

Join with Green Christian St Albans on Thursday 22nd Feb.

GCSA will be at Westminster from 3pm to 8pm. Come for the whole time, or just for an hour.

Let your church rep know you are coming, or email Kath at stalbans@greenchristian.org.uk

We'll have craft activities going on, and regular times to join in prayer together. Bring something to sit on.

If you can't come, pray at home! Here's a guide:

www.caid.org.uk/vigilhome

Why a vigil?

Prayer is powerful! As we lament the brokenness of creation, we find hope for the restoration of our world.

We have faith that our prayers are heard and can bring transformation, even in the midst of injustice. That is why we gather in vigil, to pray for creation, for our global neighbours, for bold climate action from the UK Government.

Why we need climate justice

Around the world creation is crying out. Heatwaves, fires, droughts, and floods are becoming more frequent, wrecking lives, land, and livelihoods. Meanwhile, the biggest polluters who have caused this crisis make vast profits from fossil fuels. As creation groans, the poorest, who have done the least to cause the problem, are paying the price. Poverty and debt crises mean poor countries are struggling to respond. This is unjust.

Why Westminster?

We believe that the UK Government has a historic and current responsibility to take bold climate action. The extraction of wealth from many nations kicked off the industrial revolution, leading to Britain being the world's 8th biggest historical carbon emitter.

At COP28, while we celebrated the Loss and Damage Fund becoming operational with support pledged for climate vulnerable countries, the UK's financial commitments were well below what is possible and came from existing climate funds.

As we vigil, as we pray, we call on the UK Government to:

- 1. Make the UK's biggest polluters pay for climate action.
- Deliver and build on the UK's international climate finance pledges and pay into the UN's Loss & Damage Fund.
- 3. Ban new UK-based fossil fuel projects.

Use Christian Aid's Prayers and Placards resource and create your own placard to hold or place in front of you as you vigil www.caid.org.uk/C4CJpack

Green Christian St Albans

Formerly Hope in Action, we are passionate about climate and environmental issues. We share news, support local initiatives and engage our churches and the wider community. See our website















