

Thank you for the rain



Kisilu, a Kenyan farmer, uses his camera to capture the life of his family, his village and the damages of climate change. Through a changing climate we see him transform from a father, to community leader to an activist on the global stage.

Life on camera

Thank You for the Rain tells the story of Kisilu, a smallholder farmer in Kenya who has used his camera to capture the life of his family, and the human costs of climate change.

The film is a call to action to all who care about God's creation and justice for all people. But for many of us it's hard to know what to do. You could host a 'watch party' as a catalyst for planning a collective response to the climate crisis.

While we have to stay home, a 'watch party' is a great way to share an experience apart, but together.

How to host a 'watch party'

- Request the Thank You for the Rain download link from campaigns@christian-aid.org and share with all participants

- Set a date and time for everyone to watch the film
- Set up a platform for your 'watch party' to reflect and respond to the film together.

There are lots of great ways to come together online you could:

- o host a live stream on your church's Facebook page where you can pose questions to start a discussion

- o host a Zoom chat – Zoom is an online video conference tool which allows you to host a 40 minute chat for free. Visit www.zoom.us to create a conference call and simply share the link with friends.

- o Host a WhatsApp group chat – you can pose questions and people can share their thoughts in the group by sharing audio clips or typing their answers.

- Once you have all the details sorted, invite as many people as you would like to from your church community and beyond to your 'watch party'. Make sure you tell people to download the film well in advance of your 'watch party' as it is a large file and may take up to two hours to download.

Reflect, discuss, act

Once your 'watch party' has viewed Thank You for the Rain, you're ready to reflect, discuss and act!

Below are some suggested questions to ask your watchers. You can share these via your chosen platform (see options above). You may wish to give people a few

minutes to reflect on their own before starting the discussion.

- How do you feel?
- What moments of the film stood out to you most and why?
- What do you think climate justice means?
- Kisilu asks 'if the ants can organise themselves, why can't humans' what do you think stands in the way of us acting on the climate crisis, and how can we overcome that?
- Kisilu joins with his church community to worship and speak out about climate breakdown. How can your church and the church in the UK speak out?
- How can you stand with Kisilu and take action today? Here's some ideas:
 - o Call on the UK Government for a New Deal for Climate Justice visit caid.org.uk/climate-justice-petition and share with others
 - o Join our Global Prayer Chain and say #AmenToClimateJustice – sign up for a slot to pray for climate justice to be done. Visit caid.org.uk/prayerchain

Let us know how it goes

We'd love to hear about your 'watch party', how many people took part, how people reacted to Kisilu's story, what actions you took, what worked well and what you might do differently next time. Email us on campaigns@christian-aid.org

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