

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating.

—Isaiah 65:17-18

All around the world today, Christians are waking up to “new heavens and a new earth.”

Easter’s promise of renewal and rebirth has special resonance for me. At Episcopal Relief & Development we try to help communities become the places that God imagines they should be. Places of joy. Places of hope. Places of sanctuary. Places where the abundant life is open to all of God’s children. We try to make every morning an Easter morning.

By helping **Children** reach vital health and developmental milestones, we ensure that they can reach their God-given potential.

By working with faith leaders to reduce violence against **Women** and children in their communities, we bring healing and reconciliation.

By strengthening communities to face the mounting natural disasters brought about by our changing **Climate**, we build resilience.

By **working together for lasting change** every morning can be Easter morning.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

—Robert W. Radtke