

**LES AMIS – BURKINA FASO**  
**Registered Charity 1120772**

**FOR THE PERIOD: 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 – 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2025**

- 1) **A meeting of the Trustees** (Gillie Nicholls-Penny and David Nicholls) was held 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025. Jude O'Mara-Spicer was unable to join us.

- 2) **Talks and presentations**

Gillie made a successful appeal in the parish of Cranleigh and Bramley in September 2024.

- 3) **Trip 2025**

For the seventh year running, there was no trip due to terrorist activity

- 4) **Our Regular Projects**

- a) Madonna & Child project
- b) The Diocese of Koupéla (Baskouré home for girls, St Monique Home for orphans, OCADES)
- c) Students/further education
- d) Ziniaré Home for girls
- e) Ab Paul Nazotin
- f) Ab Lambert Sawadogo
- g) St Joseph's Training Centre in Fada
- h) Tenkodogo Diocese

- a) **Madonna & Child project for vulnerable women and disabled children**

The fund currently assists 20 handicapped children and 20 vulnerable women. The support the mothers of handicapped children receive is money which goes towards helping the women to meet food, housing, medical and physiotherapy costs, school fees and also materials with which to make things to sell (primarily soap). It remains an important aspect of this Foundation that the women and children get together socially regularly throughout the year. They continue to be given a meal every two months. The vulnerable older women are given food.

Madonna & Child	<b>7,000</b>
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- b) **Diocese of Koupéla: protecting and educating girls**

We have continued to finance a **refuge for girls in Baskouré** which houses young girls who have run away from a forced young marriage or from areas of terrorist activity. Increasingly, girls are being taken in due to having fled massacres/terrorist activity. Our giving contributes towards the cost of food, electricity, housing, clothes, healthcare costs and training the girls in a trade (making clothes, embroidery, brewing the local beer, weaving, soap-making, raising of livestock and growing vegetables being some of their past/current activities).

We continue to fund **St Monique Home** in Gounghin (for secondary school-aged girls), all of whom are orphaned of either one or both parents.

We have continued to include **OCADES** in our giving. OCADES is an organisation which works to give training to disadvantaged girls and women.

Baskouré Refuge	9,100
St Monique Home	2,000
OCADES	2,000
	<b>13,100</b>

- c) We continue to give funds to assist **ex-St Monique girls** and also **other students** to help them access further vocational training.

Students / further education	<b>7,500</b>
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- d) We continue to support a small home for vulnerable girls in the village of Ziniaré. At this time there are seven girls.

Ziniaré Home	<b>1,000</b>
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e) **Priest of the Catholic Diocese of Fada N’Gourma**

We continue to give funds for the purpose of his being able to help, in a direct and practical way, the many individuals who approach us for assistance. This method of reaching out to the destitute is extremely valuable to Les Amis-Burkina Faso.

Give away and projects	<b>14,600</b>
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f) **Priest of the Catholic Diocese of Kaya**

We continue to give funds for the purpose of helping not only various individuals, but also a group of women to access training in specific areas.

Individuals (education)	1,500
Individuals (not education)	1,000
Training centre for women	2,000
Schools (food and equipment)	3,000
Give away	1,000
	<b>8,500</b>

- g) **St Joseph’s Training Centre, Fada:** we continue to help with the costs of training a group of runaway girls as seamstresses at the St Joseph's Training Centre in Fada. Like the home in Baskouré, more girls are arriving fleeing the terrorists which now operate in much of Burkina Faso.

St Joseph’s Training Centre, Fada	<b>3,000</b>
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- h) Our giving to Tenkodogo this year is to support the education of young and disadvantaged girls in the diocese.

Tenkodogo Diocese	<b>2,500</b>
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Each area of activity is consistent with the objectives of the charity set out in the Trust Deed lodged with The Charity Commission for England and Wales.

**5) Finances for the year**

a) **Income**

	<b>£</b>
Major donations (over £500)	26,965
Other cash and cheque donations (under £500)	7,797
Gift Aid from HMRC	6,489
Donation from GN to cover bank fees and charges	365
Standing Orders	27,619
<b>Total income</b>	<b>69,235</b>

b) **Outgoings**

	<b>£</b>
Madonna & Child	7,000
Diocese of Koupéla	13,100
Students / further education	7,500
Ziniaré Home	1,000
Priest of the Catholic Diocese of Fada N’Gourma	14,600
Priest of the Catholic Diocese of Kaya	8,500
St Joseph’s Training Centre, Fada	3,000
Tenkodogo Diocese	2,500
Bank fees and charges	365
<b>Total outgoings</b>	<b>57,565</b>



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Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	01/09/2024	To	31/08/2025	

## Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	69,235	-	-	69,235	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>69,235</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,235</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>69,235</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,235</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants and donations paid	57,200	-	-	57,200	-
Bank fees	365	-	-	365	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>57,565</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,565</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>57,565</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57,565</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>11,670</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,670</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	46,399	-	-	46,399	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>58,069</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,069</b>	<b>-</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank balances	58,069	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	58,069	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		David Nicholls	07/10/2025	
		Gillie Nicholls	07/10/2025	

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
LES AMIS BURKINA FASO (Registered charity no. 1120772)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Les Amis Burkina Faso for the year ended 31 August 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity 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 accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records

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.



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28 September 2025