| Receipts and Payments               |                   |            |            |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Receipts (income)                   | 2016              | 2015       | 2014       |
| Conferences                         | 14,242.01         | 14,694.80  | 17,317.74  |
| Sale of books/tapes                 |                   |            |            |
| Donations                           | 21,463.67         | 20,059.94  | 18,953.71  |
| Sundry/advertising income           | 8,705.52          | 14,624.21  | 5415.00    |
| Total:                              | 44,411.20         | 49,378.95  | 41,686.45  |
|                                     |                   |            |            |
| Payments (expenses)                 | 2016              | 2015       | 2014       |
| Printing and postage                | - 2,126.32        | -336.70    | -867.76    |
| Books/Tapes                         | 0.00              | 0.00       | 0.00       |
| Office Costs (Phone, stationery, we | ebsite) -1,029.12 | -666.39    | -596.55    |
| Conferences                         | -16,172.32        | -14,811.94 | -11,964.49 |
| Travel                              | -820.19           | -445.76    | -86.94     |
| Sundry Expenses (Other)             | -1,523.60         | -459.12    | -356.99    |
| HR                                  | -17,036.34        | -23,696.35 | -15,374.21 |
| Advertising and exhibiting          | -2,552.65         | -469.68    | -1,566.96  |
| Total:                              | -41,260.54        | -40,885.94 | -30,813.90 |
| SURPLUS/DEFICIT                     | 3,150.66          | 8,493.01   | 10,872.55  |

| Assets and Liabilities |                   |   |  |           |                  |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|--|-----------|------------------|
|                        |                   |   |  | Value     | Details          |
| Assets                 | Cash funds        |   |  | 44.288.08 | Bank at year end |
|                        | Other monetary    | Other monetary assets Assets retained for charity use |  | -         |                  |
|                        | Assets retained f |   |  | 1000.00   | Laptop           |
|                        |                   |   |  |           |                  |
| Liabilities            | Cash funds        |   |  |           |                  |

Signed by a trustee on behalf of all the trustees

Date:

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31 OCTOBER 2017

Print name: Revd Mark O'Donoghue



# Annual Report for Nine Thirty Eight ('9:38')

For the year 1st January to 31st December 2016

This report is prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission. Nine Thirty Eight is a charitable trust: number 1092881 and is also known as 9:38.

## Aim of 9:38

The aim is to promote the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, in particular by encouraging, recruiting and training men and women to be involved in gospel ministry.

## Membership

During the year the following served as trustees:

Richard Coekin

Mark O'Donoghue (Chairman)

Vaughan Roberts

In addition to the above, the following served as members of the Executive Committee:

**Nigel Styles** 

Andy Gemmill

Chris Green

Danny Rurlander

Carrie Sandom

**Andrew Nicholls** 

During the year the following served as administrators to the Executive Committee:

Christopher Prekop (Jan-Sept)

Rachel Bell (Sept-Dec)

# **Review of the Year**

# Conferences

In 2016 we hosted conferences for students, for workers and for church-based Ministry Trainees. Our Ministry Trainees conference was held at High Leigh, Hertfordshire and was well attended by trainees and apprentices. The conference, entitled 'Reaching the Lost,' included main talks from Richard Coekin and Pete Woodcock. Over 90 Ministry Trainees, from across the country, attended for 3 days of talks, training and mutual encouragement. The conference is made possible in large part by the generosity of church workers who give up their time to serve as leaders and continues to be very well received by delegates, both for the teaching content and the chance to meet others at similar stage of ministry life.

Two Workers' Conferences also took place in the 2016/17 academic year which were attended by over 80 people. Both were held in March, one in London and one in Sheffield. Nigel Styles, Daf Meirion-Jones and Mark O'Donoghue spoke at the former and Paul Williams, Neil Powell and Steve James at the latter. We trust that this restructuring of the workers' conference (regional day-conferences as opposed to a national, residential conference) has helped to reestablish the Workers' Conference as part of the 9:38 conference calendar.

In 2015, Nine Thirty Eight helped host three regional student conferences in London, Lancaster and Birmingham, and in 2016 this was expanded to four student conferences, in London, Bristol, Birmingham and Lancaster. Over 130

students attended. The aim of the conference is to give undergraduates the opportunity to think through whether some sort of full-time gospel ministry might be God's will for them and, more generally, to live a gospel-centred life whatever their life's work. Looking forward, we are eager to see more regional conferences established across the UK to enable as many undergraduates as possible consider the possibility of full time ministry. In 2017 we will be helping to host regional conferences in London, Exeter, Birmingham and Manchester, and plans for further conferences in Wales and in East Anglia are under discussion for 2018/19. We are grateful for the gospel partnership of a growing number of student-churches who value these conferences and who, on the whole, appreciate that we are no longer limited to one national, residential conference.

# Conventions, Advertising & Resources

#### Conventions

9:38 was present at the Evangelical Ministry Assembly where we ran a desk in the "consultation area". It was a good opportunity to distribute resources and encourage pastors to consider setting up ministry training schemes but also to discuss the need to identify and raise up gospel workers.

## Advertising

9:38 placed adverts in the Word Alive brochure and in the booklets for the London's Men's Convention. We are continuing to make more use of online advertising opportunities, paying a small fee to promote content and conferences on Facebook and Twitter. Our follower base on these platforms continues to increase significantly as does our reach.

## Resources

For the EMA, but also more generally, we commissioned and printed two booklets. "Taking the Plunge: Why Consider Gospel Ministry" by Peter Jensen is written for those considering gospel ministry. "Mind the Gap: Raising up the Next Generation of Gospel Workers" by Justin Mote is written to encourage pastors to keep identifying and raising up gospel workers. We began the significant task of overhauling our website at the end of 2015, which was completed in March 2016. This was designed to increase our attractiveness and usability, especially for churches advertising training posts on the site. It was also designed to lay the ground work to re-launch the 9:38 blog in September. We have since published 13 articles and have commissioned more writers for 2017.

# **Finances & Reserves**

Those who give via the 'Friends of 9:38' scheme continue to fund the day-to-day activities of 9:38. We have a smaller number of 'Patrons of 9:38' who support us by giving in excess of £1,000 per year. We have also received a gift of £5,000 which is designated for the appointment of a Director in the near future.

Our efforts to secure support from trusts, churches and individuals are on-going so that our work can continue into 2017 and beyond. Nonetheless, we face the on-going difficulty of widening our support base, which in turn would increase our capacity to serve local churches in the task of raising up gospel workers.

## Reserves

In the Trustees' view, our reserves should provide 9:38 with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its objectives for the foreseeable future. The trustees propose to maintain the charity's reserves at a level which is at least equivalent to six months' operational costs (approximately £15,000) and have done so having regards to the manner of operation of 9:38 and its likely funding streams.

Our cash in hand at the end of 2016 totalled £44,288.08. A certain amount of excess funds (£20,000) has been designated, along with the restricted gift of £5,000, to enable the appointment of a Director of 9:38 in the near future. We are conscious that such an appointment will require a significant increase in donations to 9:38. Raising these funds will be a challenge and so we feel it is prudent to prepare now for the increased reserves that will be required when a Director is appointed.

The Trustees will review the amount of reserves, on an annual basis, to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil the charity's continuing obligations. The Trustees will have particular regard to the timeframe for appointing a Director and will not make such an appointment unless and until we have the secured funding to honour the terms of that

appointment. The Trustees will also have particular regard for our manner of operation and current and potential funding streams.

Signed by a Trustee:

Print: Rev'd Mark O'Donoghue

Date: 31 October 2017

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# Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

| Section A   | Independent Examiner's Report   |  |  |
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|   |   |  |  |
| Report to the trustees/members of                       | Charity Name  |  |  |
|   | 9:38  |  |  |
|   |   |  |  |
| On accounts for the year ended                          | 3 10 11 22 11 6 Charity no (if any) 1 0 9 2 8 8 1   |  |  |
| Set out on pages  | (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)   |  |  |
| Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner    | The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:  |  |  |
|   | examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,  |  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity<br/>Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and</li> </ul>  |  |  |
|   | to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.  |  |  |
| Basis of independent examiner's<br>statement            | My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below. |  |  |
| Independent examiner's statement                        | In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):   |  |  |
|   | (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:   |  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the<br/>Charities Act;</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply<br/>with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|   | (2) to which, in my opinion, 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  | M. N. Tohron Date 17/9/17   |  |  |
| Name  | Matthew Johnson   |  |  |
| Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any) |   |  |  |
| Address   | 6 Holyney Close   |  |  |
|   | Abiradon  |  |  |
|   | Oxfordshire   |  |  |
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| Section B   | Disclosure   |  |  |
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|   | Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems |  |  |
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