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To the Minister, Kirk Session and congregation

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*Dear Friends,*

### **CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND - 300 YEARS IN COVENT GARDEN, LONDON**

You and, very likely, many members of your congregation may well know of Crown Court Church, based for nearly 300 years in London's Covent Garden.

As we approach our 300<sup>th</sup> birthday next year, we want to 'Celebrate and Renew 300 Years of Service in Covent Garden' with a number of special events and an increased focus on service to the community around us. Alongside this, we would like to take this opportunity to remind our fellow Kirk congregations in Scotland of our existence and the relationship the two London congregations of the Church of Scotland have had traditionally with those in Scotland itself.

We are a gathered congregation. As with most organisations in London, we are proud to attract a wide range of people from many places. But our traditional core has always been people who have arrived - recently, or decades ago - from Scotland, or people of Scottish descent. Our membership also reflects the missionary outreach of the Church of Scotland, with people from the Presbyterian tradition in many countries. In addition, we welcome visitors and short term London residents, generally but not exclusively Presbyterian, from Scotland and around the world. Crown Court Church is here to provide worship and fellowship and sometimes a familiar flavour of home.

Our worship tends to be traditional in style, and music plays an important part in it, with an active choir and a Sunday morning anthem. We hold morning and evening services on Sundays, and a twenty-minute lunchtime service on Thursdays, with a Sunday School, Guild and Rambling & Social Club all meeting regularly. We also take part in charity fundraising during Christian Aid Week, and throughout the year support of a range of charities including Borderline, the charity that helps homeless and insecurely housed Scots in London. We are now looking to expand our direct engagement with social projects. More details about services and activities can be found on our website [www.crowncourtchurch.org.uk](http://www.crowncourtchurch.org.uk), and Twitter @CrownCourtChrch. Better still, come and visit us - we'll be glad to see you.

We would be grateful if you would tell your congregation about us, and let your members know that if they come to London we are here for them. Coming to London need not mean leaving the worship of the Lord, as we know it in the Church of Scotland, behind.

Minister

Session Clerk