

Registered Scottish Charity No. SCO12319

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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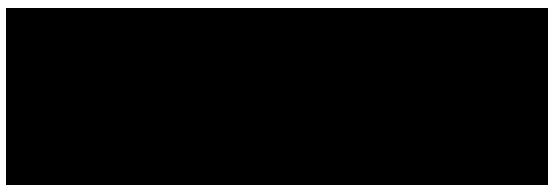
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INFORMATION

Trustees



Address

**The Mission
St Machar Drive
ABERDEEN
AB24 3RX**

Independent Examiner



Bankers

**Bank of Scotland
48 Upperkirkgate
Aberdeen
AB10 1BA**

Aims and Objectives

The principal aim of the Mission is *“to work for the transformation of lives by the power of the living Lord Jesus Christ through the teaching and preaching of the Word of God”*. In practice, this means reaching out to all in the area around the Mission, encouraging them in the ways of God and to offer help in various practical ways.

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Constitution and Organisational Structure

The Mission, as it is known, was born out of a coming together of two congregations, namely The Old Aberdeen Gordon Mission which owned and used the present building and the Associated Presbyterian Church which formerly worshipped in Alford Place. In October 2001, after a period of worshipping together, the two congregations came to appreciate that although their history and practice varied, they were united in their desire to introduce people to Jesus through the preaching and teaching of God's Word and in getting to know Him better themselves. So, in October 2001, the two congregations formally merged and became known as "THE MISSION". The day-to-day financial administration has continued to be delegated to the treasurer with appropriate constraints relating to spending powers.

Objectives and Activities

It is the responsibility of the Trustees to ensure that all activities held in the building are in accordance with the Disposition, namely that it will be for the purpose of conducting an evangelical mission for the proclamation of the Gospel in Old Aberdeen. The Trustees are satisfied that the activities running at present, i.e. the Sunday School, the CU meetings, the International Student Bible Study, the weekly food bank, the Samuel Trust (which is a club for junior and secondary school children), and outreach work in our area, all meeting regularly, together with other additional meetings which have been held from time to time and the services on the Lord's Day, are all in accordance with the stated aims.

Financial Information

The year opened with a bank balance of £22,112 and closed with a balance of £15,336. The year saw a deficit of £6,776. All the details can be found in the accounts.

Risk

The Trustees have considered the risks to which they are exposed, namely Health and Safety issues and exposure to financial fraud. Procedures and insurance are in place to cover the former. The risks of financial fraud are minimal. There is open, regular accountability and cash transactions are minimal.

Policy on Reserves

The policy is to maintain a minimum cash balance of £3,000 against unforeseen operating costs.

Taxation

The mission is recognised by the HM Revenue and Customs as a Charity. There is therefore no liability to taxation on any of its income. The Charity number is SCO12319.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are as set on pages 4 and 5.

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) or under Regulation 10(1) (d) of The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (the 2006 Accounts Regulations) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and section 44(1)(c) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the 2005 Act)
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- 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 and is in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 section 44 (1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act and section 44(1)(b) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations

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.

Date: 30 December 2025

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations received	2,137		5,370
Gift Aid	54,585		53,545
Gift Aid Refunds	14,845		15,423
Dividends Received	91		30
Other Income	4,845		2,283
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>		76,503	76,651
<u>Payments</u>			
Gifts to missions	6,433		6,812
Salary, supply and hospitality costs	49,982		36,090
Insurance, Licences and Subscriptions	2,178		2,274
Property maintenance/Building fund	8,918		7,010
Utilities	4,492		4,526
Cleaning	4,677		4,404
Sundry expenses and telephone	6,599		3,710
<u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u>		83,279	64,826
(Deficit)/Surplus for year		(6,776)	11,825
Cash at bank on 1 April 2024		22,112	10,287
Cash at bank on 31 March 2025		15,336	22,112

STATEMENT OF BALANCES

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Bank balance		15,336	22,112
Other Assets			
Property	4	900,000	900,000
Investment	5	3,398	2,162

The notes on page 5 form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved on behalf of the Trustees



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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

2. Nature and Purpose of Funds

All funds are unrestricted funds. Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the society. The Trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the church and maintenance of the property.

3. Related Party Transactions

None of the Trustees received any remuneration during the year (2024 £Nil). None of the Trustees received any refunds of expenses during the year (2024 £Nil).

4. Fixed Assets

The building was valued at £900,000 some years ago.

5. Listed Investment

The market value of the listed investment at 31 March 2025 was £3,398 (2024 £2,162). It was originally acquired at a value of £6,383.