



## Trustees Annual Report for 2024

### Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name:	Missionary Ventures Europe Trust
Charity Registration Number:	1067612
Registered Office:	PO Box 741, Rochdale OL16 9QD.
Working Office:	3 Edmund Street, Milnrow, Rochdale OL16 4HR.
Website:	<a href="http://www.mvgb.org.uk">www.mvgb.org.uk</a>

Charity Trustees (serving in 2024):

- Alan Bolton (Chairman)
- Luther Meier (
- John Orange
- Darren Mitzi (Director, resigned as trustee 31 December 2024)
- Gary Hall (MVI Board Member)

### Structure, Governance and Management

Missionary Ventures Europe Trust (sometimes known as Missionary Ventures, Missionary Ventures Great Britain, or by the acronyms MVE, MV or MVGB) is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 7 November 1997.

The charity is part of Missionary Ventures International (MVI), an inter-denominational missionary organisation founded in 1983 in Florida, USA. MVI now has offices in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Great Britain, and works with staff and indigenous partners in more than 50 countries.

The charity is managed by a board of trustees, which aims to meet quarterly. All board members are themselves actively involved in missionary activities and provide a wealth of experience and wisdom. The board is empowered to appoint new trustees and to recruit or dismiss the Director. At each meeting, the Director presents reports on activities, finances, risks, and future plans and actions.

During 2024, the charity was led by its part time Director, assisted by volunteers. At the end of the year, Darren Mitzi resigned as trustee but continues to serve as Director of Operations.

## **Objectives and Activities**

- The charitable objects, as set out in the governing document, are:
- To advance the Christian faith throughout the world.
- To provide relief to persons in need, by reason of poverty, age, or sickness.
- To advance education, including through establishing or supporting educational institutions.
- To pursue any other charitable purpose at the discretion of the trustees.

In practice, the charity's primary role is to encourage personal involvement in overseas mission. This is achieved by promoting mission opportunities to UK churches, organisations, and individuals, and organising team trips, projects and programmes abroad. Each year dozens of volunteers give their time, fund their own participation, and contribute financially to support missionary work.

The trustees confirm that these objects are consistent with the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit.

## **Achievements and Performance in 2024**

### Advancing the Christian Faith

- Facilitated short-term missions' teams (7-12 days, 2-15 volunteers) assisting indigenous churches in evangelism, church planting, prayer, and youth/children's ministry. Teams served in Greece, Spain, Latvia, Moldova, the USA, and Kenya.
- Recruited, prepared, and supported long-term missionaries in Germany, Sweden, India, Uganda, Spain, Latvia, Zambia, Kenya, and South Africa. These workers build relationships, mentor leaders, host teams, pioneer projects, and manage resources safely.
- Encouraged micro-business initiatives, enabling local families and churches to develop sustainable income alongside their ministry.
- Distributed children's Bibles to more than 500 children in over 30 schools in Moldova, equipping local churches and schools to share the Christian faith with the next generation.

### Relief of Poverty and Need

- By attracting donors for child support programmes – sponsorship and feeding programmes - we have supported over 200 children in India, South Africa, Zambia, and Uganda.

### Advancement of Education

- Assisted with school fees and uniforms for around 80 children in India, Zambia, and Uganda.
- Supported pre-schools in Uganda, South Africa, and Zambia.
- Equipped indigenous Christian leaders in India and Latvia.

## Financial Review

- Income: **£70,296** (2023: £65,810)
- Expenditures: **£89,512** (2023: £90,142)
- Reserves on 31 December 2024: **£70,695** (2023: £89,911), including restricted funds of **£41,426** (2023: £57,626)

The trustees have reviewed the reserves policy in line with Charity Commission guidance. Unrestricted funds of **£29,269** (2023: £32,285) are considered sufficient to cover planned expenditure and contingencies.

### Income sources

Most income was generated from voluntary donations from individuals, churches, and Christian organisations. Where possible, individual tax-paying donors were encouraged to use the UK 'Gift Aid' scheme. A high proportion of funds received were restricted for specific projects and the charity's accounting system kept such funds separate. These funds were not used for other purposes without the express permission of the donor.

### Expenditure and administration

Core administrative costs were covered through a small percentage of project donations:

- Up to 10% from donations for general projects and programmes.
- Up to 5% from donations for personal support to Missionary Ventures staff abroad or in the UK.

The charity has no long-term loans. The office space currently occupied has been provided free of charge by New Life Community Church, Milnrow. Office furniture and equipment are either donated or purchased from administration funds.

### Related party transactions

During the year, the charity made the following transactions with related parties:

- £7,059 was paid to S Mitzi, wife of director D Mitzi, as support for administration and financial support services for the charity.
- £3,741 was reimbursement to D Mitzi and S Mitzi for expenses incurred on behalf of the charity.

Trustees reviewed and approved this arrangement as being in the best interests of the charity.

### Risk and commitments

The charity does not commit to long-term project funding, as support is dependent on donations. Funds awaiting transfer are held securely in a deposit account with Barclays PLC.

### Reserves Policy

The trustee's policy is not to hold significant long-term reserves for overseas projects, as support is only guaranteed to the extent of incoming donations. Unrestricted reserves are maintained at a prudent level to cover core operational costs and to safeguard against unforeseen shortfalls in income.

### **Plans for the Future**

In 2024 the Director moved into full-time service, opening opportunities to expand ministry impact. Looking ahead, the director and trustees plan to:

- Increase the number of mission teams.
- Train and equip disciple-making leaders.
- Expand education support programmes.
- Broaden the charity's donor base to ensure long-term sustainability.

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Charity law requires trustees to prepare accounts that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity, and to ensure that funds are applied in line with its charitable purposes.

### **Conclusion**

The trustees are satisfied that Missionary Ventures Europe Trust continues to meet its charitable objects, deliver tangible public benefit, and maintain financial integrity.

We give thanks to the Lord for His provision and for every life impacted through the ministry of Missionary Ventures worldwide.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



(Alan Bolton, trustee)

Date: 14 September 2025



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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period  
from

01/01/2024


To

31/12/2024

### Section A Receipts and payments

Categories	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Voluntary Donations:	-	-	-	-	-
Ministry Support	-	16,711	-	16,711	13,171
Mission Programs & Projects	-	40,741	-	40,741	46,322
Other Charitable Income	12,844	-	-	12,844	6,317
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>12,844</b>	<b>57,452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>70,296</b>	<b>65,810</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>12,844</b>	<b>57,452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>70,296</b>	<b>65,810</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Ministry Support	2,902	16,827	-	19,729	10,987
Mission Programs & Projects	621	56,825	-	57,446	49,432
Support Costs:	-	-	-	-	-
Office Rental	-	-	-	-	-
Admin, Utilities etc	2,602	-	-	2,602	2,551
Staff Costs	7,059	-	-	7,059	-
Staff Travel	2,676	-	-	2,676	3,071
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>15,860</b>	<b>73,652</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>89,512</b>	<b>66,041</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>15,860</b>	<b>73,652</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>89,512</b>	<b>66,041</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 3,016</b>	<b>- 16,200</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 19,216</b>	<b>- 231</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>32,285</b>	<b>57,626</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>89,911</b>	<b>90,142</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>29,269</b>	<b>41,426</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>70,695</b>	<b>89,911</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	17,973	5,858	-
	Deposit Account	11,296	35,568	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>29,269</b>	<b>41,426</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			A.K. BOLTON	17.10.25

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF MISSIONARY VENTURES EUROPE TRUST**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

**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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

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 you as 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 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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.

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Date: 29 October 2025