# ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

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**COMPANY REGISTRATION No: 05183847** 

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#### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**CHARITY NUMBER** 

1121970

**COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER** 

5183847

START OF FINANCIAL YEAR

1st August 2013

**END OF FINANCIAL YEAR** 

31st July 2014

**DIRECTORS AT 31ST JULY 2014** 

Paul Sadler (resigned August 2014)

John Kidd

Sam Riley (resigned August 2014)

**DIRECTORS APPOINTED AFTER** THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

Anthony Mair (appointed August 2014) Susan Rose (appointed August 2014)

**REGISTERED ADDRESS** 

52 Union Close Bideford Devon **EX39 3FE** 

**DATE OF INCORPORATION** 

19th July 2004

**GOVERNING DOCUMENT** 

Memorandum and Articles of Association

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER** 

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#### **OBJECTS**

1. to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs appearing in the schedule hereto in Barnstaple and in such other parts of the united kingdom or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit and other such purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the charity; 2 to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Barnstaple, the United Kingdom or the World as the trustees from time to time may think fit; 3. to provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life in Barnstaple and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the trustees may from time to time think fit.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

#### Aim and Purpose:

Abundant Life Church is a local church based in Bideford that exists to promote the Christian faith and fulfil the whole mission of The Church of Jesus Christ in accordance with our statement of beliefs.

#### **Our Objectives:**

We are committed to building a community of people united by their common faith in Jesus Christ. Our desire is to see the lives of our members enriched and flourishing in everyway; spiritually, emotionally, physically, relationally and financially.

In turn, as a church, we want to impact for good the lives of those around us; our friends, neighbours and colleagues, our community and throughout the United Kingdom and the world as we have the opportunity.

Through the ministry of Abundant Life Church we also desire to benefit the cause of other churches by ministering into them and working together with them.

We intend to achieve these objectives by holding various weekly, monthly and yearly meetings, events and activities, ranging from Sunday services to counselling individuals.

#### **Our Activities:**

The primary activity of the church is our weekly Sunday service. Here we transform a venue and create an opportunity for people from all around the area to worship God and hear about the Good News of Jesus Christ. This is always an exciting place to be, with great music, great atmosphere and friendly people.

We teach, train and equip people from the Bible through various seminars and group meetings, to live successful, fruitful and prosperous lives.

We arrange social events that enable people both within, and outside the church, to build friendships, hear about Jesus, learn about the Christian life and become part of the church family.

We provide pastoral care and counselling to families and individuals within the church.

We are involved in missionary and outreach work both locally and internationally.

#### **Achievement and Performance:**

Pastors John and Gemma Kidd along with the ministry team, have continued with the ongoing theme of the ministry this year to help the people within the Church to flourish and grow, and equipping them from the Bible to live influential and successful lives in the community and to be a positive influence on the people around them. Pastor John and Gemma took a back seat towards the last quarter of the year during a period of III health that Gemma had, but the team handled the responsibility really well and the church continued to move forwards effectively.

The Church has grown in size since last year and we have seen some new local people join the church and become part of the church family. Great to see growth and great to see influence increasing.

After moving venue early in 2013 to The Bideford Youth Centre we have settled in there really well. It has been a great move and really enabled us to expand our kid's church ministry, create a much more hospitable environment to welcome new people and again we have seen lots of visitors to Church this year which has been encouraging.

Our seminars and special events, including the marriage seminar, finance seminar, and family life seminar, were all well attended and everyone who came reported that they had been equipped, encouraged and changed by what they learnt. These have had a really positive impact on the ongoing health of the Church.

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Our midweek meetings, including our Homegroups, Band of Brother's Men's Meeting, and Flourish Ladies Meeting were also well attended and operated effectively this year and served to build and strengthen the friendships and community within the Church and provide an opportunity to connect with friends who are interested in Christianity and coming to Church.

After moving their location from Cyprus to North Wales at the beginning of the year Pastors Nico and Antoinette Saaiman established their ministry base there and setup Life and Harvest Ministry. They have successfully connected with local churches there to work together to run crusades and outreaches in the local areas. The Church is excited about supporting them and being involved with their ongoing ministry. Pastors Nico and Antoinette also continue to make visit to minister into the church here and support the leadership team with training and advice.

Following the move to Wales and the establishment of Life and Harvest ministry the first major crusade took place in November 2013 in Colwyn Bay, North Wales. This was well attended along with a team of musicians and ministers and a good number of people were reached and impacted with the gospel. The Church trustees continue to oversee the financial activities and events of the ministry.

Overall we feel it has been a positive and successful year and that we are achieving our objectives, this may be happening on a smaller scale than we would like right now but we are satisfied that have made step by step progress.

We do feel that we would like to see more people visiting the Church again next year and hope to greatly increase the number of people becoming Christians though the ministry of the Church. We feel it has been another year of progress.

#### **Financial Review:**

The total receipts on unrestricted funds were £40,594. Our tithes, offerings and gifts made up £32,516 of this figure which is 88% up on the previous year.

£1,975.75 of this total figure was gift aid tax reclaimed through the year.

The total resources expended this year were £30,863. Of this figure £29,196 was spent to provide the Christian ministry from Abundant Life Church this year, £1,281 was depreciation of assets and £386 were governance costs. The largest area of expenditure was gifts made by the Church of £16,806. This figure included gifts made to Pastors John and Gemma Kidd given to honour their work as the leaders of the Church. This figure also includes support given to Pastors Nico and Antoinette Saaiman both to honour their ongoing work and input to the Church and to support their ministry. The trustees feel that although there is no contractual obligation to provide these gifts and support, the Church should continue to make these gifts within the terms of the charity objectives to honour their work.

The second largest area of expenditure was our premises costs of £2,550. This included the hiring of Bideford Youth Centre, and hiring venues for seminars, groups and our other activities. We are happy with these costs after negotiating special rates for the Church to use these premises.

Giving from the Harvest event in Wales was £5,883. A sum of £2,700 was also transferred from the church account for the event. £3,500 was given as gifts to the ministers and musicians from the event, £5,082 was venue hire and associated costs for the event.

Travel and motoring costs of £2,074 include the running and upkeep of the church van.

We received some large gifts this year and these have been put into the reserves.

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £8,450 (excluding the £1,281 of depreciation). We are pleased with this outcome and believe the Church is in a good financial position to build and move forward into the coming year.

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#### **Plans for Future Periods**

We plan to continue to grow in all aspects of the ministry as we present the gospel in clear and accessible ways to everyone that we have the opportunity to and look for new ways to do this.

It is our intention to continue to improve the operating platform of the Church by increasing in excellence in everything that we do next year.

We will continue to be involved in the ministry of Pastors Nico and Antoinette Saaiman as they continue to establish Life and harvest ministry. We intend to continue to support the ministry financially as it starts up and hope to send more Church members and leaders on trips to help and minister at the events. This will be a means of blessing and strengthening for the Church here and also the ministry.

#### Relationship with other charities:

This year we continued to partner with Compassion; a child sponsorship organisation (charity No.1077216). We continue to sponsor children in Bolivia. We are excited about this relationship with compassion and look forward to being able to increase our involvement in the future.

#### Statement of Director's responsibilities:

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They 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.

The trustees are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 July 2014, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date 24/4/15.

Signature......
JOHN KIDD

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

Incorporating income and expenditure account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2014/13 £	TOTAL 2013/12 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds					
Voluntary Income	3a	40,594	0	40,594	20,422
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		40,594	0_	40,594	20,422
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Support costs	4a	30,477	0	30,477	20,098
Governance Costs	4b	386	0	386	1,512
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		30,863	0	30,863	21,610
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		9,731	0	9,731	(1,188)
Total Funds Brought, Forward		5,068	0	5,068	6,256
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		14,799	0	14,799	5,068

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2014**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	31-Jul-14 Total	31-Jul-13 Total
	Note	£ '	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	2	5,122	0	5,122	6,403
Current Assets					
Debtors	6	0	0	0	0
Cash at bank and in hand		10,265	0	10,265	268
Total Current Assets		10,265	0	10,265	268
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	588	0	588	1,603
•			•		
NET CURRENT ASSETS		9,677	0	9,677	(1,335)
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		14,799	0	14,799	5,068
NET ASSETS		14,799	0	14,799	5,068
Funds of the Charity General Funds		14,799	0	14,799	5,068
Total Funds		14,799	0	14,799	5,068

The directors are satisfied that for the year ended on 31 July 2014 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 13.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and if its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the Directors on 24/4/15. and

Signed on their behalf by

PRINT NAME:

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Incoming Resources**

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- · the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the Directors are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

#### Incoming Resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

#### Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the

#### Tax reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

#### Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services has been delivered

#### Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

#### Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

#### Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual

#### Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

#### Investment gains and losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

#### **Expenditure and liabilities**

#### Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

#### Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the Directors' meetings and cost of any legal advice to Directors on governance or constitutional matters.

#### Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SOFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

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#### Changes in Accounting policies and previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (variation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

#### Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to a grant which remain in control of the charity.

#### Support Costs

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of the resources, e.g. allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

#### Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity:

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

#### Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at Directors' best estimate of market value.

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets on a reducing rate basis over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied per annum are as follows:

Fixtures and Fittings 20% Motor Vehicles 20%

No depreciation is charged to freehold property as the property is maintained to such a standard that the estimated residual value is not less than cost.

#### **Basis of preparation:**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable accounting standards, as modified by the SORP. The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Companies Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out above.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Fixtures & Fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
EQUIPMENT				
Cost	01-Aug-13	30,643	7,050	37,693
Additions	_	0	0	0
Cost at	31-Jul-14	30,643	7,050	37,693
	•			
Depreciation	01-Aug-13	25,019	6,271	31,290
Charge		1,125	156	1,281
Depreciation at	31-Jul-14	<u> 26,144</u>	6,427	32,571
Net Book Value	31-Jul-14	4,499	623	5,122
				6,403
Net Book Value	31-Jul-13	5,624	779	0,403

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

31st July 2014 : Photocopier Lease £0 per annum 31st July 2014 : Photocopier Lease £0 annum

3. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2014/13 £	TOTAL 2013/12 £
a) Voluntary Income				
Tithes, Offerings and Gifts Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed Harvest Event	32,516 2,195 5,883		32,516 2,195 5,883	17,249 3,173 0
	40,594	0	40,594	20,422
4. RESOURCES EXPENDED a) Charitable Activities				
Conferences	363		363	1.601
Depreciation Equipment Purchases	1,281 243		1,281 243	1,601 196
Gifts	13,306		13,306	12,599
Harvest Event:	,		,	,
Gifts	3,500		3,500	0
Venue Hire and Associated Costs	5,082		5,082	0
Insurance	363		363	437
Licenses Premises Costs	100		100 2,550	167 1,590
Refreshments	2,550 420		420	362
Software and Website	9		9	120
Stationery and Printing	41		41	589
Storage costs (equipment)	658		658	712
Sundry Expenses	51		51	20
Telephone and Fax	436	ė	436	383
Travel and Motoring Costs	2,074		2,074	1,322
	30,477	0	30,477	20,098
b) Governance Costs			•	
Bank Charges	206		206	218
Credit Card Interest	1 (52)		1 (52)	168
Independent Examination and Accountancy Fees	(53) 232		(53) 232	795 331
Professional Fees	232		232	331
	386	0	386	1,512

The negative figure shown above is due to an over accrual of fees in prior years.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

#### **5. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The Charitable company held no restricted funds in this or the previous financial period.

#### **6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS**

The Charitable company had no debtors or prepayments at the end of this or the previous financial period.

# 7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund		Total 31-Jul-13
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examination 2012	0	0	0	557
Independent Examination 2013	0	0	0	795
Independent Examination 2014	504	0	504	0
Credit Card	84	0	84	251
	588	0	588	1,603

#### 8. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

During the financial period the charity did not operate PAYE and no one received a salary.

#### 9. TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

	2014/13	2013/12
	2	2
	4,900	4,690
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£ =	4,900	4,690
	£ =	

See trustees report for details.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2014

#### 10. RISK ASSESSMENT

The directors actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The directors have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

#### 11. RESERVES POLICY

The directors have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The directors aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The directors will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

#### 12. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the directors report. The directors confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.