

# Beyond 'An Inconvenient Truth' by Carl Duivenvoorden



## The issue:

Climate change is the most pressing issue of our time. Every day the science becomes clearer: greenhouse gas emissions from the burning of oil, coal and natural gas are disrupting our planet's fundamental operating systems.

And every day the symptoms – temperature extremes, intense weather systems, severe drought, rising sea levels and more – become more evident. Distressingly, climate change seems to be happening faster and faster.

In October 2018, the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change concluded that global emissions must be cut in half by 2030 (just 11 years from now) if we are to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees C. On the other hand, continuing with 'business as usual' will lead to warming of 4 degrees C.

On a per capita basis, Canadians have among the highest emissions in the world. Clearly, we have work to do.

## The good news:

We already have all the solutions we need to reduce our emissions and solve climate change: renewable energy – particularly wind and solar – is getting cheaper by the day, and a flood of new and innovative technologies, from electric vehicles to grid-scale storage batteries, are bringing a cleaner, greener world within our reach.



And diverse faith communities around the world are recognizing that humankind has a caretaker responsibility over creation. If the Earth belongs to God, taking care of it is one of our highest callings.



## The presentation

Carl Duivenvoorden's presentation is based on 'An Inconvenient Truth', former US Vice President Al Gore's Academy Award-winning movie and book. It covers:

- The science of climate: how our planet's natural systems work
- The causes and impacts of climate change
- What's needed to solve climate change
- Solutions, including actions faith communities can take starting today

Carl's presentation incorporates powerful visuals and clear graphics, including many featured in the movie. It is continuously updated with new and locally-relevant information, and offers insights on the way forward to a sustainable, fulfilling future.

## The presenter

In 2007, Carl Duivenvoorden became one of the very first Canadians to be trained by US Vice President Al Gore. Since then, he has presented his local and updated version of Mr. Gore's slideshow more than 300 times to over 40,000 people across Atlantic Canada and in the US.

His column, Green Ideas, was featured regularly in the NB Telegraph Journal and the Fredericton Daily Gleaner for ten years, and runs periodically in the Halifax Herald. He also writes for the Huffington Post.



As a speaker, writer and sustainability consultant, he helps people and organizations learn how they can save money, energy and our environment. For 2019, he's set a goal of doing at least 50 free presentations for schools, faith communities and non-profit community organizations.

*"Wonderful, affirming and empowering" – Unitarian Fellowship, Fredericton, April 2018*

*"Very eye-opening and educational" – Woodstock High School, February 2018*

*"One of the best presentations I've ever seen" – Rothesay High School, April 2017*

*"Felt like a TED Talk" – UNB, November 2017*

*"Very touching and powerful – my heart was firing up!!" – Chalice, Bedford, May 2018*

*"Love, love, loved the presentation!" – UNB, October 2018*

## Book a free presentation

Interested in hosting **Beyond 'An Inconvenient Truth'**? It's free for schools, faith communities or non-profit community organizations. Hosts are asked only to cover the speaker's mileage, meal and accommodation expenses, and to provide a venue, projector with cable, screen and sound system. If multiple presentations can be coordinated into a single trip (preferred), expenses are divided among all hosts to further lower costs.

Booking is simple: just complete the simple on-line presentation request form at [www.changeyourcorner.com/bookpresentation.php](http://www.changeyourcorner.com/bookpresentation.php), email [info@changeyourcorner.com](mailto:info@changeyourcorner.com) or call Carl at (506) 363 8117.