

EUROPE FOR CHRIST MISSION

Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1053422

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Charity Information

Trustees	Rev Femi Odubonojo Rev May Salami Mrs Anne Saliu Mr Benjamin Olajide Ojo
Principal Location	Elibank Road Eltham London SE9 1QJ
Charity Number	1053422
Independent Examiner	Greenwich Business Services 30 Eden Way Bow London E3 2JD
Bankers	Virgin Money

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Report of The Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

History

The Charity was established under a deed of trust in 1995 and is a registered Charity.

Objects

The objects of the Charity are

- a) Advancement of the Christian Faith by Evangelism and Teaching throughout Europe and elsewhere
- b) Relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship, aged or sick in the UK and elsewhere
- c) The furtherance of its religious and charitable activities in accordance with its objects

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the Charity during the period under review is Christian worship and the proclamation of the Gospel in the UK, Europe and Africa.

Management and Governance Arrangements

The Charity is managed by the trustees who are involved on a day to day basis with the affairs of the church. The charity is reliant on support of volunteer help for all its activities and the trustees have established controls to enable them ensure all relevant laws and regulations are abided by. The charity trustees meet twice a year to review the affairs of the charity.

Achievements and Performance

General Conferences Held

In the year under review, the church held the Annual Convention in May with a theme focused on inspiring attendees to treasure their chosenness and the empowerment of God the Holy Spirit to impact their communities and society at large. The weekend long event was both well attended and deeply impactful.

Women of Wisdom (WoW)

The women ministry (Women of Wisdom) continues to grow in impact but also has recently widened its reach as more younger ladies are attracted to the WoW ministry. Wow's generally aim is to empower women through one to one mentoring, seminars and conferences. We held three breakfast meetings which were well attend. Also, our Residential Annual Conference in the summer was well attended with us registering about 40 delegates, again at the luxurious Federation House Hotel in in Leatherhead. The 2-days delegate Conference was, again, a most impactful time drawing many testimonies from different attendants. Being away and fully concentrating on the event has proven again to be completely enriching to the delegates experience.

Membership continues to be drawn from other churches and the wider community. We continue to run these meetings as non-denominational/community meetings to encourage wider participation.

Salt and Light

The youth ministry of ECM known as Salt & Light continues to grow with young men and women deepening their faith through study of God's word and growing into very responsible adults through teachings and one-to-one mentoring. In the year under review some of our youth graduated from

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University with distinctions and honours. We are immensely thankful for and proud of such excellent performances amongst our young men and women.

The Daniel Company, an off shoot of Salt & Light continues to make incredible impact as membership now reaches other continents due to use of social media etc, as with The Haddassahs' which is an all ladies group. Young men and women drawn from within our immediate community and the wider community continue to display an eagerness to learn, to grow and to be contributors in society.

The monthly fellowship meetings and our mentoring sessions continue to make positive impact on the young people. The Salt and Light also ran some seminars geared towards enriching the lives of young people, not just in ECM but also in our wider community. Apart from monthly meetings, the groups ran seminars and one to one mentoring majorly in career choice/development, finance and relationship. Various professionals who have expertise in relevant subjects have been invited as Guest Speakers. These seminars have attracted good attendance and are proving quite popular among the Youth.

Youth Work in ABBI, Nigeria

Our foreign mission work among the youth of ABBI continues to grow. This year, we had several indigenous Youth Leaders and volunteers participate with us to train and build and equip the youth of ABBI. Much as we go to give all the help we can, our youth have been greatly impacted by what they saw and learnt from their counterparts in ABBI.

Most certainly, the ABBI youth work is of mutual benefit. Although working in ABBI will continue to be challenging at all levels, nevertheless, the reward is immeasurable as we see young men and women respond and participate in seminars and hear testimonies of how previous work among them has benefited a great number of them.

Once again, we are delighted learn at this year's Abbi Youth rally on record number of young men and women having gained admission into various Nigeria Universities/Colleges and to hear their testimonies of how our work among them have inspired and motivated them to aim higher In pursuit of their dreams. Our Team were greatly inspired by the courage and resilience of these young men and women, given the many huddles they have overcome to be where they are.

Community Outreach

We continue to reach out to our community in Eltham as well as nearby communities through street evangelism, variety shows, summer camps and Christmas concerts as well as providing charity aid and support to individuals and families in need. As the cost of living grows higher in our nation, we find that we have to reach out with financial and practical support for some in our community.

Foreign Missions

Further to the report above, Our work in Abbi, Delta State of Nigeria continued with great success. In the year under review we were able to ship out charity gifts (comprising of shoes, clothes and school bags) for some of the very needy children and young people. We also ran our regular Youth empowerment campaign which saw well over 150 young men and women attending. Again, gifts were given to outstanding young men and women.

Also we have continued to sponsor some young orphaned children and children of single parents who are very needy in both primary and secondary schools and a few in Universities. Again, we derive great joy in seeing the transformation in the lives of these young people as they are able to continue their education.

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We continue to be overwhelmed by the warm reception given to our team and the work that we do in Abbi.

Although, it can be tasking, flying from the UK to Lagos and then doing another 10 or so hours drive to Abbi, the joy and relief our work bring to these precious people make it all worth it.

Our big outreach meetings in Abbi was again, such an amazing success with over four thousand people attending the meetings over three days.

The vision to procure an adequate piece of land where we hope to build a vocational school, to be run as a not-for-profit organisation to enable young people train in a vocation that will help to set them up for life is ongoing. We continue to pray that this will become a reality sooner than later.

Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities for the period is set out in the financial statements section of this report. The Church has operated and continues to meet at Elibank Road, Eltham, London, SE9 1QJ during the week and at weekends. In the year ended January 2025 income was £197,733 compared with £207,300, in the year ended January 2024, a 5% decrease.

The total expenditure in the year ended January 2025 was £180,664 while in the year ended January 2024, it was £171,617. This was an 5% increase on 2024. The charity continues to be prudent with resources without negatively impacting the goals of the charity.

Reserves Policy

The trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and consider it prudent to keep sufficient reserves not invested in tangible assets and unrestricted fund, to enable the payment of running costs between three and six months.

Risk Management

The trustees have conducted a review of major risks to which the charity could be exposed to and systems have been put in place and implemented to mitigate those risks where possible. The risks and systems will be regularly reviewed.

Trustees

The trustees during the year under review were:

Rev Femi Odubonojo
Rev May Salami
Mrs Anne Saliu
Mr Benjamin Olajide Ojo

All trustees being eligible offer themselves for election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

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Rev May Salami

Thursday, 18 September 2025

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Europe for Christ Mission for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 January 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 10

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Greenwich Business Services
Chartered Certified Accountants
30 Eden Way
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Thursday, 18 September 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
		£	£		
Incoming Resources					
Income resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		162,304	0	162,304	175,419
Gift Aid		35,429	0	35,429	31,881
Total Incoming Resources		197,733	0	197,733	207,300
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities	2	177,964	0	177,964	167,517
Governance Costs	3	2,700	0	2,700	4,100
Total Resources Expended		180,664	0	180,664	171,617
Net Incoming Resources		17,069	0	17,069	35,683
Funds brought forward on 1 February 2024		430,375	0	430,375	394,692
Total Funds carried forward		447,445	0	447,445	430,375

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	4	360,909	263,895
Refurbishment in Progress		0	51,673
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors		8,500	21,946
Cash at bank		87,469	105,949
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	<u>(9,433)</u>	<u>(13,088)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>86,536</u>	<u>114,807</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>447,445</u>	<u>430,374</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			
Funds Carried Forward		<u>447,445</u>	<u>430,375</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>447,445</u>	<u>430,375</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by

Thursday, 18 September 2025

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statement are prepared on the historic cost convention. The accounts are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Charities SORP 2005 (Accounting and Reporting by Charities) and comply with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulation 2005 issued under the Charities Act 1993.

1.1. Incoming Resources

Donations and Gift Aid

Income represents tithes and offerings when these are receivable in the period. Gift Aid receivable on donations to the Charity is also included in the amount.

1.2 Resources Expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accrual basis, inclusive of any VAT which is not recoverable. Certain expenditure is attributable to specific activities and has been included in those cost categories.

1.3 Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objectives.

1.4 Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are funds which have been given for particular purposes and projects.

1.5 Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are stated at cost less depreciation

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual values, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Lands & building	2% straight line
Plant & machinery	20% straight line
Motor Vehicles	25% straight line
Leasehold Improvement	2% straight line

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2. Charitable Activities	2025	2024
	£	£
Gifts, Donations & Honorarium	25,252	19,088
Abbi Mission	12,920	8,720
Hospitality	2,785	2,354
Retreats & Missions	11,563	14,157
Convention	6,877	1,300
Transportation	9,435	9,890
Vicarage expenses	22,800	22,800
Salaries	33,400	35,401
Mortgage interest	0	6
Telephone	1,170	1,547
Light ,& Heating & Rates	6,585	7,253
Printing, postage & stationery	0	0
Insurance	4,673	2,170
Subscriptions	0	0
Repairs, Maintenance & Cleaning	431	3,572
Legal & professional fees	0	0
Music	0	600
Training	0	1,330
Depreciation	21,346	18,799
Bank charges & interest	75	244
General expenses	18,651	18,287
	177,964	167,517
	2025	2024
	£	£
3. Governance Costs		
Accountancy - Independent Examiners Fees	2,700	4,100

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4. Fixed Assets

	Land and Buildings £	Plant and Machinery £	Motor Vehicle £	Leasehold Improvement £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 February 2024	398,180	8,625	42,470	0	449,275
Additions	0	1,000	0	117,361	118,361
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 January 2025	398,180	9,625	42,470	117,361	567,635
Depreciation					
At 1 February 2024	166,574	8,188	10,618	0	185,380
Additions	7,964	418	10,618	2,347	21,346
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 January 2025	174,538	8,606	21,235	2,347	206,726
Net Book Value					
At 31 January 2025	223,642	1,018	21,235	115,014	360,909
Net Book Value					
At 31 January 2024	231,606	436	31,853	0	263,895

5. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2025 £	2024 £
Creditors & Accruals	9,218	11,258
HMRC	216	1,830
	9,433	13,088