

Consolidated Financial Statements With Independent Auditors' Report

December 31, 2023 and 2022



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates Euless, Texas

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates, which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis** for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates' ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

Board of Trustees Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates Euless, Texas

### Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the consolidated financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
  appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of
  Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates' internal control. Accordingly, no
  such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. and Affiliates' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Irving, Texas

August 30, 2024

Capin Crouse LLP

### **Consolidated Statements of Financial Position**

	 December 31,				
	 2023		2022		
ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,653,636	\$	32,237,381		
Investments	2,508,229		2,245,257		
Prepaid expenses and other assets	608,697		684,031		
Inventories-net	2,138,458		2,149,465		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	-		204,058		
Finance lease right-of-use assets	263,674		-		
Property and equipment-net	 8,747,305		5,836,990		
Total Assets	\$ 40,919,999	\$	43,357,182		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable and other liabilities	\$ 2,746,539	\$	2,531,619		
Operating lease obligation	-		204,058		
Finance lease obligations	267,082		-		
Total liabilities	 3,013,621		2,735,677		
Net assets:  Net assets without donor restrictions	37,906,378		40,621,505		
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 40,919,999	\$	43,357,182		

### **Consolidated Statements of Activities**

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2023	2022			
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS: SUPPORT AND REVENUE:					
Contributions	\$ 51,923,146	\$ 57,456,279			
Gift-in-kind donations	6,650	6,250			
Product resources	2,670,620	3,191,807			
Investment return–net	1,026,351	(287,626)			
Other revenue	20,703	(3,111)			
Total Support and Revenue	55,647,470	60,363,599			
EXPENSES:					
Program services:					
Media ministries–Life Today	16,041,831	16,028,746			
Missions outreach and project ministries	16,723,381	17,357,141			
Literature and audio/visual distribution ministries	8,066,085	7,925,412			
	40,831,297	41,311,299			
Supporting activities:					
General and administrative	4,881,874	4,851,891			
Fundraising	11,628,478	11,945,770			
	16,510,352	16,797,661			
Total Expenses Without Donor Restrictions	57,341,649	58,108,960			
Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions					
before Zoe's Operations	(1,694,179)	2,254,639			
Zoe's Operations (see Note 1):					
Rental income	280,500	337,960			
Operating expenses	(1,301,448)	(1,034,686)			
Zoe's Net Operating Loss	(1,020,948)	(696,726)			
Change in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	(2,715,127)	1,557,913			
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	40,621,505	39,063,592			
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 37,906,378	\$ 40,621,505			

See notes to consolidated financial statements

### **Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses**

Year Ended December 31, 2023

			Pr	ogram Service	S				Supporting Activities				
	N	Media	Missi	ons Outreach	Lite	erature and							
	Mir	nistries–		and	Au	dio/Visual		G	eneral and				
	Life	e Today	Proje	ect Ministries	Distribu	tion Ministries	Subtotal	Ad	ministrative	F	Fundraising		Totals
Television broadcast contracts	\$ 10	0,867,584	\$	-	\$	1,505,867	\$ 12,373,451	\$	-	\$	2,713,376	\$	15,086,827
Salaries and wages	,	2,127,358		3,690,441		1,153,105	6,970,904		1,837,683		812,151		9,620,738
Relief and development grants *		400,968		7,776,787		25,466	8,203,221		264,948		196,949		8,665,118
Professional services		600,739		2,030,784		1,177,625	3,809,148		433,269		3,528,724		7,771,141
Printing and postage		84,340		377,825		2,873,266	3,335,431		555,889		3,687,184		7,578,504
Employee benefits		612,959		927,352		352,013	1,892,324		540,584		209,431		2,642,339
Product premiums		-		683,769		682,610	1,366,379		75,885		76,189		1,518,453
Other expenses		183,023		113,929		40,138	337,090		522,080		53,893		913,063
Occupancy		221,139		322,163		86,797	630,099		155,791		93,136		879,026
Depreciation		628,919		-		-	628,919		135,982		84,989		849,890
Maintenance		138,597		245,380		159,872	543,849		246,798		49,980		840,627
Travel		77,804		377,546		1,567	456,917		20,699		76,078		553,694
Insurance		98,401		155,355		7,759	261,515		92,266		36,948		390,729
Honorariums		-		22,050		-	22,050		-		9,450		31,500
Total LOI expenses	10	6,041,831		16,723,381		8,066,085	40,831,297		4,881,874		11,628,478		57,341,649
ZOE depreciation, other expenses		317,599		872,260			1,189,859		68,670		42,919		1,301,448
Total Consolidated Expenses	\$ 10	6,359,430	\$	17,595,641	\$	8,066,085	\$ 42,021,156	\$	4,950,544	\$	11,671,397	\$	58,643,097
Percentage of Total Expenses		27.9%		30.0%		13.8%	71.7%		8.4%		19.9%		100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Fundraising for relief and development grants is reported as part of media expenses.

### **Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses**

Year Ended December 31, 2022

			Pı	ogram Services	S			Supporting Activities				
		Media	Miss	sions Outreach		Literature and						
	]	Ministries–		and		Audio/Visual		C	General and			
		Life Today	Proj	ject Ministries	Г	Distribution Ministries	Subtotal	Ac	lministrative	Fundraising	To	tal Expenses
Television broadcast contracts	\$	10,874,827	\$	1,031	\$	\$ 1,511,080	\$ 12,386,938	\$	1,546	\$ 2,718,878	\$	15,107,362
Relief and development grants *		501,040		9,779,957		31,735	10,312,732		330,343	242,517		10,885,592
Salaries and wages		2,218,946		3,342,212		1,045,271	6,606,429		1,733,347	842,556		9,182,332
Printing and postage		99,498		347,370		2,844,580	3,291,448		594,459	3,933,991		7,819,898
Professional services		429,637		1,371,581		1,279,407	3,080,625		444,961	3,602,451		7,128,037
Employee benefits		656,399		824,437		323,013	1,803,849		521,758	203,987		2,529,594
Product premiums		-		618,285		615,149	1,233,434		68,546	68,938		1,370,918
Other expenses		184,989		81,679		38,381	305,049		570,559	42,365		917,973
Maintenance		191,231		278,968		148,070	618,269		231,126	65,243		914,638
Occupancy		204,155		268,644		80,522	553,321		139,018	77,157		769,496
Depreciation		541,283		_		-	541,283		117,034	73,146		731,463
Travel		39,569		296,004		1,585	337,158		18,942	40,244		396,344
Insurance		87,172		146,573		6,594	240,339		80,227	34,247		354,813
Honorariums		-		400		25	425		25	50		500
Total LOI expenses		16,028,746		17,357,141		7,925,412	41,311,299		4,851,891	11,945,770		58,108,960
ZOE depreciation, other expenses		314,328		609,918	_	<u>-</u>	924,246		67,963	42,477		1,034,686
Total Consolidated Expenses	\$	16,343,074	\$	17,967,059	\$	\$ 7,925,412	\$ 42,235,545	\$	4,919,854	\$ 11,988,247	\$	59,143,646
Percentage of Total Expenses		27.6%		30.4%		13.4%	71.4%		8.3%	20.3%		100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Fundraising for relief and development grants is reported as part of media expenses.

### **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

	Year Ended December 31,			
		2023		2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Change in net assets	\$	(2,715,127)	\$	1,557,913
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash				
provided (used) by operating activities:				
Depreciation		1,279,078		1,156,230
Amortization		53,343		-
Loss on sale of assets		93,064		-
Change in value of gift annuities		6,392		12,459
Realized and unrealized loss (gain) on investments-net		(160,970)		286,345
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Inventories-net		11,007		(159,778)
Prepaid expenses and other assets		75,334		(191,201)
Accounts payable and other liabilities		208,528		134,069
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		(1,149,351)		2,796,037
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchases of property and equipment		(4,282,457)		(877,545)
Purchases of investments		(730,977)		(308,980)
Proceeds from sale of investments		628,975		407,457
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities		(4,384,459)		(779,068)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Principal paid on finance leases		(49,935)		-
Net Cash Used by Financing Activities		(49,935)		-
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(5,583,745)		2,016,969
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		32,237,381		30,220,412
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$	26,653,636	\$	32,237,381
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES: Cash paid for interest	\$	8,100	\$	-
Finance right-of-use asset obtained in exchange for finance lease obligation	\$	317,017	\$	-
Operating right-of-use asset obtained in exchange for operating lease obligation	\$	-	\$	234,000

See notes to consolidated financial statements

### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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### 1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION:

Life Outreach International Association of Churches, Inc. (LOI) is a Texas not-for-profit corporation that is governed by a board of trustees, who serve without compensation as volunteers. LOI is a Christian organization dedicated to sharing the transforming truth of God's love in word and deed. LOI encourages the support of missions and relief programs in areas of need throughout the world. Utilizing the tremendous potential of broadcast media to fulfill the mission, LOI inspires believers to share the promise of life and hope with others.

LOI has been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a church and association of churches organized and operated exclusively for religious purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. As such, it is not required to file the annual information return Form 990. As a 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i) organization that is not a private foundation, donors may deduct contributions as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. LOI's primary source of income is contributions from donors.

Life for Children, Inc. (Children) is a Texas not-for-profit corporation whose purpose is to provide charitable humanitarian relief efforts, assistance, and development throughout the world. As the board of trustees of Children is appointed by the board of LOI, the financial statements of Children have been consolidated herewith. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Zoe Aviation, Inc. (ZOE) is a Texas for-profit corporation whose purpose is to hold title and operate certain aviation and other equipment that is both used by LOI and leased as available to others. ZOE is a wholly owned subsidiary of LOI. As such, the financial statements of ZOE have been consolidated herewith. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Certain officers of LOI serve in leadership or board positions with a U.S. charity whose purpose is to support relief and other humanitarian aid internationally. Further, LOI provides accounting and other supporting services to the U.S. charity. Additionally, LOI has entered into a service agreement with LOI Canada to distribute *Life Today* telecasts in Canada and develop direct mail packages to inform ministry partners in Canada, etc., as the Canadian ministry has similar purpose and outreach to LOI. However, control does not exist through any majority ownership or majority voting interest in the board of either the U.S. charity or LOI Canada. Accordingly, these entities are not included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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### 1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION, continued:

In conducting its ministries of compassion, such as mission feeding and water wells, LOI partners with other charities who operate in specific geographical and outreach areas. LOI's most significant partners are ForAfrika and its affiliates, Jesus Alive Ministries, both of which are U.S. tax exempt 501(c)(3) organizations. These organizations conduct ministry outreaches including feeding, water wells, disaster relief, and crusades throughout Africa. They are under the control of an independent board, receive independent audits of its operations, and are regulated by supporting agencies such as the U.N. World Food Program. LOI establishes specific objectives, defines accountability and expectations, and sets parameters for the use of funds granted to the organizations, subject to the oversight and review of the LOI board, senior management, and its independent audit firm.

Operations – LOI is an organization dedicated to sharing the life and love of Jesus Christ with men, women, and children worldwide by means of personal ministry, media outreach, and ministries of compassion. James Robison, the founder and host of the popular television program *Life Today*, seeks not only to declare the love of God but to demonstrate it as well through various mission outreaches to children and families here at home and around the globe.

Ministry in the United States is conducted by means of television, conferences and meetings, and by providing literature and media aids to its supporters and followers. LOI is supported primarily by voluntary contributions from listeners and the general public.

Ministries of compassion worldwide are conducted through partnering charities (not-for-profit organizations) in various countries that are independent of LOI. However, LOI establishes specific relationships and agreements, defines accountability and program expectations, and sets parameters for the use of funds granted to or expended through these partners.

Life Today Telecasts—Life Today is taped before a live studio audience at the International Studio and Headquarters near Fort Worth, Texas.

*Prayer Center*—LOI reaches inward to the spirit and soul of the friends and viewers by being available to pray with them in times of special need. The prayer center includes a 24-hour prayer line.

Spiritual Life Library-LOI develops and distributes audio and video products, and a variety of printed materials to the spiritual seeking.

Mission Feeding –LOI's aim is to reach out not only in word but also in deed by ministering to those who are experiencing great physical need.

*Water Wells*—Water sustains the precious gift of life. Water for Life is drilling wells in some of the most desolate areas of the world.

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### 1. NATURE OF ORGANIZATION, continued:

*Evangelism*—Sharing Jesus with a needy world is the cornerstone of LOI's vision. In cooperation with our mission partners, evangelistic efforts include city-crusades and film-evangelism teams around the world with television outreach being the main avenue.

Life Centers—The Centers, operated by LOI partners, serve numerous purposes in places widely scattered around the world. These Centers are dedicated to the communities they serve, adapting and changing in function as the needs of the community change. They minister to the hurting through orphanages, training centers, food factories, medical clinics, churches, and retreat centers. They become an oasis of life for the people they touch.

Disaster Relief and Special Projects – LOI's mission teams and partners reach out to those who are experiencing human suffering caused by natural disasters and other world events.

Churches for Life – This is a powerful way for churches to reach out locally, nationally, and internationally without the added administrative burden of maintaining an in-house missions department. Churches for Life allows local churches to become partners and/or members of the association to make a greater impact through evangelistic outreaches, Life Centers, feeding programs, new water well drilling, and disaster relief.

Friends for Life – Friends for Life is a special group of supporters which provides a consistent foundation of resources to help LOI impact the world. They are recipients of various ministry materials and tools for their personal spiritual journey.

The Stream—A national daily where individuals concerned about the nation can gather for news, wisdom, and inspiration and not feel as if faith must exist in the margins.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

LOI maintains its accounts and prepares its consolidated financial statements on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of any contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from the estimates. The significant accounting policies followed are described below to enhance the usefulness of the consolidated financial statements to the reader.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued:

### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in checking and savings accounts. These accounts may, at times, exceed federally insured limits. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, LOI's cash balances exceeded federally insured limits by approximately \$26,748,000 and \$30,838,000, respectively.

### INVENTORIES-NET

Inventory primarily consists of books, audio and video products, which are recorded at the lower of cost or net realizable value using the first-in, first-out method. These items serve primarily as gifts to contributors and are charged to expense when used. Donated gifts are recorded at the estimated fair value on the date of donation. An allowance for obsolete inventory is based on management estimate, which includes consideration of the movement of inventory and current economic conditions.

#### **INVESTMENTS**

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all debt securities are carried at fair value with realized and unrealized gains and losses included as revenue without donor restriction in the consolidated statements of activities. Investments with no readily determinable fair value are carried at estimated fair value, normally based upon appraised values. Donated investments are recorded at the fair value on the date of donation and thereafter carried in accordance with the above provisions.

#### FINANCE AND OPERATING LEASE RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS

Right-of-use assets represent LOI's right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. Right-of-use assets and related liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the net present value of lease payments over the lease term discounted using a risk-free rate. Another expedient includes accounting for lease and non-lease components as a single lease component. The value of an option to extend or terminate a lease is reflected to the extent it is reasonably certain management will exercise the option. Lease expense for operating lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The additional lease disclosures can be found in Note 7.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued:

### PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT, AND DEPRECIATION

Property and equipment are recorded at cost or at estimated fair value at the date of gift. LOI capitalizes purchases in excess of \$1,500 with lesser amounts expensed in the year purchased. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives or lease terms of assets:

	Estimated Useful Lives
Land improvements	10 to 15 years
Buildings	25 years
Furniture and equipment	3 to 7 years
Transportation assets	5 to 20 years

#### CLASSES OF NET ASSETS

*Net assets without donor restrictions* are currently available for ministry purposes under the direction of the board, designated by the board for specific use, or resources invested in property and equipment.

LOI features specific outreaches (such as Life Centers, Mission Feeding, *Life Today* telecasts, and Water for Life) as examples of the programs it supports and conducts. All contributions are considered to be without restriction as to use unless explicitly stipulated by the donor.

#### SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Contributions are recorded when made, which may be when cash is received or unconditionally promised, or when ownership of donated assets are transferred to LOI. Contributions restricted by the donor for a specific purpose are recorded as support in the 'with donor restrictions' class of net assets until funds have been expended by LOI for the purpose specified. Upon satisfaction of the purpose restriction, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the consolidated statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Contributions with donor restrictions, which have been fully expended for their intended purposes within the reporting period, are reported as contributions without donor restrictions.

LOI reports gifts of property and equipment as support without donor restrictions unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Absent explicit donor stipulations about how long those long-lived assets must be maintained, LOI reports expirations of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued:

### SUPPORT AND REVENUE, continued

LOI receives indications of intent to support from individuals and churches that provide monthly, quarterly, or annual gifts of a specified amount. These indications of intent are open-ended and subject to unilateral change by the donor. They are not considered to be unconditional promises to give and are not recognized prior to receipt of the contribution. Conditional promises to give, that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met.

LOI offers ministry-related resources to the public. These resources are available whether or not a contribution is made; however, a suggested donation is requested. During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, material costs of approximately \$1,518,000 and \$1,371,000 were incurred, respectively, and are included in the consolidated statements of functional expenses as product premiums.

#### **EXPENSES**

Expenses are recognized when incurred in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting. Expenses include grants to other charities of approximately \$8,665,000 and \$10,886,000 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, of which approximately \$5,181,800 and \$5,495,000, respectively, was provided to ForAfrika and its affiliate (see Note 1).

### FUNCTIONAL ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

The consolidated financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributable to one or more programs or supporting functions of LOI. Those expenses include media expenses, salaries and wages, printing and postage, professional fees, other expenses, benefits, product resources, depreciation, maintenance, insurance, royalties, and lease expenses. Salaries and wages, professional fees, and benefits are allocated based upon estimates of time and effort. Maintenance, insurance, and lease expenses are allocated based upon an estimate of square footage used. Depreciation is allocated based on the types of assets in service and estimates of benefit to departments. Media expenses, printing and postage, other expenses, product resources, and royalties are allocated based upon estimates of the service type provided and benefits received. All of the methods described above are translated into percentages that are then used to allocate the categories across their program and supporting functions. Percentages used to allocate expenses are reviewed annually to ensure that they continue to accurately reflect the nature of the activities.

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued:

### **INCOME TAXES**

ZOE determines its deferred tax provision under the liability method whereby deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the expected tax consequences of temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their reported amounts using presently enacted tax rates. The deferred tax asset considered realizable could be adjusted in the future if estimates of taxable income are revised.

### 3. <u>INVENTORIES–NET:</u>

Inventories-net consist of:

	December 31,			
	2023	2022		
Product inventory	\$ 1,956,608	\$ 1,991,052		
Supplies and materials	169,551	152,764		
Donated gifts	32,299	25,649		
	2,158,458	2,169,465		
Less allowance for obsolete inventory	(20,000)	(20,000)		
	\$ 2,138,458	\$ 2,149,465		

### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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### 4. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS:

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. This hierarchy consists of three broad levels: Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority, Level 2 inputs consist of observable inputs other than quoted prices for identical assets, and Level 3 inputs have the lowest priority. LOI uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, LOI measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 3 inputs are only used when Level 1 or Level 2 inputs are not available. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, LOI had no Level 2 or Level 3 investments.

The following tables present the fair value measurements of investments recognized in the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position measured at fair value on a recurring basis, and are considered Level 1 investments within the fair value hierarchy at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	December 31,			
		2023		2022
Investments:				
Money market fund	\$	213,417	\$	227,611
Common stock		175,212		171,628
Mutual funds:				
Bond fund		442,981		682,831
Emerging market fund		34,549		78,760
Foreign blend fund		133,075		119,000
Foreign growth fund		157,510		45,492
Growth fund		500,460		332,543
Income Fund		89,749		65,347
Real estate fund		42,430		38,894
Value fund		718,846		483,151
		2,119,600		1,846,018
	\$	2,508,229	\$	2,245,257

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### 4. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, continued:

Valuation techniques:

Money market fund—fair value approximates the carrying value due to their short-term nature.

Mutual funds and common stock—fair value is based on quoted market prices in an active market.

Changes in methods and assumptions – None.

### 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT–NET:

Property and equipment-net consists of:

	December 31,				
	2023	2022			
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Land and improvements	\$ 1,039,399	\$ 1,039,399			
Buildings	11,830,795	9,803,870			
Leasehold improvements	-	23,295			
Transportation assets	9,196,111	8,881,620			
Furniture and equipment	12,420,827	12,639,295			
	34,487,132	32,387,479			
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(27,484,066)	(27,298,358)			
	7,003,066	5,089,121			
Website and media infrastructure in process	1,744,239	747,869			
	\$ 8,747,305	\$ 5,836,990			

Total depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, was \$1,279,078 and \$1,156,230 respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, this included depreciation of \$848,890 and \$731,463 for LOI, respectively, and \$429,188 and \$424,767 for ZOE, respectively.

### 6. <u>COMMITMENTS:</u>

LOI entered into an agreement for audio and visual equipment totaling \$4,338,933 during the year ended December 31, 2023. As of December 31, 2023, approximately \$3,127,000 remained outstanding.

ZOE, in conjunction with its operations, has entered into commitments with minimum annual funding of approximately \$332,150 through November 2024. The annual costs could be higher based upon ZOE's operations.

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### 7. <u>LEASE OBLIGATIONS:</u>

LOI has two finance leases for equipment expiring in fiscal years 2027 and 2028. The leases have a quarterly payment of \$9,752 and \$9,512. The discount rate represents the risk-free rate using a period comparable with that of the individual lease term on the inception date of the lease. On January 31, 2023, LOI ended their operating lease by purchasing the warehouse for \$1,900,000, thereby ending the lease. The warehouse is included in property and equipment in the year ended December 31, 2023. Short-term leases with a term of 12 or fewer months are not reflected on the consolidated statements of financial position, and costs are expensed as incurred.

	December 31,			
		2023		2022
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$	-	\$	204,058
Finance lease –right-of-use assets	\$	263,674	\$	_
Operating lease obligations	\$	-	\$	204,058
Finance lease obligations	\$	267,082	\$	
Lease costs:	Ф		Φ	7.000
Operating lease costs	\$		\$	7,800
Finance lease costs: Amortization of ROU assets	\$	53,343	\$	7,800
Interest on lease liability	\$	8,100	\$	7,800
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease obligations:  Operating leases	\$		\$	7,800
Finance leases	\$	58,034	\$	-
Weighted Average Discount Rate:				
Operating leases		-		4.27%
Finance leases		3.75%		-
Weighted-Average Remaining lease term:				
Operating leases		-		4.36
Finance leases		3.60		-

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### 7. <u>LEASE OBLIGATIONS</u>, continued:

Future minimum lease payments required under operating and finance leases that have an initial or remaining non-cancelable lease term in excess of one year are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	
2024	\$ 57,555
2025	77,059
2026	96,564
2027	38,050
2028	 19,026
	 288,254
Less imputed interest	(21,172)
	\$ 267,082

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### 8. LIQUIDITY AND FUNDS AVAILABLE:

The following table reflects the LOI's financial assets as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, reduced by amounts not available for general expenditure within one year, including amounts set aside by management for the funding of LOI's annuity obligations and for long-term investment return production. The amounts set aside to meet annuity obligations or for long-term investment return could be drawn upon at management's discretion. All financial assets listed below are considered to be convertible to cash within one year.

	December 31,	
	2023	2022
Financial conto		
Financial assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,653,636	\$ 32,237,381
Miscellaneous receivables*	79,652	69,623
Investments	2,508,229	2,245,257
Financial assets, at year-end	29,241,517	34,552,261
Less those unavailable for general expenditure within one year, due to: Investments held at management's discretion for the purpose of		
funding annuity obligations	(3,322)	(4,771)
Investments held at management's discretion for the purpose of		
long-term investment return	(1,560,865)	(1,358,899)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general		
expenditures within one year	\$ 27,677,330	\$ 33,188,591

<sup>\*</sup>Included with prepaid expenses and other assets on the consolidated statements of financial position

LOI seeks to maintain flexibility and security when managing its liquidity. Accordingly, reserves are maintained in cash accounts. Other financial assets include investments and receivables. Investments are maintained in highly liquid asset categories. Receivables are expected to be received within the next 12 months. Investments are maintained primarily for the purpose of funding annuity obligations and providing returns on long-term financial reserves. LOI does not actively move funds from cash and cash equivalents to investments for the purpose of gaining returns on short to mid-term financial reserves. Receivables will be used to provide additional liquidity as payments are received.

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### 9. JOINT ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATION OF JOINT COSTS:

The following information summarizes only the portion of total expenses that are considered to be "joint costs" of "joint activities" according to accounting standards. These costs do not include any broadcasting expenses related to special projects, such as Water for Life, because they are fully allocated to fundraising. The expenditures for these projects are reported as program expenses.

In 2023 and 2022, LOI conducted activities, more fully described below, that included appeals for contributions that incurred joint costs of \$28,651,754 and \$28,953,731, respectively. These activities included *Life Today* telecasts, events, constituent ministry materials and newsletters, and direct mail. Joint costs were:

	Year Ended December 31, 2023							
	Constituent							
	Ministry							
				Materials				
	Life Today			and				
	Telecasts		Events	Newsletters		Direct Mail	Total	
Program services:								
Media ministries–								
Life Today	\$ 12,017,128	\$	61,035	\$ 1,981,970	\$	-	\$ 14,060,133	
Missions outreach and								
project ministries	-		463,280	853,236		-	1,316,516	
Literature and audio/visual								
distribution ministries	1,251,204		8,477	2,875,245		1,397,070	5,531,996	
Supporting activities:								
General and								
administrative	-		-	325,825		-	325,825	
Fundraising	2,586,441		67,441	1,503,572		3,259,830	7,417,284	
	\$ 15,854,773	\$	600,233	\$ 7,539,848	\$	4,656,900	\$ 28,651,754	

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### 9. JOINT ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATION OF JOINT COSTS, continued:

	Year Ended December 31, 2022							
	Constituent							
	Ministry							
				Materials				
	Life Today			and				
	Telecasts		Events	Newsletters	Direct Mail	Total		
Program services:								
Media ministries–								
Life Today	\$ 12,151,888	\$	76,249	\$ 2,020,087	\$ -	\$ 14,248,224		
Missions outreach and								
project ministries	-		219,935	969,427	-	1,189,362		
Literature and audio/visual								
distribution ministries	1,281,461		10,590	2,946,988	1,405,206	5,644,245		
Supporting activities:								
General and								
administrative	-		-	377,232	-	377,232		
Fundraising	2,631,671		52,701	1,531,482	3,278,814	7,494,668		
	\$ 16,065,020	\$	359,475	\$ 7,845,216	\$ 4,684,020	\$ 28,953,731		

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### 9. JOINT ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATION OF JOINT COSTS, continued:

Life Today telecasts—The Life Today telecast is the flagship ministry program of LOI. It is a half-hour program that is principally ministry in nature using a talk show and guest setting format. The ministry focus is upon current Christian issues and concerns. The hosts are James and Betty Robison who share the Gospel with the listening audience, including words of faith and encouragement to believers in the Lord Jesus Christ. Guests are regularly interviewed and include noted Christian authors, pastors, evangelists, business leaders, and others. At the end of each program, listeners are told that the telecast is a listener-supported ministry and advised how they may support Life Today with their gifts.

Events – Events consist of meetings and banquets held at sites throughout the country in which LOI invites donors and other guests for a time of ministry outreach and challenge, sharing about LOI's ministry, and an opportunity to support its work.

Constituent ministry materials and newsletters—Constituent ministry materials and newsletters include the distribution of books, audio/visual products, and other literature to donors and others.

*Direct mail*—Direct mail consists of mailings that are fundraising in nature but also include materials that are intended to fulfill ministry purposes by providing books, devotional products, and other material to serve and challenge Christians.

### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

As described in Note 1, LOI provided certain services to LOI Canada under the terms of a service agreement. During 2023 and 2022, LOI sold inventory to LOI Canada at its cost of approximately \$188,000 and \$201,000, respectively, which is included in product resource sales and associated fees in the accompanying consolidated statements of activities. LOI Canada reimbursed LOI approximately \$33,000 and \$41,000 for management and other services provided under the terms of the agreement for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, LOI recorded receivables from LOI Canada of approximately \$79,000 and \$69,000, respectively.

LOI utilizes marketing entities operated by an individual who is related to a current trustee. The services provided relate to strategy, ministry marketing, social media, and direct mail services. Annual marketing and representation fees paid by LOI during both the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, for these services was \$1,758,000 and \$1,758,000, respectively. Reimbursed costs for products, printing, call center, and mailing expenses incurred for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, approximated \$9,369,000 and \$9,882,000, respectively. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, amounts due were approximately \$551,000 and \$645,000, respectively.

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### 11. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS:

### RETIREMENT PLAN

LOI provides a defined contribution plan qualified under section 403(b)9 which allows eligible employees to participate through payroll deductions and provides an employer match ranging from 2% to 10%. LOI made contributions to the plan of approximately \$437,000 and \$427,000 during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

### HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN

LOI provides medical group insurance through a health care provider for employees and eligible dependents. During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, LOI paid medical insurance premium payments of approximately \$1,795,000 and \$1,783,000, respectively.

### 12. INCOME TAXES:

Utilizing a 21% enacted tax rate for both the years ending December 31, 2023 and 2022, ZOE's cumulative net operating losses create a deferred tax asset of approximately \$2,523,000 and \$2,382,000, respectively. ZOE does not project generating sufficient taxable income to realize its deferred tax asset; therefore, ZOE has recorded the same amount as a valuation allowance.

### 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:

Subsequent events have been evaluated through August 30, 2024, which represents the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued. Subsequent events after that date have not been evaluated.