

NECHELLS AND OVERSEAS CARE FUND

ANNUAL REPORT

Financial year 1st September 2023 to 31st August 2024

I have the pleasure of submitting this annual report to the trustees for our AGM. The financial year of our charity was from 1st September 2023 to 31st August 2024

Uganda

Health Department Diocese of Northern Uganda (£10277.48)

The comments are pretty much the same as last year. Our involvement has been limited as Dr Nick Laing has clarified that he is keen for us not to change our involvement which is mainly to provide regular ongoing support to two established units with a small contribution to his personal assistant. All aspects of his work are developing really well with yet further expansion of the OneDay health units and continued development of the older units, in particular St Phillips which is very busy providing a diverse range of services.

Sustainability (£1,171.73)

A single payment was made to purchase a printer to help an individual develop his business.

Total Expenditure in Uganda : £11,449.21

(There was an erroneous payment of £1.34 - deemed too small to correct)

Sri Lanka

Sathyendira

NOCF's main interest in Sri Lanka is to assist Sathyendira both with transport support for his Christian ministry in the post conflict North of Sri Lanka and funds for his new humanitarian project which seeks to provide support of the very poor together with making a contribution to global warming by planting coconut trees on land owned by poor families. His communication is very full. Currently Peter (Morgan) is communicating with Sathyendira

There was a very big administrative error in that when it was decided to action the trustees instruction that the coconut project should not be funded further, it was realised that Sathyendira had been given £1,800 more than budgeted for the project. He was delighted!

Cost of personal support (4,885)

Cost of coconut project (4354)

Finances in Sri Lanka

Total Expenditure in Sri Lanka : £9239.99

India

India

Pastor Jayaseelan leads a small church in a poor, low caste slum area and we have provided humanitarian support for which he gives full accountabilities. Pastor Jayaseelen is very persistent in his requests and he has received two donations this financial year.

Finances in India

Total Expenditure in India : £803.98

Pakistan

Pete developed links with a Pastor who was part of a church plant in Pakistan. Communication has been very tricky. NOCF has funded a water pump project for a very poor marginalised Hindu community the church is seeking to get alongside. Otherwise it had been decided simply to give £300/month as general support.

Total Expenditure in Pakistan : £3,317.99

Birmingham

What about Locally?

This has been the biggest change. The project about which Peter has dreamed, rather unrealistically got some impetus in January when Gemma rejoined Pete and refashioned his ideas for what was then called Nechells Hope. You tube videos were put aside and a scheme was devised to visit locals asking them their needs. In March 2024, when Pete was away, Gemma and Morgan (Another Peter) visited about 60 homes and had a response rate of 23%. Because of this we felt the project was good to be pursued. Adverts were put out for a leader realising that Pete would wish to pioneer the initiative to begin with but that age should be accepted and so the new full time post should be the calibre of someone competent to lead the project. We were delighted that Gavin Foody applied and accepted the position and he has been inspirational, energetic and effective. From May 2024, all the costs of the project, now called Reach Out Community Project, have been borne by the charity. A donor has guaranteed to underwrite the costs for at least 3 years, probably much longer. The team that is now active doing wonderful kind activities are also starting to fundraise.

The aim of the project is community transformation and the means used is to ascertain people's needs and meet those needs and in so doing develop relationships that will lead to some folk considering both their emotional and spiritual well being. Some Local churches and community groups have warmly supported the project and many individuals have been helped with: financial issues, employment, health, garden clearing, bereavement support, transport support , assistance in making doctor's appointments and a free community meal.

Finances Locally

Total Expenditure Locally : 10,811

Conclusion on 2023 - 2024

The big change has been the Reach Out Community Project. NOCF has pushed very hard recently to assist poor countries but now the emphasis is local

Finances overall

Management Expenses

The fund's only management expense is for accountancy which amounted to £ 300

Future Plans

Possible Parameters for 2024 -25, for information and decisions at the AGM.

- **Donations to the fund** are expected to rise significantly.
 - For the first time ever, we will fundraise
- **Donations from the fund** will rise on account of ROCP.
- **Sri Lanka Sustainability.** I propose that this ceases
- **Pastor Jayaseelan.** I propose we no longer support here
- **Uganda food aid and sustainability.** I propose we no longer support here
- **Uganda Diocesan Health Care Team.** I imagine there will be no need for changes.
- **ROCP** Will take a lot of funds
- **Pastor Zeeshan** who is pioneering churches in Pakistan. I propose we continue giving regular support.

Possible Future Finances

I suggest we consider whether planning along the following lines would be appropriate

		2023-24	2024-25
Projects Abroad		Spent	Projected
Uganda			
	Diocesan Health Team	10,277	11000
	Regular food aid / sustainability	1,171	0
Sri Lanka			
	Sathy transport support	4885	5000
	Coconuts	4354	0
India		803	0
Pakistan		3,317	3000
Local	Reach Out Community Project	10,811	48000
	TOTAL	35,618	67000

Future Income

The income required is daunting. The Reach Out team is fundraising but this will be in order to expand services. Peter will underwrite NOCF fully until May 2026. In the meantime on behalf of NOCF Peter will do two things. First he will re-order the house occupied by Carol and her carers so that it can be let out to paying guests to house Christian USA interns both because there is a need for this and also because they are well funded. This should start in January 2025 and in the first calendar year we estimate the income will be £6000 but each year after that we should look to £12,000/annum. I will ask guests to pay directly to NOCF (assuming HMRC says this is OK). There will be costs occasioned by reordering the house but these will not affect NOCF finances. In addition I will look to fundraise for NOCF. If by May 2026 finances are not stable, we will have to look to Reach Out to find more of their own funds to continue and to expand the project. All will be well!

I would like to thank the trustees for their guidance and support throughout the year

Peter Hill
NOCF Administrator

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(Registered Charity Number 1043061)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2024

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		<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
		£	£	£	£
<u>RECEIPTS</u>					
Donations Received			21,971.04		29,562.78
Tax Refund			12,363.04		10,428.07
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			34,334.08		39,990.85
 <u>Less: PAYMENTS</u>					
Donations given	25,062.51			46,628.04	
Accountancy	300.00			-	
Reach Out - Community Project:					
Administration	935.00			-	
Equipment	633.98			-	
Wages	9,849.87			-	
Outreach	963.13			-	
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 EXCESS OF PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS			<hr/>		<hr/>
			(3,410.41)		(6,637.19)
 Bank Balance at 1st September 2023					
			8,141.59		14,778.78
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Bank Balance at 31st August 2024		£	4,731.18	£	8,141.59
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NECHELLS AND OVERSEAS CARE FUND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST AUGUST 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Bank	4,731.18	8,141.59
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Represented by:

Value of the Fund at 31st August 2024	£ 4,731.18	£ 8,141.59
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The Account set out on page 1 for the financial year ended on the above date and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities at that date set out above are as approved by the Trustees.

Signature

Date: 6th December 2024

Trustees

Rob Hooper
Helen Cullingford

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
OF NECHELLS AND OVERSEAS CARE FUND

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st August 2024, which are attached.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7) (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the Accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the Accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - . to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act; and
 - . to prepare Accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the Accounts to be reached



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