

## **Archbishop Julio Murray – video address to ACC-18 – English transcript**

1. Greetings of joy and peace to all delegates present for the 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Anglican Consultative Council, meeting in Accra-Ghana.
2. I am Archbishop ++Julio Murray, and I serve as the coordinator of the ANGLICAN COMMUNION ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK.
3. The response to the global climate crisis has been
  - a. inadequate in the levels of resources dedicated to solving the urgency of the crisis
  - b. Lack of commitment from those who have the power to act on concrete actions and thus transform the results of the climate emergency we are experiencing
4. At the heart of Anglican identity is the mission mandate to
  - a. Respond to human need through service with love.
  - b. Transform the systems and structures of injustice in society.
  - c. Challenging structures that are violent at all levels and the search for Peace and reconciliation.
  - d. Safeguard the integrity of creation.
5. That is why Anglicans in all parts of the Communion are on the front lines, responding to the climate urgency. Because the most important component that is affected are the lives of the most vulnerable people in society: CHILDREN AND WOMEN, FARMERS, INDIGENOUS PEOPLE, AND AFRO-DESCENDANTS.
6. The Anglican Consultative Council has issued resolutions to deal with the climate crisis. And we have brought those resolutions to the Climate Conference of the Parties, COP26, COP27, as a United Nations accredited delegation and we have brought the Voice of the Anglican Communion together with other faith leaders empowered to advocate with the governments on damages and loss and just finances. Now we have to start conversations with the owners of large companies that have not yet done what is necessary to mitigate and transform the effects of climate change.
7. As religious leaders, we have to talk to the owners of large CO2 emitting companies, in our contexts. The issue is urgent and affects the lives of millions of people, we need concrete actions. Because the prophetic voice of the communities of FAITH is not negotiable and is not for sale.
8. The delegation of the Anglican Communion accredited by the United Nations, together with other faith communities, emphasized the issue of Loss and Damage at COP27 and it was possible for the issue to form part of the solutions agenda finances that need to be addressed. In Sharm El Sheikh our call was received to establish a fund to respond to Loss and Damage in developing countries, as a result of droughts and floods as a consequence of the impact of climate change. But, we must not forget the call to stop the use of fossil fuel and replace it with other clean energy sources.
9. It is important to recognize the voices of the indigenous people in their call for a change in attitude... from being the greatest extractors of products from Mother Earth to once again being the greatest caretakers – stewards of creation.
10. We have to be intentional and maximize indigenous and youth voices through the work we do in the networks.