

# **Scottish Gathering**

# Perth 2019

# Friday 3rd May till Sunday 5th May

# A New Path



**TCF Memorial Garden Perth** 



Murrayshall Country House Hotel Perth

A warm and supportive weekend for all bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents from across the UK.

## Dear Friends,

Please accept this warm invitation to join us at our supportive Scottish Gathering in the Murrayshall Country House Hotel in Perth and be with others who know the agony and anguish of losing a much-loved child, grandchild or sibling. For some of you your loss may have happened recently, for others perhaps some time ago, but here with us you can share freely your precious and special memories and speak about your loved ones with others who truly care and understand. The venue for the 2019 gathering is set in the most beautiful, tranquil and peaceful surroundings in the heart of Perthshire. For more information regarding the venue go to <u>www.murrayshall.co.uk</u>

Just a few comments from those who attended the Scottish Gathering in 2018

- We really appreciate from everyone all the friendship, support and for us hope, that **we will find our path** on this journey like no other.
- The gathering is a time for me to spend with my child, not to be judged and a place to relax and laugh without guilt.
- Was very apprehensive about coming and being on my own. Was instantly made to feel welcome and at home.
- For a first time I was exceptionally anxious, but I am leaving with so much love and support to carry on thank you.

Most of the faces of the organisers are familiar to those who have attended previous gatherings and we look forward to renewing friendships and hope to welcome those who are perhaps only beginning this painful journey.

We look forward to welcoming you in May and would encourage you to book early.

#### Clare Lechner (Chair of The Scottish Gathering)

### **EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

Please don't feel that it is necessary to attend all the events on the programme, only participate as much during your time as you wish and that you feel comfortable and at ease with. However, if you would like to, you can take part in a variety of discussion groups; art and writing workshops; a sharing session to which you can bring a piece of music or a poem that has special meaning for you. There will also be a remembrance and candle lighting service and a special room where photos and memories of your precious children, siblings or grandchildren may be displayed.

In mid-April we will write to you with the programme of the weekend and a reminder of the things you may wish to bring along with you.

#### Are you feeling unsure?

If you would like to speak to someone before booking for the weekend, or have any questions about the gathering please feel free to call Maureen on 01738 631406 or mobile 07952 405329 or email at maureen.mcaninch@blueyonder.co.uk

#### HELP US TO SUPPORT YOU

This is your charity but we can't do it without your help. If you are not already a donating member of The Compassionate Friends please JOIN US. All TCF's donating members receive copies in the post of our supportive magazine, *Compassion* and our charity's newsletter, *TCF* News. You can join with as little or as much as you wish – monthy or annually.







## **BOOKING OPTIONS**

There are three options to reserve your place:
Option 1. Book ONLINE at www.tcf.org.uk/scottishgathering2019
Option 2. Please cut and return the booking form with a cheque payable to "TCF Scottish Forum"
Option 3. Please cut and return the booking form and pay by bank transfer to Bank of Scotland : Account No. 10845764 : Sort Code 80 22 60
For options 2 and 3 please return your booking form to Maureen McAninch, Bookings Co-ordinator, 17 St Magdalene's Road, Perth, PH2 0BN
Please tick as appropriate
<ul> <li>I enclose payment by cheque for £</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Bank Transfer was completed on</li> </ul>
Name/s
Address
Post Code
Telephone Number
Email
Are you coming by car? or public transport?

#### **RESERVING A PLACE**

To ensure a place at the 2019 Scottish Gathering could you please book as soon as possible but before the 5th April 2019.

### CANCELLATIONS

Should you need to cancel your booking please do so by the **19<sup>th</sup> April 2019** and we will refund your payment. After that date, we are sorry, but we are **unable to offer any refunds**.

#### DOGS

Sorry no dogs can be accepted with the exception of guide dogs.



# **BOOKING REQUIREMENTS**

	Requirements	Nu	ımbers	To Pay
A	Full Board from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon £220 per person.			
В	Full board from Friday evening to Saturday afternoon £130 per person.			
С	Full board from Saturday morning to Sunday afternoon £130 per person.			
D	Saturday day visitor inc. lunch £30 per person.			
Е	Sunday day visitor inc. lunch £25 per person.			
	Friday or Sat night dinner @ £35 per person	Frid.	Sat.	
	Thurs or Sun B&B @ £65 per person per night	Thu.	Sun.	
	I wish to contribute towards the Scottish Gathering Financial Assistance Fund to allow others with limited financial means to attend.	£		
		Total	Payment	£

Full Nar	nes	Single Room	Double Room	Twin Room
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CHILDREN'S NAMES		FIRST NA	AME	SURNAME

Date of Birth	Date of death				
Cause					
Relationship to your loved one Parer	nt 🗆 Grandparent 🗆 Sibling 🗆				
Please can you say if this is your <b>only</b> child/grandchild/brother/sister/					
Are you attending a Scottish Gathering for the first time? 🛛 yes 🖓 no					
Dietary Requirements:					
Disability Requirements:					
Suggestion for a discussion group topic	Ç <sup>2</sup>				
you like to do - for example, assist in the Te	the Scottish Gathering <b>YES / NO</b> – If so what sort of thing would CF Shop, assist with the registration and discussion group desk I facilitate a craft or other similar session etc.				

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