

Maude Barlow's speech to the Water Rights Conference in
Mexico City, March 2006

"Today, we are on the threshold of a global water crisis. Right now, approximately one third of the world's populations are suffering from water scarcity. Every eight seconds, somewhere in the world, a child dies of waterborne disease. If current trends continue, two thirds of the people on the planet will not have adequate access to clean water by the year 2025. As we massively pollute the world's surface waters, we are mining groundwater far faster than nature can replenish it."

Maude Barlow: author of Blue Gold

"In the past decade, the number of children killed by diarrhea exceeded the number of people killed in all armed conflicts since the Second World War. Every eight seconds a child dies from drinking dirty water."

Canada's own Maude Barlow has been at the forefront of the global water movement for the past decade, and in this timely and important book she addresses the state of the world's water, how water companies are reaping the vast profits from declining supplies, and how ordinary people from around the world have banded together to reclaim the movement. Sobering, inspiring, essential, Blue Covenant is a book we must read if we love this planet.

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