



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	1	April	2021		31	March	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Adonai UK

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1136724

Charity's principal address

11 Roselands

Totland Bay

Isle of Wight

Postcode

PO39 0DB

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	Richard Britton	Chair		
2	Hazel Britton	Vice-Chair		
3	Christine Allwright	Child Sponsorship Coordinator		
4	Sue Boardman	Finance Officer		
5	Dina Haywood			
6	Dave Haywood			

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

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

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)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the existing board of trustees in line with our trust deed

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.

An annual meeting is held at the end of the financial year at which policies and procedures (including financial controls) are reviewed, annual accounts presented, projects in Uganda evaluated and plans formulated for the coming financial year. As part of this meeting, trustees' roles and responsibilities are also evaluated and commitments made for the coming year.

During the year, the trustees are in regular contact with each other via email, telephone and video links. The Child Sponsorship Coordinator, Administrative Officer and Finance Officer are also in regular contact with Adonai Family Uganda. This is mainly by email but urgent messages requiring an immediate response are sent and received via WhatsApp.

All decisions re projects to be supported by Adonai UK are made jointly with the Director of Adonai Family Uganda, Pastor Aloysious Luswata.

Adonai Family Uganda (AFU) has a sister organisation Ruach Life (RL). It has no official status in the UK but does have an informal support base. AFU, RL and Adonai UK have an agreement that funds from the UK for RL will be sent via the Adonai UK bank account to the AFU account and that AFU will take responsibility for the onward transfer to RL.

Adonai UK keeps accurate records of money sent, the donors and the intended recipients. These details are sent to AFU when bank transfers are made. Details can be seen in a separate section of our annual accounts. Adonai UK sends these funds with a statement of intended use. The UK Ruach Life committee takes responsibility for monitoring that they are used in the intended way. This arrangement is set out clearly in our document 'Financial Procedures and Statement of Risk'.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The prevention or relief of poverty in Africa, particularly Uganda, by providing: grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.

The prevention or relief of poverty or financial hardship in Africa, particularly Uganda, by providing or assisting in the provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all the necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

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)

BACKGROUND

Adonai UK was formed primarily to support the work of Adonai Family Uganda (AFU), a Ugandan NGO based in the Wakiso District of Uganda. AFU was initially supported informally by individuals in the UK who knew the Director of AFU (Aloysius Luswata) personally. As the scope of the work in Uganda expanded, Aloysius asked if the UK support could be formalised and so Adonai UK was founded. It was registered as a UK charity in July 2010.

Adonai Family Uganda operates a Child Development Centre (The Adonai Centre) which comprises a primary school, a medical centre, and two children's homes for those with nowhere else to live. These are all situated on the same plot of land with the medical centre being open to the wider community and having a separate access road. The whole plot is surrounded by a perimeter fence. A staff accommodation block is situated nearby and a home for vulnerable teenage girls has been built on the site of the Director's home – his wife keeps a watchful eye on the girls whilst also encouraging independence. This project is called 'Give Her A Chance'. Adonai UK has contributed to all buildings and many of the projects connected to the work of Adonai Family Uganda – see 'specific projects' below.

Friends of Adonai in the U.S. have funded a safe water system which benefits not only the centre but also those living nearby. Adonai UK has sent funds to enable a second stage of this project which will be partly funded by the Rotary Club of Rubaga – more detail on page 4.

AFU also operates micro-finance schemes in the local community giving opportunity for those in need to generate a sustainable income although one of these, the piggery project, came to a halt this year due to a nationwide outbreak of swine fever.

THE WORK OF ADONAI UK

Child Sponsorship Scheme

Our principal activity is long-term support through the running of a child sponsorship scheme. Details of children and young people in need are sent to our Child Sponsorship Coordinator, Christine, by the team at AFU (Adonai Family Uganda). The entire trustee board is responsible for promoting the scheme and finding potential sponsors. Christine links sponsor and sponsee, acting as the conduit for communications between them.

Sponsorship is paid monthly by standing order to the Adonai UK bank account and is then transferred bi-monthly to the Adonai Family Uganda bank account. Many sponsors also choose to send a monetary gift for their nominated child's birthday or at Christmas and this is itemised on the record of the bank transfer.

On rare occasions, sponsors are asked if they would like to contribute towards other expenses such as medical needs or specific equipment for college courses. Some sponsors elect to support their sponsee in their first steps of work by helping with initial costs.

Our Finance Officer keeps accurate records of all monies received and sends this, in spreadsheet format, to AFU when the bank transfer is made. A copy is also sent in advance to the admin officer for checking and approval.

All funds sent by Adonai UK are administered by the team at Adonai Family Uganda who ensure that individual needs are met as far as the finance will allow. Whilst some of the sponsored children live in the homes at The Adonai

Centre, others live with extended family. In the case of the latter, the whole family is supported pastorally and immediate daily needs such as food and essential items met.

Our Child Sponsorship Scheme ensures that we meet the charitable objectives set out above with the public benefit being to the sponsored children and their families or carers.

Our activities are all dedicated to meeting our charitable objectives with the main public benefit being to the children and young people sponsored along with their immediate families/carers. Young people are given the opportunities, support and tools to become independent adults with the capability to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient. Each year we see some of our older 'children' graduate and enter the world of work thus breaking free of the cycle of poverty - although lockdowns due to Covid have been a barrier to this for the last 2 years. The relief and prevention of poverty is the cornerstone of all we do.

Over the years, we have funded, or helped fund, the building of children's homes for those with no family to care for them, the purchase of agricultural land to help self-sufficiency and sustainability of the homes, a perimeter fence for security, the second stage of the safe water project, and ongoing maintenance including regular replenishing of mosquito nets and mattresses. We also fund a Christmas project each year which gives widows and needy families fresh beef and sacks of rice whilst the sponsored children receive a useful gift and pre-Covid, enjoyed a party

Whilst most benefit is to the children and young people associated with Adonai Child Development Centre, it also extends to the wider community through the Christmas Food project, the work of the medical centre, and employment opportunities at The Adonai Centre.

ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT: APRIL 2021 – END OF MARCH 2022

We ended our previous annual report with the news that schools had reopened and a phased return had been instigated. We also stated that not all children had returned due to changes in circumstances during the lockdown.

Sadly, all changed during the initial period covered by this report. The infants were looking forward to their imminent return but then.... disaster struck. A deadly 3rd wave of Covid struck Africa and a second very stringent lockdown was instigated in Uganda. The school and children's homes were closed again. This time, no travel was allowed between districts so all the bounty from the farmland at Mubende was out of reach. Food and medication prices rocketed, the microscope at the medical centre broke, a landslip occurred on the site of the Give Her a Chance home.

Aloysious tried to persuade the authorities that the children would be safer in their bubbles in the homes than dispersed in the community, but his pleas fell on deaf ears. The reason given for the main homes being closed was that they were on the same site as the school (which was closed!). For the 'Give Her A Chance' home, which is on a different site, the reason given was lack of a clean water supply. This is being addressed. Plans have been drawn up and approved for a deep water well and a supply system similar to that on the main site. It will not only serve the Girl's home but also a local secondary school and the local community. The Rotary Club of Rubaga agreed to finance two thirds of the project if Adonai came up with the balance of £9500. We were able to fund this

partly thanks to a valiant supporter who ran his first-ever marathon to raise funds for it. At the time of writing, the funds are all in place, but the work has been unable to start due to the lockdown.

We launched another appeal when we learnt how desperate AFU were for funds and once again the Adonai UK supporters came up trumps. Having already sent £21k since the first lockdown was announced, we sent another £9k. A zoom call with Aloysious and Abbi enabled us to realise the full extent of the problem and also for some combined lateral thinking. We learnt that although private vehicles could not travel between districts (in fact, they could not be used at all), a truck would be allowed to gather crops from the Mubende farm and deliver them to Adonai for distribution. This was funded and actioned. Once again, Aloysious was given permission to use his vehicle – this time for medical centre purposes – and this facilitated much of the deliveries to families in need.

Aloysious and team have not only been delivering food and medical supplies, but also basic PPE and hygiene kits (plastic bowls and soap). We all know how important regular and thorough handwashing is in the fight against Covid and indeed all diseases. They have been teaching and encouraging the community to follow social distancing procedures and stressing the importance of self-isolation when symptoms develop. None of this is straightforward in a culture that depends on community and where much of life is lived outside. Homes do not necessarily have space for isolating. However, with hospitals at capacity, oxygen in very short supply, and very few vaccines available prevention is essential. Their strategy seems to be paying off: whilst some local residents have lost their lives to Covid, no-one under the Adonai umbrella has died despite testing positive and being very poorly.

Lockdown life was the norm for the remainder of 2021. Adonai UK continued to fund the ongoing feeding programme and respond to urgent needs if we could. The Adonai gardens had a good harvest but by October all the food had been harvested and distributed. We sent funds for replanting and for staple food supplies e.g. sacks of rice, to feed people up until Christmas. The Safe Water Project at Buddo hit some snags – a combination of lockdown, the sudden death of one of the construction engineers, and the protocols to be implemented via the partnership with the Rotary Club. We are awaiting a further update. Funds were also sent for the provision of basic PPE to the community – soap, bowls etc. and to clean up the children's homes and classrooms in preparation for the expected reopening of schools in January 2022.

A piggery project which helped local people to be self-sufficient was stopped during this period as swine fever spread through the country. Adonai UK was not directly involved with this project but was saddened to hear of its demise.

In December 2021, it was announced by the Ugandan Government that schools would indeed reopen in January. In anticipation of this, and to address concerns that many children would not return to education, Aloysious and team made plans for a motivational camp to be held before Christmas. The education authority granted permission with certain stipulations, we sent funds, and a very successful camp was held from December 8th – 10th. Numbers were restricted to 85 including staff so some tough decisions needed to be made but all the children invited benefitted greatly and all made the decision to return to full-time education once schools reopened. The camp included talks from 3 motivational speakers, including a former Adonai pupil; nourishing meals;

counselling; and lots of fun.

Adonai UK had once again run a Christmas appeal and with no party allowed again due to lockdown restrictions, the camp gave the perfect opportunity to distribute the gifts funded by sponsors. It also provided an opportunity for sponsored children to write to their sponsors but unfortunately the letters, posted in the main post office in Kampala, never arrived. The member of staff who took them contracted Covid on the trip to town so all in all, the letter writing was not a successful venture.

As usual, we sent funds for Christmas meat and rice which was distributed to those in need in the community.

Ugandan schools finally reopened in January 2022 and we are delighted to report that after a slow start, most of our sponsored children did eventually return. We received class lists in March and Christine has been dutifully informing sponsors of their children's progress. Letters from the sponsored children were written in the lead up to Easter and have arrived safely in the UK. These are now winging their way to sponsors.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Individuals or groups of supporters sometimes choose to raise funds for Adonai UK via coffee mornings, suppers, giving talks, selling items at tabletop sales etc.

Occasionally someone will undertake a sponsored event. In 2021, a supporter ran his first ever marathon to raise funds for the safe water project.

Our PLI covers all such activities if undertaken in our name.

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

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- 76 children are currently being sponsored.
- A motivational camp was funded with the knock-on effect that all children who attended made the decision to return to school in January.
- The Christmas appeal enabled all sponsored children to receive a useful gift of clothes or blankets.
- Fresh beef was distributed to widows and the needy in the local community at Christmas with those in most need also receiving a sack of rice.
- Ongoing maintenance of the three children's homes.
- £4k sent for the safe water project.
- £13k sent for Covid support: essential food and medical supplies, PPE, home schooling materials; preparation of homes and classrooms.

Monitoring of the projects at AFU takes place via:

- Visits to AFU by trustees and other supporters (not possible during the pandemic)
- Written and photographic reports from the Director of AFU along with video calls when possible.

News and achievements are reported to Adonai UK supporters and sponsors via email updates and our Facebook page. News of individual sponsored children is given directly to the sponsor by email or occasionally in person or by telephone if an 'urgent' situation arises e.g. illness.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

N/A

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

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.

SOURCES OF FUNDS

The bulk of our funds are from the Child Sponsorship programme (see section C) and are directed towards specific children for daily needs such as education, food, medical needs. N.B. Children and families do not receive the funds directly but are included in the educational, food and medical care programmes administered by Adonai Family Uganda who ensure that all their needs are met. Individuals or groups of supporters sometimes choose to raise funds for Adonai UK via coffee mornings, suppers, giving talks, selling items at tabletop sales etc. See Section C.

During the pandemic, we have run a specific Covid appeal with funds from this meeting specific needs as outlined by the Director of AFU. Uses have included food supplies, plants for growing food, medication, PPE, home schooling materials, preparation of the school and children's homes for the return to 'normal' life.

EXPENDITURE

Expenditure is kept to a minimum and comprises 2 items:

- Bank charges for the two-monthly transfer to Uganda (£15 per transfer during the time of this report)
- Public Liability Insurance

All expenditure is covered from general funds NOT from child sponsorship money or events held to support a specific project. All funds given by sponsors support 'their' child and all funds raised go to the project they were raised for. Some supporters donate regularly to general funds.

All sponsors and supporters are invited to Gift Aid their contributions and this gives a large boost to funds available.

Section F

Other optional information

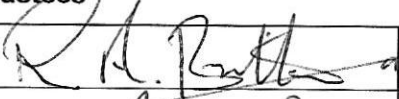
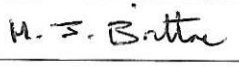
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Section G

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)	RICHARD ANTHONY BRITTON	HAZEL JEAN BRITTON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	VICE-CHAIR
Date	14/07/2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2021

To

31/03/2022

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Adonai-Sponsorship & Donations	2,974	27,457		30,431	32,466
Ruach Life-Sponsorship & Gifts		6,595		6,595	20,955
Training and Tuition Fees		2,150		2,150	-
Building Projects		4,000		4,000	-
Covid Appeal		13,068		13,068	9,323
Maintenance Fund		400		400	400
Fundraising-Ugandan Supper				0	600
Retailer Cashback	47			47	-
Gift Aid Receipts	9,986			9,986	14,276
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	13,007	53,670		66,677	78,020
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	13,007	53,670	-	66,677	78,020
A3 Payments					
Adonai-Sponsorship & Donations		27,457		27,457	30,716
Ruach Life-Sponsorship & Donations		6,595		6,595	20,955
Training and Tuition Fees		2,150		2,150	300
Building Project	5,500	4,000		9,500	-
Covid Appeal	10,008	13,068		23,076	21,104
Maintenance Fund		400		400	400
Bank Trf Costs- UK to Uganda	135			135	165
Insurance	505			505	506
Sub total	16,148	53,670		69,818	74,146
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	16,148	53,670	-	69,818	74,146
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,141	-	-	3,141	3,874
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,358	3,240		10,598	6,724
Cash funds this year end	4,217	3,240	-	7,457	10,598

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at Bank	4,217	3,240	-
	Total cash funds	4,217	3,240	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

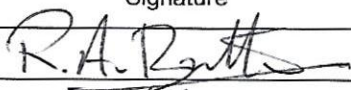
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Gift Aid Claim for Six months to 31.03.22	4,246	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	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
	R. A. BRITTON	14/7/2022
M. S. Britton	M. S. BRITTON	14/7/2022



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

ADONAI UK

On accounts for the year
ended

31.3.2022

Charity no
(if any)

1136724

Set out on pages

1 and 2.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31.3.2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives 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

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

7.7.2022

Name:

GRAHAM SHERWOOD

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

80, PACKEDHAM ROAD

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.