



27th November 2016

Dear Friends,

To the members and representatives of the Church of England, Methodist Church, Salvation Army and United Reformed Church in Cumbria

We, the representatives of other member Churches of Churches Together in Cumbria, are delighted to offer you our congratulations on the Declaration of Covenant Partnership signed on Advent Sunday 2016; five years after the first signing ceremony in the Growing Together process. We again offer you our ongoing companionship as we seek to serve Christ together in the county of Cumbria.

We recognise with you the particular opportunity afforded to your four churches to work ever more closely together, and commit ourselves to praying for God's blessing on the outworking of this Declaration of Declaration of Covenant Partnership and to work with you where possible at local and county level in mission to all the people of Cumbria.

We also affirm our intention to go on praying and working, with all our fellow Christians, for the visible unity of the Church in the way Christ chooses, so that people may be led to love and serve God more and more.

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