

American Bible Society Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024

On behalf of the American Bible Society (ABS), it's my privilege to provide ABS's audited financial statements for fiscal year 2024. These financial statements are the culmination of ABS's efforts to ensure that we continue to act as a responsible steward of the over \$638 million in net assets entrusted to us by our donors.

Financial Results

ABS maintained a stable balanced financial operating position throughout the fiscal year thanks to an investment return of 7.5% and a continued reduction in pension-related obligations. ABS operating funds are derived from donor contributions, investment income appropriated by the Board, Scripture sales, and other revenues. Total consolidated ABS and FLDC Operating Revenues and Support, plus Investment Return Appropriated for Operations, for FY24 were \$81.9M, and total Operating Expenses for FY24 were \$96.0M, resulting in Changes in Net Assets from Operating Activities for FY24 of (\$14.1M). The following is a summary of the extraordinary events that ABS experienced during the last two fiscal years that negatively impacted on the financial statements and the Net Assets position. These events include:

- The implementation of ASU 842 in FY2023: ASU 842 relates to leases. ABS reported new asset and liability amounts on the face of the Statement of Financial Position to reflect the right-of-use for our office space and first floor retail space, as well as related lease obligations. As many organizations experienced during and after the pandemic with an increasingly hybrid and remote workforce, ABS reduced usage of part of its office space. As a result, ABS recorded a non-cash impairment on the value of our lease asset of approximately \$7 million in FY2023 and recorded a non-cash impairment of our fixed assets of \$2.3 million in FY2024.
- Inventory stock purchasing: ABS sells and grants Bibles and Scripture resources to churches, individuals, and other ministry partners. We maintain an inventory stock as part of this initiative. Due to pandemic-related impacts on the supply chain and dramatic increases in the price of paper, we accelerated our inventory stock purchasing, resulting in an increase in our inventory quantities on hand at year-end. After analysis of our current sales and granting activity, we considered it necessary to record a reserve for slow-moving inventory of approximately \$4.3 million. ABS expects to ultimately use the full stock of inventory for its intended purpose in support of our mission.
- The closure of the Faith and Liberty Discovery Center (FLDC): ABS experienced ongoing sustainability challenges with its subsidiary, Faith and Liberty Discovery Center (FLDC), which ultimately resulted in the closing of the public-facing operations in FY2024. ABS expects to reorganize the assets of the FLDC through digital platforms to continue applying these resources in support of our mission. The closing of the FLDC required ABS to record an impairment on the related lease asset of \$11.5 million and an impairment on the fixed assets and leasehold improvements within the space occupied by the FLDC of \$37.5 million in FY2024. Additional information about the purpose, progress, and ultimate closing of the FLDC can be found in the appendix below.



In FY 2024, ABS's independent auditors identified no material weaknesses in their annual audit of ABS's financial statements and issued an unqualified audit opinion. Management will continue to work with internal and external auditors to ensure that our internal control environment remains strong.

FY 2024 Key Accomplishments

FY 2024 was marked by organizational and leadership changes, new financial management standards and reporting requirements, and internal successes and challenges. These made for a year full of opportunities and accomplishments. In particular, we were encouraged by the following progress in FY2024:

- Supported Bible translations in 80 languages globally
- Provided Bibles through our:
 - Armed Services Ministry: 168,592
 - End to End Program: 593,700
 - General Bible Distribution: 998,415 subsidized Bibles in China
 - Bibles.com: Grants of 844,819 Bibles, NTs, Scripture portions and selections to ministry partners throughout the United States
- Digitally distributed Bibles, New Testaments, and Bible portions to over 8 million unique users through the Digital Bible Library, API.Bible, and Global.Bible.
- Produced and distributed Bible engagement resources through:
 - Armed Services Ministry: 233,000 people used print and digital engagement resources
 - End-to-End listening groups: 933,539 people attended
 - Beyond Disaster: 20,000 downloads
- Presented Trauma Healing programs at 17 conferences, convenings, and workshops to over 400,000 people, representing 265 organizations.

It is a privilege to serve as American Bible Society's President. We look forward to building upon this year's achievements in FY 2025 and beyond.

Respectfully,



Jennifer Holloran

President/Chief Executive Officer

Thank You

ABS's Finance Department has the privilege of leading the financial reporting, accounting, and budgeting responsibilities for ABS. They take that obligation seriously, and I would like to thank the Finance personnel and employees across ABS who, every day, work to assure accountability and transparency in financial management across the enterprise and who have contributed to the development and review of this report.