



This week Zambia had the pleasure of hosting the African and international youths travelling in the We Have Faith Caravan. The Caravan arrived through Chipata on the 14th and was in Lusaka by the 15th of November. On arrival in Lusaka the youths were welcomed by the Church Mother Bodies (Evangelical Fellowship of Zambia, Council of Churches in Zambia and Zambia Episcopal Conference) at Arcades Shopping Centre. It was there where Rev. Pukuta Mwanza, EFZ Executive Director, welcomed them into Zambia. He encouraged them to continue with this important message stating that “issues concerning the climate are what unite us here today.”

Rev. Mwanza added that “We as faith leaders in Zambia, are fully behind the Climate Justice campaign lead by the youths and are proud to be part of such an initiative. “Act Now for Climate Justice” is a positive and much needed message for the leaders soon gathering in Durban, South Africa for the CoP17 meeting. Zambia is a country much affected by climate change, experiencing flooding and recently irregular rainfall patterns.”

The vibrant and energetic youths had travelled from Malawi, Tanzania and Kenya. Zambia was the fourth stop in their bid to raise awareness about climate change in the build up to the CoP17 meeting in Durban, South Africa.

On Wednesday the 16th of November the faith based organizations hosted the ‘Green Blaze Concert’ at the Barclays Sports Complex in Lusaka. Over 500 youths came to the event which was graced by the Minister of Local Government, Early Childhood and Environmental Protection –Ms. Nkandu Luo.

The Minister encouraged the youths to participate in such initiatives concerning the environment especially because Zambia is a nation which is vulnerable to climate change and doesn’t have

the adequate technologies and budgets to respond.

The Caravan is currently on its way to Botswana and will finally head to South Africa to deliver the message to the world leaders.

We Have Faith – let's Act Now for Climate Justice.