



Faith mobilization for Climate Justice: a note from UNGA September 25th 2014

The faith community was out in force for Climate Justice, during the [Climate Summit 2014](#) at the UN General Assembly, September 2014.

[Green Faith](#) and others organized over 10,000 faith affiliated people, among the [sights](#) in the [parade](#) were a floating mosque (supplied by [Green Muslims NJ](#),) side by side with a Noah's Ark! [Many](#) reported a sense of a new social movement around climate justice



[Religions for the Earth](#)

conference at Union Theological Seminary convened over 200 international faith leaders to talk about ways to harness the power of faith for social change on climate, and to turn momentum into a movement

A meeting on Eco Islam organized by [Islamic Relief](#) received information on Islamic principles guiding environmental stewardship, from Sheikh Fazlun Khalid of the [Islamic Foundation for Ecology and Environmental Sciences](#); and heard a [case study](#) on Quranic influence on sustainable fisheries in Tanzania.

[RELIGIONS FOR THE EARTH: REDEFINING THE CLIMATE CRISIS](#)

“faith leaders must build public will for action by casting climate change as a clearly-defined, irresistible moral imperative. We need to harness the power of faith to affect social change.”

-Kareena Gore and Serene Jones,
Union Theological Seminary in TIME

[Interfaith Summit on Climate Change](#)

Convened by World Council of Churches and Religions for Peace Sept 21-22 hosted [30 of the worlds religious leaders](#) to prepare and present [a statement](#) on climate justice to Deputy UN Secretary General

“Therefore, as faith leaders, we commit ourselves to the promotion of disaster risk reduction, adaptation, low carbon development, climate change education, curbing our own consumption patterns and reducing our use of fossil fuels. Based on our spiritual beliefs and our hope for the future, we commit to stimulating consciences and encouraging our peers and communities to consider such measures with urgency.”

-Interfaith Summit on Climate Change
Statement

Heads of US and Canadian Episcopal and Lutheran churches issued a joint [statement](#) calling for us to ensure environmental

stability and to “take the initiative to engage decision-makers in this godly work in all

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arenas of public life — in government and business, in schools and civic organizations, in social media and also in our church life.”

Other Resources on Faith and Climate Change:

[Green Deen: what Islam teaches about protecting the planet: Ibrahim Abdul-Matin](#)

[Evangelical Environmental Network](#)

[Harvard Conference on Religion and Ecology](#)

[Yale Forum on Ecology and Religion:](#)

[Fact Sheet on Faith and Climate Change](#)



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