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SCOTLAND'S POOREST COMMUNITIES

## KIRKCALDY

free church building project



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Kirkcaldy Free Church is in the process of extending its building in order to minister more effectively to the needs of its' congregation and community. We began our appeal for funds almost two years ago and work is planned to begin in January 2008.



### **The Congregation**

We are a congregation of around 50 adults and 15 children. Over the last few years we planted a new church in Dunfermline. Although our congregation dates from 1843 a new church building was constructed in 1993. This building was designed to be extended as the congregation grew. This is the second time we have extended the building since 1993.

### **Our Location**

Our church building is located in the Sinclairtown area of Kirkcaldy, one of Scotland's poorest communities. Deprivation statistics divide Sinclairtown in two 'zones'. One zone lies in the top 10% of deprived communities in Scotland, the second in the top 5%. Parts of the area are in the worst 1% in Scotland for crime and educational attainment.

### **Our Vision**

Our vision is to see Sinclairtown transformed by the gospel. We have spent two years working with Tearfund to analyse the community and to decide how we can best help it. We have employed a Community Worker to lead our work in the community. This involves providing one to one support for individuals, a community café, and a proposed befriending service. We hope this will provide a base from which we can demonstrate the reality and power of the gospel to the community.

## Our Building

There is no Community Centre in Sinclairtown, nowhere for agencies working in the area to provide services and meet with clients. Part of our vision is to see the church building used every day to help meet the needs of those who live around it. Already our building provides facilities for Fife Council, Health Visitors, addiction services and others who work in the community. But in order to make the most of these opportunities and for our congregation to continue growing and reaching out we must extend the current building. The proposed extension will provide us with 50 square meters of additional space for a café area and new kitchen. The plan also includes alterations to the existing building to improve its' facilities.



## Our Request

This will cost £64,000. How will it be paid for?

1. We have already raised almost £20,000, mostly from within the congregation.
2. We would like to raise a further £20,000 from the wider Free Church and Christian friends.
3. We would then need to borrow £25,000 from the Board of Trustees of the Free Church of Scotland but we hope to keep our borrowing to a minimum.

We need the help of individual givers and congregations in order to raise the next £20,000 so that we can make a lasting difference in one of Scotland's most deprived communities. Any donation, however small or large, would be welcome. We have a unique opportunity to serve God here and we ask you to help us seize that opportunity for the glory of Christ.

## Further Information

For more information you can visit our website ([www.kirkcaldyfreechurch.co.uk](http://www.kirkcaldyfreechurch.co.uk)) where there is a link to a short video about the building project. You can also contact our minister, Neil MacMillan personally on **01592 264085**.

Please help us as much as you can. Every donation small or large will make a difference. Details of how you can give are provided on the accompanying payment slips or can be requested from our treasurer, Mandy Moir on **01383 820476** or [mandy@kirkcaldyfreechurch.co.uk](mailto:mandy@kirkcaldyfreechurch.co.uk)

