

## Interfaith groups to discuss environment

STAFF REPORTS A forum that aims to help faith groups interested in working on environmental issues will be held in Greer this month.

The program, billed as an interfaith workshop on "creation care," will be from 2-6 p.m. Oct. 24 at the Greer Municipal Complex. There's no charge, but participants must register by Oct. 15.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Rusty Pritchard, president of Flourish and former editor of Creation Care, the magazine of the Evangelical Environmental Network.

Pritchard founded Flourish "to provide ministry resources on creation care that build faith, encourage discipleship, and demonstrate practical concern," according to a release. His address is titled "New Evangelicals, Old Evangelicals, and the Care of Creation."

The Center for Humans and Nature, Upstate Forever, Wofford College, and Audubon South Carolina are hosting the workshop.

Other scheduled speakers include: Trish Jerman of the South Carolina Energy Office; HVAC engineer Wade Crow, who will discuss improvements that can be made to existing church buildings; and Rabbi Yossi Liebowitz, who will discuss Temple B'nai Israel's efforts in Spartanburg. Erin Campbell and Wayne Leftwich will present a section of the film "Renewal" and will discuss activities at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Clemson.

Tamera Warren and Chequita Jones of Bible Way Church of Atlas Road in Columbia will address how to set up a "green team," and Upstate Forever's Brad Wyche will discuss environmental challenges and opportunities.