

# WSCF GLOBAL EVENT 2024

- 3-4 DEC** AFRICA REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING
- 5-7 DEC** INTERREGIONAL ECUMENICAL TRAINING ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE
- 8-10 DEC** WSCF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

LUSAKA, ZAMBIA



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The WSCF Global Event 2024 in Lusaka, Zambia, brought together delegates and participants for a series of activities, including the Africa Regional Committee Meeting, the Ecumenical Interregional Training Program on Climate and Economic Justice, and the Executive Committee Meeting. The event began with the Africa Regional Committee Meeting (Dec 3–4), where delegates from SCMs across Africa gathered to address the theme "Confronting Challenges and Rebuilding the Student Ministry in Africa." The meeting included leadership elections, strategic planning, and reflections on the region's progress, with contributions from WSCF General Secretary Marcelo Leites on the global Strategic Plan performance and other regional leaders.

The Ecumenical Interregional Training Program (Dec 5–7) followed, focused on equipping young leaders with the tools to advocate for climate and economic justice. Activities included a public opening event at the University of Zambia Chapel with cultural performances, keynote addresses, and interfaith prayers, followed by intensive workshops on advocacy strategies and theological perspectives. The event concluded with a collaborative creation of GLOCAL advocacy plans and a celebration of cultural diversity.

Finally, the event closed with the Executive Committee Meeting (Dec 8-10), strengthening WSCF's internal governance through strategic planning, finance and personnel management workshops, and discussions on advocacy and future initiatives, culminating in a reflective worship session tied to Human Rights International Day.

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# INTERREGIONAL ECUMENICAL TRAINING PROGRAM ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE – OPENING EVENT

PHOTOS: REV. SUZANNE MATALE ADDRESS ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE | WSCF GENERAL SECRETARY ADDRESS ON WSCF ETHOS | WOMEN CHORUS | CULTURAL PERFORMANCES BY "CULTURE YATU" | WSCF INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS | INTERREGIONAL PRAYER BY WSCF STAFF



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*"The climate crisis, along with economic, socio-political, and civilisational crises, is an expression of the most advanced stages of neoliberalism and neocolonialism. These interconnected global challenges cannot be viewed as separate issues but rather as integral to a systemic analysis of the global economic order, which is rooted in domination, exploitation, and the degradation of God's creation as a whole..."*

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PHOTOS: PARTICIPANTS AND WORKSHOP FACILITATOR GEORGE CHIBWANA (HEAD OF PROGRAMS AT THE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN ZAMBIA) | LECTURE BY PROFESSOR SOKO, DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION AT JUSTO MWALE UNIVERSITY | PARTICIPANTS PANEL DISCUSSION



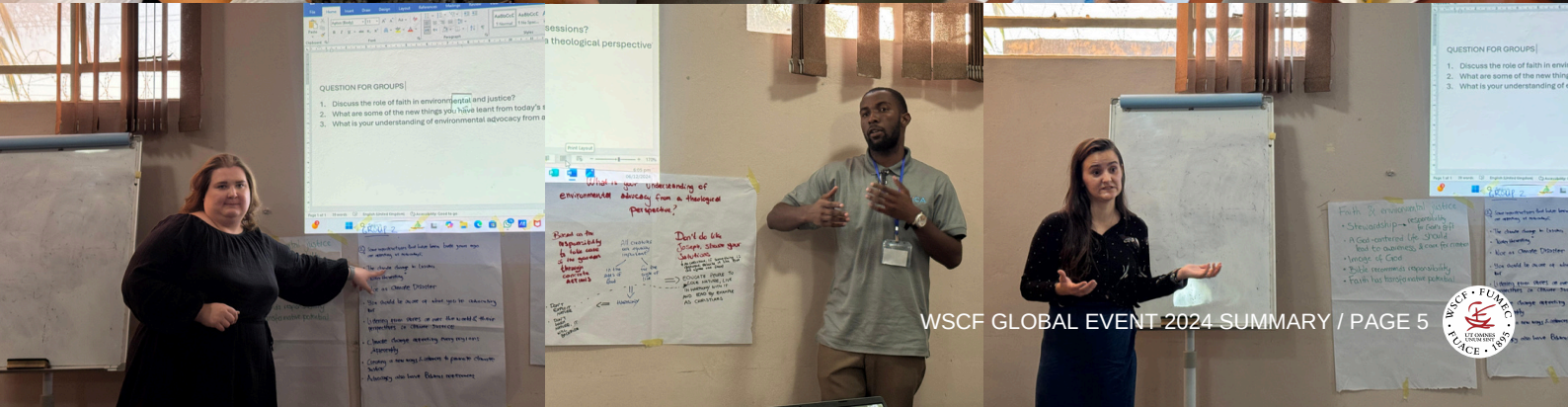
# INTERREGIONAL ECUMENICAL TRAINING PROGRAM ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE

PHOTOS: WSCF GENERAL SECRETARY AND WSCF GLOBAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR ON CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE PROGRAM LEADING A WORKSHOP ON ADVOCACY | WORKING GROUPS ON ADVOCACY PLANNING | PRESENTATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY FROM A THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE



*"...Africa is one of the regions most affected by climate change and economic injustice. It has experienced severe environmental degradation, conflict, displacement, and human rights abuses, leaving thousands of families without access to necessities such as food, shelter, and healthcare..."*

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*"...the relationship between climate change and the global economic system perpetuates power imbalances, exclusion, inequality, and a lack of opportunities for many. This exploitation of people and the planet is threatening the integrity of all creation. Food security and rising prices are at the heart of the struggle for economic justice(...)"*

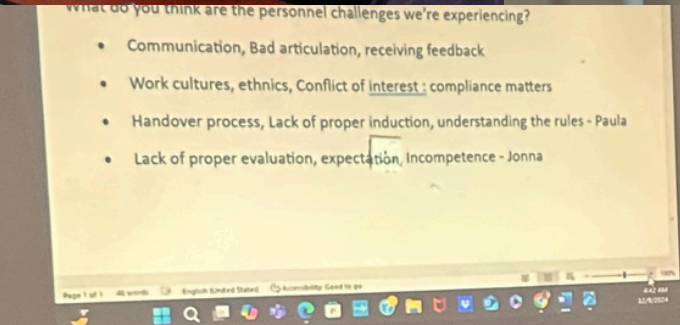
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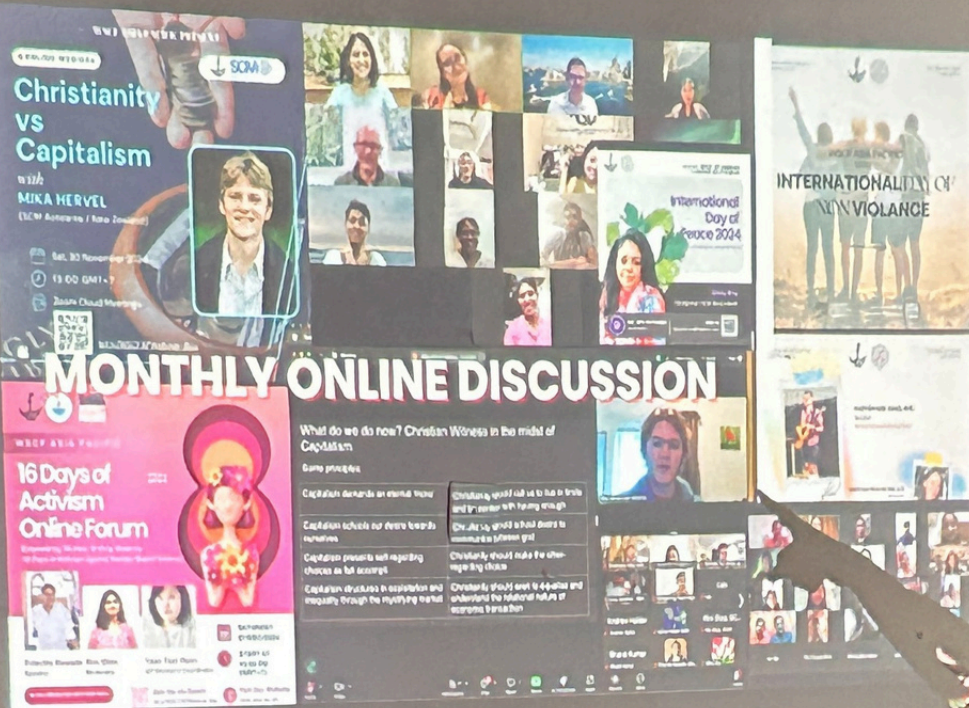
## LEADERSHIP REPORTS AND GENERAL SECRETARY REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE FEDERATION

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*"...The future of Youth and children is especially threatened as the crisis will result in increased forced migration, displacement, and conflicts."*

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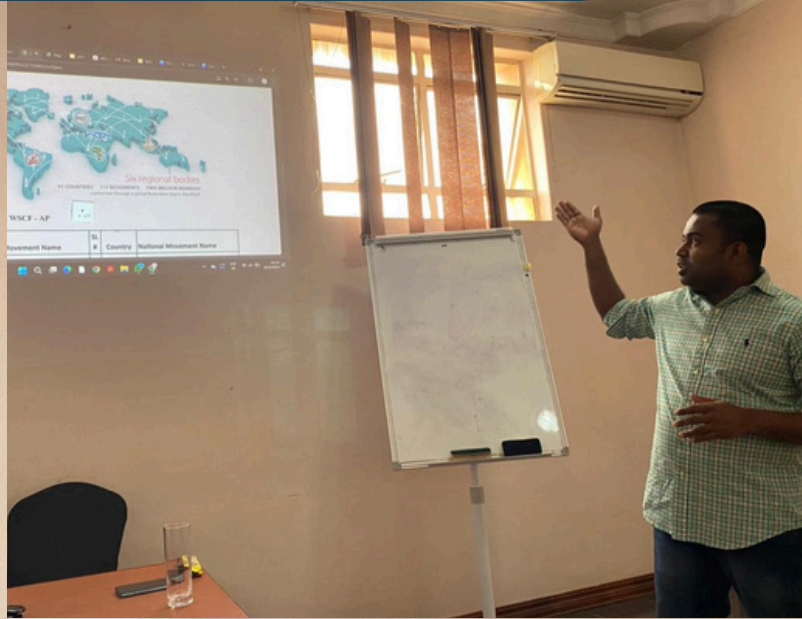


*"...We call on all our movements and ecumenical partners—especially youth-led movements and institutions—to join efforts in advocating for economic and ecological justice."*

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# DEC 10 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT ON THE LIFE OF SCMS



# HIGHLIGHTS



3-4 DEC / AFRICA REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING



7 DEC / INTERCULTURAL NIGHT



**5 DEC / MEETING WITH AFRICAN SENIOR FRIENDS**



*"We call on Churches, institutions, governments, non-governmental organisations, and civil society organisations to take concrete actions to improve resilience at the community level, with the most affected people at the forefront of climate action.."*

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**11 DEC / COORDINATION COMMITTEE DINNER**

**10 DEC / WORSHIP ON INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY**

Serena: **YOUR KINGDOM COME**  
All:  
Your new just world, where no one fears a checkpoint,  
Where no woman is stopped on the way to the hospital,  
Where no child is taken in the middle of the night,  
Where no farmer is violated by colonists,  
Where no peaceful protester is shot by a military sniper,  
Where no citizen is hit by a rocket;  
Where no pollution takes place  
Where rights of all people are respected



**8 DEC / SUNDAY SERVICE AT BREAD OF LIFE CHURCH INTERNATIONAL**



***“...We believe in the power of transformation through the social and ecumenical engagement of student movements. As a federation, we stand in solidarity, pray, and act together for the well-being of God’s creation. WSCF’s mission to pursue justice and peace will not falter in the face of destructive powers. Instead, we will uphold God’s Reign of Justice. Youth have a critical voice and can contribute to the fight for climate and economic justice, and their voices should be heard.”***

**WSCF Executive Committee Meeting  
Public Statement  
December 2024**



**FULL STATEMENT AT [WWW.WSCF.CH](http://WWW.WSCF.CH)**

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DANCING GROUP "CULTURE YATU" PERFORMING AT INTERCULTURAL NIGHT



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