

Methodist Church

**Isle of Man District
District 15**

**Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 August 2015**

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Year ended 31 August 2015**

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Trustees' Report

Background

The Isle of Man District of the Methodist Church in Great Britain (District 15) came into existence upon the merger of the Wesleyan Methodists and the Primitive Methodists in September 1932.

The District is classified as being a separate charity in its own right under the Charities Registration Act 1989 in the Isle of Man and is exempt for registration under regulation 2(3) of the Religious Charities Regulations, 1999 in the Isle of Man. The effect of this exemption is that no information needs to be submitted to the Charity Commission in the Isle of Man.

The Methodist Church is governed by its Constitution, Practice and Discipline (CPD), and is organised in four tiers; individual Churches whose governance is exercised by Church Councils, Circuits (geographical groups of Churches) whose governance is exercised by Circuit meetings, Districts (geographical groups of Circuits) whose governance is exercised by Synods (with Policy Committees exercising interim delegated authority), and a Connexion, directed by the Conference.

The Composition of the Isle of Man Synod is the same as that of the Isle of Man Circuit Meeting, while the composition of the District Policy Committee is the same as that of the Circuit Leadership Team. The composition of the Isle of Man Synod is published each year, and is supplied to the Secretary of the Methodist Conference.

Office Holders

The following held office during and following the financial year:

Chair of District	Revd Richard Hall
Synod Secretary	John Binns
Treasurer	Colin D. Clark

Results

The results for the year ended 31 August 2015 show a deficit of £4,176 (2014: deficit of £4,930) which has been drawn from respective funds of the District.

Independent Examiner

Howard Pilley

Treasurer
Colin D. Clark

Chair of District
Revd Richard Hall

Dated:.....

Dated:.....

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Trustees' Responsibility Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements, in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Law applicable to charities in the Isle of Man requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources for that year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates which 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 the proper accounting records which disclose at any time, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Isle of Man Charities Registration Act, 1989. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' confirm that they have complied with the above requirements.

Treasurer
Colin D. Clark

Chair of District
Revd Richard Hall

Dated:.....

Dated:.....

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Methodist Church, Isle of Man District

I report to the Trustees on the accounts of the Isle of Man District Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2015, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts for the Charity. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 5 of the Charities Registration Act 1989 ("The Act") and that an independent examination is appropriate.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out taking into consideration general guidance given by the General Registry. 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, I have reasonable cause to believe that:

(1) in all material respects the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with regulations made under section 11(1)(a) of the Act;
- to prepare accounts in accordance with regulations made under section 11(1)(b) of the Act:

have been met; and

(2) there are no material matters to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Howard Pilley

Dated:.....

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note s	District Expense Fund £	Chairman's Discretionary Fund £	District Advance Fund £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
Incoming Resources	1					
Assessments from Circuit		5,000	1,100		6,100	6,100
Interest and investment income		-	-	46	46	93
Contribution from Circuit Advance Fund		-	-	1,953	1,953	17,147
Grants and donations		-	-		-	2,838
Other income		500			500	
Total Incoming Resources		5,500	1,100	1,999	8,599	26,178
Resources Expended	1 & 2					
Telephone and travel		1,250	-	-	1,250	2,102
General administration costs		1,843	-		1,843	800
Rental and office expenses		70	-	-	70	64
Grants and donations		-	862	8,750	9,612	26,470
Training			-	-		1,672
Total Resources Expended		3,163	862	8,750	12,775	31,108
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year		2,337	238	(6,751)	(4,176)	(4,930)
Surplus brought forward		9,211	710	18,565	28,486	33,416
Total surplus/(deficit) Carried Forward		11,548	948	11,814	24,310	28,486

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

	Note s	District Expense Fund £	Chairman's Discretionary Fund £	District Advance Fund £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
Current Assets						
Debtors and prepayments	3		-	-		572
Cash at bank and in hand	4	13,280	948	11,814	26,042	28,764
Total current assets		13,280	948	11,814	26,042	29,336
Creditors and Accruals						
Due in under 1 year	5	1,732	-	-	1,732	850
Net assets/(liabilities)		11,548	948	11,814	24,310	28,486
Represented by Funds of the District						
General Fund (unrestricted)		11,548			11,548	9,211
Chairman's discretionary fund (unrestricted)			948		948	710
District Advance Fund (restricted)				11,814	11,814	18,565
Total district funds		11,548	948	11,814	24,310	28,486

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue and signed on their behalf

Treasurer
Colin D. Clark
Dated

Chair of District
Revd Richard Hall
Dated:

1 Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with the General Principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting for Charities" (except where noted) and include Methodist Church Accounting Guidance and the regulations framed under the Isle of Man Charities Act 1989. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below:

Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the District becomes entitled to the resources, the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability excluding the resources meant for future year(s).

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable.

Income recognition

In instances where the District acts as agent, such as the payment of expenses of delegates from the District to the Methodist Conference, the Methodist Conference, and the payment of Ministers' business or personal travel to the Mainland UK, these transactions are not reflected in the SOFA.

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the District to pay out resources and includes the resources meant for future commitments.

Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors and prepayments are the amounts owing to the District as at year end.

Creditors

Creditors are in respect of amounts owed by the District at year end.

Accounting for separate funds

The funds held in the District expense are to cover the expenses of the Isle of Man District and there are no restrictions imposed on the use of this fund. The Chairman's Discretionary fund are amounts available to the Chairman for expenditure at his discretion and to decide upon worthy recipients of the funds.

The funds included within the District Advance Fund are restricted. The income derives from amounts received from all circuits in a given District and contributions from the Connexional Priority Fund. The decisions on those levies are imposed on each Circuit by being confirmed by the Conference annually. The Districts are guided by Conference as to what those funds can be used for and hence are therefore regarded as restricted.

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2 RESOURCES EXPENDED

Resources expended include payments to trustees on account of travel and other incidental costs in carrying out their responsibilities for the district according to the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church.

3 DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amounts owed from Connexion		572
	<u>-</u>	<u>572</u>

4 CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	2015	2014
	£	£
Bank balance at year end	<u>26,042</u>	<u>28,764</u>

The bank balance in district advance fund amounting to £11,814 (2014: £18,565) is held in bank accounts in the name of The Trustees for Manx Methodist Church Purposes.

5 CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS

	2015	2014
	£	£
Deferred income	350	850
Creditors	1,382	
	<u>1,732</u>	<u>850</u>

Deferred income represents grants received to meet future commitments.