### Report of the Trustees and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st August 2014 for

Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain

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## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2014. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03858051 (England and Wales)

#### Registered Charity number

1077961

### Registered office

IBSA House The Ridgeway London NW7 1RN

#### **Trustees**

 R Drage
 - resigned 20.8.14

 J Dowson
 - resigned 20.8.14

 P Ellis
 - resigned 19.8.14

B J Vigo P P Bell P Longstaff

R Li - appointed 11.3.15
A J Llewellyn - appointed 11.3.15
J Rastall - appointed 11.3.15
S J Morice - appointed 11.3.15

#### **Auditors**

Calcutt Matthews Ltd
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor
19 North Street
Ashford
Kent
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#### **Investment Advisers**

Merill Lynch
Private Banking and Investment Group
225 Liberty Street
35th Floor
New York
NY10281

#### **Bankers**

Barclays Bank plc PO Box 12820 London BX3 2BB

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Governing document

The charity, a UK company limited by guarantee, is controlled by its governing document, the memorandum and articles of the company dated 25th October 1999, as amended by special resolutions dated 19th April 2000 and 21st November 2013.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Recruitment and appointment, induction and training of new trustees

The recruitment and induction of new trustees is arranged as follows: The trustees may at any time co-opt any person duly qualified to be appointed as a trustee to fill a vacancy in their number or as an additional trustee. Such a person must be a member of the charity and serve as one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Trustees are given appropriate Charity Commission publications and training is arranged as part of the meetings of the trustees when the charity's policies are discussed. This is supplemented by periodic training provided by other professional bodies when new legislation affecting the charity is introduced.

The trustees of the charity also have key supervisory/oversight roles at the charity headquarters. They meet several times each month, and are in regular contact from day to day.

#### Organisational structure

The trustees organise the charity into a number of departments. Each department has an experienced, trained overseer who makes regular reports to the trustees. All major decisions are made by the body of trustees.

#### Wider network

Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain (the Society) works closely with International Bible Students Association (IBSA). IBSA provides it with serviced facilities for its charitable activities, and the Society provides IBSA with printed material. The Society has also continued to work closely with a charity in Germany. Other charities with similar objects exist in many countries around the world, and cooperation with these charities facilitates an efficient and economic use of its resources, and this cooperation also helps the Society to meet its stated objectives.

#### Risk management

The major risks to which the charity is exposed were reviewed by the trustees in October 2013 and January 2015. Strategies and safeguards are in place to reduce, as far as possible, the impact of those risks.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### Objectives and aims

The objects of the Society, contained in its Memorandum and Governing document, are to advance the Christian religion as practiced by the body of Christians known as Jehovah's Witnesses. This is accomplished by the following specific sub-objects:

- a. promoting the preaching of the gospel of God's Kingdom under Jesus Christ in all nations as a witness to the name, word and supremacy of the Almighty God, JEHOVAH;
- b. producing and distributing Bibles and other religious literature, in any medium, and educating the public in respect thereof;
- c. promoting religious worship;
- d. promoting Christian missionary work;
- e. advancing religious education.

### Significant activities

The major areas of activities for the year in question have been:

- 1. printing and distributing Bibles and Bible-based literature in several languages.
- 2. supporting congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses and others in Britain with their material welfare, by advancing the Christian missionary work.
- 3. supporting congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses and others abroad, primarily in developing countries, with their material welfare, by making donations to local associations of Jehovah's Witnesses. The donations have been in the form of literature, goods, and services, as well as of funding for the construction of places of worship. All such donations have promoted religious education overseas.

#### Grantmaking

The charity's grant making policy is as follows: From time to time the charity is asked by the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses to consider helping Jehovah's Witnesses in countries where a need exists.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Public benefit**

As evidenced above, much has been accomplished by the charity in the year to advance its objects for the public benefit. Literature has been produced for distribution to the general public on spiritual and moral values. Ministers have been supported. Places of worship have been financed which are open to all who wish to benefit from the practical values contained in the Holy Bible. The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

#### Workers

All who care for the work of the charity are religious ministers who are members of the Worldwide Order of Special-Full-time Servants of Jehovah's Witnesses

#### STRATEGIC REPORT

#### Achievement and performance

Charitable activities - producing and distributing bible literature

The charity's rotary presses have continued to produce The Watchtower and Awake! magazines, as well as other items of Bible-based literature. In the year, over 454 million publications were printed. These included 176 million copies of The Watchtower and Awake! magazines, which were printed in 33 and 22 languages respectively. In total, the charity has sent Bible-based literature to 91 countries in 216 languages. All of the literature produced is used to advance religious education and educate the general public in spiritual and moral values.

#### Charitable activities - making donations to further religious education overseas

During the year the charity continued to provide material and financial assistance to associations of Jehovah's Witnesses in several countries. The aid, over £12.8m in total, was given to promote missionary activity, to support general costs of the local association, and to assist in the operation of local congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses. Additionally, literature with a value of over £5.6m was donated overseas, mainly to Africa, for use in advancing religious education.

The trustees are pleased with the increased production and distribution.

#### Internal controls

To ensure the charity is able to achieve its objectives, appropriate internal controls have been established. These ensure that the monthly financial reports accurately represent all transactions, provide reasonable assurance that finances are being used for their intended purpose, and verify that proper controls and procedures are in place, and adhered to, so that figures are recorded accurately and the accounts are in balance.

The internal audit programme has been achieved. The internal auditor and his assistant have a set agenda to pursue throughout the year, and reported in writing to the trustees in September 2014. Approved recommendations were implemented.

#### Financial review

#### Reserves policy

Although the charity has a consistent income base, the trustees have arranged to work closely with a similar charity overseas. This arrangement continues to work well. At the year-end, free reserves stood at £24,179,000 which represented 6 months of expenditure (2013: £21,471,000 and 8 months). The trustees feel that such a policy is prudent in the current financial climate and makes best use of the charity's income, and are confident that it in no way adversely affects the charity's ability to both sustain and increase its activity.

### Principal funding sources

The primary funding activity is the manufacture and distribution of Bible-based religious literature on behalf of IBSA, the cost of which is passed on. The charity also relies to a large extent on voluntary donations to support its work, and has a consistent income base through Gift Aid and legacies. As mentioned above, the charity is also working closely with similar charities overseas.

The trustees are confident that the charity is in a strong financial position as demonstrated by the attached financial statements.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

#### STRATEGIC REPORT

#### Financial review

Investment policy and objectives

The memorandum and articles give power to invest funds in any lawful manner having full regard to the suitability of the investments, the need for diversification, and to be a socially responsible investor having due consideration to the beliefs of Jehovah's Witnesses. The objective is to balance the following issues: Preserve the purchasing power, provide adequate liquidity and provide consistent long-term returns. Over the fiscal period, the Portfolio remained diversified by currency, overweighting the US dollar and due to the charity re-location project, holding mainly highly liquid assets. During the period, the value of sterling improved verses other currencies the portfolio holds. This is reflected in the value of the Fund decreasing by 4.5%, in sterling terms, primarily due to currency effects. It is anticipated that sterling will weaken against the US dollar reversing the loss in the following quarters. The trustees continue to see the wisdom in holding to the current strategy favouring portfolio diversification both by asset class and currency exposure, having adequate liquidity in investment quality.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties facing the charity are: Litigation; Failure to comply with legal requirements on health and safety, fire, environment, waste; Disaster in Kingdom Hall construction or maintenance.

#### Statutory inquiry

The Charity Commission has opened a statutory inquiry.

#### Plans for future periods

The charity is actively seeking to relocate its facilities in order to save funds.

#### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company 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 charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

B J Vigo - Trustee

# Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain

We have audited the financial statements of Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain for the year ended 31st August 2014 on pages eight to twenty four. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose? To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities set out on page four, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Report of the Trustees to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st August 2014 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

### Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Nicholas Hume FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Calcutt Matthews Ltd

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

19 North Street

Ashford

Kent

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Date: 22 May 2515

### Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

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INCOMING RESOURCES Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	2	33,919,327	1,606,031	35,525,358	17,073,074
Investment income	3	89,892	44,974	134,866	1,009,445
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	,	ŕ	•	
Producing and distributing Bible literature		8,759,227	-	8,759,227	11,103,376
Other incoming resources	5	163,166	-	163,166	1,374,375
Total incoming resources	•	42,931,612	1,651,005	44,582,617	30,560,270
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of generating funds					
Investment management costs	6	208,776	-	208,776	294,033
Charitable activities	7	10.011.600			
Producing and distributing Bible literature		13,811,638	-	13,811,638	10,812,132
Promoting Christian missionary work  Making donations to further religious education		7,073,879	680,434	7,754,313	1,403,238
overseas		12,849,769	999	12,850,768	19,004,136
Exceptional items	13	-	9,245,076	9,245,076	12,004,130
Governance costs	10	11,700	-	11,700	13,200
Total resources expended		33,955,762	9,926,509	43,882,271	31,526,739
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS		8,975,850	(8,275,504)	700,346	(966,469)
Gross transfers between funds	24	(288)	288	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains and losses		8,975,562	(8,275,216)	700,346	(966,469)
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments		637,409		637,409	861,751
Net income/(expenditure)		9,612,971	(8,275,216)	1,337,755	(104,718)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments		57,975	-	57,975	(280,140)
Net movement in funds		9,670,946	(8,275,216)	1,395,730	(384,858)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		18,281,969	18,548,375	36,830,344	37,215,202
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		27,952,915	10,273,159	38,226,074	36,830,344

Statement of Financial Activities - continued (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.

None of the charity's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current and previous years. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above.

### Balance Sheet At 31st August 2014

EIVED ACCETC	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2014 Total funds £	2013 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	14	3,773,274	670,948	4,444,222	3,964,259
Investments Investment property Programme related investments	15 16 17	11,112,995 250,000	-	11,112,995 250,000	11,642,544 180,000 9,200,647
		15,136,269	670,948	15,807,217	24,987,450
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	18	1,749,343	-	1,749,343	1,398,511
Debtors	19	1,673,401	-	1,673,401	1,133,755
Investments	20	100,000		100,000	100,000
Cash at bank and in hand		39,574,314	9,602,211	49,176,525	51,189,112
		43,097,058	9,602,211	52,699,269	53,821,378
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	21	(28,220,824)	-	(28,220,824)	(40,218,220)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		14,876,234	9,602,211	24,478,445	13,603,158
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		30,012,503	10,273,159	40,285,662	38,590,608
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	23	(2,059,588)	-	(2,059,588)	(1,760,264)
NET ASSETS		27,952,915	10,273,159	38,226,074	36,830,344
FUNDS Unrestricted funds:	24				
General Fund Revaluation Reserve				27,779,420 173,495	18,178,474 103,495
				27,952,915	18,281,969
Restricted funds				10,273,159	18,548,375
TOTAL FUNDS				38,226,074	36,830,344

Balance Sheet - continued At 31st August 2014

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 May 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:

P Longstaff -Trustee

B J Vigo -Trustee

## Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

Net cash outflow from operating activities	Notes 26	2014 £ (5,184,492)	2013 £ (1,194,869)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	27	132,641	1,007,248
Capital expenditure and financial investment	27	(66,040)	38,690,543
		(5,117,891)	38,502,922
Financing	27	3,105,304	3,156,841
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period		(2,012,587)	41,659,763
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	28		
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period		(2,012,587)	41,659,763
Cash inflow/(outflow) from increase/(decrease) in debt and lease financing		(3,111,645)	(3,112,425)
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows Other non-cash change to debt		(5,124,232) 14,828,916	38,547,338
Movement in net debt in the period Net debt at 1st September		9,704,684 12,588,786	38,547,338 (25,958,552)
Net debt at 31st August		22,293,470	12,588,786

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities."

#### **Donations receivable**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. No income is deferred. Donations are from the public, congregations and other similar charities. Donations in the form of assets are included at the market value on the date of the gift.

#### **Income from Bible literature**

Income from literature arises from literature sold to International Bible Students Association (IBSA) on a cost basis, in line with the charity's objects.

#### Legacies

Legacies are recognised at the earlier of the date of notification or being received.

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. The trustees are of the opinion that support costs are best allocated to the costs of producing Bible literature. No grants are offered subject to conditions.

#### Costs of generating funds

These are comprised of investment management costs incurred during the year. The charity does not engage in fund raising.

#### **Governance costs**

Governance costs comprise external audit fees and other fees from consultants. All other administrative costs are re-charged.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are valued at cost less depreciation. Assets costing less than £1,000 are not capitalised. Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write each asset down to its residual value over its estimated useful life:

Freehold Land - Not depreciated Buildings - 2% on cost

Plant and machinery - 10% or 6.7% on cost,

Motor vehicles - 33%, 20% or 14% on cost

Fixtures and fittings - 10% or 33% on cost

Impairment reviews are carried out on individual assets when there is some indication that the recoverable amount of a fixed asset is below its net book value.

#### **Investment property**

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in market value is transferred to a revaluation reserve.

#### Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

#### Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. Where a restricted fund has fulfilled its purpose and excess funds remain, the balance will be transferred into unrestricted funds, provided that this was understood by the donors at the time of their donation.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Foreign exchange gains and losses

Foreign currency balances have been translated at the prevailing rate on the balance sheet date. Income and expenditures during the year have been translated at the prevailing rate on the day of the transaction. Gains and losses arise when foreign currency assets change in value between their purchase and the balance sheet date.

#### **Operating leases**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

#### **Investments**

Investments are valued at market value. All investments listed on a recognised stock exchange are carried at this value. Unlisted investments are valued using the latest valuation information received from the financial institutions managing the funds.

#### **Deposits**

The Society has an arrangement whereby individuals or congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses can deposit funds so that the Society can benefit, on the understanding that these funds can be requested back whenever the depositor wishes. Deposits repayable on demand are classified as falling due within one year.

### **Conditional donations**

The charity receives some donations where the donor reserves the right to receive the funds back. Experience has shown that only a small percentage is returned, but prudently the charity provides for fifty percent.

#### Grants payable

Grants payable to other institutions are recognised at the point when their payment has been approved by the trustees.

#### Other recognised gains and losses

These comprise unrealised and realised gains and losses on investments. Unrealised gains and losses represent the difference between the market value brought forward (or cost, for assets bought within this financial year) and the market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses represent the difference between sales proceeds and market value brought forward (or cost, for assets bought within this financial year.)

#### Donated literature received

Literature received is recognised as a donation when it is received, valued at the equivalent of production cost. It is then held in stock until it is sold.

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

#### Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in the relevant cost headings on the face of the Statement of Financial Activities and is not shown as a separate item.

### 2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Donations of literature Legacies Grants Donated services and facilities Donations of cash and goods		2014 £ 3,246,011 2,314,577 137,503 29,827,267	2013 £ 1,690,662 1,647,424 5,530,547 352,247 7,852,194
			35,525,358	17,073,074
3.	INVESTMENT INCOME			
	Rents received Investments listed on a recognis Other unlisted securities Deposit account interest	ed stock exchange	2014 £ 2,225 101,691 30,950	2013 £ 2,197 382,370 587,026 37,852 1,009,445
4.	INCOMING RESOURCES F	ROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		
	Income from literature sold to IBSA	Activity  Producing and distributing Bible literature	2014 £ 8,759,227	2013 £ 11,103,376
5.	OTHER INCOMING RESOU	JRCES		
	Foreign currency gains Income from recycling		2014 £ 163,166 163,166	2013 £ 1,304,694 69,681 1,374,375
6.	INVESTMENT MANAGEMI	ENT COSTS		
	Portfolio management		2014 £ 208,776	2013 £ 294,033

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### 7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

Producing and distributing Bible literature Promoting Christian missionary work Making donations to further religious education overseas Exceptional items	Direct costs £ 5,734,696 1,788,267 999	Grant funding of activities (See note 8) £ 5,966,046 12,849,769 9,245,076	Support costs (See note 9) £ 8,076,942	Totals  £ 13,811,638 7,754,313 12,850,768 9,245,076
	7,523,962	28,060,891	8,076,942	43,661,795
8. GRANTS PAYABLE				
Promoting Christian missionary work Making donations to further religious education Exceptional items (see note 13)	n overseas		2014 £ 5,966,046 12,849,769 9,245,076 28,060,891	2013 £ 181,587 19,004,136 - 19,185,723
During the year, grants paid to institutions with	congruous objec	tives can be analy	rsed as follows:	
By continent:	Cash £	Goods £	Literature £	Totals £
Europe Africa Asia Americas	16,506,664 - 11,017 2,051	584,079 3,528,276 627,754 1,140,392	9,975 5,192,720 29,986 368,690	17,100,718 8,720,996 668,757 1,511,133
Other	<u>-</u>	58,813	474	59,287
	16,519,732	5,939,314	5,601,845	28,060,891
By activity:				
	Cash £	Goods £	Literature £	Totals £
Promoting Christian missionary work in the United Kingdom Promoting Christian missionary work	9,608,896	-	-	9,608,896
internationally Distribution of Bibles and Bible-based	6,910,836	5,939,314	-	12,850,150
literature			5,601,845	5,601,845
	16,519,732	5,939,314	5,601,845	28,060,891

## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### 8. GRANTS PAYABLE - continued

Material grants (in the context of grant-making) were made to the following institutions:

Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society of South Africa Watch Tower Society of Jehovah's Witnesses, Nigeria Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society, Ghana Jehovas Zeugen, Germany Association Chretienne Les Temoins De Jehovah, Cameroon

Equivalent figures for the previous year were as follows:

By continent:				
•	Cash	Goods	Literature	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Africa	-	8,505,070	3,091,088	11,596,158
Americas	49,974	6,258,983	158,643	6,467,600
Asia	18,953	420,199	29,285	468,437
Europe	333,195	264,171	10	597,376
Other	•	55,199	953	56,152
	402,122	15,503,622	3,279,979	19,185,723
By activity:				
	Cash	Goods	Literature	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Promoting Christian missionary work in the				
United Kingdom Promoting Christian missionary work	76,857	4,819	-	81,676
internationally	277,372	15,498,803	-	15,776,175
Distribution of Bibles and Bible-based				
literature	-	-	3,279,979	3,279,979
				45.000
Humanitarian relief	47,893			47,893

### 9. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other
	£
Producing and distributing Bible literature	8,076,942
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Support costs have been allocated to producing and distributing Bible literature.

### 10. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2014	2013
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	11,700	13,200

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### 11. NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES

Net resources are stated after charging/(crediting):

	2014	2013
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	11,700	13,200
Depreciation - owned assets	775,703	843,568
Other operating leases	(3,380)	5,660
Deficit on disposal of fixed asset	118,099	15,594
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#### 12. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st August 2014 nor for the year ended 31st August 2013.

#### Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st August 2014 nor for the year ended 31st August 2013.

### 13. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

During the year, the decision was made to write off all loans to congregations for the purpose of building places of worship, at a cost of £9,245,076.

#### 14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS					
	Freehold	Plant and	Fixtures and		
	property	machinery	fittings	Motor vehicles	Totals
	£	£	£	£	£
COST					
At 1st September 2013	110,000	8,674,718	273,334	2,057,471	11,115,523
Additions	197,221	599,910	370,100	281,436	1,448,667
Disposals		(1,036,178)	(14,380)	(201,156)	(1,251,714)
At 31st August 2014	307,221	8,238,450	629,054	2,137,751	11,312,476
DEPRECIATION	1.618	6 110 006	102.660	055 200	7.151.064
At 1st September 2013	1,517	6,110,895	183,652	855,200	7,151,264
Charge for year	2,896	421,475	44,044	307,288	775,703
Eliminated on disposal	<u>-</u>	(935,848)	(14,380)	(108,485)	(1,058,713)
At 31st August 2014	4,413	5,596,522	213,316	1,054,003	6,868,254
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31st August 2014	302,808	2,641,928	415,738	1,083,748	4,444,222
At 31st August 2013	108,483	2,563,823	89,682	1,202,271	3,964,259

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#### 15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1st September 2013	11,642,544
Additions	1,142,663
Disposals	(1,660,187)
Revaluations	(12,025)
At 31st August 2014	11,112,995
NET BOOK VALUE	
	11,112,995
At 31st August 2014	======================================
At 31st August 2013	11,642,544

Total market values of investment assets held at 31st August 2014 are analysed as follows:

	Listed	Unlisted		
	investments	investments	Total	
	£	£	£	
Investment assets outside the UK	1,099,215	10,013,780	11,112,995	

Unlisted investments are comprised of various funds and derivatives managed by professional firms and banks. The valuations are based on the external fund managers' estimates of the underlying assets of the investment vehicle.

#### 16. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

16. DVC	£
MARKET VALUE At 1st September 2013 Revaluation	180,000 70,000
At 31st August 2014	250,000
NET BOOK VALUE At 31st August 2014	250,000
At 31st August 2013	180,000

Investment property has been valued by the trustees on the basis of the sale price of comparable properties in the local area.

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#### 17. PROGRAMME RELATED INVESTMENTS

	Congregation loans £	Totals £
MARKET VALUE	0.000 (15	0.000 645
At 1st September 2013	9,200,647	9,200,647
Additions	1,264,000	1,264,000
Disposals	(1,219,571)	(1,219,571)
Written off	(9,245,076)	(9,245,076)
At 31st August 2014		-
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NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31st August 2014		
At 31st August 2013	9,200,647	9,200,647
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#### **Congregation loans**

These investments comprise funds loaned to congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses in Britain for the purpose of purchasing, constructing or renovating buildings as places of worship. The ability of the congregation to repay such monies is assessed prior to the funds being extended. All such loans are on an interest free basis. These loans enable the Society to further its aims of promoting religious education and worship.

During the year, the decision was made to write off all such loans. New places of worship will now be financed by the Society, rather than by local congregations.

### 18. STOCKS

	Raw materials Motor vehicle spares and consumables Bibles and other literature	2014 £ 96,862 20,840 1,631,641 1,749,343	2013 £ 91,952 20,089 1,286,470 1,398,511
19.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Trade debtors	835,843	612,753
	Other debtors	837,558	521,002
		1,673,401	1,133,755
20.	CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS		
		2014	2013
		£	£
	Land in course of disposal	100,000	100,000
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#### 21. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2014	2013
	£	£
Deposits (see note 22)	26,983,055	38,700,326
Trade creditors	753,947	1,050,239
Other creditors	469,722	453,555
Accrued expenses	14,100	14,100
	28,220,824	40,218,220

Deposits comprise monies received from individuals, circuits and congregations and held with the Society until they are requested back. Based on previous experience, it is considered highly unlikely that the entire balance of deposits will be demanded within the next financial year.

#### 22. DEPOSITS

An analysis of the maturity of deposits is given below:

	2014	2013
	£	£
Deposits- due within 1 year	26,983,055	38,700,326
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	,	
	2014	2013
	£	£
Conditional donations	2,059,588	1,760,264
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		£
Provision at 1st September 2013		1,760,264
Provision on new conditional donations received	•	438,393
Provision released on conditional donations converted into donations		(102,400)
Provision released on conditional donations repaid		(87,869)
Provision at 31st August 2014		2,059,588
	Conditional donations  Provision at 1st September 2013  Provision on new conditional donations received  Provision released on conditional donations converted into donations  Provision released on conditional donations repaid	Amounts falling due within one year on demand: Deposits- due within 1 year  PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES  2014 £ Conditional donations  2019,588  Provision at 1st September 2013 Provision on new conditional donations received Provision released on conditional donations converted into donations Provision released on conditional donations repaid

Conditional donations are donations made by individuals on the understanding that they may be recalled should the donor require such funds in the future. The donor retains an option over their donation until they die or write to convert it into an outright donation. While it is considered probable that some of these conditional donations will need to be repaid, it is unknown when this liability will crystallise or how large it will be. The trustees have therefore prudently made a provision for 50% of the balance of conditional donations as shown above. The remaining £2.06 million is a contingent liability.

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### 24. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.13	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.8.14 £
Unrestricted funds General Fund	10 170 474	0.601.224	(200)	27 770 420
Revaluation Reserve	18,178,474 103,495	9,601,234 70,000	(288)	27,779,420 173,495
Revaluation Reserve	105,495			173,493
	18,281,969	9,671,234	(288)	27,952,915
Restricted funds				
Kingdom Hall Construction Worldwide	11,536,913	(8,474,332)	-	3,062,581
Travelling Overseers Assistance Arrangement	1,003,802	(273,585)	-	730,217
Kingdom Hall Assistance Arrangement	5,630,377	368,026	-	5,998,403
Relief Fund	134,327	54,981	288	189,596
Missionary Convention Travel	242,956	49,406	-	292,362
	18,548,375	(8,275,504)	288	10,273,159
TOTAL FUNDS	36,830,344	1,395,730	-	38,226,074
Net movement in funds, included in the above ar	e as follows:			
	Incoming	Resources	Gains and	Movement in
	resources	expended	losses	funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General Fund	42,931,612	(33,955,762)	625,384	9,601,234
Revaluation Reserve	-	-	70,000	70,000
	42,931,612	(33,955,762)	695,384	9,671,234
Restricted funds				•
Kingdom Hall Construction Worldwide	1,134,564	(9,608,896)	_	(8,474,332)
Travelling Overseers Assistance Arrangement	23,403	(296,988)	-	(273,585)
Kingdom Hall Assistance Arrangement	387,652	(19,626)	-	368,026
Relief Fund	55,980	(999)	-	54,981
Missionary Convention Travel	49,406	· -	-	49,406
	1,651,005	(9,926,509)	-	(8,275,504)
TOTAL FUNDS	44,582,617	(43,882,271)	695,384	1,395,730

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#### 24. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

#### **Travelling Overseers Assistance Arrangement**

This fund was formerly named the Ministers car fund and was set up for the provision of motor vehicles for travelling ministers.

#### **Kingdom Hall Assistance Arrangement**

The Kingdom Hall Assistance Arrangement (KHAA) exists to give aid where losses and damages have been suffered by congregations or individuals.

#### **Kingdom Hall Construction Worldwide**

This was set up to provide monies to assist with the purchase of places of worship. It was formerly known as the Society Kingdom Hall Fund.

#### **Relief Fund**

This fund exists for the purpose of giving support to areas experiencing distress or natural disaster.

#### 25. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The charity has close connections with International Bible Students Association ("IBSA"), which provides serviced facilities to Watch Tower and which is a registered charity with similar objects. IBSA also has the same registered office as that of Watch Tower.

During the year, the Association purchased literature from Watch Tower amounting to £8,820,956 (2013: £11,170,639). At the year end, IBSA owed Watch Tower £813,639(2013: £594,234), being the invoice for August 2014.

As an integral part of the charitable activities of IBSA, it provided Watch Tower with serviced facilities to enable Watch Tower to carry out its charitable activities. During the year, the Association charged Watch Tower £5,783,062 (2013: £4,911,978) for these services. At the year end, Watch Tower owed the Association £481,584 (2013: £382,400) in respect of these transactions.

## 26. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOMING\(OUTGOING\) RESOURCES TO NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2014	2013
	£	£
Net incoming\(outgoing\) resources	700,346	(966,469)
Depreciation charges	775,703	843,567
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	118,099	15,594
Interest received	(30,950)	(37,852)
Dividends received	(101,691)	(969,396)
Other non-cash donations received	(15,057,196)	(191,973)
Increase in provisions	(299,325)	(208,473)
Programme related investment written off	9,245,076	7,000
Movements on conditional donations	702,049	576,703
Increase in stocks	(350,832)	(453,609)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(539,646)	237,573
Decrease in creditors	(346,125)	(47,534)
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(5,184,492)	(1,194,869)

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## Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st August 2014

### 27. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

			2014 £	2013 £
Returns on investments and servicing of	finance		2	2
Interest received			30,950	37,852
Dividends received			101,691	969,396
Net cash inflow for returns on investmen	ts and servicing of fin	ance	132,641	1,007,248
Capital expenditure and financial investr	nent			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets			(1,251,446)	(555,527)
Purchase of fixed asset investments			(1,142,663)	(3,786,930)
Programme related investments advanced			(1,264,000)	(4,029,570)
Sale of tangible fixed assets			74,902	149,145
Sale of fixed asset investments			2,297,596	44,962,324
Programme related investments repaid			1,219,571	1,951,101
Net cash (outflow)/inflow for capital expe	enditure and financial			
investment			(66,040)	38,690,543
Financing				
Loans advanced by depositors			7,265,476	10,186,150
Loans repaid to depositors on demand			(4,160,172)	(7,029,309)
Net cash inflow from financing			3,105,304	3,156,841
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DE	ВТ			
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			Other non-cash	
	At 1.9.13 £	Cash flow £	changes	At 31.8.14 £
Net cash:	~	~	~	~
Cash at bank and in hand	51,189,112	(2,012,587)		49,176,525
Liquid resources:				
Current asset investments	100,000	-	-	100,000
Debt:				
Debts falling due within one year	(38,700,326)	(3,111,645)	14,828,916	(26,983,055)
Total	12,588,786	(5,124,232)	14,828,916	22,293,470