonstrated by the UN Earth Charter and Ark of Hope; the 2017 World Government Summit in the





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United Arab Emirates (with UN, WEF, and CFR elites meeting under the Arch of Ba'al, the demonic ancient Phoenician-Carthaginian god that demanded child sacrifice); the bizarre and diabolical ceremony of European Union elites for the grand opening of Switzerland's Gotthard Base Tunnel; the opening of the 2010 UN climate summit in Cancun with Christiana Figueres, who was then the UN climate boss, offering a prayer to Ixchel, the Mayan goddess associated with war, human sacrifice, and cannibalism; and the World Economic Forum's launch of its Young Global Leaders Druid Collective.

And those are but a few examples of the many that could be offered to illustrate this disturbing trend amongst the occult oligarchy that seeks to "transform" the world spiritually in a direction that leads to the infernal abyss.

# Earth Charter: Gorbachev's Holy Writ

Ten years after the 1992 Earth Summit, the UN reprised its Rio extravaganza at the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD, also known as Earth Summit II or Rio+10) in Johannesburg, South Africa, unveiling the Earth Charter, the new "global ethic" crafted by Mikhail Gorbachev and Maurice Strong, assisted by a "Commission of Eminent Persons." Among the 23 "eminent" commissioners aiding this subversive endeavor were Leonardo Boff, a leading voice of Marxist liberation theology; Steven Rockefeller, a radical environmentalist, New Age philosopher, and scion of the uber-wealthy Rockefeller clan; Shridath Ramphal of the Commission on Global Governance; and Federico Mayor Zaragoza, member of the Club of Rome, former director-general of UNESCO, and a co-chair of Mikhail Gorbachev's State of the World Forum.

Reporting on the Johannesburg summit, we noted in a 2002 article titled "The New World Religion":

According to the Charter, humanity must undergo a global "change of mind and heart." And the UN's all-wise seers visualize themselves as the lead change agents for this global undertaking. The Earth Charter Initiative, however, candidly admits that it intends to recruit your children as change agents, as well. "We seek to increase the participation of young people in utilizing the Earth Charter as a guideline in their work as active agents of change," says the Earth Charter Initiative website. They have been doing precisely that, and will be accelerating their program throughout the world — including in schools in your neighborhood. The U.S. Conference of Mayors is but one of hundreds of organizations, schools, municipalities, and other entities that have signed on as supporters of this declaration of a new "global ethic" for the world.

"My hope is that this charter will be a kind of Ten Commandments, a 'Sermon on the Mount,' that provides a guide for human behavior toward the environment in the next century and beyond," said coauthor of the document Mikhail Gorbachev. Interesting, is it not, that the globalist hierarchy would entrust to the late Comrade Gorbachev, a self-professed atheist-materialist-communist, the task of playing God and coming up with a new Decalogue to replace the one written in stone by the finger of (the real) God and the Eight Beatitudes by our Lord Jesus Christ? Popular media-driven perceptions to the contrary, Gorbachev never gave up his atheist-materialist-communist beliefs. After all, the bloody-handed former dictator unequivocally stated, "I am a Communist, a convinced Communist! For some that may be a fantasy. But for me it is my main goal." Furthermore, he explained his materialist/pantheist "theology" in these terms: "I believe in the cosmos. All of us are linked to the





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cosmos. So, nature is my god." He restated this "Nature is my god/Cosmos is my god" personal creed in various interviews and public statements, and it is proudly posted on the website of Green Cross International, which he founded.

Gorbachev's main Earth Charter co-author Maurice Strong was more emphatic than Gorbachev, stating, "The real goal of the Earth Charter is that it will in fact become like the Ten Commandments." Like Gorbachev, Strong suffered no lack of hubris when it came to assuming divine wisdom to correct the supposed deficiencies in the biblical pronouncements of the Almighty. Like Klaus Schwab, Prince/King Charles, Bill Gates, George Soros, Mark Zuckerberg, and the rest of the megalomaniacal, luxury-loving plutocrats of the World Economic Forum, the late Maurice Strong was an unconvincing "environmentalist." Although he railed against carbon footprints, air conditioning, fossil fuels, meat consumption, and private automobiles, the Canadian billionaire owned multiple estates (including the massive Baca Grande Ranch in Colorado sitting atop an enormous aguifer) and lived the typical Davos jet-setting lifestyle. He owed much of his fortune to boosts from David Rockefeller and Edmund de Rothschild. And, like Rockefeller, Rothschild, Soros, Gates, and so many other "capitalists," he was cozy with the totalitarian communist regime in Beijing. (Note: His cousin, communist propagandist Anna Louise Strong, befriended Bolshevik leaders Lenin and Trotsky and was an important mouthpiece for Mao Tse-tung and Zhou En-lai in China.) Maurice Strong spent much of his time during the last years of his life (he died in 2015) at his luxury residence in Communist China, where he wrangled business deals and hobnobbed with Chinese Communist Party princelings and panjandrums.



**Gaia, of thee we sing:** Children indoctrinated in eco-babble are used as propaganda props at most UN confabs, including the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, with youngsters shown here singing beneath Mother Earth. (AP Images)

Although Strong went to his eternal reward seven years ago, Gorbachev shuffled off this mortal coil only this past August. It is not likely that the huzzahs and eulogies of "the great and the good" here on this earthly realm impressed the Divine Judge when they stood before Him. It likely did not go well for them. The Lord God is a jealous God (Exodus 20:5) and is not one to brook impostors peddling a syncretic pseudo-gospel as a spiritual cover for their own political empowerment.

The globalist "transformation," as put forth in the Great Reset — resetting all humanity economically, politically, biologically, socially, morally, and spiritually — requires buy-in from a whole lot of people.





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This is why the would-be world rulers have expended so much capital and energy on creating, seducing, bribing, bullying, and extorting thought leaders and influencers to promote their subversive globalist schemes.

## **Using Churches to Spread the Gospel of Marx**

Since the vast majority (roughly 85 percent, according to the Pew Research Center) of Earth's inhabitants identify as religious, a crucial part of the globalist cabal's strategy involves co-opting trusted religious leaders to promote their agenda. Thus the aggressive recruitment of "mainstream" Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, and Buddhist leaders over the past several decades. The National Council of Churches (NCC) and World Council of Churches (WCC) have long been the leading forces in promoting globalist and communist objectives among Protestant member churches. Prominent communist churchmen such as "social gospel" populizer Reverend Harry F. Ward (identified as a Soviet agent by former top communists Manning Johnson, Leonard Patterson, Zach Kornfeder, and Benjamin Gitlow) played key roles in leading NCC/WCC churches down the Marxist path. The revelations of Soviet KGB archivist Vasili Mitrokhin in 1999 (The Sword and the Shield: The Mitrokhin Archive and the Secret History of the KGB) confirmed the long-held and well-founded suspicions of knowledgeable WCC observers that Metropolitan Nikodim Rotov of the Russian Orthodox Church, a WCC president, was a KGB agent assigned to subvert Christian churches and lead them in support of socialist and environmentalist causes. Mitrokhin also identified at least four additional high-level WCC officials as KGB agents. Bulgarian historian Momchil Metodiev added to this in 2010 with his meticulously researched book (Between Faith and Compromise), which utilized the archives of the communist Bulgarian intelligence (junior partners of the Soviet KGB). Among the important disclosures by Metodiev is the confirmation that Bulgarian WCC official Todor Sabev was a longtime communist agent. Sabev held high WCC posts for decades, including WCC deputy general secretary and special WCC representative to the Vatican for Orthodox-Catholic unity.

Members of the WCC include Eastern Orthodox, Pentecostal, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Mennonite, Moravian, and Baptist World Alliance churches. At COP27, the WCC held a special "side event" with its partners (ACT Alliance, All Africa Conference of Churches, Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, Bread for the World, and Lutheran World Federation) to double down on its calls for "climate justice" and funding for "adaptation" and "loss and damages" (euphemisms for "climate reparations," i.e., wealth redistribution from U.S. and EU taxpayers to UN globocrats, international organizations, and Third World kleptocrats).

"COP 27 is a critical occasion for governments to together re-envision, develop, commit to and implement a roadmap towards a fossil fuel-free, post-growth, equitable and sustainable tomorrow, and to tackle the greatest existential challenge to life on the planet," the WCC said. The WCC executive committee also urged a "loss and damage financing facility to compensate communities and countries on the frontline of climate impacts and to support their efforts in building resilience." Of course, true resiliency requires affordable, reliable energy, something the renewables (solar and wind) have proven they won't deliver. The WCC opposition to coal, oil, natural gas, hydro, and nuclear energy guarantee poverty, privation, hunger — and even starvation — for the world's poor they claim to be helping.

Like the WCC, the National Council of Churches tilts reliably to the left and expends a great deal of its influence preaching *against* "the Christian Right" and *for* "reproductive rights" (i.e., abortion), LGBTQ







rights, "inter-religious dialogue," radical environmentalism, and other liberal-left hobby horses. Besides working hand in hand with communist organizations and front groups, the NCC is funded not so much by its church congregations as by the usual leftist-globalist tax-exempt foundations: Rockefeller, Ford, Tides, Kellogg, Knight, et al.

## Pope Francis Gives Blessing to UN-Globalist Agenda

The Roman Catholic Church is by far the largest Christian church to remain outside the World Council of Churches. However, in recent decades the Vatican has worked more closely with the WCC, as well as other "ecumenical" organizations promoting inter-religious unity. Because the pope of the Roman Catholic Church speaks with unique moral authority — inasmuch as he is the most widely recognized and respected spiritual leader and speaks for the largest Christian denomination — both the communists and the globalists have worked assiduously to infiltrate and subvert the Catholic Church, from the local parishes and diocesan seminaries all the way up to the highest levels of the Vatican. Dr. Bella Dodd in the 1950s and Vasili Mitrokhin in the 1990s are among the top ex-communists who have testified concerning the alarming Soviet penetration of the Church.

Recent popes, going back to the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), have weakened the Church's stance against communism and socialism while showing ever-greater affinity for the communist-dominated United Nations and a general drift toward the globalist agenda. However, the pontificate of Pope Francis has amounted to nothing less than a wholesale revolution within the Catholic Church, openly embracing communist leaders and communist-socialist causes and causing enormous scandal and confusion with myriad heretical actions and statements that blatantly contradict Church doctrine and dogma.

Cardinal Gerhard Muller, former prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vatican's oldest department of the Roman Curia, has gone so far as to call Francis' ongoing Synod on Synodality "a hostile takeover of the Church of Jesus Christ" that is aimed at "the destruction of the Catholic Church." "And we must resist it like the old heretics of the Arianism," he said.

In addition to repeatedly undermining — by word and action — Church teaching on the sin of homosexual acts, Francis has undermined Church teaching on marriage; supported pro-abortion "Catholic" politicians (Joe Biden, Nancy Pelosi, Emmanuel Macron, and Justin Trudeau, to name a few); removed or demoted stalwart traditionalist and conservative prelates and replaced them with radical bishops and cardinals; suppressed the traditional Latin Mass while promoting pagan/pantheist worship; appointed notoriously pro-abortion, pro-euthanasia, and pro-LGBTQ non-Catholics (and even atheist anti-Catholics) to the Pontifical Academy for Life and the Pontifical Academy for Social Sciences; agreed to allow the Chinese Communist Party to appoint communist "bishops"; and refused to meet with or support the heroic, 90-year-old Cardinal Joseph Zen while he was persecuted by the CCP.

These and other unprecedented scandals too numerous to mention here have caused Catholic cardinals, bishops, priests, and prominent lay people to declare themselves in resistance to Pope Francis' autodemolition of the Church. Among Pope Francis's many heterodox obsessions is his fanatical preoccupation with the supposed "existential crisis" of global warming. At the beginning of COP27, Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Pietro Parolin delivered Pope Francis' message of support for the UN's 2015 Paris Agreement and the UN's Framework Convention on Climate Change. "Climate change will not wait for us," Cardinal Parolin said on behalf of the pontiff. "Our world is now far too





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interdependent and cannot permit itself to be structured into unsustainable isolated blocks of countries. This is a time for international and intergenerational solidarity." Secretary Parolin reminded the COP27 attendees and the world audience that in 2020 Pope Francis had made a commitment to net zero emissions before 2050. In that video message to the UN virtual Climate Ambition Summit marking the fifth anniversary of the Paris Agreement, he promised that the "Holy See is committed to promoting education in integral ecology."



**Hostile takeover of the Catholic Church:** Pope Francis shills for globalism, socialism, and pantheism while simultaneously undermining Catholic doctrine, traditional liturgy, and the Church's authoritative teachings on abortion, homosexuality, and marriage. (AP Images)

The term "integral ecology," which appeared 10 times in the pope's 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si*, appears to mean lifelong indoctrination in radical environmentalism disguised as Christian theology. The title *Laudato Si* ("Praise to You") is an Italian phrase taken from St. Francis of Assisi's "Canticle of the Sun" praising God for his gifts of creation. Although defenders of *Laudato Si* point out that it is sprinkled with statements condemning abortion and defending core Catholic teachings, there is no question that its central message is aimed at dramatically shifting Catholic theology to the left and placing a papal imprimatur on radical green activism. This has been made perfectly clear with the pope's subsequent actions, statements, and appointments, including the launching of the Laudato Si Movement, an international network of hundreds of Catholic organizations mobilized to "care for our common home and achieve climate and ecological justice."

The leftward tilt of *Laudato Si* is not surprising considering the major input provided by atheists, pantheists, Marxists, and globalists such as UN factorum (and George Soros minion) Jeffrey Sachs, UN climate propagandist and climate computer-model worshipper Hans Joachim Schellnhuber, and Brazilian ex-priest and Liberation Theology zealot Leonardo Boff, to name but a few.

Most disturbing of *Laudato Si's* messages is its call for world government to deal with the "crises" of climate change, pollution, migration, poverty, wealth distribution, war, and other "global problems." In his claim that these crises and problems show "there is urgent need of a true world political authority," Pope Francis demonstrates that he is in step with the globalist-communist Great Reset of the World Economic Forum, by which Klaus Schwab, Bill Gates, George Soros, Xi Jinping, and other WEF oligarchs intend to play God and remake the world in their own image.







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