

Mission: Europe Report and Accounts

year ended 31 December 2024

MISSION: EUROPE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

CHARITY INFORMATION

Trustees	Rose Foulds Kevin Westfield Karen Gratton Jessica Anne Hymus-Gant Rev Mark Savage
Executive Trustee	Kevin Westfield
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated 23 November 2015.
Charity Registration Number	1164522
Registered Office	Mission: Europe 1 Union Lane Cottage, Lancaster Road Pilling, Preston Lancashire PR3 6SR
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Southport PR8 1PD

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
CHARITY INFORMATION

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year.

The following Trustees served throughout the year:

Rose Foulds
Kevin Westfield
Karen Gratton
Jessica Anne Hymus-Gant
Rev Mark Savage

The appointment of Trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the charity.
The Board of Trustees is authorized to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death.

Investment Powers

The Trust Deed authorizes the Trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the charity.

In planning the activities the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in December 2008 on 'Public Benefit'.

Constitution, Objects and Policies

The Charitable Trust is constituted by the Trust Deed dated 23 November 2015 named Mission Europe. Its objects are to advance the Christian faith in (but not limited to) Europe. The policy of the Charitable Trust is to positively impact nations facing economic and social distress. The charity provides Leadership Development, Short Term Missions teams (7-14 days) and a variety of Community Development initiatives based on country and need.

Developments, Activities and Achievements

The year ended 31 December 2024 saw the achievement of objectives and vision in some areas of the ministry as detailed below:

During the year a mission team went to Moldova who gave out aid, filled the Storehouse and worked on the refurbishment of the biggest Storehouse in Nisporeni. There were another two mission teams from Festival Churches in Wales who made full use of the Storehouses by being able to distribute aid to the villages. Aid has been sent via courier to Moldova depending on the need and what is required by Pastor Victor. The youth summer camp was supported by Lighthouse Church Formby and we aim to help further at some of the youth camps in future years. A lorry of aid was sent July/August 2024.

Looking Forward 2025

In the spring/summer of 2025 we aim to refurbish the third Storehouse in Calamenesti. This is in a rural village next to a new church building. This Storehouse will be used to meet the needs of the villages as it is close to the Romanian border. We are aiming to send a team in October to support this ongoing vision.

Mission Europe is working well with the change in Leadership with Rose Foulds becoming the Director of Mission Europe. Rose has developed a great team of people to help and support with the Storehouse Project in Moldova and is expanding the Trustees team.

Financial Review

Total receipts for the year were £4,520 comparable to £3,333 in 2023.

Total payments for the year were £3,222 decreased from £4,650 in 2023. There was some increase in administration costs, but a decrease in funds into the field.

Year ended for 2024 resulted in a funds increase of £1,298, compared to 2023 funds decrease of £1,317.

At year end net current assets totalled: £7,516, an increase from £6,218 in 2023.

Risk Management

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces. Based on the funds that are maintained, the regular review of the controls over financial matters/systems, there are sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the Charity and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

The Trustees regularly assess the risk of working in war torn countries recognising our duty of care to our Volunteers and Field workers.

Reserves policy: It is the policy of the charity to maintain funds throughout the year at a level that is sufficient to cover management, administration and support costs for a period of three months.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities:

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its income and expenditure for the year. We are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
4. Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 9th May 2025.

Kevin Westfield

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

CHARITY INFORMATION

	Notes	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Funds 2024 £	Funds 2023 £
Receipts					
Voluntary income	2	4,520	-	4,520	3,333
Total Receipts		4,520	-	4,520	3,333
Payments					
<i>Activities in furtherance of charitable objectives</i>					
Charitable activities	3	3,222	-	3,222	4,650
Governance Costs	4	-	-	-	-
Total Payments		3,222	-	3,222	4,650
Net Receipts/(Payments) before transfers		1,298	-	1,298	(1,317)
Transfers between funds	5	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		1,298	-	1,298	(1,317)
Balances 1 January		6,218	-	6,218	7,535
Balances 31 December		7,516	-	7,516	6,218

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 9th May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Kevin Westfield

The notes on page 7-8 form part of these accounts

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AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024 STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

1. Fixed Assets

The estimated market values of the assets owned by the charity were:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Furniture & Equipment	-	-

2. Bank Balances

Bank operating accounts	6,313	5,015
Bank deposits	1,000	1,000
Petty cash	203	203
	<u>7,516</u>	<u>6,218</u>

3. Liabilities

Mission Europe fell below the threshold for an external review.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of account for each accounting year.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 2011.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The charity is operating efficiently and effectively
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition
3. Financial information used within the charity or for publication is reliable
4. The charity complies with relevant laws and regulations

APPROVAL

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 9th May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Kevin Westfield

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CHARITY INFORMATION

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis with a Statement of Assets & Liabilities.

2. Giving to the Charity

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
General Donations	4,520	-	4,520	3,333
	<u>4,520</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,520</u>	<u>3,333</u>

3. Charitable activities

a. Direct Charitable Costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Project costs	1,900	-	1,900	3,500
Travel and accommodation	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,900</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,900</u>	<u>3,500</u>

b. Support & Administration

Premises:

Rent and service charges	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

General Administration:

Conferences and promotions	338	-	338	348
Trustees' expenses	-	-	-	-
Volunteers' expenses	-	-	-	32
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Computer Costs	58	-	58	60
Sundry expenses	926	-	926	710
	<u>1,322</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,322</u>	<u>1,150</u>

Legal and Professional:

Bank and credit card charges	-	-	-	-
Professional fees	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Combined charitable activity cost	<u>3,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,222</u>	<u>4,650</u>
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4. Governance costs	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Accounts and examination	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

5. Transfers Between Funds

A transfer of £1,000 was made from Unrestricted Moldova: Storehouse to Unrestricted Mission:Europe General to cover remaining cost of administration expenses.

6. Staff & Trustees

The charity has no employees. Its activities are generally carried out by volunteers. Five trustees were reimbursed Trustee-related expenses, totalling £0 for the year (2023: £0).

7. Funds

The restricted funds represent amounts received for specific purposes. Movements in the year across all funds are as follows:

	Balance at 01.01.24 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31.12.24 £
<i>Restricted Income Funds</i>	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>General Funds</i>	6,218	4,520	3,222	-	7,516
	6,218	4,520	3,222	-	7,516
Total Funds	6,218	4,520	3,222	-	7,516