

The Church's Ministry Among The Jews

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2022

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Reference and administrative details

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| Registered charity name | The Church's Ministry Among The Jews |
| Charity registration number | NIC101473 |
| Principal office | 224 Ravenhill Road Belfast BT6 8EF |

The trustees

Miss J Stewart
Mrs P Davidson (Secretary)
Mr N Glass
Canon G Withers
Mrs M McCormick (Chairperson)
Rev W Holmes
Mr S Beggs
Mrs G Thompson

Company secretary Mrs P Davidson

Independent examiner David Knox
On behalf of Johnston Graham Limited
Chartered Accountants
216/218 Holywood Road
Belfast
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Structure, governance and management

CMJ Ireland was founded in 1810 and is governed by its constitution. There are two sections of the Society, a Northern section and a Southern section. Each section of the Society elects, from its membership a Committee to manage its affairs, CMJ Ireland (Northern Committee) and CMJ Ireland (Southern Committee) and each Committee appoints certain of its members to a General Committee of the Society. The Southern Committee is currently in abeyance.

1. The Northern Committee achieved registered charitable status in 2016. It is currently managed and run by the trustees as stated above - all volunteers.

An annual AGM provides accountability to supporters and allows for changes in committee. We have a membership voting scheme, monthly committee and prayer meetings and send a quarterly newsletter to supporters.

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Objectives and activities

The objects of the society are three-fold, Evangelism, Education and Encouragement. This permeates through everything we do.

1. Evangelism - Creating opportunities to consider the claims of Jesus as Messiah. Seeking to share the Gospel in culturally sensitive ways with Jewish people and others and supporting others involved in this work.

2. Education - Teaching, particularly in the church, the Jewish roots of our Christian faith. We also love to demonstrate in practical ways the revelation of Yeshua contained within the Biblical Feasts and Festivals.

3. Encouragement - Encouraging and supporting the spiritual growth of Messianic believers and Congregations. We offer support of the work CMJ Israel are doing among Messianic believers in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and the Galilee.

Achievements and performance

2022 has seen a slow improvement from 2021, as we were able to not only hold public in-person meetings but also online Zoom teaching sessions including 6 more Dwight Pryor 'Behold the Man' sessions and 'Fireside Talks' from Jerusalem by Rev Aaron Eime of CMJ Israel. We again exhibited at Bangor Worldwide, ensuring that CMJ's profile among missions is seen and to provide a platform for dialogue.

Rev Tim Butlin from CMJ UK was our speaker at our Spring meeting on 14th May, the anniversary of Israel's independence in 1948. He spoke on 'One New Man in Christ'. He also touched on his contacts with the largest Messianic congregation in Kiev, and his visit there as a representative of TJC2. Idan Pinchas from Israel, who is the Director of the Heritage Centre in Christ Church Jerusalem, visited us for a week's tour in October during which he presented a new Exhibition of the history of Messianic Judaism over 2000 years, which we have had printed on pop up fliers to add to our teaching materials, for use when we hold public meetings or travel to churches and other ministry centres.

We continue to hold prayer meetings and Committee meetings online, and monthly talks by guest speakers from Israel and the UK and connect with CMJ branches which form part of the worldwide CMJ family which keeps us interconnected and mutually supported. We are grateful to churches and our faithful and generous supporters, and we send monies to support the Heritage Centres in Israel as well as to CMJ's Mercy Fund, which reaches needy people in and around Jerusalem. We also send money to help fund specific needs of CMJ Israel, which include the work of Beit Immanuel CMJ Guest House and outreach work in the community. When specific needs are identified we endeavour to come alongside. We continue to partner with CMJ's Anglican International School in Jerusalem, and a small school in the Galilee, under the wing of our Galilee guesthouse Beit Bracha.

Financial review

We received a total income of £16,449 in 2022, expenditure was £6,131. Donations of £5,000 were made in the year. Total reserves at 31 December 2022 amounted to £179,739.

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Plans for future periods

We hope in due course to revive our ministry in the south of Ireland, at present dormant, and to expand our outreach throughout the island. We are grateful for all the volunteers and Parish reps who work so hard to expedite the ministry of CMJ Ireland.

Responsibilities of the trustees

The charity's trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

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 accounting 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 charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. 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' annual report was approved on 15 October 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mrs M McCormick (Chairperson)
Trustee


Mrs G Thompson (Treasurer)
Trustee

Mrs P Davidson (Secretary)
Trustee