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**General Secretary: Revd Dr David Cornick**

To the Presidents of CTE, General Secretaries of member bodies and NEIs, National and County Ecumenical Officers and Enabling Group representatives

Dear Colleagues

### **Re. The appointment of CTE's new General Secretary**

The Board are pleased to announce the appointment of the Revd Dr Paul Goodliff as the new General Secretary of CTE. Paul is a Baptist minister and theologian. As you will all know, Paul comes to the post at a time of transition in the light of the Theos report as CTE re-focuses on mission. He says:

‘At a time of renewed commitment to the ecumenical process, with a more missional focus to the work as *Churches Together in England*, I am looking forward immensely to participating in this new chapter of the ecumenical life in England. It is a privilege to be able to offer some leadership to this process, as together CTE serves the churches of this land. I hope to prayerfully encourage the whole church of Jesus Christ to ‘move in the Spirit as we are called to transformative discipleship’, to echo the theme of the very recent WCC *Commission for World Mission and Evangelism Conference* held in Arusha, Tanzania, and which I attended as a delegate. As the ecumenical movement in England embraces the mission of God to make Christ known in word and deed, I am certain we will discover more of what that that transformative discipleship means together than when we do so alone, always trusting in the gracious enabling of the Holy Spirit.’

The staff team are looking forward to working with Paul.

He will take up his post in September following my retirement. We will let you have practical details in good time to enable a smooth transition.

I am pleased to attach a biography which Paul has prepared for your information.

With good wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Cornick', written in a cursive style.