



2015 YEARLY REPORT – JULY 1, 2016

PROGRESS AND HIGHLIGHTS

2015 has been another great year for the church, both in the lives of many individuals and also in what we are doing together as the church.

During the year we added a service in the Tropentheater, in the east of the city, to our services in Club Escape in the center of the city. Our Connect Groups grew to over 100 groups meeting during the week.

The church has grown with an average attendance of 1.291 in 2015.

Highlights of the year included our Mother's Day service bringing everyone under the same roof at the same time in The Rai's main auditorium and our Christmas Eve services at the Westergasfabriek.

HELPING PEOPLE

The message of our church is focused on the Good News that we have in Jesus. It is a message of hope, life and empowerment. Included in this message is the encouragement towards making a positive difference in our communities.

THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

The church community of 5 staff and hundreds of amazing volunteers, who serve each through our church and community programs, often without any recognition, is committed to seeing people helped and developing to their full potential.

HELPING OTHERS IN AMSTERDAM

In 2015 we started our neighbourhood support 'Street Teams' visiting communities in Betondorp and Geuzenveld to give regular practical and relational support to the most vulnerable in the community such as the aged and disabled.

We are also partnering with other organizations who are already doing good work in Amsterdam: We have been running the Shine Programme with girls being helped through Amsterdamse Coördinatiepunt Mensenhandel (ACM). Our annual 'Stuff the Bakfiets' appeal provided ACM and the Salvation Army with gifts for families in need around Christmas while our connect groups made Christmas hampers for those around us in need. During Easter we gave food to the Amsterdam Food Bank and contributed to Stichting Timon with what they are doing with teenage mothers.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH ORGANISATIONS OUTSIDE OUR NATION

We partner with several international organizations for the relief of poverty, child welfare and the fight against human trafficking.

FINANCIAL FIGURES / ACCOUNTABILITY

The income of the Church mainly comes from Tithes and Offerings of the people that regularly attend the Church. Furthermore there is a yearly special offering called Heart for the House, set up for the future development of the Church, including things such as, purchase of equipment and acquiring property for church activities or special projects.

Reporting Stichting Hillsong Amsterdam (x €1000) all accounts

	2013	2014	2015
Income	508	706	1.008
Expenses	-409	-664	-951
Net Result	99	42	58
Bank Balance	218	292	327
Consists of:			
Amounts to pay	-	30	17
Buffer for Operational costs	92	116	200
Planned Development	126	145	110

All accounts are annually checked and approved by an independent administration office. Yearly accounts need to be finalised and approved by the Board within 6 months of year-end. The annual budgets are approved by the Board in the beginning of the year involved.

Richard van der Kolk
Pastor & General Manager

ANBI RELATED INFORMATION

Name:

Stichting Hillsong Church Amsterdam

Fiscal number:

822181058

Contact data:

See contact info on the website

Setting of the Board with the names:

The Stichting Hillsong Church Amsterdam (“the Church”) was founded on March 12, 2010 in Amsterdam. Shortly thereafter the Church was also registered as an ANBI (Algemeen Nut Beogende Instelling) foundation with the Dutch Tax Authorities. This means that a donor of money to the Church can, to the extent permitted by Dutch law, deduct that from their income or company tax.

Historically the Church was established as an initiative of Hillsong Church London, a registered UK charity and continues to have a close association with that church and other Hillsong churches throughout the world.

Board members are: Ray Newton, Adam Spies and Arjan Niemeijer.

Richard van der Kolk is given authority as Pastor and General Manager in Amsterdam.

All board members are only authorised to sign together with another board member.

All purchases by the Church above 1.000 euro are authorised by the Chairman of the Board.

The reporting of the Profit and Loss and Bank balances takes place on a monthly basis to the Board. There is contact with the Board on a regular basis.

REWARDING POLICY

The Church has 5 employees on the pay roll, with in total 4.8 full-time equivalent.

Employees remuneration is based on market conditions, in line with other benchmark Churches, equivalent roles in other organisations and in line with Dutch law and regulations. For this policy also external advice has been used.

PURPOSE

From Chamber of Commerce (number 34385885): Activities SBI-code: 94911 - Religious organization

Promoting the Christian religion by proclamation and promotion of the Gospel of God concerning his son the Lord Jesus Christ, as well as the preaching and teaching of the word of God by the Foundation in accordance with the statement of faith; Alleviating poverty in the Netherlands and other parts of the world, as well as the provision of support to help needy persons; Promoting education for the common good of the Church; Performing other charitable activities recognised as such by Dutch law and in accordance with the defined purpose.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

Within Hillsong the following activities are part of Church Life:

Sunday Services: 4 services at Club Escape & 1 at Tropentheater

Midweek Connect Groups

Celebrating & Strengthening Families

Meals delivered for families with newborn babies

Wedding Celebrations

Pre-Marriage Courses

Marriage enrich Courses

Parenting Courses

Marriage Retreats

Others Courses & Seminars

Finance Seminar

Relationship Seminar

Health Seminar

Emotional Health and New Habits Courses

Leadership Training

Social events: Valentine Parties, Summer Parties, Christmas parties

Baptisms

Welcome to Church nights

Youth Events / camp

Sisterhood

Local community and overseas giving: support for the relief of poverty, other welfare assistance and development of Hillsong church ministry.

These activities are in line with the purpose and the mission/vision of the Church which is set out on this website.