# **Inside**Out



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# Nothing's Going To Stop Us Now

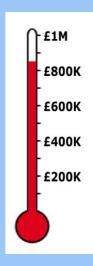
To date the congregation has pledged £123,316. This is a fantastic achievement! This total continues to rise with pledges from new worshippers and other one off donations. In our efforts to reach the £300,000 target we are also raising funds in new and innovative ways.

The first event was a sponsored walk in St Mark's Park. This was held in October and was arranged by Kay and Bill Walker. They used their experience in organising sporting events to create a great occasion for the whole congregation. With less than 30 participants we succeeded in raising an amazing £1,500. This goes to show what a small number of people can achieve when they work together.

Our thanks go to Bill and Kay for their initiative and hard work in making this happen. We hope you are encouraged by their example and if you have ideas of your own for future fundraising events, please speak to Joanne.



#### Congregational Total



At the start of the appeal we set ourselves a target to raise £1M of the £3.2M required to complete the building project through congregational giving and the sale of the church

The congregational total of funds received or promised as at 16 October 2007 now stands at:

£848,316

This represents funds received from the following:

- £123,316 Pledged by Church members (2006–2009)
- £725,000 Sale of the Church Centre

### Recent Successes

Since the last update, the Appeal Planning Group has been encouraged by the support our project has attracted from a number of important sources:

- The City of Edinburgh Council has granted planning permission for the Church alterations.
- Historic Scotland has awarded us a grant of £167,500.
- Heritage Lottery fund has awarded £106,300 for repairs and development.
- The Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme has awarded us a grant of £62,519.



In addition to this good news, we have concluded the sale of the church centre and the appeal is now £725,000 richer!!!

## **Key Contacts**

If you have questions about our development programme, please contact:

- Joanne Hood, Minister, 556 7313
- Dick Smith, Project Management Group, 556 4743

Feel free to request information on any aspect of the programme.

#### In Memory

We would like to give thanks for the work of the late Donald Craig. Donald and his wife Pam were dedicated members of the Appeal Planning Group. Donald's immense contribution has proved vital to the Church and the Inside Out project.

#### Prayer

Lord, in the beginning was the Word.

The Word was with you, and was you, and through him all things came into being.

Upon that Word we now strive to build not just our lives but also our Church. That Word defines our purposes.

That Word gives us vision. That Word forms our strong foundations. Help us now, to cultivate a bright future, to be driven by our purposes and to realize our potential all through building upon that Word

Lord, we have heard and received your Word, now we build upon it,

for we want to be the wise ones who build on our Lord, the Rock!



#### Run the Race

'let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith'.

Hebrews 12:1-2