

## Press release: Priest in Charge of Mawnan to walk 75 miles for Christian Aid's 75th Anniversary

This year is Christian Aid's 75th Anniversary, but Covid restrictions are having a huge impact on their fundraising activities. Rev Johanna Clare, Priest in Charge of Mawnan, will be walking 75 miles during Christian Aid Week (10-16 May) to mark this special year. Each walk will include prayers for climate justice.

The work of Christian Aid and their campaign for climate justice is vitally important. The climate crisis is leaving people hungry, homeless and heartbroken. People like Rose are struggling to survive without a reliable source of water. From drought to flooding, climate chaos robs people of control over their lives.



"I often feel hungry", Rose says. "Because of climate change, I worry a lot about food. I pray to God that the rainfall will become normal like it used to be. In recent years, the drought has been so bad that it's caused a hunger crisis. Crops wither and die. Rivers run dry. People struggle to survive." The coronavirus pandemic has only made this lack of water more critical for Rose. Without water for handwashing, it is a struggle to stay safe from the virus. "

Johanna says "Walking 75 miles in a week is quite a challenge, so I am very grateful to everyone who has agreed to accompany me. I am looking forward to walking and praying with church groups from the deanery and beyond, ecumenical friends, our school, Bishop Hugh, Archdeacon Paul and Elly, the Canon for Creation Care.

"Please contact me - [rev.johanna.clare@gmail.com](mailto:rev.johanna.clare@gmail.com) – if you would like to join a walk near you, or if you would like me to join you for prayers or your favourite walk."

You can support Johanna's walk and Christian Aid by donating at [justgiving.com/fundraising/j-clare1](https://justgiving.com/fundraising/j-clare1)

Resources for worship and campaigning can be found at [caweek.org](https://caweek.org)



*Johanna's Labrador, Rosie, has been helping her train for the walk.*