

Presentations

Tagolyn Kabekabe will present on her experiences in the Solomon Islands, and talk about the impact and effects of climate change first-hand. Sea level rise and food insecurity are very present troubles for Solomon Islanders and they are learning to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change.

Tagolyn will draw on her recent input and experiences of the C20 Summit in Melbourne, which seeks to bring voices from the Pacific to the leaders of the top twenty richest nations and influence their decision-making. She will also reflect on her time at the <u>Voices for Justice</u> meeting where she is one of the key speakers.

Brad Chapman will explore the foundations of advocacy, beginning with the question, 'What is advocacy?' Brad will highlight examples of advocacy in the Bible and talk about the Anglican Communion's Five Marks of Mission. He will also suggest some preparatory steps to assist in effective advocacy.

David Cook will explore why effective advocacy must include communications and PR. Achieving your advocacy goals doesn't just involve talking to the people with power to make change. You have to create a context in which it's attractive for them to want to make change. David will talk about how to use a combination of lobbying, quality communications, public relations and media coverage to effectively advocate for justice.

Ben Thurley will speak about two examples of grassroots Christian and church engagement with communities and politics to address social issues, including poverty and discrimination.

Voices for Justice, held in Australia, is an annual event that brings roughly 250 Christians from all over the country to the national capital, Canberra, to lobby politicians about the Millennium Development Goals.

The Christian Commitment to Building a New Nepal is a movement of church-community engagement to address urgent social issues.