



After an astronaut's first flight into space, he said, "I saw how fragile and beautiful the earth was, and I thought—we have to take care of it." Indeed. "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it" (Ps. 24:1). And, "The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it." (Gen. 2:15). Let's dream of a day when we will live in harmony with God's good creation, when we will sincerely appreciate the beauty of our earth and faithfully respond to our call to keep it.

Aammiq Wetland - Wet in the summer when all else around was dry!

The summer in Aammiq has been an interesting one! We started off with a healthy amount of water in the wetland which was a good sign. Even though very strong heat waves hit Lebanon and the region during July and August and caused a drastic drop in levels, **water still remains!** This wetland oasis (one of very few in the region) attracted groups of birds like Storks, Little Egrets, Coots and a Glossy Ibis! to stop by to rest and rejuvenate, not to mention the rest of the animals that benefit, emphasising the importance of conserving wetlands.



The Creation Sings!

A Rocha Lebanon and the Bible Society have produced a booklet and CD, "The Creation Sings".

The "Creation Sings" is an important reference for Christians as it highlights verses in the Bible that speak directly to how we should think and act as we confront the environmental crisis facing our planet. The "Creation Sings" booklet and C.D focuses on passages from the Bible and devotions, using them as a starting point to provide readers into a biblical understanding of caring for creation.

Each reading gives depth to the issue of environmental awareness and begins with a letter passage of scripture, a meditation, and a prayer. The “Creation Sings” booklet and C.D gives in-depth idea for those unfamiliar with what the Bible has to say about the environment or for Christians who want to better understand their role in caring for the earth. Moreover, the C.D provides great worship hymns for creation and definitely it will fill your heart and mind with the love of God for all of the creation. To get this C.D or for more information please contact A Rocha Lebanon at: faorl.arocha@cyberia.net.lb



Environmental Lunch

On Sunday July 25, 2010 , Aindara Municipality organized an Environmental Lunch at the top of the mountain that is being deformed each second because of the stone crushers' plants at the village. A Rocha Lebanon participated in this event, in order to influence all the politicians and decision makers in the country to stop this tragedy and protect our beautiful mountains and environment.



Youth Bible College!

In an effort to increase the environmental stewardship among youth; A Rocha- Lebanon presented a lecture for the Youth in a special program organized by the Mediterranean Bible College to enhance the role of Christians and responsibility in protecting their environment. It was a blessed lecture that expanded their horizons and encouraged them to be extraordinary leaders in God's Kingdom.



New Environmental Inventions!

Water-Powered Desk Clock!



This clock is eco-friendly because it doesn't use batteries or electricity from an outlet. All you need to run this clock for 12-14 weeks is some tap water and a dash of lemon juice. That's all well and good, but setting the alarm at the beginning of week 15 might prove problematic. You don't want to be late for work because you forgot to water your clock!

The Bamboo Laptop!

The green technologies are going to a brand new level that surely can impress anyone interested in a green life style. The Asus notebook's case is covered in bamboo, and all the plastic inside it is recyclable. It is actually good news!



The Environmental Toothbrush



There is a new invention which is a bamboo-handled toothbrush with biodegradable polymer bristles sewn in. Hope this invention inspires people to create more simplicity and less pollution in all areas of their lives.

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