

TIME TO ACT FOR JUSTICE, PEACE & ECOLOGY

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A passion for justice, a desire for peace and a concern for the integrity of God's creation are all essential to the living out of the Gospel. They are not optional extras, but core components of Christian faith.

Pope Francis calls on us to strengthen national and international legislation to regulate the activities of companies and provide justice for the people they affect. Huge corporations around the world who are benefiting from the exploitation of people and local environments, often to provide cheap products to affluent countries. This isn't right. But we can all do something about this: call for new legislation now! And be aware that communities displaced from their lands add to the world's rising tally of displaced people and asylum seekers. They face endless suffering, trying to find a new home.

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BUSINESS, HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENT ACT

CAFOD urges us to ask our MPs to back a new act, calling for legislation to make UK companies ensure that their activities do not put human rights or our common home at risk. Please stand with human rights defenders who are under threat by sending an email to your MP.

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GREEN HEARTS - SHOW THE LOVE

In mid-February 2022 consider creating a green heart to lobby for leadership and action on climate and nature. Green Christian is asking churches and individuals to use their 'Show the Love Prayers' in worship on Sunday 13 February, the nearest Sunday to Show the Love Day, 14 February. <https://bit.ly/3ITv5iV>

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ORANGE HEARTS - TOGETHER WITH REFUGEES

Join the Columbans in the 'Together with Refugees' campaign. Send a Valentine's Day card calling on your MP to Show their Heart for refugees. If you know they are unlikely to respond positively, taking this action still helps to keep public pressure on them, and pressures them into responding.

God of all, you made the earth and saw that it was good, but like robbers we have stripped it of its treasure. Now Earth cries out and your people hunger and thirst. Open our eyes to see the pain of your creation and move us with compassion for your world. Lead us to act as neighbours, who do not pass by on the other side. Open our eyes, Lord, so that together we may care for all that you have made and with all creation sing your praise. (CAFOD)

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