

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06917504 (England and Wales)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1135339

Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 May 2024  
for  
Faith Up

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**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

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## **Faith Up**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the year ended 31 May 2024**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The Charity's aim continues to be the promotion of Christian education and evangelism and help in relieving poverty, suffering and distress. The grants made by the charity in the annual period continue to reflect these objectives, in particular the promotion of Christian education and evangelism.

Faith up has continued to give to charities, people and organisations involved with Christian education, evangelism and implementing Christian principles designed to further the wellbeing of those living in the UK and abroad. There has continued to be a significant focus on city transformation for the common good. 'City Vision' is the umbrella name under which a range of Faith Up initiatives, projects and partnerships have operated.

City Vision has continued to be the presenting face of Faith Up. Its work with church leaders, civic leaders, charities, Christian ministries and organisations in both the UK and Africa have continued to expand. Faith Up, via City Vision, has seen considerable effort put in, during the period under consideration, to the development of tools and processes, meetings and conferences and other means of enabling people of peace in cities to work more collaboratively

## **Faith Up**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the year ended 31 May 2024**

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Significant activities**

The last year has been another year of progress for the charity.

##### **Development of our Work**

Building on the work of previous years, Faith Up has continued to operate presenting face of City Vision. Those interested in seeing their cities transformed for good through the application of Christian principles, teaching and practice such as Christian leaders in the UK and abroad, in the church, business, charities and local government have continued to engage with our work in positive ways. Faith Up, through City Vision, continues to work to answer the question of how all that is best in Christianity can be brought to bear on lifting the quality of life for all living in cities.

##### **Areas of Activity**

Our main areas of activity continue to be focussed on:

- a) Enabling change through our platform. New modules have been added enabling co-learning and leader to leader collaboration
- b) Effort has gone into developing the work of Vision Wakefield, a local expression of City Vision, during a time of transition in the city when the Bishop of Wakefield and several other senior church leaders retired.
- c) Zoom sessions became more prominent in the activity this year as we developed our ability to run international gospel and educational missions in Malawi, Tanzania and Nigeria
- d) Regular training sessions continued in Oxford Street with those in the UK closely associated with our work

##### **Digital Communication Platform**

As with last year, development of the digital communications platform continued. The platform is designed to enable Christian leaders in cities to work with each other preparing to work together with civic leaders more effectively and with peers in other cities. As stated in previous year's City Vision reports, our vision is to integrate the disparate activities offered by churches in cities to enable a more coherent suite of services to be provided to each city by the church.

Development of the digital communications platform and infrastructure continued. The platform is designed to enable mutually supportive network of Christian initiatives within cities, focused on spiritual growth, community transformation and social impact.

Key components of the platform include modules that enable:

- o City-Wide Events
- o Leadership Connections
- o Media and Communication
- o Ministry and Discipleship
- o Social Impact
- o Business and Entrepreneurship
- o Learning and Development:

This vision emphasises unity, collaboration, and service, fostering a transformative Christian presence in every city.

##### **Projects in Africa**

We have continued to expand our work in Africa, particularly in Uganda, Malawi, and Tanzania. Through the use of Zoom, we have been able to arrange and broadcast preaching and teaching strengthening Christian education and evangelism efforts in the region. Our initiatives in these countries focus on equipping local leaders, supporting Christian ministries, and fostering community transformation.

##### **Continued Growth both Nationally and Internationally**

City Vision has continued to grow in influence. Frequent Zoom calls were undertaken with Christian leaders around the UK during the year to develop strategies as outlined above. Thinking concerning study tours around the model established in earlier years through visits by church leaders to Canada and Holland continued but no further visits occurred. It is hoped that a study tour to Norway might occur in 2025.

##### **Regular Zoom Sessions Conducted Within the City Vision Community.**

Morning prayer sessions continued regularly through the year three times a week hosted by invited facilitators. City Vision Governance Advisory meetings continued approximately every 6 weeks.

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### **Report of the Trustees** **for the year ended 31 May 2024**

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Conferences**

Tony Hodges, our founder, spoke at the following Christian conferences through the year.

- Unique Women Retreat Conference in Chesham: 19th - 21st July 2024. The conference was well attended by approximately 100 Christian leaders from across the UK.
- Portsmouth leaders' evening in Portsmouth - 11 May 2023
- Tony spoke at the first Portsmouth Lord Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on 12 May 2023 to over 100 people. This was arranged by Daniel Harman (a member of the CV and at whose church we did the annual prayer conference last year)

##### **Church Leader Workshops**

A real engine of progress for Faith Up (City Vision) has been its continuing work with Christian leaders in Wakefield by means of facilitated workshops. These again were led by the founder and other City Vision team leaders. The Bishop of Wakefield and another 10 church and ministry leaders have attended over 40 workshops now on a regular basis. These workshops have become the epicentre of the learning culture City Vision is seeking to develop in Wakefield and other cities.

##### **Video Production and Video Communication Strategy**

The year under review again saw extensive use of video.

In order to keep the CV community updated on the various activities regular update videos were produced.

- 4 x CV Update videos (May 2023 - Dec 2023)
- 4 x Vision Wakefield Update videos (June 2023 - April 2024)
- Facilitators Learning Community Highlight video (Oct 2023)
- City Vision on the Road in Canterbury video (May 2024)
- Vision Wakefield Awayday highlight video (May 2024)
- Vision Wakefield BBQ highlight video and Leaders invite video (Sept 2023)
- Vision Wakefield Lent Course promo (March 2024)
- Vision Wakefield Prayer every street highlight video (August 2023)
- Africa, Malawi leadership conference promo (May 2024)

##### **Other Relationships**

Support for and with our partners at The Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer continued. This is a significant national initiative to build a one million brick / one million answered prayers database as a national monument to answered prayer. As a £12-14m project, a long view is being taken but City Vision is pleased to be associated with the project. City Vision gives occasional consultancy support and advice on a pro bono basis.

##### **Public Benefit**

The foundation belief of City Vision is that the Christian God has the wellbeing of all people in a city in mind and wills their highest good whether they be of the Christian faith, of another faith or of no faith. While not under the aegis of Faith Up, our founder continued in his role as the Chair of Wakefield Business Improvement District. This proved to be a learning ground to better understand how the city works in preparation for bringing the combined church in Wakefield together with other significant stakeholders in the city.

##### **Giving**

£120 SOLAS, Apologetics and Evangelism (July 2023-May 2024)  
£200 Maximum Impact Services Ltd (June 2023)  
£120 Citizens Go (May 2023-May 2024) via credit card  
£1,000 to Transformation Leeds (July 2023)  
£200 Breaking Barriers (Sept 2023)  
Brendah Nakitend Africa £1050 (Jan 2024 & April 2024)  
£100 Cross Project (Jan 2024)

##### **Public benefit**

Education, ministry, encouragement and support for Christian purposes continue to be the aim of Faith Up. The branding of 'City Vision' has however been the presenting face for much of Faith Ups activities as the work becomes more and more focused on cities and wellbeing of those living in them. The foundation belief of City Vision is that the Christian God has the wellbeing of all people in a city in mind and wills their highest good whether they be of the Christian faith, other faiths or no faith.

## **Faith Up**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the year ended 31 May 2024**

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Governance Board**

The Faith Up advisory board continued to meet approximately every 4-6 weeks. Dennis Pethers, founder of The Rooftop ministry, continued as Chair. The board continued to enjoy the support of Andrew Rogers who previously ran the insurance division of HSBC in the Middle East, Celia Apeagyei-Collins, President of Rehoboth Ministries and Mike Brickley, former President of the Silicon Valley Bank and President of the Pocket Testament League and Ken Janke, a mission leader in Denver.

##### **Staff**

People employed by Faith Up:

- Naz Masih: Operations Lead
- Charis Dirdova: Media Lead
- Annemarie Visoinau-Kanatas: Strategic Lead (part time)
- Sarah Feroz: Junior Media Assistant (part time)

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

##### **Charitable activities**

City Vision continues to be recognised as a national peace building initiative aimed at bringing the love, peace and righteousness that is central to the Christian gospel, to city leaderships. Our work is one of reconciliation and facilitation, seeking to bring pulpit and marketplace together with civic leaders.

## **Faith Up**

### **Report of the Trustees** **for the year ended 31 May 2024**

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

##### **June 2023 - May 2024 Significant activities:**

###### **Event**

Regular: Facilitators Learning Community (FLC) Workshops  
Regular: Vision Wakefield (VW) Workshops  
Regular: Bishop Breakfasts  
Regular: Three times a week hosted morning prayer sessions  
Regular: Online City Vision breakfasts with guest speakers  
Regular: City Vision Governance Advisory Group zoom calls  
Regular: Weekly services with Pastor Elijah in Uganda  
Regular: Platform developers, frequent meetings about development  
Countless zoom meetings with various leaders throughout the year

###### **Other:**

Conference: Everything conference 16/3/23  
Conference: Speaking engagement: Antony Tembo church, Leeds 3/6/23  
Conference: City Table: The Business Connection, Dundee, 21/6/23-2/7/23  
Conference: Gathering City Changers conference, Milton Keynes 22/7/23  
Conference: ICCC conference, Uxbridge 30/6/23-2/7/23  
Conference: ICCC Business Unlimited Conference April 2024  
Conference: Speaking engagement: Healing Wings, Canterbury 4/5/24  
Conference: Speaking engagement, Leaders Connect 22/7/23  
VW: Vision Wakefield BBQ - Heath Hall 11/9/23  
VW: Mayor's pre-gathering, Elim church, Huddersfield 25/9/23  
VW: Christmas Outreach event, Treacy Hall, Wakefield 27 th October  
VW: Carolling, Wakefield 13/12/23  
VW: Christmas Card Competition event 11/1/24  
VW: Bishops Breakfast, 25/1/24  
VW: Lent Course across churches 13/3/24  
Africa: M4J Uganda Conference (online) Sept 2023  
Africa: Uganda Conference Jan 2024  
Africa: Speaking engagement; Malawi Easter Special Service (online) 29/3/24  
Africa: Online Bible School (Uganda) April 2024  
Africa: Speaking engagement: Malawi Leadership Conference (online) May 2024  
Ceremony: BID Awards Ceremony 29/9/23  
3 Cities: Lunch at Heath Hall 23/2/24  
Conference: Face to face meeting with Mayor of Leeds  
Event: Pizza Evening with Mike Brickley (Sacramento) & Daniel Buttofuoco (New York)  
Team: Awayday 19/3/24  
USA: Trip to USA (Tampa, Denver, Chicago, Toronto for meetings with Christian leaders May 2024  
USA: Conference, Global Gathering May 2024

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Principal funding sources**

As in previous years Faith Up has been privately financed by the founders and has not actively sought financial support externally.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

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**Report of the Trustees**  
**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

06917504 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1135339

**Registered office**

The Coach House

Heath

Wakefield

West Yorkshire

WF1 5SL

**Trustees**

Mrs V Hodges

A M Hodges

Ms A Visoianu Kanatas (appointed 13.9.24)

S L Banner (appointed 13.9.24)

**Independent Examiner**

Simon Hart

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 February 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A M Hodges - Trustee



**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Faith Up**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Faith Up ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 May 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

Simon Hart

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Date: .....

**Faith Up**

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

		2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	206,816	161,927
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Governance costs		17,774	163,590
Other		191,481	33,117
<b>Total</b>		209,255	196,707
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(2,439)	(34,780)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		2,177	36,957
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		(262)	2,177

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Faith Up**

**Balance Sheet**  
**31 May 2024**

		2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	Notes		
Debtors	8	8	295
Cash at bank		1,287	6,866
		<u>1,295</u>	<u>7,161</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,557)	(4,984)
		<u>(262)</u>	<u>2,177</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>			
		(262)	2,177
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		(262)	2,177
		<u>(262)</u>	<u>2,177</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		(262)	2,177
		<u>(262)</u>	<u>2,177</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds		(262)	2,177
		<u>(262)</u>	<u>2,177</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		(262)	2,177
		<u>(262)</u>	<u>2,177</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 May 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 21 February 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A M Hodges - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                      - 20% on cost

**Related party exemption**

The charitable company has taken advantage of exemption, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 May 2024

#### 2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gifts	(1)	1
Donations	206,817	161,926
	<u>206,816</u>	<u>161,927</u>

#### 3. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Finance	Governance	Totals
	£	£	costs	£
Other resources expended	176,951	-	120	177,071
Governance costs	13,143	173	4,458	17,774
	<u>190,094</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>4,578</u>	<u>194,845</u>

#### 4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accountancy	120	120
	<u>120</u>	<u>120</u>

#### 5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 May 2024 nor for the year ended 31 May 2023.

#### 6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Administration	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

#### 7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>COST</b>	
At 1 June 2023 and 31 May 2024	2,824
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	
At 1 June 2023 and 31 May 2024	2,824
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 May 2024	-
At 31 May 2023	-

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**  
**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

**8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	8	295
	<u>8</u>	<u>295</u>

**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	-	74
Accrued expenses	1,557	4,910
	<u>1,557</u>	<u>4,984</u>

**10. LEASING AGREEMENTS**

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Within one year	12,384	12,384
	<u>12,384</u>	<u>12,384</u>

The organisation entered into a rental agreement with Unity Hall for two offices on a 1 year renewable contract .

**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 May 2024.

**Faith Up**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the year ended 31 May 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gifts	(1)	1
Donations	206,817	161,926
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	206,816	161,927
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<b>Total incoming resources</b>	206,816	161,927
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Donations	4,790	3,465
Travel	9,620	13,370
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	14,410	16,835
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Wages	104,512	105,189
Pensions	2,578	7,142
Insurance	1,800	2,040
Postage and stationery	3,132	4,538
Advertising	8,765	1,474
Room Hire	270	10,270
Consultancy	17,272	26,534
Computer costs	51,765	18,480
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	190,094	175,667
<b>Finance</b>		
Sundries	76	-
Bank charges	97	35
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	173	35
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Auditors' remuneration	120	120
Accountancy and legal fees	4,458	4,050
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	4,578	4,170
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<b>Total resources expended</b>	209,255	196,707
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<b>Net expenditure</b>	(2,439)	(34,780)
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