



MISSIO AFRICANUS ANNUAL REPORT

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EDITION

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Missio Africanus is a CIO registered with the Charity Commission (England and Wales). Charity number: 1169376.

OUR PROFILE

Established in 2014, Missio Africanus is a learning community dedicated to unleashing the missional capabilities of African and other non-Western Christians residing in Britain. Our mission is to enable the UK church to receive and leverage the talents of the diaspora Christian community, while empowering them to effectively disciple their second generation and extend their reach beyond their own communities. To achieve this, we bring together British and non-Western church leaders to engage in mutual learning, enriching the broader church community.

Our organization was founded in Birmingham with the assistance of the late Reverend Gabriel Diya, a Nigerian RCCG pastor in Charlton. Over the years, we have united a diverse group of mission leaders, representing various denominations, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, and theological perspectives, to envision how we can participate in God's mission in the contemporary world.

TRUSTEES

1. Dr Colin Smith
2. Bishop Jonathan Ruhumuliza (till 13 July 2022)
3. Dr Girma Bishaw
4. Dr Sheila Akomiah-Conteh
5. John Tasker MA
6. Rev Joseph Ola
7. Pastor Modupe Adefala

Dr Harvey Kwiyani - *Executive Director*

WHAT WE DO



MA IN THEOLOGY, MINISTRY AND MISSION (AFRICAN CHRISTIANITY)

In partnership with CMS Oxford, we launched this program in 2021 to assist the church in filling the knowledge gap that many Christians have about the African church and its influence on faith, particularly in the UK and the Western world. The programme is now in its second year, with an Undergraduate Certificate route set to commence in September 2023.



AFRICAN THEOLOGICAL NETWORK PRESS

We partner with The African Theological Network Press, an ecumenical publishing house that provides affordable, high-quality, and scholarly publications to serve the church in Africa and the Diaspora. These publications are designed to be accessible on the continent and globally.



CONFERENCES

These events are held periodically to discuss matters related to unleashing the missional capacity of African and non-Western Christians residing in Britain.



DIASPORA MINISTRY HUBS

We are establishing three Diaspora Hubs (in London, Manchester, and Leeds/Bradford) where diaspora leaders can gather to connect with others who share similar challenges in their lives and ministries.

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Pan-African Theological Roundtable

A Project of Missio Africanus and African Theology Worldwide

Exploring Child Witchcraft Accusations in African Pentecostalism

As an ongoing phenomenon, child witchcraft accusation, constitutes collective faith-based child cruelty, which has reached epidemic proportions in various countries including Nigeria. At this edition of the Roundtable, Dr Claire Ayelotan will be sharing some findings from her doctoral research on this phenomenon. She will discuss child witchcraft accusation and its connection to Yoruba (Nigerian) Pentecostalism. Join us if you can.



Dr Claire Princess Ayelotan completed her PhD in 2021 at the University of Roehampton, London. Her research orientation is interdisciplinary, and her scholarly interest includes witchcraft, Yoruba ethnography, practical theology, African Pentecostalism, creative writing and research, and violence against women and children. She is dedicated to painting in acrylics, running and cycling in her spare time. She lives between France and the UK.

Dr Claire Ayelotan
Speaker

Venue:
zoom

Register here:
<https://bit.ly/patrs>

DATE: TUESDAY 13 SEP 2022

TIME: 7PM BST

For more enquiries, email Paul at paul@missioafricanus.com



Pan-African Theological Roundtable

A Project of Missio Africanus and African Theology Worldwide

Southern Christian Churches in Europe: Beyond Paternalism to Partnership in God's Mission

At the next roundtable, Dr Bosco Bangura will be presenting a paper that explores the potential of partnership that the arrival of Southern Christian Churches has for involvement in God's mission in Europe. He will discuss paternalism as an enduring problem affecting partnership in God's mission and he will highlight some strategic partnership pathways to be taken if Europe's Southern Christian Churches are to be engaged as active agents in God's mission in Europe.



Dr Bosco Bangura teaches Missiology, Intercultural Theology and African Pentecostal Christianity at the Evangelische Theologische Faculteit (Leuven, Belgium), and serves as assistant anglophone editor of the African Theology Worldwide website (<https://african.theologyworldwide.com/>) at the Protestant Theological University (Groningen, Netherlands). Bosco is the author of *Pentecostalism in Sierra Leone* (Hamburg: MH Verlag, 2020) and co-editor of *Is African Incurably Religious* (Oxford: Regnum, 2020). Email: bosco.bangura@leuven.edu

Dr Bosco Bangura
Speaker

Venue:
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THE PAN-AFRICAN THEOLOGICAL ROUNDTABLE

11 Roundtables held with an average monthly attendance of 30 theologians.

- *Will the Real Christian Millennial Please Stand Up?* by Joseph Ola (Nigeria)
- *The Life and Work of Archbishop Desmond Tutu: A Theological Reflection* by Prof. Klippies Kritzinger (South Africa)
- *"Let Somebody Shout Hallelujah!" Pastor Enoch Adeboye's Mission, Transnational Dynamics and Contributions to World Christianity* by Prof. Adedibu (Nigeria)
- *'The Hour Has Come!' Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity and Socio-Political Action in Zambia* by Dr Naar M'fundisi-Holloway (Zambia)
- *Fostering Globally Inclusive Mission Organisations* by Reinhold Titus (South Africa)
- *East African Revival: The Voices of The Neglected Witnesses* by Rev. Prof. F. Lugazia (Tanzania)
- *Woza Moya and the Pentecostalisation of African Christianity* by Dr Modisa Mzondi (South Africa)
- *Exploring Child Witchcraft Accusations in African Pentecostalism* by Dr Claire Ayelotan (Nigeria)
- *Toward the Formation of Mission-Centred & Missionary-Sending Church Leaders in Uganda* by Dr Chris Howles (Uganda)
- *Southern Christian Churches in Europe: Beyond Paternalism to Partnership in God's Mission* by Dr Bosco Bangura (Sierra Leone)
- *A Just Mission: Laying Down Power and Embracing Mutuality* by Mekdes Haddis (Zimbabwe)

AFRICAN THEOLOGICAL SCHOLARSHIP PODCAST

- **6** episodes published (**22 episodes** in total)
- **1,545** plays/downloads (total)
- Accessed from **47 countries**
- **Top 5** countries: USA, UK, India, Germany, & South Africa
- **2 out of 5** listeners are **female**



Available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Amazon Music

<https://anchor.fm/missio-africanus>

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MOYA CHRONICLES

• 11 new episodes

- *When A Goat is Present* by Harvey Kwiyani
- *African Christianity, Human Flourishing and Abundant Life* by John Neate
- *"F'aşo bo'ra" and a Clarion Call for the Return of Ọmọlúàbí* by Victor Fawole
- *A Call for the Africanisation of Christianity* by Paul Ayokunle
- *The Emergence of Afro-Gospel and Its Implications for Christian Theology of Music* by Okuchukwu Akpe
- *Ecumenism as a Mechanism for Fulfilling Yahweh's Mission* by Victor Bamidele Akerele
- *The Legacy of Queen Elizabeth II and Challenges for African Christian Mission in the West* by Paul Ayokunle
- *African Diaspora Christians as Agents of the Next Reformation and Revival in the West* by Damilola Abraham
- *A Holistic Gospel for the African Church* by Okuchukwu Akpe
- *A Cow That Has No Tail: An African Theological Reflection on African Christianity* by Joseph Ola



- Accessed **675 times** in 2022
- Accessed from **57 countries**
- Most visitors are from **UK, Nigeria, US, Ghana, Netherlands, South Africa, and Germany.**
- **68** WhatsApp subscribers

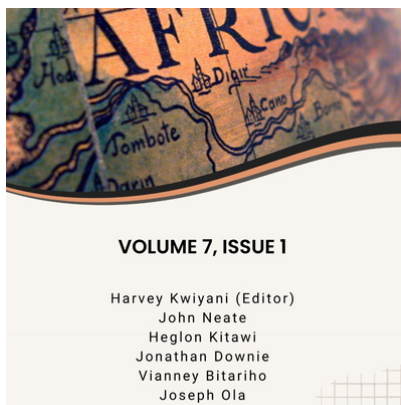
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- The second cohort (of **7 students**) resumed in September
- They join the first cohort (of 8 students)
- Students are from **UK, Ghana, Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania.**



MISSIO AFRICANUS: THE JOURNAL OF AFRICAN MISSIOLOGY

- **Volume 7, Issue 1** was published
- **5** essays and **1** Book review
- *Editorial* by Harvey Kwiyani
- *Cross-Cultural Friendships by Members of the Church of Pentecost with White British People in the United Kingdom: A Key to Effective Evangelism?* by John Neate
- *Empowering the Woman as an Indicator of the Socio-Political Impact of New Christianity in Africa* by Heglon Kitawi
- *Yes, Your Church Can Be Multilingual (And It Probably Should Be)* by Jonathan Downie
- *World Christianity and South-South Migrations: The Case of Congolese Evangelical Migrants in Burundi* by Vianney Bitariho
- *Jesus as Proto-Ancestor* by Joseph Ola
- *Book Review of "Global Migration & Christian Faith: Implications for Identity and Mission" edited by M. Daniel Carroll R. and Vincent E. Bacote.* Reviewed by Joseph Ola



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Missio Africanus

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (number 1169376) for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on the following pages.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust'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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable 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.

Signed:

Date: 26th January 2023

Khurram Masood Khan FCCA

Agnon LLP
Kelvin House
Kelvin Way
Crawley
RH10 9WE

MISSIO AFRICANUS 2022 ACCOUNTS

		2022 General	2022 Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Actual
		£	£	£	£
Category	Notes				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE					
Income					
Donations	2	630	1,750	2,380	2,815
Fundraising			0	0	9,263
Grants			0	0	5,000
Conferences and Consortiums	3	0		0	0
Ministry Training	3	0		0	137
Total Income		630	1,750	2,380	17,215
Expenditure					
<i>Ministry Training</i>					
MA Course Delivery Contribution	4		6,667	6,667	3,333
Bursary Programme			1,750	1,750	0
General Ministry Training	3	0		0	137
Diaspora Network Development	2		3,900	3,900	600
<i>Operational Costs</i>					
Office and Media Costs	2	346	72	418	218
Travel		0		0	167
Conferences and Consortiums	3	0		0	144
Governance Costs		330		330	288
Total Expenditure		676	12,389	13,065	4,885
Result		-46	-10,639	-10,685	12,330
BALANCE SHEET					
Balances					
Balance b/f		563	11,975	12,538	208
Surplus		-46	-10,639	-10,685	12,330
Balance c/f	5	517	1,336	1,853	12,538
Current Assets					
Bank		847	4,660	5,507	13,401
Cash in hand				0	0
Debtors			10	10	25
Current Assets		847	4,670	5,517	13,426
Current Liabilities					
Cheques not cleared			3,334	3,334	600
Creditors		330		330	288
Current Liabilities		330	3,334	3,664	888
Net Current Assets		517	1,336	1,853	12,538

Notes

1. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (Charities SORP FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015) and applicable accounting standards. They are prepared on a receipts and payments basis, and include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which Missio Africanus is responsible.
2. The charity had no employees during the year, and did not pay any trustee to provide services. Donations made to the charity by trustees during the year totalled £1,920. Normal expenses incurred in the course of the charities activities were reimbursed to trustees - Joseph Oyo and John Tasker.

Harvey Kwiyani undertook work for the charity and was remunerated for this on a self-employed basis, and charged the charity for his time on an agreed hourly rate.

3. The COVID-19 pandemic has necessarily restricted activities in both 2021 and 2022, but conferences are being planned for 2023.
4. Missio Africanus committed to contribute £10,000 towards the Year 1 costs of the African Diaspora Christianity pathway through the CMS MA. One third of the contribution is to be paid each term, therefore £3,333 was paid in 2021 with £6,667 paid in 2022.
5. Restricted funds are held for the African Diaspora Christianity Programme launched in 2021 to build a movement among African diaspora church leaders through the delivery of accredited degree programmes focussing on the needs and gifts of diaspora churches in Britain and through the formation of regional hubs.

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 26 January 2023 and signed by two trustees on behalf of the board.

John Tasker MA
Treasurer



Revd. Joseph Ola MA
Secretary



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