

# Faith, Mountains and the Economy

## A TRIP OF PERSPECTIVE TO WISE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

July 27-31st 2011

### Why come?

**AWARENESS** witness the devastating effects of Mountain Top Removal mining on Wise County communities of Central Appalachia, dismantle stereotypes and build relationships

**LIFESTYLES** make the connection between our energy demands and the earth's limited resources

**ACTION** become a part of the solution personally and politically

We will learn from and be inspired by individuals and groups who are bringing creative solutions to this environmental injustice.

This trip begins with a day of reflection and preparation in Washington DC. The following day we will travel together to Wise County. Each day we will meet and hear a variety of speakers, visit Mountain Top Removal sites, and have ample opportunity for dialogue and sharing with the residents themselves. To ground our time, we will begin and end each day in communal devotion.

The trip fee of \$500.00 covers activity costs, speaker honoraria, transportation to and from Wise County from Washington DC, and trip leadership. Additionally, while in Wise County participants will purchase their meals.

We have borrowed heavily as consumers and as a country; we have also borrowed from the earth's carrying capacity. We have borrowed from future generations by consuming unprecedented amounts of natural resources.

Our economic future is linked to changing environmental conditions.

For more information or to receive a trip application, please contact Mike Little at (202) 469-8512 or [mike@faithandmoneynetwork.org](mailto:mike@faithandmoneynetwork.org)

Deadline for applications: June 15th, 2011  
Scholarships are available.

