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Form 990-PF

Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

2015

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For calendar year 2015, or tax year beginning 01-01-2015, and ending 12-31-2015

Name of foundation: Explore God Network. Employer identification number: 46-1611130. Telephone number: (512) 472-7111. City: Austin, TX 787264539. Accounting method: Cash.

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses

Table with 5 columns: (a) Revenue and expenses per books, (b) Net investment income, (c) Adjusted net income, (d) Disbursements for charitable purposes. Rows include contributions (2,675,944), interest (25), dividends, rents, net gain/loss, capital gain, other income, operating and administrative expenses (2,693,821), and net investment income (25).

Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	227,164	143,604	143,604
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3 Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions).			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ 7,968 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____ 1,529	0	6,439	6,439
	12 Investments—mortgage loans			
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
15 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	100,135	100,397	100,397	
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	327,299	250,440	250,440	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	51,383	327	
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule).			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	69,331	57,629	
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	120,714	57,956	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted	206,585	192,484	
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds				
30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	206,585	192,484		
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	327,299	250,440		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances			
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	206,585
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-13,993
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	192,592
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	108
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	192,484

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, (a) 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co.)	How acquired P—Purchase (b) D—Donation	Date acquired (c) (mo, day, yr)	Date sold (d) (mo, day, yr)
1a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6)		
If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	}	3

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)
 If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? Yes No
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2014	2,439,291	303,755	8.030455
2013	4,084,777	162,427	25.148387
2012	0		0.0
2011			
2010			

2 Total of line 1, column (d).	33.178842
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	11.059614
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5.	307,299
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3.	3,398,608
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	
7 Add lines 5 and 6.	3,398,608
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	2,693,821

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)

Table with 11 rows for excise tax calculation. Includes categories like 'Exempt operating foundations', 'Domestic foundations', and 'Tax based on investment income'. Columns include line numbers and amounts.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

Table with 10 rows for activity statements. Includes questions like 'During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation?' and 'Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?'. Columns include question numbers and Yes/No responses.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address www.exploregod.com	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of STEPHANIE MOON Telephone no (512) 346-0000 Located at 7301 N FM 620 STE 155-181 Austin TX ZIP+4 78726			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15			
16	At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country	16	Yes	No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)	Yes	No
(1)	Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(2)	Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(3)	Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(4)	Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(5)	Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(6)	Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/> Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. <input type="checkbox"/>	1b	
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	1c	No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a	At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____		
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions)	2b	No
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____		
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.</i>)	3b	
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	4b	No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (Continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? Yes No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? Yes No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? Yes No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). Yes No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? Yes No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Yes No
 Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? Yes No
 If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
 If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? Yes No

b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? Yes No

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
BRIAN AUDIA 7301 N FM 620 STE 155-181 AUSTIN, TX 787264539	DIR CITY INITIATIVE 40 0	152,839	10,890	0
BRIAN BOITMANN 7301 N FM 620 STE 155-181 AUSTIN, TX 787264539	SR PROJECT MNGR 40 0	81,206	6,010	0
CHRISTOPHER ROGGE 7301 N FM 620 STE 155-181 AUSTIN, TX 787264539	GRAPHIC DESIGNER 40 0	50,995	2,295	0

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000.

Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)

Part VIII

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
New Church Initiatives 4711 Sweetwater Blvd 334 SUGAR LAND, TX 77479	MARKETING	56,175
Tocquigny 2901 Via Fortuna B6 Ste 100 AUSTIN, TX 78746	TECH OUTSOURCING	244,053
Archer Malmo PO Box 770299 MEMPHIS, TN 38157	TECH OUTSOURCING	123,590
International Foundation PO Box 23813 WASHINGTON, DC 200263813	FUNDRAISING	73,500

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. ▶

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1 THE PRIMARY CHARITABLE FOCUS OF THE FOUNDATION IS EXPLORE GOD, WHICH CREATES CREDIBLE CONTENT FOR PEOPLE WITH SPIRITUAL QUESTIONS AND CURIOSITY SEE ATTACHMENT FOR DETAIL	2,693,821
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

Part X Minimum Investment Return

(All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	0
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	207,432
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	104,547
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	311,979
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	311,979
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	4,680
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	307,299
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	15,365

Part XI Distributable Amount

(see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	
b	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	2,693,821
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	0
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	0
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	0
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	2,693,821
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	2,693,821

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7				0
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only.			0	
b Total for prior years 2013, 2012, 2011		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010.				
b From 2011.				
c From 2012.			0	
d From 2013.		4,084,777		
e From 2014.		2,439,291		
f Total of lines 3a through e.	6,524,068			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 \blacktriangleright \$ <u>2,693,821</u>				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).				
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount.				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	2,693,821			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	9,217,889			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions.		0		
e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions.			0	
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015.				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions).				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions).				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a.	9,217,889			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011.				
b Excess from 2012.			0	
c Excess from 2013.		4,084,777		
d Excess from 2014.		2,439,291		
e Excess from 2015.		2,693,821		

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2015, enter the date of the ruling. . . . 2014-05-22

b Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2015	(b) 2014	(c) 2013	(d) 2012	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	0	0	0		0
b 85% of line 2a	0	0	0		0
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	2,693,821	2,439,291	4,084,777	0	9,217,889
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c	2,693,821	2,439,291	4,084,777	0	9,217,889
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter					
(1) Value of all assets	250,440	327,299	305,107	0	882,846
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)	250,440	327,299	305,107		882,846
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.	10,243	10,125	5,414		25,782
c "Support" alternative test—enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)	2,675,944	2,359,400	4,369,856		9,405,200
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).	175,694	6,500	125,500		307,694
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization	2,500,250	2,352,900	4,244,356		9,097,506
(4) Gross investment income	25	19	21		65

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

- a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

- b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

- a** The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

- b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

- c** Any submission deadlines

- d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

Part XV Supplementary Information(continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Total ▶ 3a				
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total ▶ 3b				

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

Table with Yes/No columns for items 1a(1), 1a(2), 1b(1) through 1b(6), and 1c.

a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of

- (1) Cash.
(2) Other assets.

b Other transactions

- (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.
(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.
(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.
(4) Reimbursement arrangements.
(5) Loans or loan guarantees.
(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.

c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

Table with columns: (a) Line No, (b) Amount involved, (c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization, (d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements.

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? [X] Yes [] No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

Table with columns: (a) Name of organization, (b) Type of organization, (c) Description of relationship. Row 1: E3 FOUNDATION, PRIVATE FOUNDATION, COMMON BOARD MEMBERS.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here: Signature of officer or trustee, Date (2016-05-12), Title.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr)? [X] Yes [] No

Table for Paid Preparer Use Only with fields: Print/Type preparer's name (Richard Dooley), Preparer's Signature, Date (2016-05-10), Check if self-employed [X], PTIN (P00296157), Firm's name (Pope Shamsie & Dooley LLP), Firm's address (4201 W Parmer B-200 Austin, TX 78727), Firm's EIN, Phone no ((512) 472-7111).

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
Daniel Smith 7301 N FM 620 Ste 155-181 Austin, TX 787264539	President, Director 20 0	0	0	0
Linda Smith 7301 N FM 620 Ste 155-181 Austin, TX 787264539	Vice President, Director 20 0	0	0	0
John Maisel 7301 N FM 620 Ste 155-181 Austin, TX 787264539	Secretary/Treasurer, Director 20 0	0	0	0
Trevor Pokomey 7301 N FM 620 Ste 155-181 Austin, TX 787264539	Chief Operating Officer 40 0	104,125	4,978	0
Camille Rodriguez 7301 N FM 620 Ste 155-181 Austin, TX 787264539	Chief Operating Officer 40 0	138,734	15,003	0

TY 2015 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING FEES	7,400			7,400

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TY 2015 Depreciation Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
2015 EQUIPMENT	2015-07-01	6,834		M5		1,367			
2015 FURNITURE	2015-07-01	1,134		M7		162			
2015 FURN - SOFA	2015-07-01	1,731		M7					

TY 2015 General Explanation Attachment

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part IX-A	Part IX-A	<p>The primary charitable focus of the foundation is Explore God, which creates credible content for people with spiritual questions and curiosity. In 2015, the organization created and made freely available many materials exploring the Christian perspective on science, culture, faith, religions, pain and suffering, death, spiritual growth, etc. The organization directly supported over four hundred churches in coordinated outreaches to their communities, and provided all of their material (videos, articles, devotionals, white papers, etc.) to English and Spanish speaking churches throughout the world. During 2015, Explore God Network published over 13 additional articles, produced and released 7 additional videos, developed a web-based technology platform expediting the dissemination of Explore God resources and materials throughout the world, organized and facilitated a large-scale Community Outreach Initiative uniting multiple Christian churches and denominations around the use of free materials and resources created by Explore God. The company now freely offers the public more than 180 videos in English, more than 220 articles and research papers in English and Spanish, more than 500 days of daily devotionals in English and Spanish. A readily accessible communication portal in English for sharing credible content with people who have spiritual questions.</p>

TY 2015 Legal Fees Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
LEGAL FEES	8,524			8,524

TY 2015 Other Assets Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

ETIN: 46-1611130

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
BACK TO THE BIBLE CONTENT	100,000	100,000	100,000
DUE FROM SRE	135	397	397

TY 2015 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Description	Amount
PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT	108

TY 2015 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

ETIN: 46-1611130

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,634			1,634
POSTAGE	436			436
IT FEES	16,803			16,803
MISCELLANEOUS	-1,071			-1,071
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	18,176			18,176
ADVERTISING & MARKETING	785,594			785,594
EMPLOYEE RELATED EXPENSES	11,383			11,383
EQUIPMENT RENTALS	4,813			4,813
MEALS & ENTERTAINMENT	9,235			9,235
INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS	628,251			628,251
MEDIA PRODUCTION EXPENSES	11,505			11,505
EVENT EXPENSES	5,184			5,184
INSURANCE	24,220			24,220

TY 2015 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
DUE TO DLS	1,737	3,439
DUE TO SI	67,594	54,190

TY 2015 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	42,000			42,000

TY 2015 Sales Of Inventory Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Category	Gross Sales	Cost of Goods Sold	Net (Gross Sales Minus Cost of Goods Sold)
	15,373	9,254	6,119

TY 2015 Taxes Schedule

Name: Explore God Network

EIN: 46-1611130

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PAYROLL TAXES	63,129			63,129

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

2015

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at
www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

Explore God Network

Employer identification number

46-1611130

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. . . . ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization Explore God Network	Employer identification number 46-1611130
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Part I Contributors (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
—	See Additional Data Table _____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
—	_____	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
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Name of organization
Explore God Network

Employer identification number
46-1611130

Part II Noncash Property
(see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	_____	_____ \$	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	_____	_____ \$	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	_____	_____ \$	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	_____	_____ \$	_____

Name of organization
Explore God Network

Employer identification number
46-1611130

Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 46-1611130
Name: Explore God Network

Form 990 Schedule B, Part I - Contributors (see Instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	E3 Foundation Inc 7301 RR 620N STE 155-181 Austin, TX 78726	\$ 2,500,250	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
2	National Christian Foundation 11625 Rainwater Drive Ste 500 Alpharetta, GA 30009	\$ 90,004	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
3	121 Community Church Inc 840 Mustang Drive Grapevine, TX 76051	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
4	Hodges Capital Management LLC 2905 Maple Avenue Dallas, TX 75201	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
5	Mexia Investments LLC 3838 Oak Lawn Ste 1525 Dallas, TX 75219	\$ 10,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
6	The Heights Baptist Church 201 W Renner Road Richardson, TX 75080	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)

Form 990 Schedule B, Part I - Contributors (see Instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	<u>Jeffrey L Swope</u> 3505 Caruth Blvd Dallas, TX75225	\$ 20,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
8	<u>Ernest L Smith III</u> 7711 Marquette St Dallas, TX75225	\$ 15,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
9	<u>JD McCaslin</u> 3500 Marquette St Dallas, TX75225	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
10	<u>Louis J Schaufele III</u> 8235 Douglas Ave Ste 1200 Dallas, TX75225	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
11	<u>Fred Julie Chaney</u> 4028 Centenary Ave Dallas, TX75225	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)
12	<u>G Stacy Smith</u> 6700 Golf Drive Dallas, TX75205	\$ 5,000	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contribution)