

ANNUAL REPORT and ACCOUNTS 2013-14



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 their 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, Interserve India, 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, PMI, SAMS Ireland, SAMS USA, SOMA UK, The Sheepfold Ministries

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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 international Faith2Share Network of mission agencies.

The Faith2Share Network traces its origin to a meeting of five mission agencies in London in May 2000. 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 2013-4 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 Malaysia) AsiaCMS
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



Steve Maina

Loun Ling Tan

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Robb Sykes

Berhe Gebru

Trustees met on four occasions during 2013-14 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. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies, as described in the Statement of Accounts 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

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 Ms Sarah Holmes Mrs Nicki Stevens

REPORT ON ACTIVITIES 2013-14



The first of the three key objectives for Faith2Share is to enable our member movements, and the others we work with, to retain a clear focus on Christian discipleship – enabling all those they work with to follow Jesus in every aspect of their lives. In addition to our regular support for members' programmes it was decided in 2012 that we should offer a three year programme on "Depth Discipleship" to help our members with this focus. The programme began in late 2012 with a consultation in North India and during 2012-14 we were able, with the support of the Hinchley Charitable Trust, to offer two more consultations in East and West Africa. A fourth consultation will take place in Nepal in early 2014 and others will follow.

Nairobi Depth Discipleship Consultation

In June 2013 we gathered 36 mission and church leaders from Kenya, Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, DR Congo and Sudan in Nairobi for four packed days of consultation. We had aimed to ensure that up to half the participants were women. In the end 13 women were present which was a great improvement on many mission consultations but a little below our expectations. Each of these days focused on a different aspect of discipleship, in the home, nurturing children and youth, at work, in the community and amongst people of other faiths. All presentations were made, and sessions facilitated, by local leaders.



The focus each afternoon was on resources as participants shared with each other resources they had found useful for ministry and also identified gaps in resourcing which they might attempt together to fill. Each evening we were treated to wonderful stories as participants shared their own experiences and challenges in ministry.

Amongst the topics which generated most debate during the week were the need for a Christian 'rite of passage' for African boys so that they mature into responsible adults, especially when they lack adequate male role models; and questions of bigamy in the church, witchcraft being used by church members, and a Christian attitude to money and wealth.

After the consultation two groups (one in Kenya and the other in Francophone Africa) determined to continue meeting and others have used their learning in different ways. One immediately introduced Depth Discipleship to his church (see right) and another has now been appointed as the national coordinator for mission, evangelism and Christian formation in the Anglican Church in the DR Congo. He writes in March 2014, *"When I heard about this [appointment] I thought about Faith2Share ministry that could be of help in our ministry in our country."*

"We had our church retreat and our main focus was on Discipleship. After the retreat the elders demanded that what they had learned should be taught to the whole congregation. I am so excited with what is happening, thanks for Faith2Share, for initiating Depth Discipleship."



Jos Depth Discipleship Consultation

Our second consultation was in Jos, northern Nigeria in November. Although only 34 had booked in advance, 51 leaders actually arrived on the first day! They came from mission work in Nigeria, Cameroon, Ghana, Togo, Chad and Niger, representing a wide variety of church traditions and experience in mission. The programme was, in structure, very similar to the previous consultations, but the content was quite different because of the specific context of West Africa.



Several sessions were led by very able women missionaries, although we heard later of some of the difficulties faced by women in these male-dominated cultures. Two challenges to effective discipleship which led

to a lot of discussion were corruption, the misuse of money in the church and the so called 'prosperity Gospel'; and ethnic tensions which exist within the church and also between Muslims and Christians.

This consultation was run in partnership with our member, Church of Nigeria Missionary Society, and the Nigerian Evangelical Missions Association. "I am better equipped for effective discipleship. Converts made will no longer be left as orphans but be discipled properly. The number of disciples may not be many but the quality is important."



The Faith2Share network has continued to slowly grow this past year with two new movements taking out full membership. **Interserve India** is the indigenous mission of Interserve International. Led by John Amalraj they have a particular focus on mobilising professional Indians to serve in mission around the world and to reach the Middle Class of India itself. **PM International** is a Latin American mission movement mobilising Christians from several countries in that continent to serve in mission amongst Muslim communities. They have a growing commitment to North Africa and the Middle East and are led by Allan Matamoros from Costa Rica. Although we are open to receiving new members, and are currently in conversation with several agencies, our current focus is on strengthening the relationships we have with current members.

Bangkok Leadership Consultation

At the end of April a good number of our members, and many emerging mission leaders, gathered in Bangkok, Thailand for our annual Leadership Consultation. Over 50 senior leaders gathered for a week during which specific days focused on Mission in Islamic contexts; the Challenge of South East Asia and Buddhist contexts; Leadership in Mission; Evangelism and Discipleship; Training for contextual mission; and Collaboration in mission and the role of the Faith2Share network. During the week we had a special meeting with representatives



of the India Missions Association (to ensure that our significant presence in India does not duplicate what they are doing). We also met with some of our older members to discuss their specific needs and as a result will in future run our Leadership Consultations in a slightly different way.



Faith2Share continues to facilitate the **Interchange Network** for four of our member movements that have chosen to work together in a more intensive way. As well as regular Skype meetings we facilitated two residential meetings of this network during the year, one in Bangkok and the other in Oxford. New Zealand CMS is now a full member of the Interchange Network and CMS Australia attended the Bangkok meeting as an observer.

Much of our day-to-day work is about enabling collaboration between different mission movements, including many that are not full members of the network. We also link our

movements into some of the wider mission networks around the world, including the World Evangelical Alliance Mission Commission, Micah Network and specialist networks such as Vision 5.9, the Business as Mission Think Tank and the Anglican Witness initiative. One of our trustees, Berhe Gebru, represented us in September at the Global Round Table of all of these networks in Sweden.

Lausanne-Orthodox Initiative

During 2013-14 Faith2Share continued to second its International Director to work one dav a week for the Initiative Lausanne-Orthodox (see www.loimission.net). This global initiative is bringing together Evangelical and Orthodox church and mission leaders to explore how overcome some of the thev can misunderstandings and hurt of the past and build trust and respect for the future which may lead to cooperation in mission. As part of this initiative Faith2Share facilitated a major consultation in Albania in September 2013 bringing together almost 50 senior leaders from the two traditions. The gathering received the blessing of the Ecumenical Patriarch and was hosted by Archbishop Anastasios, head of the Albanian Orthodox Church.



Albanian Bishop Nikola welcomes Larry Miller, General Secretary of the Global Christian Forum, in the presence of Grace Mathew, Vice-Chair of the Lausanne Movement, and Femi Adeleye, of World Vision.

Consultants

Aware of the wide variety of skills, experience and talented people we have within the Faith2Share network, in 2013-14, we began some discussions which, next year, will lead to the establishing of a panel of consultants who will be available to support the ministry of members and others. In particular we have already begun working with the Para-Klesis group of consultants whose services can now be accessed via our website. We also provide financial administration for two of these consultants.



Our third major commitment is to the many emerging mission movements around the world that seek advice, encouragement and support from our network. One development in particular has been noteworthy this year.

Myanmar

Following a visit to Yangon by our International Director in November 2012, a small group of four emerging missions in Myanmar came together during 2013 and gave themselves the name "Faith2Share Myanmar Chapter". These mission leaders now meet regularly to share



their mission priorities with each other. Two of these leaders attended our Leadership Consultation in Bangkok in April and met one of our member movements, NAMS Network, focus on church who planting. Through this connection NAMS was able to go to Myanmar later in the year to offer training for a larger group of local mission and church leaders.

Through the generosity of donors giving us funds earmarked for emerging mission movements we have been able to help the group in Myanmar and others with small grants during the year. In Myanmar the grant has supported Kee Phway doing outreach in Shan state, the care of children near Yangon and a church plant at Shwepyitar.

Central Asia

During the year our Associate International Director has developed links with a number of

small mission movements in the very challenging context of Central Asia (and will visit the region later in 2014). Government restrictions make mission very difficult in these republics but some churches have also faced the challenges of inappropriate intervention from 'Western' agencies. Faith2Share is seeking to explore a more approach. One contextualised of the Emerging Mission grants made during the year was to a group of women in Tajikistan who are leading churches and developing outreach ministries.



Africa to Asia



Within the network it is often possible to identify leaders in one part of the world who can be of assistance elsewhere. Faith2Share can sometimes facilitate such exchanges with small travel grants. During 2013 a leader from Kenya was able to go to India to work with a small movement there and other leaders also from Kenya went to train leaders in Pakistan.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charity. Their policy is to hold enough funds to meet three months' operating costs of the charity. At year end the cash and investments balance was £83,026, the trustees deem £37,380 is the minimum cash balance to meet three months operating costs.

Principal funding sources

The charity's main source of income is membership fees, donations and consultancy. Overall total income grew by 30% to £175,296 compared to prior year. Income from membership increased by 4% to £16,988. Total individual donations increased by 66% to £100,968 and consultancy increased 17% to £35,030. Restricted grants of £35,035 received within the year were fully utilised against planned charitable activities.

The increase in income has allowed increased charitable activities to be undertaken in the year which is explained in more detail in the Report on Activities.

Investment policy and objectives

The trustees have approved the use of the COIF Charities Investment fund, which investment mainly in equities and follows an ethical investment policy. Other cash reserves are held in bank current and deposit accounts.

Plans for future periods

We intend to maintain our existing range of charitable activities. We intend to complete our specific programme on discipleship by 2016 but this will remain a core aspect of our charitable activity. We intend to increase our investment in activities that enable effective collaboration between member agencies and those outside the network. In the next period we will also increase the level of work with emerging mission movements. We also plan to increase the level of consultancy work undertaken but only where this is coherent with the three core objectives of Faith2Share as outlined in the next section.



CLEAR VISION

Through regular meetings with trustees, and dedicated staff 'away days' we continue to clarify the core commitments and areas of work for Faith2Share as a network. In communication terms we now regularly use the three simple 'words' (which have provided the structure for this report) to describe our mission. They are:

DISCIPLESHIP

COLLABORATION

Following Jesus in every aspect of our lives (The core objective of all our members) 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 2013-14 to participate in His mission

Robb Sykes Chair of Trustees

23 May 2014

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Mark Oxbrow International Director

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Statement of Financial Activities



Year ended 31 January 2014

Registered Charity No. 1132707

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	Note	Restricted 2013-14	Unrestricted 2013-14	Total 2013-14	2012-13
		2015-14 £	2013-14 £	2013-14 £	2012-15 £
INCOME		-	_	_	_
Members fees			15,915	15,915	13,968
Charges to members			1,073	1,073	2,363
Individual GA donations		12,496	24,665	37,161	23,869
Gift Aid			9,373	9,373	5,644
Individual non-GA donations		880	53,554	54,434	31,263
Church donations			1,500	1,500	2,350
Trusts & groups donations		9,169	11,500	20,669	20,158
Consultancy fees		13,663	21,367	35,030	30,000
Lausanne Project			-	-	5,086
Bank interest			141	141	99
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		36,208	139,088	175,296	134,800
EXPENDITURE					
Charitable Activities					
Mission Networking			3,164	3,164	4,126
Travel fund			11,754	11,754	9,434
Emerging Missions		36,208	4,081	40,289	13,291
Lausanne Project		,	921	921	(977)
Employee costs			84,423	84,423	83,031
Employee travel			5,404	5,404	3,169
Fundraising Costs				-	,
Bank charges			618	618	294
Fundraising costs			-	-	140
Governance and Admin costs					
Employee & volunteer expenses			1,162	1,162	833
Office & stationery			437	437	572
Insurance			803	803	793
Trustee expenses	2		480	480	-
IT & equipment			977	977	415
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		36,208	114,224	150,432	115,121
Net incoming resources before other					
gains and losses		-	24,864	24,864	19,679
Gains/(losses) on investments			(225)	(225)	-
Net movement in funds		-	24,639	24,639	19,679
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward			59,472	59,472	39,793
Total funds carried forward		-	84,111	84,111	59,472

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Balance Sheet as at 31 January 2014

Registered Charity No. 1132707

		2013-14	2012-13
	Note	£	£
Current assets:			
Debtors	2	1,184	1,259
Investments		49,775	-
Cash in bank and in hand		33,251	58,388
Total current assets		84,210	59,647
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(99)	(175)
Net assets		84,111	59,472
The funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted funds		84,111	59,472
Restricted funds		-	-
Total charity funds		84,111	59,472

The financial statements on pages 12 to 14 were approved by the Trustees on 23 May 2014 and are signed on their behalf by:

Robb Sykes, Chair of Trustees

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ending 31 January 2014

1. Principal accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are carried at current market value where available. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005).

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

(b) Funds structure

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.

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

(c) Foreign currencies

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

(d) Incoming resources

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.

Incoming resources from grants, where there are performance or service deliverables required by the terms of grant, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to payment through its performance.

(e) Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis.

Charitable activities comprise those activities outlined under 'Purpose' and 'Objectives' at the beginning of the Annual Report.

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

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

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it is incurred.

(f) Investments and investment income Investment in equity funds are included at their open market value at the balance sheet date. All gains and losses on investments are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities

2. Related party transactions and Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no emoluments (2012 £nil). Trustee expenses relate to reimbursed travel costs for a trustee attending the WEA sponsored 'Mission Round Table' in Sweden in September 2013.

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 2014, which are set out on pages 12 to 14.

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 of 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.

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Date:	23 May 2014

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