

Supporting Mission - Finance

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Resources for those who are, or wish to support world mission financially (including supporting individual mission workers).

Christian giving services

Stewardship

Stewardship is a Christian financial support services charity formed by the merger of Stewardship Services and Sovereign Giving in July 2004. Their aims are to facilitate effective giving, promote biblical principles and practices, raise standards in financial and legal administration, and provide training events and resources on stewardship issues. Stewardship have a special arrangement with the Inland Revenue to handle not just giving to registered charities, but also to individuals involved in full-time Christian work.

Website: www.stewardship.org.uk

The Impact Giving (UK) Trust

The Impact Giving Trust are a registered charity that has been offering services for Christian giving for over twenty years. The Trust's aim is to support the spread of the Gospel by all practical means, in particular by channelling donations to Christian beneficiaries such as churches, Christian workers, mission, and relief work.

Website: www.impactgiving.org.uk

D M Stearns Missionary Fund

For any donations made by folk in the USA to missionaries, this fund is set up to provide a way of making them tax deductible. For more information, please write to:

D. M. Stearns Missionary Fund, Inc.

P.O. Box 1578

North Wales, PA 19454

U.S.A.

GATS (Gift Aid Tax Software)

If you are supported through a church, mission or charity, this piece of software from Cleaford looks after the recording of declarations, posting of donations (including Standing Orders and church envelope schemes) and creates the completed Inland Revenue R68 (New Gift Aid) tax recovery form for you.

Website: www.cleaford.co.uk/gats.htm

Online giving

As an individual donor, you can give to many mission organisations and projects directly through their websites. Alternatively, you can use one of the online charity giving services below to support any organisation which is a registered charity:

www.cafonline.org
www.charitychoice.co.uk
www.charitygiving.co.uk
www.charityportal.org.uk
www.securegiving.co.uk
www.smartgive.com
www.paypal.co.uk
www.justgiving.com
www.bmycharity.com

Donate or collect items for mission

Northwood Missionary Auctions

Based in North London, NM Auctions auction any goods sent to them and then give the money to various mission societies. They will auction any goods you care to send and then give the money to the mission society or missionary of your choosing. Auctions in April and October.

Website: www.nmauctions.org.uk

Email: enq@nmauctions.org.uk

Wallington Missionary Mart & Auctions

Based in Surrey, these folks raise money from selling second-hand items then donate the money to a whole host of missions and missionaries. Donors are able to nominate the Mission Agency of their choice to which the proceeds are to be sent. Any items, including house clearances, are considered.

Website: www.wallingtonmissionary.org.uk

Email: enqs@wallingtonmissionary.org.uk

Donate your books to Book Aid

Book Aid supplies books to needy areas around the world to resource Theological and Bible colleges, schools and projects.

Website: www.book-aid.org

Email: office@book-aid.org

Donate your Tools to Mission or Help Refurbish used Tools

'Tools With a Mission' supply basic tools and equipment to mission-based vocational training in the Third World. They are always looking for used tools and volunteers who can help refurbish them before they get sent overseas.

Website: www.twam.co.uk

Email: twamhq@twam.co.uk

Collect stamps to support missions

Stamps for Christian Missions started in 1985 and functions by receiving used and mint British and Foreign postage stamps which are then prepared for sale to the Dealer Trade and individual collectors. Money received is then donated to Christian Missions all over the world who do not depend for their financial support on a parent organisation.

Website: www.s4cm.org.uk

Email: info@s4cm.org.uk

Other mission organisations who collect stamps:

The Leprosy Mission

Website: www.leprosymission.org.uk

Email: philj@tlmew.org.uk

Pay for a missionary to go on holiday

OSCAR lists holiday providers who offer special rates for missionaries. If you have a holiday home or caravan or run a holiday centre, why not include your facility and give a missionary a well earned break at a preferential cost. Alternatively, you could support one of the facilities already offering special rates. For more information, see www.oscar.org.uk/service/logistics/comingtoug/holidays.htm

Other mission support schemes

Gospel Cards

Gospel Cards was started in 1982 when Mike and Sue Hart were unable to find suitable Christmas cards to send to non-Christian family and friends. Several mission organisations receive a percentage of the amount you pay for these cards and gifts.

Website: www.gospelcardsetc.com

Liberty Books

Liberty Books offers a service to any individual, church or mission that has Christian books they'd like to sell in order to raise funds for their mission, Church, or project. This could also include missionaries seeking to raise funds for their own support on the mission field. We receive the books and advertise them for sale on our web site and 3 other web sites. Book sales are processed by us and sale proceeds (less 40% commission) paid directly to the mission concerned and full statements provided of books sold and books awaiting sale.

In addition, Liberty Books gives a further 5% of all sale proceeds to Mission.

Website: www.libertybooks.co.uk

Email: sales@libertybooks.co.uk

More at www.oscar.org.uk/supporter