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Arise Ministeries
Letter, 2014, from Arise Ministeries and Churches Together in Huntington, Cambridgeshire, to the churches, civic leaders and all the people of Scotland.

The letter is an apology to the people of Scotland from the town of Huntington. The writers felt that an apology was necessary due to Huntington being the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell and the letter proclaims a desire to bring ‘healing and reconciliation to the Cromwell part of our history’. In particular the letter refers to the heavy casualties and very poor treatment of Scottish soldiers after defeat at the Battle of Dunbar in 1650, including those sold as bonded labour to Virginia and the Caribbean.

The letter is signed by a number of church leaders: Shirley Bowers, Arise Ministeries; Rev Scott Watts, Pastor; Rev. Kevin Burdett, Trinity Free Church; Rev. Mark Hibs-Powels, Advisor; David Soldan, Sec. Churches Together Huntington Area; Rev. David Kins, Methodist Minister; Rev. Andrew Mitton, Huntington Anglican Town Centre Churches; Rev. N. Kearney, R.C Parish Priest; John E. Martin, Pastor (Retired).

Arise Ministeries are a group of Christians from many denominations, based in Huntington, Cambridgeshire, dedicated to prayer, healing and reconciliation.

Presented, 2014.

The letter came to the library through correspondence with Falkirk Archives, who had received it from the donor. Knowing about the Referendum collecting project at the National Library of Scotland, Falkirk Archives offered the letter to NLS to form part of this collection.