



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

01 January 2024

To

Period end date

31 December 2024

Charity name My Child

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1137445

Charity's principal address 52 Ashley Street

Sible Hedingham

Essex

Postcode

CO9 3EH

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 Matthew Savage | Chair | | |
| 2 Ruth Savage | Treasurer | | |
| 3 Cheryl Reid | | | |
| 4 | | | |
| 5 | | | |

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

| Name | Dates acted if not for whole year |
|------|-----------------------------------|
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| | |

Description of the charity's trusts

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Type of governing document (eg trust deed, constitution) | Trust Deed made 09.06.10 |
| How the charity is constituted (eg trust, association, company) | Trust |
| Trustee selection methods (eg appointed by, elected by) | Appointed by existing trustees. |

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.

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

A) Prevention or Relief of Poverty

1. The prevention of poverty in African countries by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.
2. The relief of financial hardship in African countries by providing or assisting in provision of education, training, healthcare projects and all necessary support designed to enable individuals to generate a sustainable income and be self-sufficient.

B) Advancement of Religion

1. To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public through holding prayer meetings, retreats, mentoring programmes that will enable people to realise their identity, gifts and purpose, producing and/or distributing literature on Christianity to enlighten others about the Christian faith.
2. To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the My Child statement of faith.

C) Advancement of Education

1. For the public benefit to promote the education of people in African countries in such a way as the trustees think fit and by such other charitable means as the trustees shall from time to time determine.

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)

My Child UK raises funds to support the work of My Child Uganda. The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The funds raised support the following work.

Child Sponsorship in Uganda – Through this programme we are fulfilling objects A and C. Money given for Child Sponsorship from UK sponsors is used for school fees, books, uniforms and feeding while at school.

School in Uganda – One of the long term goals of My Child is to build a school in Uganda. This will fulfil objects A and C. In 2011 the land for the school was purchased and plans for the building were drawn up. Building work has not yet begun on the land as funds are still being raised. This fulfils object A.

Charity Shop – The charity shop enables those without monetary resources to meet their needs through trade. Anyone can go to the shop and swap something that they have in exchange for something that they need. Surplus food generated by the swap shop is given to needy people in the area. We have been loaned an acre of land to grow food for the people that are fed by the shop. Local Pastors put together a rota that enables them to sit in the shop and share the Christian faith with members of the community. They often take time to pray for people's needs. The charity shop fulfils objects A and B.

Mission Trips to Uganda – The mission trips fulfil object B by providing opportunities for those on the trip to share their Christian faith with both individuals and larger groups. For those taking part in the mission trips it is not only a time to serve through short-term work but also an opportunity to visit the projects run by My Child and see the work that My Child is doing in Uganda. Attendees often go back to the UK inspired and encouraged to promote the work of My Child.

Providing Aid in Uganda – Where My Child sees a need it can help to meet, we will provide aid in those situations. My Child currently raises funds for a Christmas Hamper appeal that provides food for needy families for 3 weeks over the Christmas period. This fulfils object A.

Conferences – The charity runs Christian conferences in Uganda to support people in their spiritual development.

Library - My Child Uganda has set up a library and fitted it out with books and computers. Education projects are also run from the library.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

My Child sent grants of over £15,000 to My Child Uganda during 2024. Below we have detailed what My Child Uganda have achieved with the money provided.

Child Sponsorship

The charity is deeply grateful for the child sponsorship programme, which has opened the door to formal education for many children. This year, we're proud to share that three of the sponsored students have successfully completed their A-Levels. At present, there are 36 students enrolled in the programme.

Bukomelo Charity Swap Shop:

On Friday, 24 November 2024, My Child Uganda proudly launched a new charity shop in the village of Bukomelo. The event was well-attended by members of the community, including the local Mayor.

The shop is currently providing essential food for 10 elderly people, with the number steadily growing. Since opening, the shop has welcomed 89 customers, and we anticipate even more visitors as we approach the Easter season.

Conferences

My Child Uganda recently hosted a youth conference for girls aged 13 to 20, which brought together 155 participants and was a resounding success. Through worship, games, and meaningful discussions, the girls felt empowered to openly share the challenges they face at school and at home. Following the positive impact of the event, the community has requested support in organising a similar gathering for boys.

Library

The library has had 453 individual visits benefitting from its resources. My Child Uganda are hosting digital literacy classes for adults and computer lessons for youth and adults.

Christmas Food Hampers

It was a privilege to provide Christmas Hampers to those in need. My Child Uganda delivered essential food packages to 100 households, each containing 5kg of sugar, 5kg of beans, 5kg of rice, and 10kg of maize flour. These supplies sustained 956 individuals through to the end of January. Before the distribution, the team had the opportunity to share the Gospel, and we rejoice that 26 individuals made the decision to embrace Jesus.

Other Events

- 2 men's conference with 300 participants from various villages.
- A parents meeting attended by 10 parents
- 3 school visits, speaking to 300 students and 10 coming to faith.
- 3 women's conference were organised in the village attended by 350 women
- My Child Uganda facilitated for 9 individuals to get eye tests and glasses, three of which were pastors.
- While in the UK Ruth Kirabo, who leads the My Child Uganda team, visited over 10 churches, fostering connections and support.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At the end of 2024 the charity held £12,478 in cash funds, of which £407 were for restricted purposes. No funds were in deficit. The target of the trustees of My Child is to hold up to 6 month's expenditure (£11,000 based on 2024 figures) in reserves.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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.

Trustees Matt and Ruth Savage received refunds of charity related expenses totalling £759.76 during 2024. Of this £737.76 was for Ruth Kirabo's flights to the UK and £22 was for My Child website domain costs.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)





Full name(s)

Cheryl Reid

Matt Savage

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee

Chair

Date

04-May-2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

My Child

1137445

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2024

To

31/12/2024

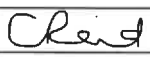
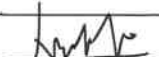
Section A Receipts and payments

| | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds | Total funds | Last year |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ | to the nearest £ |
| A1 Receipts | | | | | |
| Donations | 21,954 | 60 | - | 22,014 | 15,960 |
| Partner Income | 880 | - | - | 880 | 840 |
| Child Sponsorship | - | 280 | - | 280 | 255 |
| Fundraising | - | 2,788 | - | 2,788 | 948 |
| Gift Aid | 829 | - | - | 829 | 653 |
| Bank Interest | 103 | - | - | 103 | 50 |
| Bank Compensation Payment | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mission Donation | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total (Gross income for AR) | 23,766 | 3,128 | - | 26,894 | 18,706 |
| A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table). | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total receipts | 23,766 | 3,128 | - | 26,894 | 18,706 |
| A3 Payments | | | | | |
| Grant to My Child Uganda | 12,573 | 3,210 | - | 15,783 | 15,272 |
| R Lovell Expenses | 4,827 | - | - | 4,827 | 4,732 |
| IT Costs | 22 | - | - | 22 | 10 |
| Bank Charges | 40 | - | - | 40 | 74 |
| Insurance | 176 | - | - | 176 | 165 |
| Flights | 738 | - | - | 738 | 795 |
| Shipping | 83 | - | - | 83 | - |
| Fundraising Costs | - | - | - | - | 52 |
| Postage UK | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 18,459 | 3,210 | - | 21,669 | 21,100 |
| A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table) | | | | | |
| Mobile phone | 679 | - | - | 679 | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sub total | 679 | - | - | 679 | - |
| Total payments | 19,138 | 3,210 | - | 22,348 | 21,100 |
| Net of receipts/(payments) | 4,628 | - 82 | - | 4,546 | - 2,394 |
| A5 Transfers between funds | - | - | - | - | - |
| A6 Cash funds last year end | 7,443 | 489 | - | 7,932 | 10,326 |
| Cash funds this year end | 12,071 | 407 | - | 12,478 | 7,932 |

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 | Co-operative Bank Current Account | 5,410 | 407 | - |
| | Co-operative Bank Savings Account | 5,661 | - | - |
| | Unbanked cheque | 1,000 | - | - |
| | | 12,071 | 407 | - |
| | (agree balances with receipts and payments account (s)) | | | |
| | | Unrestricted funds to nearest £ | Restricted funds to nearest £ | Endowment funds to nearest £ |
| B2 Other monetary assets | Gift Aid Sep-Dec 24 | 120 | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | - | - | - |
| B3 Investment assets | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use | | Fund to which asset belongs | Cost (optional) | Current value (optional) |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| | | | - | - |
| B5 Liabilities | | Fund to which liability relates | Amount due (optional) | When due (optional) |
| | R Lovell Mileage Dec 24 | General | 61 | |
| | Rent Aug-Dec 24 | General | 981 | |
| | | | - | |

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

| Signature | Print Name | Date of approval |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
|  | Cheryl Reid | 04-May-2025 |
|  | Matt Savage | 04-May-2025 |

Details of Funds:

Christmas Appeal (Restricted)
School (Restricted)
Teacher's Pay (Restricted)
Youth Booklets (Restricted)

£80
£249
£18
£60

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of My Child

Registered charity number: 1137445

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records

I 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.



Signed:

Date: 18th July 2025

Stephen Hendy

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