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Her concern for the growing environmental crisis, especially in Asia, led her to organize with Grim a series of ten conferences on World Religions and Ecology at Harvard (1995-1998). They were series editors for the ten volumes from the conferences. She co-edited *Buddhism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1997), *Confucianism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1998), and *Hinduism and Ecology* (Harvard, 2000).

After these conferences she and Grim founded the [Forum on Religion and Ecology](#). They wrote *Ecology and Religion* (Island Press, 2014) and with Willis Jenkins they edited the *Routledge Handbook on Religion and Ecology* (2016). They also are series advisors for the [Ecology and Justice Series](#) at Orbis Books.

Tucker and Grim studied with [Thomas Berry](#) and worked closely with him for 30 years. Tucker edited Berry's books: *The Great Work*, *Evening Thoughts*, *The Sacred Universe*, and with Grim, *The Christian Future and the Fate of Earth* and *Thomas Berry: Selected Writings on the Earth Community*. Tucker and Grim also wrote *Thomas Berry: A Biography* with Andrew Angyal (Columbia, 2019).

To extend Berry's work, Tucker created a multi-media project with Brian Thomas Swimme called [Journey of the Universe](#), which includes an Emmy award-winning film, a book from Yale (2011), *Journey Conversations*, and online classes.