



Charity Registration No 1099276

WORKING with and for CHILDREN in ROMANIA

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2024

Children for Christ

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The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity Number 1099276

Principal Address 1 Watermead Road, Portsmouth, PO6 1LL

Trustees

The trustees serving during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Val White

John McHardy

Philip Mansfield

Alison Mansfield

David Ferries

Treasurer David Ferries

Secretary Val White

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are:

- to advance the religious education of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) in accordance with the doctrine and principles of the Christian faith, including by means of Sunday schools and Bible clubs and otherwise;
- to advance the education (including the social and physical training) of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania)
- to relieve children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by reason of their social and economic circumstances or who are suffering from illness, disease or disability; and.
- to advance such other exclusively charitable purposes for the benefit of children (and, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, children in Romania) as the Trustees shall see fit.

Achievements and Performance

The charity seeks to achieve these objectives by its close work with Copii pentru Cristos ("CpC Romania"), a Romanian registered charity, by raising funds and other aid to support the work of CpC Romania. This is achieved through the delivery of regular newsletters to a large number of supporters in England and Northern Ireland to keep them updated and interested in the work. This, together with occasional presentation visits to churches by Trustees, does prompt financial support and camp visitor interest. In the UK Children for Christ ("CfC England"), together with its team of supporters in Northern Ireland, has continued to work closely with its sister charity, Children for Christ in Scotland ("CfC Scotland"). CfC Scotland is a charity registered in Scotland with similar aims, namely to support the work of CpC Romania.

In this financial year grants totalling £27,500 were sent to CpC Romania. These grants were for annual support to assist in the costs of holiday camps, bible study materials, leaders training packs. A grant of £15,000 was sent in February 2024, £10,000 sent in August 2024 and a further £2,500 sent from donations from our Northern Ireland support group in October 2024. There were no restrictions on the grants provided in this financial year

In previous years a number of teams of volunteers from churches in the UK spent time at the campsite in Varfurile, Romania run by CpC Romania where they carried out maintenance work on the facilities on the site. Philip Mansfield, one of our Trustees, travelled to Romania with a team from his church and were in camp during the summer of 2024 and assisted in various ways when on site.

Where requested the English charity will share its experience of the Romanian camp site with visiting teams but the responsibility for the visit remains entirely with the leaders of the visiting teams. Whilst not organising the teams the charity does seek to co-ordinate the visits so as not to overload the Romanian campsite with too many volunteers at any one time.

CfC Scotland collects, sorts and pack good quality second hand clothing and household items. Our team of supporters in Northern Ireland undertakes similar work. Each Spring, together with CfC Scotland, a lorry is organised to collect the boxes of clothing together with any other aid that has been donated. This is then transported to the site in Romania. CpC Romania gives some to needy local families and also sells some locally to raise funds to support the work, whilst other aid is used directly in the running or development of the campsite.

The cost of the transportation of these goods is shared equally between CfC England and CfC Scotland and in this financial year the transportation costs borne by CfC Scotland was £7,495. Hence, the 50% share due by CfC England is £3,747.50 and that was paid in July 2024.

The planned deputation visit of the team from Romania in Oct/Nov 2024 was cancelled due to illness of one of the CpC Romania charity trustees. It is expected that a deputation on Oct/Nov 2025 will be arranged. A joint Zoom meeting with the attendance from the trustees of CpC Romania, CFC England, NI support group and CfC Scotland was convened in October 2024.

Financial Review

Fund raising is mainly carried out through visits to churches, which have personal links with the trustees and other personal efforts of the trustees.

During the year the trustees have continued to seek to raise funds by promoting the work through regular newsletters to supporters and through a range of fund-raising initiatives as well as encouraging supporters to make regular donations. A team of dedicated supporters in Northern Ireland continue to play a vital role in assisting with the fund raising.

As a small charity the income is very dependent upon the efforts of the individual trustees and supporters to publicise the work of the charity. As a result, income is expected to fluctuate significantly from one year to the next. With that in mind the funds raised during 2024 were acceptable.

The charity will maintain necessary funds for its legal future obligations and will, in addition, endeavour to maintain sufficient funds to cover donations to the overseas work equivalent to six months' donations of the agreed annual donations which are presently £7,000.

Plans for Future Periods

Together with CfC Scotland and the team in Northern Ireland it is our intention to continue to raise support for the on-going work in Romania and to support the leaders in Romania practically, financially and through prayer.

The ongoing promotion of the work by visits to interested churches will continue together with regular mailing to individual supporters. Other fundraising ideas are to be investigated throughout the coming year.

Initial investigations to the potential amalgamation of the trusteeships across Scotland and England and bringing in the team in Northern Ireland more formally showed that the present structure currently serves each charity satisfactorily in their geographical area. However, should the amalgamation of the England and Scotland charities prove to be more beneficial to the work in Romania then that would then be considered at that time.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended by the Charities Act 2022.

The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets for the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Trustees

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John McHardy', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John McHardy

Chairman of the Trustees

8 July 2025

CHILDREN FOR CHRIST (ENGLAND) - CHARITY NUMBER 1099276
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE - FY2024

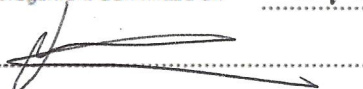
	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
Balance Brought Forward at 1 January	16,567.53	20,047.04
Income - See Table 1		
General Donations	10,824.74	11,819.93
Restricted Donations	12,500.00	15,000.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	1,912.26	1,649.78
Interest	84.23	61.69
Deputation Income	0.00	0.00
	25,321.23	28,531.40
General Expenditure - See Table 2		
Postage	174.20	294.83
Insurance	0.00	0.00
Bank charges	30.00	30.00
Fundraising expense	0.00	0.00
Trustees Travel	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Administration	0.00	82.20
Stationery	0.00	0.00
Transport	3,747.50	4,603.88
Deputation Expenses	0.00	0.00
	(3,951.70)	(5,010.91)
Donations sent to Romania - See Table 3		
Equipment	0.00	0.00
Camp / Travel Food	0.00	0.00
Children's Camp Fees	0.00	0.00
Specific Support Casa Harry	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
General Support	27,500.00	27,000.00
Volunteer grant	0.00	0.00
Transport	0.00	0.00
	(27,500.00) 31,451.7	(27,000.00)
Receipts over Expenditure	(6,130.47)	(3,479.51)
Balance Carried Forward at 31 December	10,437.06	16,567.53
Lloyds Current Account	3,255.30	7,295.00
Lloyds Deposit Account	7,155.31	7,071.08
Barclays NI Account	26.45	2,201.45
Balance Carried Forward	10,437.06	16,567.53

Approved by the Management Committee on


8/7/25

and signed on its behalf by:

Chairperson:



Treasurer:



The accounts of the charity Children for Christ (England) have been checked by me and found to be in agreement with the books, records and other explanations provided.

Signature:



Date:

22/09/2025

Name:

Leslie A Moore

Qualification:

Retired Accountant

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BALANCE SHEET - FY2024

		31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23
Balance at Bank	Lloyds Current Account	3,255.30	7,295.00
	Lloyds Deposit Account	7,155.31	7,071.08
	Barclays Current Account	26.45	2,201.45
Petty Cash	England	0.00	0.00
	N Ireland	0.00	0.00
Other Assets		0.00	0.00
Other Liabilities		0.00	0.00
Net Assets		<u>10,437.06</u>	<u>16,567.53</u>
General Reserves	England	3,410.61	7,366.08
General Reserves	N. Ireland	26.45	2,201.45
Specified Reserves	Romania Camp	0.00	0.00
	Camp Fees	0.00	0.00
	Casa Harry	0.00	0.00
	General	7,000.00	7,000.00
		<u>10,437.06</u>	<u>16,567.53</u>

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Signature:  Date: 22/09/2025

Name: Leslie A Moore

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