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The Right Honourable Theresa May PM
10 Downing Street
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Dear Mrs May

Warmest congratulations on becoming Prime Minister and thank you for your inspiring words outside 10 Downing Street on the day of your appointment. Your aims of social justice are fully in line with the objectives of the 'Movement for Justice and Reconciliation' which is working among young people in inner-city areas. We particularly work among Caribbean youth and white working class youth who are experiencing the kind of deprivation to which you referred.

We are currently carrying out research on these issues and working in partnership with a team from the History Faculty of the Open University. We will be presenting our findings at a one-day seminar in the Open University in Camden Town, on Monday 7 November 2016 and we will be sending an invitation to a Home Office Minister to attend and comment.

We would like to assure you of our good wishes for your time in office and every success to your Government. We have many Christians in this organisation who will be praying for you and your Government. The following is a notice that we are posting on our website.

Yours sincerely

Jenny Cooper
Executive Secretary on behalf of the Chairman and Trustees

MJR WELCOMES THE NEW PRIME MINISTER

*"If you're black, you're treated more harshly by the criminal justice system than if you're white.
If you're a white, working-class boy, you're less likely than anybody else in Britain to go to university."*

These were the statements of the new Prime Minister Theresa May outside number 10 Downing Street on the day of her appointment. These are issues that are being researched by the Movement for Justice and Reconciliation. We recognise them as **legacies of colonial slavery and industrial exploitation** so we welcome the fact that we have a Prime Minister who at least recognises some of the injustices that are embedded in our unequal society.

We welcome the statement by Prime Minister Theresa May, "The Government I lead will be driven not by the interests of the privileged few but by yours."

It is our hope that the new Government will not only **recognise** the issues of injustice in the nation but will actively initiate policies that will result in systemic change to deal with these injustices. MJR pledge support for all measures that will actually change the structures of society in a way that will provide equal opportunity for those who have, for too long, been marginalised in our nation.

In November 2016 we will be publishing the results of a research programme that deals with some of the issues recognised by Mrs May which we hope will make a substantive contribution to understanding these issues and providing a basis for dealing with them.

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