



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
<b>From</b>	01	09	2020	<b>To</b>	31	08	2021

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address   
  
  
**Postcode**

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	ANDREW MARPLE			
2	CLIFFORD RICHMOND			
3	VICTORIA WILKINSON	SECRETARY		
4	WILLIAM HENRY	CHAIRMAN		
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	TRUST DEED
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	TRUST
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	APPOINTED BY TRUSTEES

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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**Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

The object of the Trust shall be the furtherance of the Christian faith to bring men and women to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth and to prepare God's people for works of service so that the Body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God (1 Timothy 2:4; Ephesians 4:12-13).

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Trust Deed, in 2021 the Open Bible Trust:

- (1) Published 6 Christian magazines (*Search*), 6 Bible Study Booklets, and 3 new books.
- (2) Due to lockdown during the coronavirus pandemic a monthly one-hour mid-week Bible Study on Zoom was started. Also, quarterly three-hour Saturday afternoon conferences were held on Zoom. These continued in 2021.
- (3) Continued to send Christian Magazines, literature and CDs free of charge to prisoners in Britain, people in nursing and care homes, and to ministers and pastors in Third World countries, mainly in Africa and Asia.
- (4) Continued to try to get Christian resources to prison chaplains and prisoners.
- (5) Due to lockdown, to help and encourage people, more booklets, pamphlets and graphics were added to the website as free downloads, bringing the total to 107. Also, more free Bible studies were put on YouTube, bringing the total to 276.
- (6) Published more e-Books on Kindle and i-tunes, raising the number to over 340.
- (7) Continued to develop the OBT Facebook site, especially to advertise publications, resources and forthcoming events.
- (8) Continued to produce Amazon Kindle Digital Printing (KDP) paperbacks and have over 330 books in this format.
- (9) Produced several new short YouTube videos for primary school children, suitable for use in assembly, RE lessons and Sunday School.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Volunteers helped with:

- editing publications
- proof reading
- the OBT website
- writing articles, booklets and books
- speaking at live events as well as evening Zoom Bible studies and Saturday afternoon Zoom conferences

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

- (1) *Search* magazine and other publications were made available to the public for a modest fee and sent free to various prisoners and others in need in the UK, and to various people in the third world.
- (2) The administrator undertook speaking engagements via Zoom in various churches in the South of England.
- (3) Further work was undertaken on the OBT websites, its Facebook page and its YouTube site.
- (4) Provided guest speakers, via Zoom, for the annual conference of the Berean Bible Fellowship of Australia, and for their weekly studies.
- (5) Exhibited at Christian Resources Exhibitions and produced videos of seminars give for the CRE website.
- (6) Considering to start podcasts, starting in 2022.

## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Reserves are used to subsidise the production of *Search* and the *Bible Study Booklets* to keep the annual subscription low.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>	Signed	Signed
<b>Full name(s)</b>	William Murray Henry	Andrew Barry Marple
<b>Position (Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair	
<b>Date</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	



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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from 01/09/2019 To 31/08/2021

**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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Sales of books, CDs & DVDs	7,798	-	-	7,798	7,829
Subscriptions	4,444	-	-	4,444	4,374
Donations	25,770	-	-	25,770	23,582
Bequest	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Tax reclaimed	3,907	-	-	3,907	3,374
VAT	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>42,918</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,918</b>	<b>39,159</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Investment sales	-	-	-	-	-
Asset sales	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>42,918</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,918</b>	<b>39,159</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Printing	6,476	-	-	6,476	7,933
Purchases of books	734	-	-	734	292
Salaries & NI	12,750	-	-	12,750	11,400
Stationery & computer supplies	2,153	-	-	2,153	1,927
Promotion & advertising	1,418	-	-	1,418	2,299
Insurance	312	-	-	312	304
Telephone & postage	6,357	-	-	6,357	8,353
Travel expenses	137	-	-	137	579
Miscellaneous	164	-	-	164	-
Bank charges	176	-	-	176	183
VAT	139	-	-	139	159
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>30,816</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,816</b>	<b>33,111</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
Asset purchases	222	-	-	222	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>31,038</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,038</b>	<b>33,111</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>11,880</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,880</b>	<b>6,049</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	36,560	-	-	36,560	30,511
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>48,440</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>48,440</b>	<b>36,560</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank balances	48,440	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>48,440</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	Tax reclaim due	1,080	-	-
	Other debts	3,578	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
	Computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Furniture & fittings	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
	Tax due not yet paid	Unrestricted	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	yes	William M Henry	21/11/2021	



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

THE OPEN BIBLE TRUST

On accounts for the year ended

31/08/2021

Charity no (if any)

326717

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

16/04/2022

Name:

David Richard Coe

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

FCCA

Address:

210 Silverdale Road, Earley, Reading RG6 7NB

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**