

Wednesday's RE - Ways to Be Stewards

One very important way in which we should be stewards of God's creation is in the area of the impact of climate change. Remember that weather can change dramatically over the course of a day (sun, then rain, perhaps wind and then sun again). Climate usually takes years to change (for the good or bad). People are concerned because they feel the climate is changing more quickly than before. Take a look.

Climate change affects different parts of the world in different ways. CAFOD works with local organisations to support poor communities in more than 40 countries worldwide. Some of them are already dealing with the effects of climate change on health and livelihoods in the poorest communities on Earth today.

Scientists have identified some of the likely effects of climate change: temperature, sea level, drought, storms and flooding. As you know already from this year, drastic changes to any of these five causes harm to people's homes and their lives. It doesn't matter what type of people you are or where you live. You might have no drinking water or water to cook with. You might lose all your belongings and home to a flood or fire. You might not have enough food to eat. As we have found out during this pandemic, the smallest of things become important (such as toilet paper).

CAFOD is working in these countries to help the local communities adapt to and prepare for changes. They do a range of things like: provide clean water, food and materials to build new shelters; help farmers know their rights; campaign to create strong laws to protect the environment; promote reforestation; and train people in first aid and rescue operations for when disasters hit.



Task: Create a poster to encourage people to be a steward - to help care for God's creations including the environment like CAFOD does.