

CHURCHES TOGETHER in GLENROTHES & DISTRICT

St Paul's, 12th November 2008

- PRESENT:** Richard Gilmour - Church of Christ
Wilma Page - Christ's Kirk
George Carratt (*mins*), Wilma Hanlon, Nancy Ball - King's Covenant Fellowship
Betty Nicol - Leslie Baptist
Irene Ross - Leslie Trinity
Joan Grant - Markinch
Una Fidoe - St Luke's
Allan McDonagh - St Margaret's
Ena Harley (*chair*), Connie Robertson, Mary McIndoe - St Ninian's
Fr Gerard Hand, Margaret Duffy, Alma Sharkey - St Paul's and St Mary's
Pastor Joseph Aderibigbe, Kenny McDonald - The Redeemed Christian Church of God
- Apologies:** Rev Kathryn Price, Capt's Chris & Dawn Hinton, Rev David Calvin-Thomas, Sheila Walker, Marjorie Cowie,.

1. **Opening**

Ena Harley welcomed all Church representatives and guest speaker to the meeting.

Worship Fr Gerard Hand led us in our opening worship: in considering God's blessing on us as individuals, greater Church family and citizens of our town and villages, we should be ready to share with others and bring glory to Christ.

Project Trish O'Brien, Gilven Project Manager, introduced us to 'Passing the Baton' a joint venture with Bethany Christian Trust to assist local young people to overcome isolation when taking up new accommodation after homelessness.

There are opportunities to serve on the steering group and as 'buddies' and in other ways in this innovative project. Prayer, financial and other support is also welcome. More information from Laura Balfour, Gavin Lawson or Trish at Gilven House. Scottish Christian Alliance, Gilven House, 22 Iona Park, Pitcoudie, Glenrothes. KY7 6NU Tel 01592 744849 Fax 01592 743924 Email

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2. **Minutes**

October minutes were approved as written by Richard Gilmour and Betty Nicol.

3. **Correspondence** No correspondence has been received.

4. **Matters Arising**

One World Week (<http://www.oneworldweek.org/>)

Five Churches presented display of Mission work around the world. A list of the various locations is to be compiled to enable prayer support for this work.

Week of Prayer for Unity of Christians (<http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer>)

Chosen Theme: "Reconcile Your People" (Ezek 37:15-24). Lunchtime worship meetings will take place in St Luke's. Allan to order resources. Sunday service on 18th January 09 in Coaltown of Balgonie URC at 2pm, bring your sandwiches and share lunch at 1pm. Christ's Kirk to host the fellowship meal which is on Friday 23rd Jan 09. Wilma Page and assistants to organise the event.

Fair Trade Status

Glenrothes Fairtrade Town status pending certain conditions, action is in hand. Fife Fairtrade compliance requires more small businesses e.g. hairdressers to conform and may not be approved for another year. Nominations of small businesses who use fair trade products to be passed to Ena.

Banner

The banner has been declared lost. A new banner group may be convened.

Action

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Oct Focus Meeting

Thanks to the clergy who participated. This meeting is to be an annual fixture.

Election Hustings

Due to six hustings being held, it was deemed unnecessary for Churches Together to promote this event.

Gravy Train/One-Stop-Shop

A volunteer is requested to assist in basic cookery training for 3 scatter-flat residents on Thurs 20th Nov from 2-4pm.

Advent Service

St Ninian's have agreed to host this service on 10th Dec at 7pm. A short business meeting will follow.

Carol Singing

Alison and Ron are not available. George agreed to play the ones he knew. The schedule will remain as per 2007. Margaret will supply the collection bucket and assist Allan and Ena with the counting at St Luke's (No 58) Betty to write and invite Glenrothes Baptist. RCGG are also welcome. Betty to enquire if up to four short readings are permissible by Kingdom Centre. An extremely large print words copy has been requested. All Churches to invite their youth groups.

11:00 - 11:20 : Christ's Kirk & Markinch Parish

11:20 - 11:40 : St. Margaret's

11:40 - 12:00 : St. Luke's, Glenrothes Baptist

12:00 - 12:20 : St. Ninian's

12:20 - 12:40 : St. Paul's & St. Mary's, Trinity

12:40 - 13:00 : St. Columba's, Leslie Baptist, KCF

Focus Discussion

H2O (youth fellowships) all age celebration. Wilma to raise at GROW committee.

Collaboration with other groups e.g. Probus. Held over till 2009.

Memorial Service, possibly held at a funeral parlour chapel. Held over till 2009.

Prayer Tree/Box, Betty to enquire if possible in Nativity display in Kingdom centre. If agreed, to be advertised in local press. Ena to organise a box.

Invitation
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Enquire
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Seek view
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Permission
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5. **AOCB**

GROW Prayer meeting precedes January meeting of Churches Together at Markinch for those keen to support this work. Starts at 18:45.

HOPE '08 Houses Of Prayer Everywhere. Information was made available regarding Lighthouses of Prayer. Many low-key prayer gatherings can lead to our nation being saturated with prayer. <http://www.prayforscotland.org.uk/teaching.htm> 01555 665528 or email admin@prayforscotland.org.uk

Next Meeting is on December 10th at St Ninian's following Advent Service.

14/1/09 Markinch, 11/2/09 St Ninian's, 11/3/09 Christ's Kirk,

13/5/09 St Margaret's, 10/6/09 AGM Coaltown URC.

Close We blessed one another as we said "The Grace" at 9:15pm.

Diary November

29th Sat 10-1 @ Leslie Baptist. Advent Retreat. Charis 744632.

29th Sat 10:30-12:30 @ St Margaret's Christmas Coffee Morning. (Bible Society).

30th Sun @ SCOTLAND - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.

December

8th Mon. 7:30pm @ Glenrothes Baptist. Salvation Army Christmas Music (GROW).

9th Tue. 4-7pm @ St Luke's. Carol Party.

13th Sat 11-1 @ Rothies Halls steps. Carol Singing.

24th Wed. 8pm @ Salvation Army. Catch the Fire, worship evening.

<http://catchthefireglenrothes.viviti.com>