

## ***NW Coast Quakers to sound the alarm for the climate as part of global Day of Action***

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*Local members of the NW Coast Meeting Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Tasmania and a diverse group of 20 climate action supporters including Greens members and the Uniting Church were part of a global multi-faith event on Thursday 11 March bringing attention to **Greenfaith International's** global multi faith statement from senior faith leaders to politicians telling them they must take serious action on the climate now.*

*At 11PM on 11<sup>th</sup> March, NW Coast Meeting and supporters meditated in silence outside the Deloraine office of MP Guy Barnett, at 12 noon they sounded the alarm by ringing bells, playing gongs to mark a call to action, delivered to MP Guy Barnett a copy of **Sacred People, Sacred Earth "10 Demands"** and requested a face to face interview to discuss these concerns.*

**Sacred People, Sacred Earth** was part of a global day of action when places of worship all around the world sounded the climate alarm. Each place of worship chose its own way to do this: by ringing bells, sounding a note on the *shofar*, calling the Azan, by chanting and mediating. Every place of worship on Earth was invited to join in.

By doing this, members of The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Tasmania helped draw attention of the world's media to a major new multi faith statement from some of the world's best-known faith leaders to our political and business leaders, telling them that decisions they make now must not perpetuate an outdated economic system that relies on fossil fuels and the destruction of the very forest, waters, oceans and soils that make life possible.

More information on the success of the day, where the climate action movement for people of faith goes from here, the multi-faith statement of purpose and the "10 Demands" document can be found at **Greenfaith.org** and **ARRCC.org.au**

