CLIMATE ACTION ASSEMBLY

A Plenary of the Toronto Convening of the Parliament of the World’s Religions

4 November 2018 – 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Drums with Opening Prayer

Traditional Chant by Lester Meeanscombe
   Peter Davie (Cree) and Johnny Omer (Six Nations of the Haudenosaunee)

Invocations

Ken Kitatani (Shinto), Valerie Dana (Bahá’í Faith), Manohar Singh Grewal (Sikhism)

Song – “Mercy, Mercy Me” by Marvin Gaye
   Mark Masri and Amoy Brown, accompanied by Jack Lenz on Piano

Welcome

David Hales, Chair of the Climate Action Task Force and Master of Ceremonies

Witnesses from the Front Lines of Climate Change

Uncle Angaangaq Angakkorsuaq, Eskimo-Kalaallit Elder – Greenland
The Rev. Rachel Mash, Green Anglicans – Cape Town, South Africa
Davi Kopenawa Yanomami, Shaman and Spokesperson – The Amazon
Kathy Jetnil Kijiner, Poet and Activist – The Marshall Islands
   Video Message and Film of Poem “Dear Matafele Peinem”
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJuRjy9k7GA&t=7s

Song – “Planting Seeds” by Nimo
   Nimo with Daniel Nahmod

Paris and Beyond

Christiana Figueres, Convenor, Mission 2020
Weiming Tu, Director, Institute for Advanced Humanities, Peking University
Iyad Abumoghli, Director, Faith for Earth Initiative, UN Environment
Vandana Shiva, Founder, Navdanya
**Buddhist Chanting of Lovingkindness for All Beings**

The Ven. Dhammadipta Sak and Theravada Monks from Different Nations

**THE MEANING OF COMMITMENT**

“Laudato Si’ and the Meaning of Commitment”

Rev. Dr. Joshtrom Isaac Kureethadam, SDB, Coordinator of the Sector on Ecology and Creation, Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Roman Curia of the Holy See

**FILM: “THE FORGOTTEN SOLUTION”** with Alec Baldwin and Jane Goodall

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-hJrGVvPNCM&t=7s

**PRESENTATION OF THE FIFTH DIRECTIVE OF THE PARLIAMENT’S GLOBAL ETHIC**

Rabbi David Rosen, International Director of Interreligious Affairs, American Jewish Committee

*Reading of the Fifth Directive by Members of the Climate Action Task Force:*

Imam Saffet Catovic, Myriam Reynaud, Gopal Patel, Dianne Dillon-Ridgley, and The Rev. Andras Corben Arthen

**Musical Interlude** – Ernie Tollar, Flautist

**CLOSING REFLECTIONS**

Ingrid Mattson, London and Windsor Community Chair in Islamic Studies
Huron University College
The Reverend Archdeacon John Chryssavgis, Theological Advisor on Environmental Issues, The Ecumenical Patriarchate
Baba Wande Abimbola (Yoruba), President, Ifá Heritage Institute

**PRESENTATION OF ECOLOGICAL FLOURISHING AND SUSTAINABILITY AWARD TO CHRISTIANA FIGUERES** – Presented by David Hales and Kusumita P. Pedersen

**Closing**

“We Shall Overcome,” sung by all present with Mark Masri and Amoy Brown, accompanied by Jack Lenz on Piano

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