

# REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE

## REDUCE:

*Do you really need to buy all that stuff?!!*

- Avoid buying bottled water – the plastic bottles are a major source of pollution! Water in Cayman from the Water Authority or Cayman Water Company meets World Health Standards for safe drinking. Or use the 5 gallon water cooler bottles or the ‘bottle-less’ coolers (reverse osmosis).
- Think before printing! Print and copy double sided as far as possible
- Consider excess packaging, and number of small packages, bottles, tins, etc., versus larger ‘containers’, especially non-degradable material like plastics, before all purchases.
- Buy “Green” certified products – especially for disposables, e.g. if you *must* use disposable plates, use paper that is environmentally friendly, instead of Styrofoam and plastic and such, and use similar precautions for environmentally friendly detergents, etc.
- Reduce electricity consumption – see separate flyer from DoE.

## REUSE:

Be creative! Not just with water containers, plates, cups, etc. But look for ways to reuse containers you could not avoid when purchasing a product – like plastics – or bottles and even paper, in all sorts of creative ways. There are many ideas for this in craft books, on the Internet, etc. Hopefully by now everyone is using *reusable shopping bags*. But if you find yourself with a plastic bag, reuse it for garbage or such.



## RECYCLE:

**SEPARATE AND RECYCLE PLASTIC (look for the recyclable logo) AND ALUMINUM – and other metals – at JUNK Recyclers Ltd (including damaged plastic and metal chairs, old computers, etc, that our churches produce a lot of!)**

**Glass can now be recycled in Cayman too – check for currently available facilities for this, e.g. by Dart Group at Camana Bay.**

**Think first! If it can be recycled, please don't dump it!**

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO AVOID LITTERING AND  
DEGRADING GOD'S MAGNIFICENT CREATION!**

There are various resources available to help us; see for example:

[http://www.earthcareonline.org/facilities\\_resources.pdf](http://www.earthcareonline.org/facilities_resources.pdf); <http://www.christian-ecology.org.uk/eco-check-up.pdf>