

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Annual Report & Financial Statements

For the year ended

31 March 2025



ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name Mount Zion Church

Charity Number SC030549

Principal Address Law View Road
Quarrier Village
Bridge of Weir
PA11 3FD

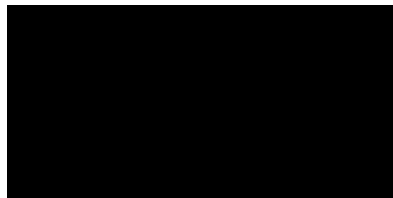
Website Address <https://www.mountzionquarriers.org/>

Current Trustees



Bankers Bank of Scotland
56 High Street
Johnstone
PA5 8AL

Independent Examiner



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STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

Mount Zion Church is an Unincorporated association and received charitable status on the 17th September 2000 with the charity number SC030549. The charity is governed by a Constitution, and it was last amended on the 27th August 2020.

Appointment of Trustees

The Charity Trustees who are the members of the church, make up the Board of Trustees, also known as the Church Council. This will include the Office Bearer roles of Secretary and Treasurer and members of the church.

Office Bearers must be nominated and subsequently elected one month prior to the Annual Congregational Meeting, at which they are appointed. Members of the same family are not eligible to serve on the Church Council.

The church council meet on the first Monday of each month.

Organisational Structure

The organisation comprises of Members, Charity Trustees, and a Minister.

The Members of the charity have the power to appoint people to serve on the board.

The Charity Trustees are responsible for the direction and the governance of the charity and meet regularly to discuss the business of the charity.

The Minister is employed and is responsible for the spiritual leadership of church.

Risk Assessment

Joanna Lunn is the appointed Child Protection Officer and all adults involved with the children's work must become members of The Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) membership scheme.

OBJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Charitable Purposes:

Mount Zion Church was established with the following charitable purposes:

- The advancement of religion.

Activities:

The Charity was formed to worship and witness as part of the worldwide Church of Jesus Christ.

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

As Easter is later this year in will be in next year's report.

Another busy year at Mount Zion Church. We held our Annual Congregational meeting on Wednesday 5th June 2024.

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We had Baptism services down by the river on Sunday 7th July.

In July, [REDACTED] helped at Scripture Union camp again and [REDACTED] held the service on the 14th of July.

In August, the holiday club was held in St Columba's Hall again with other churches and was well attended.

In the absence of [REDACTED] in August, services were conducted by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

In October, we had a Harvest Sunday service and this year we decided to support the food bank. The congregation were very generous and all donated items for the Inverclyde food bank, [REDACTED] took them all down to the Church.

October was a busy month for visitors to the church. [REDACTED] came to talk about "New hope for children". [REDACTED] from Tearfund came along to give a very informative talk of the operation of Tearfund.

We collected 24 filled shoeboxes for the Blythswood care shoe box appeal and which they were delighted to receive.

We were asked as a church to take a service at Campbell Snowden care home in Quarriers village, 1 every 4 weeks. So, the 1st service was on Sunday 3rd November. [REDACTED] worked alongside [REDACTED] to take these services.

We held our Remembrance service, then had a short service and laying of the wreath at the Cenotaph in Quarriers village.

On December 1st [REDACTED] were welcomed into the church as Elders and a special service and presentation of teaching bibles took place.

Christmas singing and services kept everyone busy in December. The praise group went along to Strathclyde House in Largs, and we had an interchurches outreach service outdoors in Kilmacolm. The Salvation army once again came along, where we had carol singing followed by a short puppet programme in St Columba's Hall where everyone enjoyed tea and cake. Barnards Court Mission invited the praise group to sing, and we went along to Campbell Snowden for a Carol service.

We held our candlelight service on the 24th of December followed by refreshments. This was very well attended and on Christmas we had a family service.

[REDACTED] very sadly had a bereavement in January and [REDACTED] chan took the services.

[REDACTED] also took a service in February.

In February, [REDACTED] from Youth for Christ came along and gave a wonderful informative talk about the work they are doing in the local community.

Barnards Court music festival took place at the end of March and our praise group was invited to sing.

As a church we continue to support The Haven, Mission Aviation fellowship {MAF} and Christians United for Israel.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

Income of £30,405 (2024: £29,379) was received and the main source of income were donations.

Expenditure totalling £27,224 (2024: £28,012) were made carrying out the charitable activities and providing grants to other organisations.

At the end of the financial period, the charity had a surplus of £3,181.

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Donated Facilities & Services

The Charity Trustees would like to thank the service provided by all the charity's volunteers, who have helped contribute towards the success and achievements made within this past year.

Reserves Policy

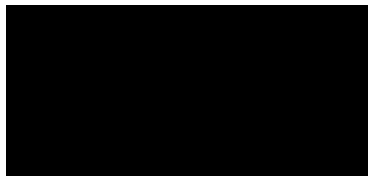
The charity's reserves at the end of the financial year were £31,391. The Charity Trustees policy is to retain reserves of 3 months of core running costs, in order to meet commitments and to cover any unexpected expenditure. This would amount to circa of £6,806. They have met this target.

FUTURE PLANS

We plan to continue services on Sunday morning with Wednesday night and Friday morning Bible study and prayer time. Sunday morning services are recorded and are available on "You Tube" but they are not live streamed.

APPROVAL

This report was approved by the trustees on 27 April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Mount Zion Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 8 to 11.

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 ("the 2005 Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) ("the 2006 Regulations"). The trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation (10)(1)(d) of the 2006 Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section (44)(1)(c) of the 2005 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

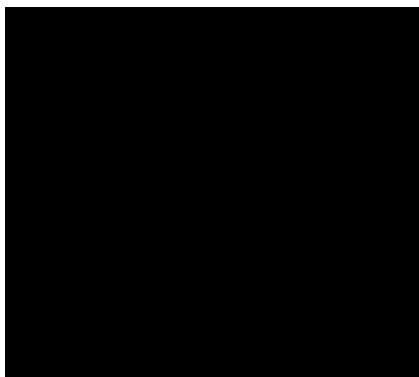
Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Regulations. 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 connection with my examination, no matter came to my attention:-

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulationshave not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Total 2025	Total 2024
Receipts		£	£
Donations		30,405	29,379
		30,405	29,379
Payments			
Charitable Activities	5	21,924	23,102
Donations	6	5,000	4,660
Governance Costs			
Independent Examination		300	250
		27,224	28,012
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		3,181	1,367

All funds are unrestricted.

The Notes on pages 10 to 11 form an integral part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF BALANCES

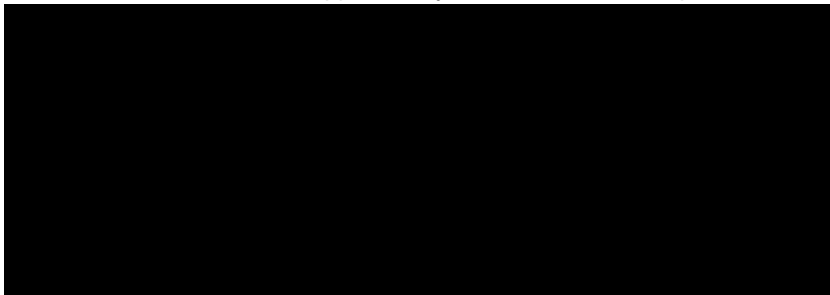
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Total 2025	Total 2024
Funds Reconciliation		£	£
Balance as at 01 April 2024		28,510	27,143
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		3,181	1,367
Balance as at 31 March 2025		31,691	28,510
Bank & Cash Balances			
Cash at Bank		31,691	28,007
Cash in Hand		-	503
		31,691	28,510
Liabilities			
Independent Examination		300	300
		300	300

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These accounts were approved by the trustees on 27 April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts & payments basis in accordance with:

- (a) The Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005
- (b) The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

There have been no changes to the basis of preparation or to the previous year's accounts.

2. Fund Accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the

3. Taxation

- (a) The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.

4. Transactions with trustees and related parties

- (a) No remuneration was paid to trustees or any persons connected with them during the year (2024: £Nil).
- (b) No expenses were reimbursed to the trustees during the year (2024: £Nil).

5. Payments relation to Charitable Activities

	Total	Total
	2025	2024
	£	£
Pastor's Salary	11,520	11,840
Visiting Ministry	50	50
Salary Costs	840	2,053
Rent	3,080	3,080
Advertising	28	-
Administration	1,085	1,211
Insurance	352	339
Utilities	4,206	3,404
Equipment & Maintenance	763	1,125
	21,924	23,102

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6. Donations to other Organisations

	Total	Total
	2025	2024
	£	£
The Haven	1,800	1,800
Mission Aviation Fellowship	1,800	1,800
Christians United for Israel	300	500
New Hope for Children	400	500
Outreach	100	60
Tear Fund	300	
Inverclyde YFC	300	-
	5,000	4,660