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THE BIG ONE

From 21 April 2023

100,000 people

Houses of Parliament

Will you be one of 100,000 people surrounding the Houses of Parliament on 21st April to demand action on the climate emergency?

The biggest climate protest yet is taking place from **21st April- 24th April**.

Join Christian Climate Action this April as we take a stand against fossil fuel company greed and government inaction – which is fuelling both the cost of living crisis and the climate crisis.

We're working to bring 100,000 people to protest outside the Houses of Parliament in London, directly taking our call for change to those in power.

Back in 10,000 people came out on the streets of London. Shortly after, Parliament declared an environment and climate emergency. But not enough has changed in the behaviour of those in power. Imagine what 100,000 people working together could do.

Imagine you are one of them. Would change be unstoppable?

If you have never attended a protest before, this is the place to start. We're working to make it as inclusive as possible. Churches, small groups, families, friendship groups, knitting circles... they will all be there!



Who will be there?

CCA is taking part in this protest alongside groups such as [Extinction Rebellion](#) and a number of Christian organisations, including [Green Christian](#). We'll be listing Christian organisations and movements as they join us on [this blog](#).

The ethos of the action is in line with a [promise by Extinction Rebellion](#) to move away from tactics which primarily disrupt the public and instead focus on tactics which disrupt those in power and allow for mass participation.

How can you get involved?

- **Save the dates** in your diary: 21st-24th April 2023
- **Book your travel.** [Let us know](#) if you need help with the cost of travel. If there are several people coming from your local area you can talk to us about the possibility of help with minibus or coach hire costs.
- **Think about accommodation:** nearer the time we'll publish a list of church hall floors you can sleep on with others if you're coming for more than one day (BYO sleeping bag and roll mat). If this option isn't for you, you might need to book a hostel or hotel or keep an eye out for announcements from XR regarding people



What will happen at The Big One?

Here's a taster of some of the things that CCA and others are planning:

- Friday 21st, in the morning: a prayerful pilgrimage into central London.
- 22nd, 23rd & 24th: worship beginning at noon each day
- Sunday 23rd, 3pm: open-air Eucharist service
- Throughout The Big One – a quiet space where we can reflect on why we are there.

who live in London offering space in their spare bedrooms.

- **Invite others.** It's up to all of us to get as many people as possible along. CCA has created a talk you can use in churches.
- [Attend CCA's weekly planning meetings on Zoom](#) and help decide what our contribution to the Big One should look like.
- **Help us find accommodation.** If you know a Church based either within London, or within an hour's travel from London, please contact them and ask if they would be able to offer their Church floor for members of Christian Climate Action to sleep on at night (we can ask people to bring roll mats and sleeping bags). [Let us know if you find somewhere.](#)
- **Offer sleeping space.** If you live within an hour of London city centre and can offer a space for some people to sleep – be that a floor, a sofa or a bed, do please [let us know.](#)
- **Donate.** Protests of this size take time and money to organise. Please consider making a donation to CCA.
- **Pray.** prayer and protest are a great combination! In the lead-up to the Big One please be praying for all those protesting and for our government and fossil fuel companies. If you'd like to pray with others, you can [join us on Zoom for daily prayers.](#)

What are we asking of the UK government?

END THE FOSSIL FUEL ERA: We must end all new licences and funding for fossil fuels.

REPAIR: Those who hid the science and projected impacts, worsening the situation for short-term profit, should be made to pay. Rich countries must support those already on the front line of climate impacts. The people will work together to address inequality and restore the living world through tackling the climate crisis.

ENTER AN AGE OF TRANSFORMATION: Mobilise a UK-wide effort, more ambitious than anything in all of history, to transform society using a participatory approach to politics at local, national and UK levels.

Citizens assemblies, citizen-led politics, are the transitional tools needed to achieve this.

APRIL REBELLION

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