

# **International Baptist Church**

**Trustees' Report**  
*Year Ended 31 May 2008*

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## **Church Information**

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## **Report of the Trustees**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the church for the year ended 31 May 2008.

## **Status of Charity and Governing Document**

International Baptist Church is established by Constitution. The church is a Scottish Charity (No. SC020153) and is recognized by the Inland Revenue under the reference number CR44475

## **Aims and Affiliation**

The aims of the church are in line with its vision statement - "IBC is a local church enabling people of all nations to be followers of Jesus in our generation." The church is affiliated with the Baptist Union of Scotland

## **Trustees and Office Bearers**

The church is congregational in polity and its day to day running is undertaken by the Elders, Deacons and Treasurer.

Those who served during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

Trustees: D MacDonald, H G Wilson, G Thompson  
Treasurer: A K Mein  
Elders: A Hayes (Senior Pastor), A Chadwick (Youth Pastor), H G Wilson, K Buchan, C Deddis  
Deacons: D MacDonald, I Johns, S MacDonald.

## **Appointment of Trustees:**

New Trustees are appointed as required by the church members at quarterly members meetings. There is no fixed term and the church requires that there be 3 Trustees.

## **Trustee remuneration and expenses**

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

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## Achievements and Performance

During the year the church met regularly for worship and carried out various activities in pursuit of our aims.

In relation to activities:

- The church continued to employ a full-time senior pastor whose ministry involves pastoral care, Bible teaching, leading Christian worship and administration.
- The full time youth and worship pastor resigned in August 2007 to pursue other Christian ministries in the Aberdeen area. A full-time youth pastor was subsequently appointed in February 2008 whose ministry involves the pastoral care, teaching and support of young people.
- The church continued to run ministries for youth, principally:
  - SNAC – a weekly Sunday night youth group attended by 30-50 young people both from the church and the wider community.
  - Breathe – a fortnightly Friday night youth group attended by 30-80 young people both from the church and the wider community.
- During the summer holiday the church organized and ran a week long holiday club for children in our local community. This was advertised through the local primary school.
- The new ministry for pre-school children from birth upwards together with their caregivers, called Mainly Music which started in April 2007 has grown in strength and numbers over this past year. This ministry uses music and the involvement of caregivers with children to promote bonding and fun. We have been encouraged by the number of parents from our wider community who have joined this group and due to the demand are now operating a waiting list.
- The church ran an Alpha course from April to June 2008. This course provides an opportunity for people to explore the basics of the Christian faith. We have been encouraged by the number of people who attended from the wider community with no previous contact with our church.
- The church buildings were used by various community groups throughout the year including Swedish Exercise, Cults Fit Folk, and various other churches

In relation to finance:

- The church continued to financially support the work of the following groups and ministries:

### Locally

- **Aberdeen City Mission** – We support this local mission working amongst the needy and disadvantaged in our city.
- **Friends International** – We support the local worker who coordinates care and ministry amongst international students in Aberdeen.

### Internationally

- **Arab World Ministries** – We support the production of Christian media for broadcast in the Arab world
- **Baptist Missionary Society** – We support a teacher teaching in the international school in Tirana, Albania

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- **Barnabus Trust** – We support this organisation that campaigns for the rights and wellbeing of Christians worldwide who are persecuted due to their beliefs.
- **Eagle Projects International** – we support this group who promote and organize short term trips and aid effort in various parts of Africa and Asia
- **HCJB Radio** – We support a family who are involved in the production of Christian radio programmes broadcast worldwide from Quito, Ecuador.
- **The Evangelical Alliance Mission** – We support a couple enabling workers in Central Asia.
- **Worldwide Evangelisation for Christ** – We support two workers, one in Albania and one in Senegal involved in aid, development and Christian ministry.

**Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf**

D Macdonald, Trustee