

Talking points to get your church involved

Use these key points to help talk about the mass lobby for climate and environmental action. This might be as part of a service, homegroup, or during conversations.

Share stories of people impacted by climate change

As a global organisation, Christian Aid knows that climate change is devastating the world's poorest communities right now, as more extreme weather events, from flooding to droughts, drive families from their homes and create food crises. See the letter we sent to you for three short examples of people affected in Kenya, the Philippines and Ethiopia. You may know people affected by climate change or have seen the impacts yourself, in which case please use your first-hand examples.

Show that we can make a difference

You can cite the examples in the letter of historic movements for change. You can also cite more recent ones here in the UK, such as when we stood together in the 1990s to encourage supermarkets to stock Fairtrade products – and won. Or when Christians led the Jubilee Debt movement, culminating at the G7 in Birmingham in 1998, where together, we called on the powers that be to drop the chains of debt – and they did.

Remind people that acting on climate change is an integral part of our faith

We are called to put our faith into action by loving our neighbours and caring for the earth, our common home.

Remind people that climate change is urgent

As climate change destroys many of the things we love and cherish we need to come together and call for urgent action. It's destroying and devastating lives across the world right now. Last year's UN report gave us 12 years to save God's creation as we know it.

Tell people what the event is

It's a mass lobby of Parliament. Christian Aid last organised one in 2015 with friends in the Climate Coalition. Constituents across the UK will come together in Westminster to lobby MPs en masse as a coalition of organisations and individuals standing with the world's poorest. We will also take the opportunity to celebrate our faith in action, pray together and network with friends old and new.

When: 26 June 2019

Where: Westminster, London

Tell people what we're asking MPs to do

As a minimum, we are asking the UK Government to create a legally binding target to ensure we are producing net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2045. We will also be calling on the government to take the shorter-term actions needed to make net zero a reality.

Highlight where people can get more info:

The event is still being developed, but you can sign up for more info at caid.org.uk/timeisnow



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