

GLENROTHES AREA CHURCHES TOGETHER

Coaltown of Balgonie, 11th June 2008

PRESENT: Richard Gilmour - Church of Christ
Alex Wright, Charlotte Wright - Glenrothes Baptist
George Carratt, Wilma Hanlon - King's Covenant Fellowship
Betty Nicol - Leslie Baptist
Una Fidoe - St Luke's
Joy Allan, Allan McDonagh - St Margaret's
Rev Allistair Roy, Ena Harley Connie Robertson - St Ninian's
Alma Sharkey - St Paul's and St Mary's
Irene Ross - Trinity
Rev Kathryn Price, Grace Baxter - United Reformed Church
James Milligan – Scottish Bible Society

Apologies: Mary McIndoe, Wilma & Ron Page, Nancy Ball, Joan Grant, May Paton, Rev Diane Hobson, Rev David Calvin-Thomas, Marjorie Cowie, Fr Gerry Hand, Margaret Duffy, Sheila Walker

1. **Opening Worship** was led by Kathryn Price; reading from Matt 9:35-10:8 and Prayer Handbook. There is no need for us to be helpless. With God's guidance we can see what can/can't be changed. Small steps can lead to big changes.
2. **Minutes** of the last AGM were approved by Richard Gilmour and Joy Allan. There was no correspondence.
3. **Report From The Chair (brief summary)**
A big thank you to all who have supported Churches Together. For nearly a year there was almost a full compliment of clergy. Peter Berrill has returned to Ireland: we warmly welcome Kathryn Price. High points of the year were:
One World Week – Tear Fund make a Miracle
Scottish Bible Society - presentation leading to Bibleworld studio visit
Advent – a joyful service at Leslie Baptist
Carol singing in Kingdom Centre – donation to SBS action group
Week of Prayer – successful Sunday lunch & service at St Margaret's
Holy Week – studying, sharing and 'stations' were inspirational
Gravy train – continues as a good opportunity for service in our community
Pray for Scotland prayer walk – council, commerce and recreation locations covered.
This was a very full report that included other items. It is hoped to post this on the web page in the near future.
4. **Treasurer's Report**
A concise balance sheet was circulated showing the financial summary from May 2007 to May 2008. We appreciate that John Ford was able to audit the accounts again. There are funds of £245.03. An unusually high level of donations was received at the Fellowship Meal. It was recommended a gift be made in the near future. A plea was made for all Churches to contribute membership fees which are due in January. Thanks to James Milligan and others for the successful Bible World studio visit. The report was accepted by the meeting.
5. **GROW Report**
Road shows to all Churches and activities with youth groups and schools continue. Invitations into more schools have been forthcoming. Good collaboration with Bibleworld studio. There will be opportunities for more volunteers as the project expands. Prayer support events have taken place with a youth prayer night planned for 20th June in Salvation Army buildings. Please continue to support GROW with prayer and donations.

Action

ALL
Agree gift
Pay fees

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6. **Glenrothes 60th Anniversary**
No formal report was presented to the meeting. Due to a clash with Back to Church Sunday there appears to be no available resource to promote a Songs of Praise event. Please see posters in Kingdom Centre for details of events.
 7. **Fair-trade Town Application**
Good response from factories and cafes with fair-trade choices; some Churches are fair-trade only. The application is progressing well and is thought to have been submitted.
 8. **Appointments**
Chairperson Ena Harley, Vice-chairperson Una Fidoe, Secretary Betty Nicol, treasurer Allan McDonagh, distribution of minutes – Mary McIndoe and Minutes Secretary George Carratt were willing to continue in post. This was accepted by the meeting.
 9. **Constitution**
The 1970 version was reviewed and proposed amendments were circulated. Section 4 was further amended to limit office-bearers to 3 year term with the option of one additional term. Section 6 is to include fees due by Jan, Items 1,2,3,5,7,8 were accepted as proposed. The executive have been tasked to revise the card issued in 1996 with Churches Together aims and members.
 10. **Plan for 2008/9**
One World Week – no information has been received yet. It was agreed to hold an evening on Wed 22nd Oct where each Church could report on their mission activities. The host Church (St Luke's or St Ninian's) would open at 6:30 to allow static displays to be set up, viewing of displays between 7-7:30 with each Church giving a ten minute (maximum) presentation between 7:30 – 9pm
Back to Church Sunday – each Church to give personal invitations to their own worship meetings on 28th Sept, although a joint advertising campaign may be arranged.
Week of Prayer – weekday lunch time services have been requested. The format / purpose is to be discussed at Sept meeting.
 11. **AOCB**
Churches Together Banner does anyone know the location of this item? Please advise.
Charlotte and Alex Wright expressed their continuing support of Churches Together, however they may not manage to future meetings.
Administration in order to keep this to a manageable level, if you have an email address or access to the internet please let us know.
Email to gcarratt@tesco.net
Webpage at www.gkcarratt.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/gct.html
A92 Petition these must be returned by end of June.
- Meeting Closed** at 9pm. We joined in blessing one another saying 'The Grace'.
- Next Meeting** 10th Sept 2008, 7:30pm at Leslie Baptist.
 8th Oct 2008, 7:30pm at Trinity, Leslie. (Clergy focus meeting)
 12th Nov 2008, 7:30pm at St Paul's.
 AGM on 10th June, 2009 7:30pm Coaltown of Balgonie URC.
- Diary** June
27th Friday 7:30pm at Christ's: Kirk – Rosyth Concert Band. £5/£3 Refreshments after show

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Executive

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