



Relational Mission
Finance Report
2021-22

Finance review: 2022

Relational Mission has just filed its accounts for the year to 31 December 2022.

As we did last year, the team want to be accountable to you, our church family, in terms of how funds have been allocated and spent and the impact your generous giving has had within our Relational Mission family and further afield.

But firstly, and most importantly, the Relational Mission Trustees and team would like to thank all the churches, individuals and organisations that have supported the charity throughout the year. The charity is totally dependent on your giving – it is essential in order to empower apostolic mission and to see all that God has laid on our hearts come to fruition. You have been so amazingly generous and faithful in your giving – thank you!

Across our family of churches we can all bear witness to the marvellous work of God both amongst us and around us.

From individual lives being transformed, to church families being planted and established, the gospel is continuing to advance and take ground every year.

Relational Mission has also been through a number of transitions in recent years and this is reflected in our finances. Through the figures we can see God's kingdom coming, and how He has graciously used our resources and efforts in His incredible plan of salvation.

To God be the glory.



Incoming (2022)

Total incoming resources for the 2022 financial year were £285,214 compared to £489,152 received in 2021.

£96,269 of this income was received from the Relational Mission churches as general giving (2021: £300,788). Whilst it looks like core church giving has reduced drastically over 2022 compared to the prior year, this is actually just a reflection of the RM shape change that occurred towards the end of 2021*, when the apostolic missions of Maurice and Stef were moved to be administered via Pioneer Mission and Revelation Church, London, respectively – with Mike's apostolic mission and the coordination of central and 'together' activities being retained within the RM charity. As such, your churches were asked to split their giving between the apostolic ministries of Mike, Maurice and Stef (who regularly send progress reports to elders) with a portion also to be given into RM central to support the coordination and communication of together mission.

It has been a huge blessing to see this new way of giving being implemented across our family with a grace and ease that must come from the Father. Thank you for helping us achieve this change and for continuing to give faithfully.

The remainder of income received during 2022 relates to church donations for Mike's apostolic mission, donations for the Kenya Drought and Famine Appeal (which continues into 2023) and event income relating to the Pioneer, and Senior Leadership conferences held during the year.

*See explanatory Shape articles on the RM website: relationalmission.org/news?tag=Shape



Expenditure (2021/2022)

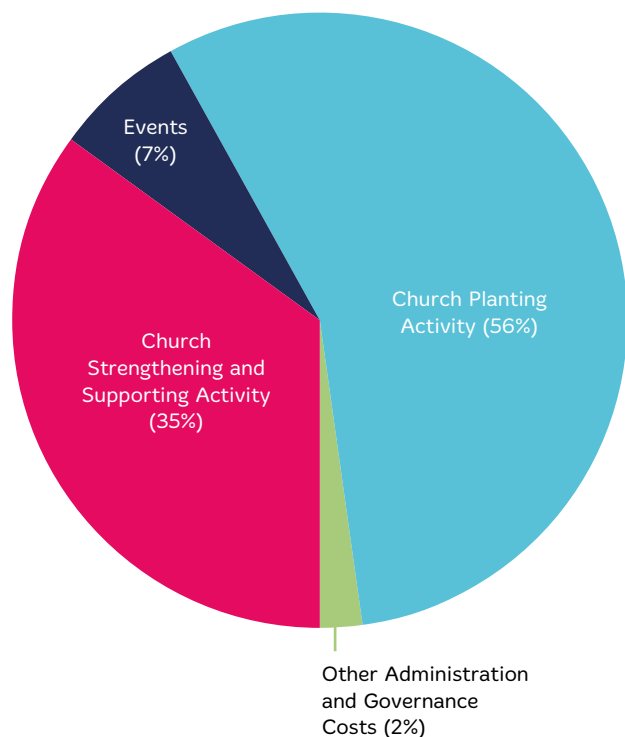
In 2021, church planting activity costs encompassed Maurice's work in pioneering on the mainland of Europe and beyond, and Stef's work with UK church planting. Expenditure incurred in this category related to salary and consultancy costs of those involved in UK and overseas mission work, other associated support costs, and grants given to/used by Pioneer Mission. With the RM shape change that took place at the end of 2021, church planting activity has mostly been administered through Pioneer Mission (Maurice's apostolic mission) and via Revelation Church, London (Stef's apostolic mission). The 2022 costs relating to church planting in the RM 2022 accounts therefore relate to grants made for UK and overseas mission.

With the shape change that occurred within RM at the end of 2022, the majority of expenses within the charity now relate to Mike's apostolic work and the central coordination of the charity, encompassing finance and governance costs, marketing and communication costs, general IT, office and administration costs and salaries and consultancy costs relating to these roles (church support activity). In addition, grants/gifts were paid from the central tithe fund to Newfrontiers.

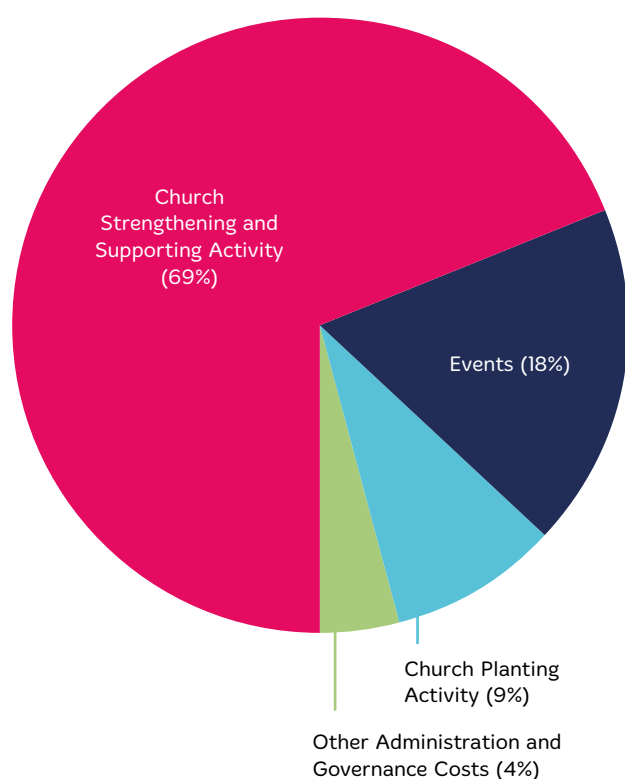


The expenditure of resources on activities during both years was in line with the charitable aims of Relational Mission. The cost categories and expenditure over the two years is shown in the following charts (church general giving):

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Events Expenditure

This area relates to all meeting and administrative costs of events held by Relational Mission, including salary costs of those managing the events.

In 2022 we held the Pioneer Europe conference in Málaga for church leaders, planters and pioneers, where many were equipped and encouraged for the advance of the gospel to the nations.

Three Prayers of Many events held that year saw numerous gatherings throughout our Relational Mission Communities of church families praying corporately.

Church planting activity

In this category, expenditure incurred primarily relates to salary and consultancy costs of those involved in UK and overseas mission work. Although many of the costs associated with church planting activity is now channelled through Pioneer Mission (see previous page), we continue to invest in the expansion of God's church in the world through the central fund.

In 2022 we were privileged to support many expressions of planting around the UK, Europe and the world, including Novio in Nijmegen (Netherlands), Nagoya (Japan), Jubilee Church in Ely (UK), All Nations Watton (UK), Liverpool (UK) and Seoul (South Korea).

These are only a few examples of how God is at work, establishing His Church as the hope of the nations - you can see more planting activity on the [churches page](#) of our website.

Church strengthening and supporting activity

These costs relate mainly to Mike Betts' work and the central coordination of the charity, encompassing finance and governance costs, marketing and communication costs, general IT, office and administration costs, and salaries and consultancy costs relating to these roles, as well as some training.

With an eye on the future we continue to invest in the current and future leaders of the church, for example through the Senior Leaders' Conference in High Leigh. In addition, contributions were made towards two RM Together Online live streams that help to develop relationships and strengthen communication amongst our family of churches.

RM Family Album

2023 Highlights



PIONEERING: The Woodleys arriving in San Francisco to intern with Sanctuary Church for six months



THE NEXT GENERATION: Our 18-20s seeing in 2023 with revival prayer and pizza at SENT



SEOUL, S. KOREA: Appointing their first eldership team



PARDUBICE, CZECH REPUBLIC: Churches joining together for the Together on a Mission conference



NETHERLANDS: Praying over a new nationwide leadership team at the RM NL family camp



FRANKFURT, GERMANY: Praying over a pioneering family before they start their church planting journey in Flensburg



FRUITFUL PARTNERSHIP: Men and women coming together to discuss the themes of Gender Quality



EVERYONE A WITNESS: Friends from Belgium, France, Netherlands and beyond witnessing on the streets of Brussels



TRAINING: The first gathering of the Urban Planting team ahead of its 2024 launch



ATLEBOROUGH, UK: Celebrating their first service in a miraculous new building

Future Activity

Relational Mission's vision is to be globally fruitful, crossing all boundaries to reach the nations, make disciples and plant locally led churches. It remains at the forefront of our activity for 2023 and beyond.

We believe God has said that we can expect to achieve more in 20 years than many have in 50 and we continue to ask our family of churches to imagine with us...

- Establishing 5 multiplying churches in each continent of the world by 2030 [GLOBAL 5:30]
- Stimulating a fresh wave of church planting into UK cities, towns, and villages: 100 by 2040 [UK 100:40]
- Establishing networks of 20 locally-led churches in each of the other 50 European nations by 2050 [EUROPE 20:50]

Starting at The Call (Oct 2023) and throughout the next 12 months listen out for more news about developments and opportunities to contribute your time, talents and treasure into our shared mission.

Pursuing the Vision

In order to achieve the vision, we continue to rely on the faithful and generous donations from our Relational Mission family of churches.

Given the shape change that took place at the end of 2021, the RM charity now administers Mike's apostolic mission, as well as the coordination and communication of 'together' mission. The apostolic ministries of Maurice and Stef are administered through Pioneer Mission and Revelation Church, London, respectively. It has been a huge blessing to see your churches continue to give generously and faithfully to each of these vehicles during 2022 in order to achieve the vision that God has placed on our heart – thank you!

With heartfelt thanks,

Your Relational Mission trustees (Jon Beardon (Chair), Mike Frisby, Stuart Jones, Ruth Oyenyi, Christopher Page, Elizabeth Rogers, Rob Williams)





A family of churches. Together we preach Christ,
and plant and strengthen churches to the ends of the earth.

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