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## **Move Over Martin Luther, a Reformation of the 21st Century is Now Upon Us.**

Denver, Colorado - April, 19 2007 - In the spring of 2005, Matthew Fox, a priest who was silenced by the Vatican and eventually expelled from the Dominican Order, hammered 95 theses for a New Reformation to the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg Germany. This came 500 years after Martin Luther pounded his religion-changing theses on the same door, setting off the Protestant reformation. Now the face of religion is being challenged again as supporters of Matthew Fox's writing on Creation Spirituality take heed to the challenge of a New Reformation and create ecumenical churches and spiritual communities.

Creation Spirituality Communities, Inc (CSC) is a new non-profit organization incorporated in Colorado with an international Board and constituency. CSC envisions a network of communities that practice what Matthew Fox coined "Creation Spirituality." Creation Spirituality is based on the deeply ecumenical understanding of original blessing and draws on a wide scope of wisdom traditions including early western Christianity, indigenous wisdom and Earth-honoring wisdom to create a spiritual practice that energizes both the baby boomers who have been skeptical of organized religion and the youth of today who are seeking a spirituality that honors their voices and keeps them awake.

“With spirituality the basis of a New reformation, indeed, a New Renaissance, a re-birth of humanity is once again possible. A vision that is earth-conscious and earth-honoring; a

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vision that is justice oriented at the levels of economic justice, gender justice, social justice and political justice. A vision of compassion therefore that alone will render us humans and our planet sustainable. For what is just is sustainable – it holds. What is unjust falls apart, makes war, creates resentment and feeds violence. It is not sustainable. Such a spiritual vision will move from religion to spirituality and in doing so will pull away the underpinnings of empires and their aspirations. For empires love to legitimize their violence in the name of religion. And the new reformation will acknowledge the wisdom that emanates from ALL the world's spiritual traditions, knowing in authentic humility that no one culture and no one way is the only path to the Source. Interfaith and Deep Ecumenism will be necessary ingredients of spirituality for the twenty-first century.”  
Matthew Fox

To help create, network and support these communities, CSC is sponsoring its first weekend conference, in Oakland CA. With two key notes by Matthew Fox, this inaugural event hopes to fan the flames of a New Reformation. "Spiritual Communities for the 21st Century" will be held July 19-22 at Mills College in Oakland CA. More information can be found at [www.creationspirituality.info](http://www.creationspirituality.info)

Creation Spirituality Communities, Inc. is in the process of applying for its 501c3 status. Current Board members are from Colorado, California and Australia and all hold Doctor of Ministry Degrees.

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