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Dear Fiona

I write on behalf of the Methodist Council, meeting in October 2022, to offer a word of congratulations on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the United Reformed Church. We recognise the historical significance of that occasion within the wider ecumenical map of Great Britain and also the place the URC has within the wider and continuing history of the Protestant Reformation.

As we continue to work in partnership in many Local Ecumenical Partnerships and in other less formal arrangements in local mission and ministry, our mutual commitment to sharing the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ, remains at the heart of all we do. The URC's 'Commitment to Life' demonstrates to the world your passion for justice and the well-being of the most vulnerable people in the world and we honour you for that. We celebrate our partnership through the work of the Joint Public Issues Team.

May God continue to bless your Church in this time of celebration and in your future mission and ministry.

Every good wish

The Revd Michaela Youngson
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