

V3 Mission Sub-Committee of Grove PCC April 2026 Meeting

Mission Sub-Committee meeting on Thursday 23 April 2025.

Present (alphabetically):

Johanna Fadipe, Margaret Harris, Helen Harwood (notes), and Barbara Talmage

It has been agreed by the PCC (at the November meeting) that 5% of our expected income will be donated to mission. That gives a figure of £7,978. This includes £2,500 to Cornerstone and £1,000 to Street Pastor from the local partners giving £525 left for local. There is £3,593 for non-local mission partners.

The PCC did say that if our income exceeded our expenditure the surplus would be given to mission to make it up to 10%, however that won't be known until January next year.

	Project	Amount
Global Initiatives	CMS Mission Partners: Mario Ciechanovicz and Neomi Celeti: We propose to continue to support these mission partners as a Brazilian family working and serving God in Brazil. https://churchmissionsociety.org/people-in-mission/marcio-ciechanovicz-and-noemi-celeti-brazil/ Feedback will be supplied by Helen	£1000
	Embrace the Middle East: "As a Christian development charity, we partner with Christians in the Middle East as they work to transform lives and restore the dignity of the most excluded and marginalised communities. Where there is a need – for refuge, a home, for health care, for education, for justice and human rights – we, with our partners, respond. Our goal is to contribute to a culture of human flourishing in a troubled region." https://embraceme.org/ Feedback will be supplied by Johanna	£1000
	Hope Gardens, a charity that is supported by Angela and Peter Rich in India. We would also like to suggest that this is our charity for any surplus from our Harvest lunch collection. https://hopegardensindia.org/ Margaret will ask Peter Rich for feedback	£453
	The Bible Society: The British and Foreign Bible Society, often known in England and Wales as simply the Bible Society, is a non-denominational Christian Bible society with charity status whose purpose is to make the Bible available throughout the world. https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/ Feedback will be supplied by Margaret	£250
National Initiatives	The Clewer Initiative: Church of England human trafficking initiative. As before, Grove is an area particularly affected by County Lines as an area on the borders of Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Wiltshire, with the M4 services being locations where trafficked young people are found. The work of Clewer Initiative is an opportunity to engage in these issues. https://theclewerinitiative.org/ Feedback will be supplied by Margaret	£750
	Morning Star Trust: We have a connection with this charity through Stewart Scott. https://www.mst.org.uk/ Margaret will ask Stewart for feedback	£500

Local Initiatives	Cornerstone Bookshop, Grove: is one of the few spaces for people are lonely within Grove and this welcoming Christian presence in Grove is one that we wish to continue to support and we value as part of our community. https://uk.bookshop.org/shop/cornerstonegrove	£2,500
	Wantage and Grove Street Pastors: If you would like to know more, please contact the organisation for more information on how to get involved with Wantage & Grove Street Pastors. https://streetpastors.org/locations/wantageandgrove/	£1,000
	BeSpace: Creating space in schools where pupils can pause to reflect or pray. https://bespace.be/ Feedback will be supplied by Helen	£300
	Little People: A local organisation that offers help and support to families who are struggling with the cost of living. https://www.wantagecatholicparish.org/copy-of-prayer-group-1 Feedback will be supplied by Barbara	£225
Beyond our Missional Giving	Christian Aid's Emergency Fund: a fund which has a specific focus on the ongoing humanitarian situations across the world. https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies	Special offerings, start and end of Christian Aid Week
	Wantage & Grove Foodbank: a vital resource for people in our community who are experiencing food poverty. We want to build this relationship and actively support them throughout the year by highlighting the Foodbank the second Sunday of each month. https://www.wantageandgrovefoodbank.org.uk/	There is a weekly collection box for items for the Food Bank & we plan to have a retiring collection
	Little People: as above, an organisation providing support to families in need, will continue to be our main Christmas charity and also look to opportunities to support as needs arise throughout the year.	Our key Christmas Charity