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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date				
		Day	Month	Year			Day	Month	Year
From		01	01	2018	To		31	12	2018

Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Reference and administration details

Charity name	World Day of Prayer Scottish Committee
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC020446
Charity's principal address	Delnapot Blacksboat Ballindalloch Banffshire Postcode AB37 9BQ

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Margaret Broster	Convenor		World Day of Prayer Scottish Committee
2	Janet Whyte	Vice Convenor		
3	Suzanne Foster	Treasurer		
4	Marjorie Paton	Secretary		
5	Barbara Leppard	Assistant Secretary		
6	Alison Chalmers	Minute Secretary		
7	Ann Bowie	CD Distributor		
8	Mary Kidd	Committee Member		
9	Ruth Laing	"		
10	Christian Williams	"		
11	Irene Patton	"		
12	Margaret Robertson	"	Jan 18 – October 18	
13	Margaret Roy	"		
14	Jeanette Allan	"	Jan 18 – September 18	
15	Isa Wilson	"		
16	Margaret Sneddon	"		
17	Liz McKellar	"		
18	Anne Griffith	Ass Fellowship Least Coin		
19	Kate Curtis	Fellowship of Least Coin		
20	Elizabeth Blair	Co-opt		

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21	Jo Love	Committee Member		
22	Major Irene Houston	“		
23	Val Brown	“	December 18 -	
24	Mary Pickstone	“		
25	Rev. Elizabeth Mackay	“		
26	Joyce Walker	“		
27	Rev. Ann Wren	“	June 18 -	
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Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The activities of the World Day of Prayer in Scotland are directed by the Scottish Committee as governed by its Constitution.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The recommended size of the Committee is 25 members elected by different Christian denominations, representatives of various organisations or interdenominational societies and co-opted member. Committee members usually serve three to five years up to a maximum of 15 years.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

Observing the World Day of Prayer each year, the committee aims to encourage the people of Scotland to participate in the World Day of Prayer and to assist financially in the issue of Scripture and various forms of Christian literature designed to advance the Christian faith and way of life throughout the world.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

On Friday 3rd March 2017, The World Day of Prayer was celebrated by people gathering together throughout Scotland in Churches, Eventide Homes, Hospices, Schools and other venues. Individuals also participated in their own homes using printed or pre-recorded material. The theme was 'Receive children, receive me', prepared by Christian women of Cuba.

Through World Day of Prayer, people are encouraged

- To become aware of the whole world and no longer live in isolation
- To be enriched by the faith experience of Christians of other countries and cultures.
- To take up the burdens of other people and pray with and for them
- To become aware of their talents and use them in the service of society

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

During the year under review a grant of £8,000 was given to the Scottish Bible Society, £8,000 to Feed the Minds and £6,000 to the Suriname Charity, £5,000 to the International Committee, £1,000 to the European Committee and £1,000 donation to Senka in Croatia. In recent years' donations, have been made to help those affected by HIV, AIDS or human trafficking. Grants are agreed and made by the committee on an annual basis.

It has been an exciting year for the Scottish Committee as, along with other countries, we applied to the International Committee to host the International Conference in 2022 and the Scottish Committee have won the bid.

The International Conference brings together approx.. 180 people from over 90 countries for an ecumenical gathering of worship, prayer and Fellowship.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the policy of the Committee to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Committee at a level which is equivalent to between one and two times the costs of support, management and administration. The Committee consider that this level is appropriate to ensure the ongoing work of World Day of Prayer.

Details of any deficit

2018 was very much a problematic year for the World Day of Prayer in the whole of the UK due to the severe weather problems. Nearly all of the services which would have been held at the first Friday of March were cancelled. Some Churches held the service later in the year but many did not resulting in a significant fall in offerings and donations, approx.. 43% fall. Mailings have been sent to all organisers suggesting that if the weather conditions are poor than services should be held later in the year.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

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Other optional information

The World Day of Prayer Scottish Committee is part of the worldwide movement, which operates through National Committees in participating countries, regional gatherings and the International Committee whose Executive fulfils its responsibilities between quadrennial meetings. The Scottish Committee continues its tradition of active support of the wider movement and representatives at international gatherings. There is also good liaison with World Day of Prayer National committee of England, Wales and Northern Ireland and World Day of Prayer Committee of Ireland.

The Committee is greatly indebted to the many volunteers up and down the country who help to organise and take part in services. Their contribution cannot be measured.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Mrs Margaret Broster	Mrs Suzanne Foster
Position (e.g. Chair)	Convenor	Treasurer
Date		