

Annual Report and Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

# Voice In The City Ministries

Charity registration number: 1061939

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# **VOICE IN THE CITY MINISTRIES**

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## **VOICE IN THE CITY MINISTRIES**

### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

<b>Trustees</b>	Monica Claxton Susanna Hattingh Tobias Von Stosch Kenneth Gott
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1061939
<b>Principal Office</b>	Life Central Church Little Cornbow Halesowen West Midlands B63 3AJ
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	G W Schulz FCMA Independent Examiners Ltd 2 Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham Chichester West Sussex PO18 8NF
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# **VOICE IN THE CITY MINISTRIES**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The Trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### **Objectives and activities**

#### ***Objects and aims***

The Charity's objectives are to pursue its vision of promoting the Good News of Jesus Christ by holding outreach events and missions throughout the world.

#### ***Public benefit***

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

### **Achievements and performance**

General ministry in the UK has remained stable throughout 2024. Although we had no active ministry in the UK in 2024 the support from our donors has remained consistent. We have also sized down our office and storage space and upgraded our servers to enable more online activity with the partners and English-speaking world.

We are excited to see how the ministry is reaching into so many parts of the world and Voice in the City was active in 11 Nations in 2024 and many of those Nations were visited numerous times for ministry.

### **Financial review**

#### ***Policy on reserves***

The Trustees continually monitor the financial position of the Charity and the amount of at least £25,000 is considered to be necessary to provide financial stability for future operations.

#### ***Going concern***

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### ***Nature of governing document***

The Charity was formed under a Declaration of Trust dated 9th January 1997. The principal object of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith.

#### ***Recruitment and appointment of Trustees***

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

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### **TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

#### ***Organisational structure***

The Trust is a well-established Christian ministry which holds crusades and conferences around the world. M G Claxton is the person responsible for carrying out the work of the Trust on a daily basis.

#### ***Risk management***

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

#### **Statement of Responsibilities**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The annual report was approved by the Trustees of the charity on 29 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
Monica Claxton  
Trustee

**VOICE IN THE CITY MINISTRIES**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE TRUSTEES OF VOICE IN THE CITY MINISTRIES**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Voice In The City Ministries for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity Trustees of Voice In The City Ministries you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Voice In The City Ministries's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Voice In The City Ministries as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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29 January 2025

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### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>				
Donations and legacies	2	45,203	45,203	186,558
Investment income	3	<u>9,136</u>	<u>9,136</u>	<u>5,703</u>
Total income		<u>54,339</u>	<u>54,339</u>	<u>192,261</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Charitable activities	4	<u>26,197</u>	<u>26,197</u>	<u>55,207</u>
Total expenditure		<u>26,197</u>	<u>26,197</u>	<u>55,207</u>
Net income		<u>28,142</u>	<u>28,142</u>	<u>137,054</u>
Net movement in funds		28,142	28,142	137,054
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		<u>494,858</u>	<u>494,858</u>	<u>357,804</u>
Total funds carried forward	11	<u><u>523,000</u></u>	<u><u>523,000</u></u>	<u><u>494,858</u></u>

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	8	<u>784</u>	<u>1,045</u>
		<u>784</u>	<u>1,045</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	9	4,283	4,390
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>519,023</u>	<u>490,283</u>
		523,306	494,673
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	<u>(1,090)</u>	<u>(860)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>522,216</u>	<u>493,813</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>523,000</u>	<u>494,858</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>523,000</u>	<u>494,858</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	11	<u>523,000</u>	<u>494,858</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 13 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 29 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

.....  
Monica Claxton  
Trustee



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**1 Accounting policies**

**Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

**Basis of preparation**

Voice In The City Ministries meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

**Income and endowments**

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

***Donations and legacies***

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

***Gift aid***

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

***Investment income***

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

**Expenditure**

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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***Charitable activities***

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

***Grant provisions***

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

**Taxation**

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

**Depreciation and amortisation**

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Depreciation method and rate</b>
Equipment	25% reducing balance
Fixtures & fittings	25% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance
Computer equipment	33% straight line

**Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

**Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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**Liabilities**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

**Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the Trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

**Financial instruments**

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**2 Income from donations and legacies**

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Donations and legacies;			
Donations	41,826	41,826	183,053
Gift aid reclaimed	<u>3,377</u>	<u>3,377</u>	<u>3,505</u>
	<u>45,203</u>	<u>45,203</u>	<u>186,558</u>

**3 Investment income**

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<u>9,136</u>	<u>9,136</u>	<u>5,703</u>

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**4 Expenditure on charitable activities**

		<b>Unrestricted funds General</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Programme expenses		5,101	5,101	22,098
Postage and mailouts		521	521	503
Travel and subsistence		1,401	1,401	3,831
Rent		5,763	5,763	5,670
Telephone		1,009	1,009	1,148
Computer and internet		311	311	1,470
Insurance		886	886	881
Bank charges		580	580	1,186
Miscellaneous		483	483	87
Independent examination		1,134	1,134	1,080
Depreciation, amortisation and other similar costs		261	261	955
Grant funding of activities	5	1,325	1,325	8,850
Staff costs	7	7,422	7,422	7,448
		<u>26,197</u>	<u>26,197</u>	<u>55,207</u>

**5 Grant-making**

**Analysis of grants**

	<b>Grants to institutions</b>		<b>Grants to individuals</b>	
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants	<u>-</u>	<u>7,000</u>	<u>1,325</u>	<u>1,850</u>

**6 Trustees remuneration and expenses**

During the year the charity made the following transactions with Trustees:

**Monica Claxton**

Monica Claxton received remuneration of £4,800 (2023: £4,800) during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

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**7 Staff costs**

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	<u>7,422</u>	<u>7,448</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
Staff	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

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**8 Tangible fixed assets**

	<b>Fixtures &amp; fittings £</b>	<b>Computer equipment £</b>	<b>Equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2024	4,073	4,299	4,456	12,828
At 31 December 2024	4,073	4,299	4,456	12,828
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2024	4,073	4,299	3,411	11,783
Charge for the year	-	-	261	261
At 31 December 2024	4,073	4,299	3,672	12,044
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 December 2024	-	-	784	784
At 31 December 2023	-	-	1,045	1,045

**9 Debtors**

	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Prepayments	906	885
Accrued income	3,377	3,505
	<u>4,283</u>	<u>4,390</u>

**10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2024 £</b>	<b>2023 £</b>
Other creditors	406	199
Accruals	684	661
	<u>1,090</u>	<u>860</u>

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**11 Funds**

	<b>Balance at 1 January 2024 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 December 2024 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<b>General</b>				
General Funds	<u>494,858</u>	<u>54,339</u>	<u>(26,197)</u>	<u>523,000</u>
	<b>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<b>General</b>				
General Funds	<u>357,804</u>	<u>192,261</u>	<u>(55,207)</u>	<u>494,858</u>

**12 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total funds at 31 December 2024 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	784	784
Current assets	523,306	523,306
Current liabilities	<u>(1,090)</u>	<u>(1,090)</u>
Total net assets	<u>523,000</u>	<u>523,000</u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Total funds at 31 December 2023 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	1,045	1,045
Current assets	494,673	494,673
Current liabilities	<u>(860)</u>	<u>(860)</u>
Total net assets	<u>494,858</u>	<u>494,858</u>