

God is love.

All people are created in his image and valued by him. We must, therefore, treat each person with respect, dignity and love.

God is just.

Throughout scripture we are confronted with God's repeated call to act justly. The continuing gross inequalities in the world are an affront to his goodness and justice. They demand a response from us.

God is biased towards the poor.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ proclaims good news for the poor. Christian discipleship demands we not only address the needs of the poor but also ask questions about why they are poor, and challenge systems and structures that keep them in poverty.

If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.
James 2:16-17



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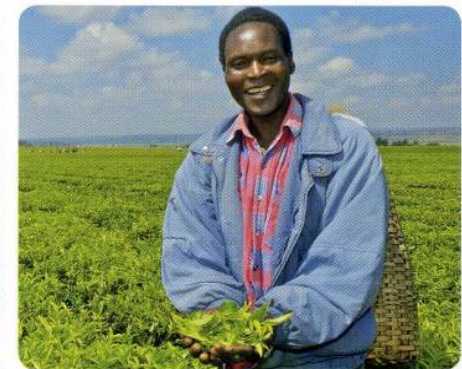


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Faith in action

Traidcraft in your church



Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the
poor and needy.
Proverbs 31:9



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Put your faith into action and promote justice in your church

Visit www.traidcraft.co.uk/churches

Fulfil Jesus' command to love the poor by encouraging your church to support fair trade and promote trade justice.

Traidcraft wants to see a world free from the scandal of poverty where trade is just and people and communities can flourish.

Whether in its outreach activities or simply its weekly teas and coffees, your church can join us in fighting poverty through trade.

Rich and poor have this in common: The LORD is the Maker of them all. Proverbs 22:2

Tea and Coffee

Make sure you're fighting for justice with every cuppa! Traidcraft's refreshments account gets you fair trade products delivered free* to the door and an invoice to keep the treasurer happy.

For more info or to sign up go to www.traidcraft.co.uk/refreshments

*conditions apply



Have a Traidcraft stall

Running a Traidcraft stall in the church gives your congregation the opportunity to buy a wider range of fair trade products than is available elsewhere. It also means that their purchases support Traidcraft's work to ensure fair trade continues to grow and benefit as many people as possible.

See www.traidcraft.co.uk/fairtrader



Invite a Traidcraft Speaker

We have a network of over 500 speakers around the country who are passionate about fair trade and trade justice. Why not invite a Traidcraft speaker to speak in a service or at an evening or mid-week group. Simply fill in the form at www.traidcraft.co.uk/speakers to receive details of speakers in your area.



Make a Donation

Traidcraft Exchange, our international development charity, implements projects in Africa and Asia to help poor people work their way out of poverty. Our current projects are improving the lives of over 3.4 million people. We need your support to continue this vital work. A regular committed gift, an annual collection or a fundraising event are simple ways in which your church could support our work of transforming lives.

See www.traidcraft.org.uk/donate



Church Resources

We've a whole range of resources to help you convey God's heart for justice at harvest, in Lent, Advent, Fairtrade Fortnight and throughout the year.

See www.traidcraft.co.uk/churchresources



Campaign

Campaigning together we can make all trade fairer. By signing a postcard, coming to an event or writing to a decision-maker, you can help to change the rules and practices which keep people poor.

Visit www.traidcraft.org.uk/campaign



The Big Brew is an initiative for groups of churches. Open as a fair trade cafe for the day and welcome visitors whilst promoting fair trade in your community. For groups of 20 churches or more.

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