

**WORLD ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES  
CARIBBEAN AND NORTH AMERICAN AREA COUNCIL**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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**SECKER, ROSS & PERRY**

Chartered Accountants

**AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Members of World Alliance of Reformed Churches  
Caribbean and North American Area Council

We have audited the statement of financial position of World Alliance of Reformed Churches Caribbean and North American Area Council as at December 31, 2008 and the statement of operations and change in net assets for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In common with many charitable organizations, the organization derives revenue from contributions the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of this revenue was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to contribution revenue and net assets.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of the revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at December 31, 2008 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.



Chartered Accountants  
Licenced Public Accountants  
Kingston, Ontario  
March 6, 2009

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>2008</u> (\$US)	<u>2007</u> (\$US)
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 75,013	\$121,104
Money market funds	<u>62,055</u>	<u>11,239</u>
	<u>\$137,068</u>	<u>\$132,343</u>
 <b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,500	\$ 3,000
Deferred contributions (schedule)	<u>          </u>	<u>11,613</u>
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>14,613</u>
 <b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>135,568</u>	<u>117,730</u>
	<u>\$137,068</u>	<u>\$132,343</u>

Approved on behalf of the Council

Member

Member

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**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>2008</u> (\$US)	<u>2007</u> (\$US)
<b>Revenue</b>		
Contributions from member churches (schedule)	\$ 45,613	\$ 38,074
Interest	892	520
Bequest income	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>
	<u>46,520</u>	<u>38,609</u>
<b>Expense</b>		
Bank charges	106	88
Conferences		9,510
Foreign exchange loss (gain)	2,173	( 585)
General Assembly - Guyana 2008	21,018	3,387
Office	443	301
Professional fees	1,545	1,500
Telephone	2,412	
Travel	<u>985</u>	<u>2,280</u>
	<u>28,682</u>	<u>16,481</u>
<b>Excess of Revenue over Expense for the Year</b>	17,838	22,128
Unrestricted net assets at beginning of year	<u>117,730</u>	<u>95,602</u>
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets at End of Year</b>	<u>\$135,568</u>	<u>\$ 117,730</u>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

**1. Purpose of Organization**

The Caribbean and North American Area Council is the regional expression of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches in the region of the Caribbean, USA and Canada. Its purpose is to develop directions for the activities, mission, theological research and reflection of this regional council during the period between World Alliance of Reformed Churches General Councils using the policies, priorities and directives approved by World Alliance of Reformed Churches General Council.

**2. Significant Accounting Policies**

**Revenue Recognition**

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

**Capital Assets**

No value is accorded to capital assets for reporting purposes. Expenditures on capital assets are charged as operating expense in the year of acquisition.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expense during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**3. Financial Instruments**

The carrying amounts for cash, money market funds and accounts payable approximate their fair market values because of the short-term nature of these instruments. It is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from its financial instruments.

**4. Statement of Cash Flow**

A statement of cash flow has not been prepared since it would not provide any additional information.

**5. Currency**

The financial statements are shown in US dollars. The exchange rate at December 31, 2008 was \$1 US = \$1.2246 Canadian (2007 \$1 US = \$1.0120 Canadian).

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**SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM MEMBER CHURCHES**

**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008**

	<u>2008</u> (\$US)	<u>2007</u> (\$US)
<b>Unrestricted Contributions</b>		
Presbyterian Church, USA	\$30,000	\$ 25,000
Presbyterian Church, Canada	3,000	3,000
Cumberland Presbyterian Church	1,000	3,000
United Church of Canada		<u>1,687</u>
	<u>34,000</u>	<u>32,687</u>
<b>Restricted Contributions</b>		
Trinidad Youth Conference		
United Church of Christ		2,000
General Assembly - Guyana 2008		
United Church of Canada		10,000
Presbyterian Church, Canada		<u>5,000</u>
		17,000
Contributions deferred to 2008	<u>11,613</u>	<u>(11,613)</u>
	<u>11,613</u>	<u>5,387</u>
<b>Contributions from Member Churches</b>	<u>\$45,613</u>	<u>\$ 38,074</u>