



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	6	April	2021		5	April	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mrs Sue Duffin	Chair		
2	Mr Peter Harrington			
3	Rev Stephen Lloyd			
4	Mr Robin Swan			
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		Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)
	Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address	
Accountant	Mr Nigel Smith		
Bankers	Lloyds		
	Cooperative Bank		
	Virgin Money		
Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)			

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointment by resolution passed by trustees meeting where there is a majority of trustees present

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

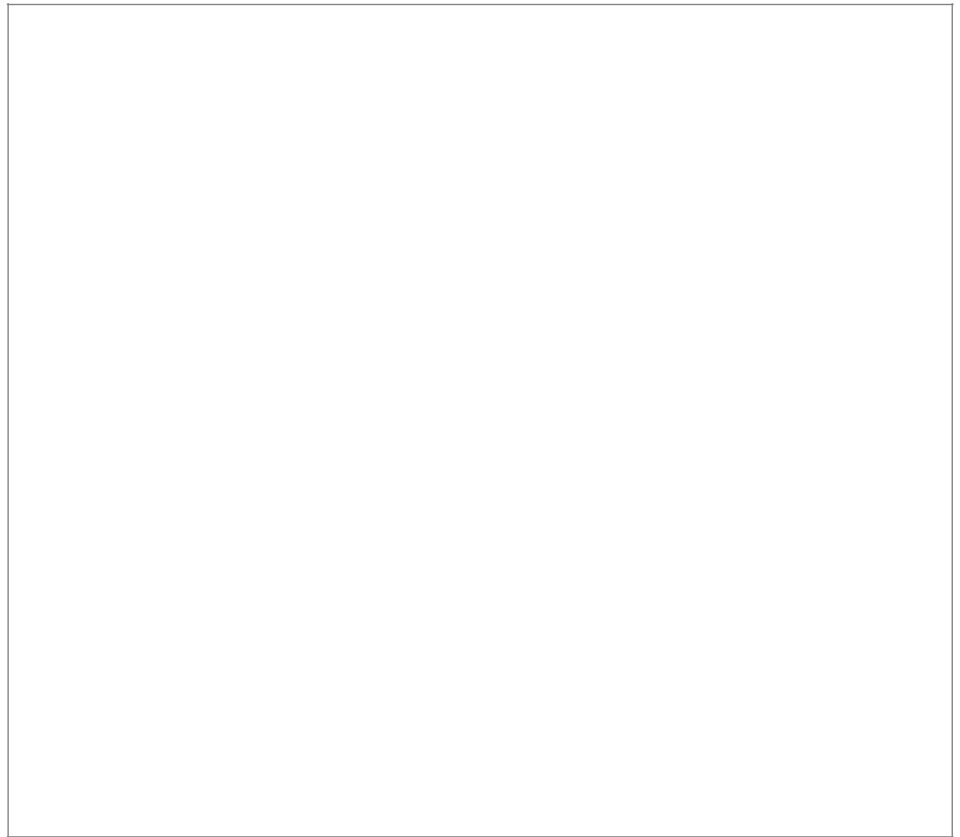
Section C Objectives and activities

<p>Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document</p>	<p>In accordance with the Trust Deed section 4.</p>
<p>Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)</p>	<p>Bible teaching in partnership with the local Church both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Evangelistic activities in partnership with the local Church both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Providing teaching and training resources for the local Church both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Teaching, training and support for Christian workers through partner organisations both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Inclusion of volunteer team workers both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Providing help and relief from hardship and poverty in other countries through partner organisations.</p> <p>Working with partners on new initiatives to help people socially and spiritually both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>Financing the provision and installation of Water-Harvesting Projects in Rwanda.</p> <p>Sale of hand-made cards, baskets and bags in the UK in support of widows, orphans and related projects in Rwanda.</p>

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, much of our face-to-face ministry was interrupted or curtailed.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, our regular visits to Rwanda (July) and Romania (April & October) did not happen.

In Romania, Path of Life Association continued to provide guitar classes online and face to face with social distancing in place. They also visited the Night shelter and Ineu orphanage as restrictions allowed. The prison ministry started again towards the end of 2021 and into 2022 but on a very limited level.

The Path of Life team continued to distribute food and essentials on a weekly basis to some of the poorest families. As a result they were able to offer other practical help to these families.

The Support A Pastor and Support A Parish programmes have continued in partnership with our CPOs in India and Rwanda respectively. This has been a huge help as the income for pastors has all but stopped to due to the closure of church buildings / services.

An emergency help fund was set up to help pastors and their families as well as the most vulnerable in their communities. Over £26000 has now been given and shared between our partners in Rwanda and India.

The Water Harvesting Projects continue to develop, both in the income generated as well as the number of participating parishes. In response to the dire needs of the pastors and elderly within the parishes due to the effects of the pandemic, it was agreed with Bishop Emmanuel to allow WHP income to be used to help meet these needs rather than other projects.

DT Bible teaching went online. Three courses have been run in 21/22 and this has become a new means of fulfilling our teaching ministry. We plan to keep this going in the coming years.

As lockdowns were lifted, some face-to-face ministry restarted. This included the Tamworth Men's Breakfast / Extra as well as speaking engagements at church services.

Regular mailings have been printed and mailed to partners in the UK and abroad. The majority of our mailing is done electronically so saving paper and postage.

'ENGAGE with the Bible' in both text and audio versions, continues to grow as more people subscribe. We continue to get positive feedback from subscribers.

The website continue to be developed. An online payment system has been set up and is used for purchasing DT resources as well as making donations to DT ministries.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

In accordance with the Trust Deed sections 7 & 8.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s) Andy Paine

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Secretary

Date 05.12.22



	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Donations	11,787	4,372	-	16,159	28,842
Gift Aid Donations	10,539	10,660		21,199	22,515
Sales	434		-	434	12
Interest	66	-	-	66	246
Tax reclaim	7,712	-	-	7,712	7,110
Overseas	5,481		-	5,481	7,254
Other	23	-	-	23	100
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	36,042	15,032	-	51,074	66,079
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Total receipts	36,042	15,032	- 0	51,074	66,079
A3 Payments					
Staff workers	25,920	-	-	25,920	25,920
Post & Print	342	-	-	342	133
Vehicles / Travel	70	-	-	70	-
Telephone	404	-	-	404	419
Literature & Study materials	- 0			-	14
Office / Admin	2	-	-	2	245
Professional fees / costs	853	-	-	853	829
Overseas	21,643	12,302	-	33,945	41,646
Equipment	36	-	-	36	-
Insurance	553	-	-	553	473
Ubushuti Costs	26			26	
Other	- 0			-	800
Sub total	49,849	12,302	-	62,151	70,479
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Total payments	49,849	12,302	- 0	62,151	70,479
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 13,807	2,730	-	- 11,077	- 4,400
A5 Transfers between funds	1,000	- 1,000	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	49,280	14,189	-	63,469	67,869
Cash funds this year end	36,473	15,919	-	52,392	63,469

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Virgin	39,617	-	-
	Coop	- 54	5,127	-
	Lloyds	- 3,174	10,792	
	Petty Cash	84	-	-
	Total cash funds	36,473	15,919	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Office equipment	4,000	-	-
	Other equipment	1,400	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval

Independent examiner's report on the accounts to the trustees of The Damascus Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

N K Smith FCA

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24 December 2022