

## Fast from oil June 20

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A group at the 2010 Duke Divinity Center for Reconciliation Summer Institute are calling for a fast from oil June 20, the two-month anniversary of the oil disaster in the Gulf of Mexico. See the Facebook page [The BP Oil Spill: A Christian Call for Lament and Reconciliation](#) [1] for details.

They also have [an online pledge to sign](#) [2] that asks people to commit to transforming "our lives as individuals and churches toward freedom from fossil fuels and reconciliation with all God's creation."

The pledge suggests the following actions:

- Fasting from all food on Fridays except that which has been locally grown with methods that do not rely on petroleum-based fertilizers and pesticides.
- Making every effort to take each Friday as a day when we do not drive but rather walk, bike, ride public transit, or carpool to school or work.
- Praying for the transformation of our lives as individuals and churches toward freedom from fossil fuels and reconciliation with all God's creation.
- Continuing these practices until the oil spill has been cleaned up and the work of restoration of God's creation in the Gulf has begun.

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