

**ACFA member profile: Kenneth MacPhie**

I have the privilege of being brought up in a second generation Christian family. My grandfather left Glasgow in 1912 to go to Angola having been inspired by David Livingstone and my father was born there so mission work is something I try and support as far as possible. I became a Christian at the age of 13, starting work with Commercial Union at age 16. I had my first taste of the independent financial adviser world in 1991 and found it left a bitter taste before an enjoyable two years as a paraplanner which I had to leave in 1993. None would have me as I had no sales experience and I wasn't bringing any clients to the party so set up on my own at that point.

I joined ACFA's predecessor ACIFA quite soon after that but it was only after attending my first conference that I felt part of a bigger organization. Conferences have proven an inspiration so if you haven't gone yet, try and get to this year's!

I regard myself as a general practitioner, working from home so have a client base mostly of individuals. This gives the chance to put into practice what has been discussed at conference.

I have been in the same local Christian Brethren church all my life and help on the finance team surprise surprise as well as outreach. I joined the Gideons International at 24 and enjoy the opportunities for witnessing that provides.

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