

# ANNUAL REPORT and ACCOUNTS 2012-13



Faith2Share is a network of Christian mission movements in Asia, Africa, Europe, Australasia and the Americas.

We have come together to strengthen indigenous movements of the mission of God.

We are international, multicultural, evangelical and committed to partnership with local and national churches of many different backgrounds.

> We believe that humanity is enriched when people of faith share that faith with each other.

#### **Network Members include**

AIMS Sri Lanka, Anglican Relief and Development Fund Australia, Antioch Mission, Asia CMS, Asian Outreach Alliance, BORN, Church Army Africa, Church of Nigeria Missionary Society, CMS Africa, CMS Australia, CMS, CMS Ireland, Friends Missionary Prayer Band, Global Teams, IGOSA, Indian Evangelical Mission, Isa-e Jamat, Mar Thoma Evangelistic Association, Mission Together Africa, Mission Together Inc. (Canada), NAMS Network, National Mission Commission of Nepal, New Life for India, New Zealand CMS, SAMS Ireland, SAMS USA, SOMA UK, The Sheepfold Ministries

Registered Charity No. 1132707

## Faith2Share

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International Director Rev Canon Mark Oxbrow

<u>Staff</u>

Mr Anton Ponomarev (Associate International Director) Rev. Vijay Isaac (Asia Regional Coordinator) Mr. Andy Freeman (Communications Officer) Mrs. Nicki Stevens (Administrator)(Volunteer) Mr. Vincent Gill and Mr. Ishan Wiratunga (Volunteers)

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# LEGAL STATUS

The Faith to Share Trust (also known as Faith2Share) is registered under English law as an unincorporated trust governed by a 'Declaration of Trust' dated 1 October 2009. The Trust was registered as a UK Charity on 13 November 2009 with Registration No. 1132707

### The Objectives of the Trust are

(a) to advance the Christian faith, in the United Kingdom and elsewhere, for the public good, primarily but not exclusively, by means of the facilitation of collaborative work between existing mission agencies and movements.

(b) to advance the Christian faith, in any country, for the public good, primarily but not exclusively, by means of supporting and resourcing new charitable movements and agencies of Christian mission.

The Faith to Share Trust has been established for the primary purpose of supporting and facilitating the work of the Faith2Share Network of mission agencies.

The Faith2Share Network traces its origin to a meeting of five mission agencies in London in May 1999. The network was more formally constituted in 2004 when it gained the name Faith2Share and adopted a draft statement of Purpose, Ethos, Principles and Values.

# PURPOSE

The Faith2Share network exists to strengthen indigenous movements of the mission of God.

# **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Faith2Share Network are :

- To build trust and understanding between senior leaders of mission movements and challenge them to actively collaborate in mission.
- To provide opportunities and systems for the effective sharing of mission resources between member agencies and within the wider mission community.
- To encourage the establishment of, and then to partner with and support, new and emerging mission movements.

## VALUES

The Faith2Share network values are :

- Putting prayer first and relying wholly on the Spirit of God
- Upholding the uniqueness and centrality of Jesus Christ
- Committed to serious reflection, under the authority of Scripture
- Committed to making disciples and seeing individuals, communities and societies transformed by the power of His Spirit.
- Fostering collaborative mission work between peoples of all cultures and traditions
- Encouraging missional church globally and locally

# GOVERNANCE

The governance of Faith2Share is provided by the Faith2Share trustees appointed in accordance with the Declaration of Trust. During 2012-13 the following persons served as trustees of Faith2Share.

Mr. Robb Sykes (Canadian) President of Mission Together Inc. (Chair)
Ms. Loun Ling Tan (Singaporean, resident in the UK) Redcliffe College
Rev. Steve Maina (Kenyan, resident in New Zealand) National Director, NZCMS
Mr. Berhe Gebru (Ethiopian, resident in the UK) The Royal British Legion
Dr. Wonsuk Ma (Korean, resident in the UK) Oxford Centre for Mission Studies

Faith2Share was registered as a charity within the UK on 13 November 2009 and functions under the rules of the Charity Commission, UK



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Robb Sykes

Berhe Gebru

Trustees met on four occasions during 2012-13 by Skype conference call.

## Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for ensuring the trustees' report and the financial statements are prepared for each financial year, in accordance with English law and regulations, and UK accounting standards. The charity's financial statements are required to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the net surplus on activities for the year then ended. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies, as described on page 12 and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with relevant law and regulations. 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.

# MANAGEMENT

The corporate activities of *Faith2Share* are managed by a small staff team based in Oxford, UK, and Chennai, India, and led by the International Director. The current staff are :

International Director Associate International Director Asia Regional Coordinator (p/t) Communications Officer (p/t) Administrator (Volunteer) Rev Canon Mark Oxbrow Mr Anton Ponomarev Rev. Vijay Isaac Mr. Andy Freeman Mrs. Nicki Stevens

# **REPORT ON ACTIVITIES 2012-13**

# **MEMBERSHIP**

As we implement the decision taken in 2011 to integrate our previously separate categories of 'member' and 'emerging mission movement' into one single membership structure, we have continued during 2012-13 to bring new movements into full membership.

During the year the following mission agencies/movements took on full membership of the Faith2Share network:



SOMA LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

- AIMS (Anglican Inland Missionary Society) based in Sri Lanka
- **ARDF** (Anglican Relief and Development Fund), Australia
- AsiaCMS based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- **BORN** (Bihar Outreach Network) based in Bihar state, India
- **IGOSA** (Indian Gospel Outreach and Social Action) based in Odisha state, India
- Isa-e Jamat based in Bangladesh
- National Mission Commission of Nepal
- NAMS Network based in the USA



Faith2Share Network now has 31 full members but we continue to relate to a much wider group of mission movements which fall roughly into the following four categories:

A: Full members of Faith2Share network

B: Mission agencies with whom we work regularly, who may join the network at some stage

C: Mission agencies we relate to as we serve other networks such as Anglican Witness or the Lausanne Orthodox Initiative

D: Mission Movements who consult us on an occasional basis and may attend one of our consultations.

Our priority is to serve our existing members but our commitment to emerging mission movements means that we will always be giving a part of our time to new and emerging expressions of the mission of God, at the cutting edge of mission.

# ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of *Faith2Share* remains the equipping of effective mission leaders through collaboration and training so that children, women and men around the world become disciples of Jesus Christ. This objective is achieved primarily through:

• Leadership Consultations (a week-long meeting of senior staff of all member agencies). Our 2012 consultation was held in Antalya, Turkey in March.



- Periodic telephone conference calls for senior mission leaders.
- The Faith2Share website
- Bilateral joint working between agencies within the network
- Work by the International Director and Associate International Director to support individual member agencies and their staff.

### Leadership Consultation

This was the first year in which our Leadership Consultation had been held in the Middle East/North African region. Our decision to meet in Turkey was in response to the so called 'Arab Spring' revolutions and the need to look afresh at the changing mission contexts of this region. Around 30 leaders attended, including several who work in 'secure' locations in the Middle East. The Consultation took place in the same venue as, and immediately after, the Central Asia Consultation, so that a few Faith2Share leaders could also attend that event and we could draw on experts there for our own meetings. In particular we benefited from having present one mission leader from Kyrgyzstan, a representative of a global Church Planting movement, and a facilitator from International Partnering Associates (IPA).

During the consultation each day had a different focus – Central Asia; the Middle East; Collaboration; Conversion and Belonging; and Discipleship. We had limited, but precious, opportunities to engage with the very small Christian community of Turkey.

## **Depth Discipleship Programme**

Following research during 2011, this year we launched our three-year Depth Discipleship Programme designed to help our member agencies, and others, look at how we effectively enable "whole-life" discipleship in different contexts around the world. During 2012-13 this



programme was generously funded by the Hinchley Trust and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Germany (with some funds drawn from Faith2Share core funding). This programme will include a number of regional consultations together with the formation of a core group to draw together learning and prepare resources that will be useful to the wider church and mission community.

The first Depth Discipleship Consultation was held in Mirik, West Bengal, India in October 2012 and was over-subscribed. Just over 40 leaders gathered from Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and India (with a further 11 excluded as a result of visa restrictions or last minute sickness). It was particularly encouraging to have a strong contingent present from the Christian Association of Bhutan. During the consultation participants looked at what it means to follow Jesus in terms of family relations, at work, in the community and amongst people of other faiths. Working in four languages (Nepali, Bhutanese, Bengali, and English) participants also did a lot of sharing about available resources within the region.

Further Depth Discipleship Consultations are planned for 2013 in East and West Africa.

## Leadership support, mentoring and coaching

As in previous years much of the day-to-day work of our staff has been devoted to the support, mentoring and coaching of leaders, both within and beyond our network. Some support is offered directly by staff but very often we also draw in the expertise we have within the network as a whole seeking to put leaders in touch with other mission leaders who can more effectively help, support and guide them. In particular this year a visit was made to Myanmar to support leaders there after which Faith2Share hosted an interagency

Skype conversation focused on Myanmar.



Although much of this work continues via emails, telephone and Skype, we also seek to serve our members through a monthly Leadership Briefing (now mailed to 265 leaders in five different continents), occasional telephone conference calls, our prayer network and our website.

### **Resourcing Leaders**

The focal point for our resourcing of mission leaders remains the *Faith2Share* website. The members (password protected) area of the website is constantly being improved and new resources being added every week. The website currently carries 232 pages of information and 1431 downloadable documents. Through partnerships with other agencies we continue

to provide on the website a number of valuable including some free e-books.

## Faith2Share Clusters

Within the *Faith2Share* network there are a number of smaller clusters of mission movements who share either a common history, a common mission focus or a common location. The staff of Faith2Share seeks to support these clusters, the most significant of which are the Interchange Network, SAMS International and the 'Nairobi' cluster. The Interchange Network currently brings together CMS, Africa CMS, CMS Asia and New Zealand CMS. Faith2Share staff act as facilitators for this network and were responsible for the organisation and support of their two international meetings in Antalya and Oxford during 2012. The 'Nairobi' cluster brings together Church Army Africa, CMS Africa, The Sheepfold Ministries and Mission Together Africa in a closer working relationship.

## Serving the Wider Missions Community

As a result of the expertise built up within *Faith2Share* we face increasing demands to serve the wider missions community. From 1 February 2012 Mark Oxbrow has been seconded for one day a week to work with the Lausanne **Movement** as their facilitator for Evangelical-Orthodox Relations. This has involved the organising of two international meetings in the UK and a visit to Crete to meet with the Ecumenical Patriarch as well as intensive planning for a major consultation of Orthodox and Evangelical leaders in Albania in September 2013. Other staff are also supporting this area of work. We continue to work closely with the **Micah Network** and were present at their International conference in Switzerland in September 2012. Micah Network is currently facing some financial constraints and has had to shed staff so we try to support their work as much as we can. Within the Anglican Communion we maintain a good working relationship with the Anglican Alliance and Mark Oxbrow continues to serve on the Core Group of Anglican Witness (previously known as the Anglican Communion

Evangelism and Church Growth Initiative). Within that movement he is the link person for all Anglican mission movements (whether members of Faith2Share or not), and, with Julian Linnell, leads the Anglican response to Unreached People Groups. During 2012-13 our Associate International Director, Anton Ponomarev, was invited to consider becoming an associate with International Partnering Associates (IPA) and also continued to support the Orthodox Mission Network, attending their meeting in Bucharest. We continue our strong association with the World Evangelical Alliance Mission Commission although we have not been able to progress the work on a "missiology of partnership" as we hoped – mainly due to time constraints for all involved.





During the year staff were invited to prepare papers and present to, or lecture at, **Redcliffe College**, UK; **Oxford Centre for Mission Studies**; **Fellowship of St. Alban and St. Sergius**; and the **4-14 Window Missiology Consultation** (to take place in 2013-14). Our International Director, Mark Oxbrow, continues to serve on the Planning Group of the Mission Leaders Forum at the **Overseas Mission Study Centre**, in New Haven, USA and led one session there in December 2012.

Prayer remains central to all that we do at Faith2Share and our new two-weekly Prayer Email has been well received (in addition to the regular prayer news on the website).

We have also increased our presence on the Social Media during the year with a Facebook page which is in regular use, a Twitter account and a YouTube page hosting a collection of mission videos.

### **Clear Vision**

Through regular meetings with trustees, and dedicated staff 'away days' we are now very much clearer about our core commitments and areas of work. In communication terms we now regularly use three simple 'words' to describe our mission. They are:

DISCIPLESHIP

Following Jesus in every aspect of our lives (*The core objective of all our members*)

COLLABORATION

Doing mission together whenever and however we can (*The core objective of the network*)

**EMERGING MISSION** Encouraging and supporting new movements of God's mission *(The core of our life together)* 

We give thanks to God for his faithfulness and the opportunities afforded to us during 2012-13 to participate in His mission

Robb Sykes Chair of Trustees

26 April 2013

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Mark Oxbrow International Director

# Faith2Share



## Balance Sheet 31 January 2013

Registered Charity No. 1132707

Current Assets	Note	2012-13 Total	2011-12 Total
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	2	1,259 58,388	1,820 38,060
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year <b>Nett Assets</b>	3	(175) 59,472	(87) 39,793
Funds Unrestricted reserves - current year Unrestricted reserves - brought forward Restricted reserves		19,679 39,793 0	1,333 38,460 0
Total		59,472	39,793

The financial statements on pages 10 to 12 were approved by the Trustees on 3 May 2013 and are signed on their behalf by:

Robb Sykes, Chair of Trustees

# Faith2Share

**Income Statement** 



## Year ending 31 January 2013

Registered Charity No. 1132707

	Note	Restricted 2012-13	Unrestricted 2012-13	Total 2012-13	2011-12
		2012-13 £	2012-13 £	2012-13 £	2011-12 £
INCOME		E.	L	L	L
Members fees			13,968	13,968	16,716
Charges to members	4		2,363	2,363	2,865
Restricted Income from members			_,	_,	940
Individual GA donations		2,550	21,319	23,869	15,733
Gif Aid		_,	5,644	5,644	4,712
Individual non-GA donations		2,525	28,738	31,263	, 14,748
Church donations		,	2,350	2,350	1,750
Trusts & Groups donations		6,533	13,625	20,158	10,279
Consultancy fees			30,000	30,000	30,987
Lausanne programme			5,086	5,086	0
General Income				0	645
Bank Interest			99	99	79
TOTAL INCOME	5	11,608	123,192	134,800	98,514
EXPENDITURE					
Charitable Activities					
Mission Networking	6		13,560	13,560	10,140
Emerging Missions		12,585	706	13,291	2,399
Lausanne Project	7	(977)	0	-977	1,007
Employee costs			83,031	83,031	74,499
Employee travel			3,169	3,169	4,415
Fundraising Costs					
Bank charges			294	294	202
Fundraising costs			140	140	0
Governance and Admin costs					
UK staff expenses			288	288	115
Volunteer expenses			545	545	876
Office & Stationery			572	572	632
Insurance			793	793	789
Website development			84	84	2,048
Trustee expenses			0	0	0
Equipment	_		331	331	59
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5	11,608	103,513	115,121	97,181

Surplus for the year

19,679

### Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ending 31 January 2013

#### 1. Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with section 132 of the Charities Act 2011 and with applicable accounting standards.

The accounting policies which have been consistently applied throughout the year are set out below:

#### **Fund Accounting**

All funds raised by Faith2Share are used in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

**Restricted** funds are raised on the basis of an agreement or understanding with the donors that their use will be restricted to certain specific projects or activities. These restricted funds are accounted for separately.

Funds that are spent at the discretion of Faith2Share's trustees for use on any of the charity's general charitable purposes are considered to be **unrestricted**. With the consent of the relevant donors, tax recovered through Gift Aid is generally treated as unrestricted

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction.

#### Voluntary income

Donations and gift aid are recognised in the financial statements when Faith2Share believes it is entitled to them, the income is judged virtually certain of receipt and the amount can be reliably quantified.

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis.

Fundraising activities are the costs of generating donations and the transactional costs incurred.

Charitable activities comprise those activities outlined under 'Purpose' and 'Objectives' on page 3 of this report.

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. The costs included in this category relate to organizational administration and compliance.

- 2. Debtors represent Gift Aid for November and December 2012 and January 2013 (£1,259).
- 3. Creditors represent CMS (£160); Nikki Stevens (£15)
- 4. Charges to members represent payments made for attendance at Leadership Consultations.
- 5. Restricted Income and Expenditure All restricted has been expended within this year.
- **6.** Mission Networking costs represent the costs of Leadership Consultations and the travel assistance granted to members to aid their attendance.
- 7. The Lausanne Programme is fully funded by the International Lausanne Movement and the negative expenditure shown here represents full recovery (less £20 lost through refund on an air ticket) of expenditure made in the previous year.

#### 8. Trustees' emoluments

There were no trustee expenses claimed in 2012-13

## **Report of the Independent Examiner**

#### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Faith2Share

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 January 2013, which are set out on pages 10 to 12.

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. The charity is preparing accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute Chartered Accountants England & Wales.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and under 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; and
- 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; and
- 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 8 of the 2006 Accounts 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.

Name:	Philip Deakin FCA
Professional body:	Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales
Address:	41 Bickerton Road, Headington, Oxford, England
Date:	29 April 2013

# The Faith2Share Network CEOs

The Rev I K Abraham	(Friends Missionary Prayer Band)
Pastor Niranjan Bardhan	(Indian Gospel Outreach and Social Action)
Mr. Ronnie Briggs	(CMS Ireland)
Pastor A. Mabud Choudhury	(Isa-e Jamat)
Rt Rev. Ken Clarke	(South American Missionary Society, Ireland)
The Rev Stephen Dinsmore	(SOMA-UK)
Rev. Sunil Ferdinando	(AIMS Sri Lanka)
The Rt Rev Kevin Higgins	(Global Teams)
Mr. Titus O Kumapayi	(Church of Nigeria Missionary Society)
Mr. Pranab Kumar	(New Life for India)
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Rev. Canon Philip Mounstephen	(CMS)
Mr. Duncan Olumbe	(Mission Together Africa)
The Rev Canon Francis Omondi	(The Sheepfold Ministries)
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The Revd. Peter Rogers	(CMS Australia)
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Mr. Silas Tostes	(Antioch Mission)
The Revd. Dr. John Wesley	(Indian Evangelical Mission)
Mr. Stewart Wicker	(South American Missionary Society, USA)
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