The Church and Media Network

Also known as: Christians in Media UK

Trustees' Annual Report
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Charity Name:
The Church and Media Network (aka Christians in Media UK)

Charity Number:
1162772

Registered Office:
128 City Road
London
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Trustees serving during 2025:

- **Lani Charlwood** – Chair
- **Rebecca Chapman** – Vice Chair
- **Josie Gamble** – Design & creative lead
- **Carol Sun-Schuster** – Marketing & socials
- **Tolu Adebekun** – Data & digital lead
- **Craig Forrest** – Regional hubs lead (resigned December 2025)
- **Sandra Godley** – (resigned January 2025)
- **Lisa Miosi** – Fundraising lead
- **Marcia Muller** – Secretary (resigned December 2025)
- **Francis Stanford** - Treasurer (appointed July 2025)

Structure, Governance and Management

Christians in Media UK is run by a small board of volunteers committed to guiding and delivering the mission of the charity.

All operations are delivered by the Board of volunteers, shaping a hands-on, collaborative culture. The unique strengths of each Trustee remain critical for the success of the ministry and we're deeply thankful for the way God has brought together such a purposefully skilled team - each bringing timely talents that have met the charity's needs right when they were most needed.

Charitable Activities and Impact

Engage 2025 Conference

Engage 2025 in October was held at Sky HQ for the first time and marked a new season for Christians in Media, with one guest commenting:

> "I didn't expect it to feel so much like church - in a good way! It is wonderful for my faith and work to be together like this."

It was a joy to gather together, pray, worship and learn from each other.

Trustee Changes

The appointment of Francis Stanford as our new Treasurer in 2025 was an immense blessing. Francis has brought great skill and insight to the Board and freed up other Trustees to focus on their areas of strength. Francis has tightened our finance monitoring, improved our reporting and advised on investments. We are so grateful for his willingness to serve in this way.

We also said goodbye and Thank You to Marcia and Craig who had served on the Board since 2024.

Vision Relaunch

We unveiled our new Vision at Engage 2025 and it was very well received.

> **"Christians in Media is a UK network, creating spaces to gather, pray for and inspire Christians in the Media since 1967."**

Building on that, we'll focus on four pillars:

- **Wellbeing**
- **Gathering**
- **Partnering**
- **Resourcing**

These themes will guide our charitable impact in the coming years.

Wellbeing groups:

We opened up applications for Wellbeing Group leaders to be trained in partnership with Kintsugi Hope, in order to offer this to the wider Christians in Media community.

Communications:

Regular Membership and newsletter communications were established, keeping our community updated with relevant content and connection.

Membership:

Membership was launched and is slowly growing as a way of saying 'Faith in Media matters'.

Future Plans

Upcoming Initiatives in 2026:

- **Engage Conference** – back by popular demand, in partnership with Christians at Sky
- **Wellbeing Groups** – in partnership with Kintsugi Hope
- **Faith in Media Podcast** – looking at new content
- **Regular communications and social engagement** – pointing our network to great Christian resources and sharing stories
- **Off the Record dinner** - for senior Christian leaders across the UK media

Capacity & Roles

To deliver all of this, we hope to recruit volunteers for podcast production, digital and social channels as well as administration and fundraising.

Risk Management and Safeguarding

No significant updates made in 2025. Our existing safeguarding and operational policies remain in place, reviewed annually.

Public Benefit Statement

Our activities (prayer, gathering, networking, resources) serve public benefit by supporting Christians in Media - as individuals, they can better integrate faith and work; as a group, they encourage integrity, truthfulness, grace and cultural engagement in media.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purpose of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

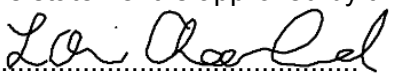
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume the charity will continue to operate;
- summarise all relevant legislation and ethical responsibilities as per the standard format.

The trustees are responsible for managing risk, establishing systems to identify, assess, manage and monitor risks (including safeguarding and operational risks), and ensuring appropriate internal controls are in place.

The trustees are required to ensure funds are applied only for charitable purposes and comply with the governing document and relevant legislation.

This statement is approved by the board on 7 September 2026, and signed on its behalf by:



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Lani Charlwood, Chair



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Francis Stanford, Treasurer

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Church and Media Network	1162772

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	1-Jan-25	To	31-Dec-25

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	2,192	-	-	2,192	-
Conference tickets	4,891	-	-	4,891	-
Membership	1,250	-	-	1,250	-
Sponsorship	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
Bank Interest	1,376	-	-	1,376	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total**(Gross income for AR)*	11,209	-	-	11,209	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	11,209	-	-	11,209	-
A3 Payments					
Engage conference costs	7,256	-	-	7,256	-
Subscriptions	532	-	-	532	-
Trustee Meeting expenses	635	-	-	635	-
IT & Website	795	-	-	795	-
Sundries	-	-	-	-	-
Bank charges	143	-	-	143	-
Insurance	99	-	-	99	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,460	-	-	9,460	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	9,460	-	-	9,460	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,749	-	-	1,749	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,749	-	-	1,749	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account	19,464	-	-
	Savings account	15	-	-
	CCLA Deposit account	32,656	-	-
	Total cash funds	52,135	-	-
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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
Accruals	Unrestricted	**954**	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Francis Stanford	14/09/2026