



RISE TO THE MOMENT LEEDS

LEEDS CHURCHES SET SAIL FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE

The climate crisis is a storm we all face, but we're not all in the same boat. People living in poverty are battling the worst of a crisis they did not create.

But a better way is possible.

In November 2021, the UK will host the United Nations' climate talks, COP26. We have a crucial opportunity to influence the decisions made.

Rise to the Moment is a movement for UK churches to raise their voices in prayer and prophetic action for climate justice. As part of this, Christian Aid will be creating a special installation at the COP 26 climate summit of origami 'prayer boats' made by thousands of people from across the UK.

Leeds churches are joining this initiative, on 8th October we will be inviting local decision makers to join church leaders and members to an exhibition and 'launch event' for the boats made here in Leeds. This is an opportunity to raise awareness with the media and to invite our local MPs and councillors to hear our calls for climate justice.





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STEP 1: MAKE YOUR BOATS

Invite your congregation to each make an origami boat and write or draw their prayer / message for world leaders on it. This could be in a service, children's group, small group, or event. Local schools and community organisations could also get involved. We've provided simple origami instructions at tinyurl.com/risetothemomentleeds or you can create or draw / colour in your own design.

STEP 2: CONTACT US TO ARRANGE DELIVERY

E-mail us at yccnrelayleeds@gmail.com to arrange delivery or collection of your boats a week or more ahead of our launch event on 8th October at Gateway Church, so we can turn them into an inspiring display. Why not turn their delivery into a mini-pilgrimage using low carbon transport.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS:

SHARE YOUR BOAT ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Use the hashtags #RiseToTheMoment and #PrayForCOP26 to be added to Christian Aid's online fleet. Tag Christian Aid and add something about why you care about climate justice.

INVITE YOUR MP to our launch event on Friday 8th October, 4.30 at Gateway Church. Contact your MP, as an individual or on behalf of your church, to invite them to join you at the event. Please email us first at yccnrelayleeds@gmail.com so we can check whether your MP has already confirmed attendance, and so we can put you on the guest list! How about sending your MP a giant origami boat signed by your church members to grab their attention?

SIGN THE PETITION to support Christian Aid's campaign at christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/climate-justice-2021



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