

Trustees Annual Report

Charity: Renfrew Congregation Of Jehovah's Witnesses
Annual Report For The Year Ending 31st March 2026

Legal and Administrative Information

The congregation is an unincorporated association originally registered as a religious charity, with Inland Revenue (Scotland) on the basis of a Declaration linking its activities with its parent charity watch tower Bible & Tract Society of Britain ("the Society") and now operates on the basis of a Constitution adopted on 31st July 2007.

Registered Charity No. SC005966

The congregation has during the year been administered by the following Trustees, being elders of the Congregation duly appointed pursuant to the directions of the Society and still serving at the date of this report:

Chairman: Anthony Chali

Secretary: Andrew Murie

Other Trustees: Kenneth Barr, Alexander Borland, Jacob Obodo, Stephen Povey, Gideon Ayim Mensah, Coll MacLeod, Israel Udoma, Desmond Falade & William Lee

New trustees are selected by the existing trustees, from the congregation membership, following prayerful consideration of their spiritual qualifications in the light of the Bible. If qualified, the appointment is confirmed by the Society, representing the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses.

The registered address of the congregation is The Kingdom Hall, 14-20 Niddry Street, Paisley, PA3 4AG

The Congregation's Bank is Lloyds Bank plc PO Box 1000 Andover BX1 1LT.

At the end of the year there were 80 congregation members.

The Congregation is within the Scotland No3 Circuit of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Objects and Activities

The Constitution restricts the operation of the Congregation to religious purposes and limits the use of its assets to such purposes, these being the practice and advancement of Christianity founded on the Holy Bible. The Congregation is organised on the basis of scriptural precedent and as otherwise recommended by the Society with which the congregation is affiliated.

During the year the Congregation has achieved its objects and continued to pursue its purposes by holding regular twice-weekly meetings for the public worship of God and Bible study. Further, most congregation members have assisted by sharing regularly in preaching the good news of God's Kingdom and teaching principles of Christian living including respect for secular authority, persons and property; the maintenance of personal morality and family values; and other facets of practical Christianity.

Governance

The affairs of the congregation are managed by the trustees who as members of the charity work closely together.

Meetings to discuss financial matters are arranged whenever required, being included in the regular religious meetings of the congregation. All major decisions are made by formal resolutions at meetings of congregation members as provided for in the directions from the Society.

The trustees and all other persons engaged in the activities of the Congregation have done so on an entirely voluntary unpaid basis. No expenses or remunerations were paid to Trustees, nor were there any financial transactions between the charity and Trustees, or any person connected to a Trustee.

Review of Year and Financial Developments

The Congregation is funded by voluntary donations made by congregation members and others, supplemented by income from bank interest. Further, it is confirmed that the congregation's accounts comply with the directions of the Society and with the relevant statutory requirements. There are no Notes to the Accounts, all relevant information having been included in this report.

Throughout the year such funds have been used to provide facilities for the holding of regular weekly meetings for worship and Bible study. Donations have been made towards the cost of circuit assemblies and other conventions held during the year. Funds have also been donated to the Society and to the Rothesay congregation.

Assets and Liabilities

At 31/3/26 the total cash **assets** of the Congregation were as follows:

Cash in Current Accounts:	£ 0
Operating Committee Account:	£ 0
Total assets:	£ 0

- 13 These funds are held for the purposes of financing the future activities of the congregation, including the acquisition/improvement of accommodation for the holding of meetings for worship and Bible study.
- 14 Property – Kingdom Hall, Niddry Street, Paisley held in trust for the Congregation by the service committee as Trustees. Value £350000. Kingdom Hall contents: Value £40000
At 31/3/26, the Congregation had no **liabilities**, other than the normal running costs of the Kingdom Hall.

Notable Receipts and Expenses:

- 15 Noteworthy expenses were:
There were no noteworthy expenses.

In addition, during the year, the sum of £4,817.94 for the Society/International Bible Students Association, was collected and sent on to those charities.

In all respects the Congregation continues to co-operate closely with the other duly constituted congregations within the Circuit and with the Society for the common purpose of advancing Christianity by preaching the good news of God's Kingdom by Jesus Christ.

Internal Controls:

- 16 proper controls and procedures are adhered to, so that the monthly financial reports made to the Trustees and the congregation, accurately represent all transactions, are in balance and provide reasonable assurance that finances are being used for their intended purpose. A competent person checks the accounts on a quarterly basis, using guidelines prepared by the Society. The result is announced to the congregation.

Investment Policy:

- 17 The Trustees have the power to invest in any way they see fit, but having regard to the soundness of the financial institution, and our Christian principles. Any funds that may be needed in the short term will be invested on that basis.

Reserves Policy:

- 18 The charity has a consistent income base, through donations from congregation members, some of which is by tax-effective means. Based on this income, we can plan confidently with relatively small reserves. The policy is to ensure that we have free reserves on hand, not designated for specific purposes or otherwise committed, equivalent to not less than 3 months working expenditure. At the year-end, the free reserves were roughly equal to 3 months working expenditure.

- 19 Approved by the Trustees of the charity on 5th May 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Signed

Andrew Murie



28th July 2026

Secretary and Trustee, on behalf of The Trustees

Receipts & Payments for the year to March 31, 2025

Receipts		Previous Year	
(Voluntary Services)			
	Congregation Contributions	4425.5	3600.1
	Tax Repayment	523.48	399.54
	Congregation Gift Aid	650	1490
	Other www	995	5405.94
			6522.5
	Subtotal	6593.98	17418.08
(Income from assets)			
	Interest from investments		
	Rents from property		
	Subtotal	0	0
(Misc Receipts)			
	Proceeds from sale of assets		
	Loans received		
	Other		
	Subtotal	0	0
	Total Receipts	6593.98	17418.08
Payments			
(Direct charitable expenditure)			
	Donations to IBSA/Watch Tower Society (Associated Registered Charities)	4817.94	13930.29
(Other Expenditure)			
	Kingdom Hall Operation and Maintenance	948	3250
	Circuit and Visiting Minister Expenses	91.76	237.79
((Payments for Assets)			
	Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall		
	Purchase of Land/Buildings in connection with Kingdom Hall		
(Misc Payments)			
	Loan repayment to the Society re Kingdom Hall Building		
	Other	1686.28	
	Total Payments	7543.98	-950 17418.08
Statement Of Balances			
	Net receipts(expense) for the year	-950	0
	Bank and cash balances at April 1, 2024	950	950
	Bank and cash balances at March 31, 2025	0	950

Signed Andis Mc (Secretary and Trustee) Date 28/8/26

For the Trustees of the Renfrew Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees of the Renfrew Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ending 31st March 2026

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Matters Arising

No matters arising

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

Name:

Iain MacRae

Signature.....

Relevant Professional qualification: FFA FIPA FIAB FFTA LLB (Honours)
Fellow Financial Accountant
Fellow Public Accountant
Fellow Tax Advisor

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Date:

18.08.2026