

Seal the Deal

The United Nations Campaign for Climate Change Action

<http://www.sealthedeal2009.org/>

The United Nations is conducting a Seal the Deal Campaign to encourage all nations to support the Climate Change negotiations in Copenhagen, in December 2009.

For your group to participate have a rubber stamp made like the one below or make a poster with the same information. Prepare a long scroll and invite people to sign their names and leave a message if they wish. Take a photo and send it to ogc@maryknoll.org. The photos will be delivered to the UN before the Copenhagen Conference.

The signing may be set in a prayerful ceremony. Below are prayers and songs you may wish to use.



Opening song or prayer

Gardener of the World (Kathleen Deignan, CND)

To the gardener of the world be praised,
Blessing, honor and glory, Alleluia.

Greener of earth,
Tender of trees of the field and the grass.
Keeper of forests,
Woodlands and wide-open plains, we attend.

Radiance on waters,
Flowing in river and lake and the stream.
Caster of currents
Running 'neath oceans and seas we attend.

Loom of vitality
Vesting our earth in its blue breathing veil
Weaver of webs,
Latticing snowflakes and roots, we attend.

Prayer

We join with Earth and with each other, with our ancestors and all beings of the future to bring new life to the land, to recreate the human community, to provide justice and peace, to remember our children and the children of all species, to remember who we are. We join together as many and diverse expressions of one loving mystery, for the healing of Earth and renewal of all life. (Adapted from Capacitar-Spring 2007, from UN Prayer of Sabbath)

Sharing

Those so inclined can share their reflections with others regarding God's creation, the threat of climate change and the importance of the Copenhagen negotiations.

All participants then stamp and sign the scroll or sign the poster and scroll.

Closing

The New Consciousness (Jan Novotka)

This is the New Consciousness rising within humankind.
Living as one with the Whole of Life, one with each moment in time.

He spoke of the Kingdom of Heaven
He spoke of the Pearl of Great Price,
Fountain within, Living Water,
Reign of God in our midst.

He spoke of his oneness with "Abba,"
the Source of all Life and all things,
the Great Abyss, Creative Power,
flowing and living in me.

This new Consciousness rose in the masters,
in the mystics and teachers it grew.
Its time has come to rise in others.
Let its Light shine through you.

The awareness that all things are holy;
one in Being, one Essence, one Life.
Surrender all to Rising Presence,
to the New Consciousness.

He told us that we would do great things;
far greater things than he.
Let go of self. Live in alignment.
Sacred consciousness be.