



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date		
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
From 1	1	2024	To 31	12	2024

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Family of Hope

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1156732

Charity's principal address

1, The Maltings

West Ilsley

Postcode

RG20 7AX

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	Amanda Slater			
2	Kerry Mcleish			
3	Alex Horlock			
4	Jennie Slatter			
5	Briony Slater			
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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)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by 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.

We have a team of 5 Directors in Uganda and have been registered in Uganda as a Community Based Organisation.

All our trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefit.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

To act as a resource for young people living in Jinja District by helping young people develop their skills and capabilities to participate in society, by advancing education.

To promote social inclusion

To advance the education of the pupils at The Family of Hope Education Centre.

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)

The children in our school have been unable to attend school elsewhere due to extreme poverty or their individual complex learning needs. The children are thriving and benefitting from the school, socially and educationally. It is clear from our visits that the children are happy, thriving and enjoying the range of activities we can offer through the small classes. They are benefitting from hands on learning, extra teacher time and learning through play and activities alongside the more traditional Ugandan 'Chalk and Talk' education.

The school in Uganda is a registered community based organisation and day to day running and decision making is by our Ugandan trustee and staff team in collaboration with the UK trustees.

The families and parents are delighted and grateful that their children can go to school. A benefit we had not considered initially is the respite time this gives the children's carers, whether a single Mum with a severely autistic child or a poverty stricken Grandma caring for her orphaned grandchildren whom she cannot afford to send to school.

The community is benefitting by us providing work, schooling, buying local food and resources. The community are enjoying using the football pitch and playground. The community is also seeing clearly how we value each and every one of our children and consider them worth spending time, money and energy on improving their quality of life. These SEN children are often left alone and not considered worth educating.

The trustees are not benefitting from the charity. We declare that the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

We are very grateful to all our volunteers who support us in so many ways giving their time, skills and energy to the project both here and in Uganda.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year



2024 at Family of Hope

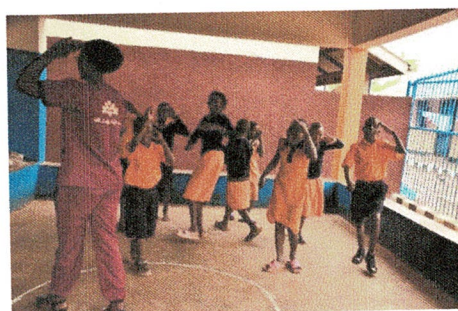
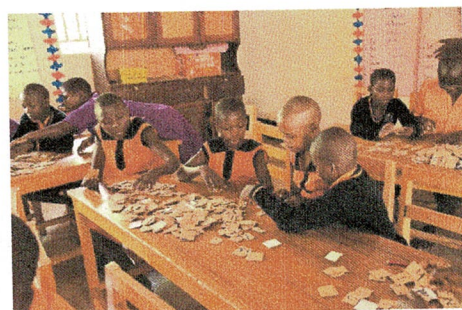
2024 has been a really special year for us as we celebrated ten amazing years of Family of Hope.

We still have our five teachers, two amazing matrons, our night watchman and our farmer. They all worked incredibly hard to look after our 100 fabulous children. We now have 5 Ugandan trustees who meet regularly to ensure everything is running smoothly behind the scenes.

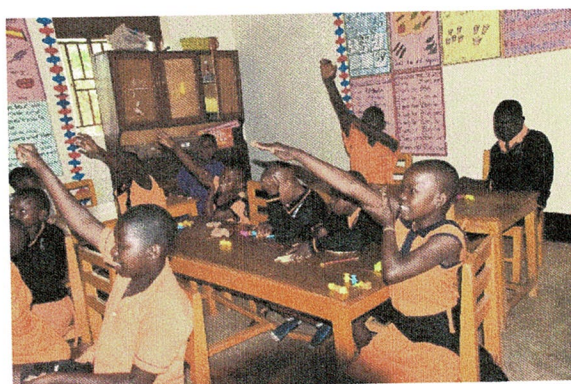
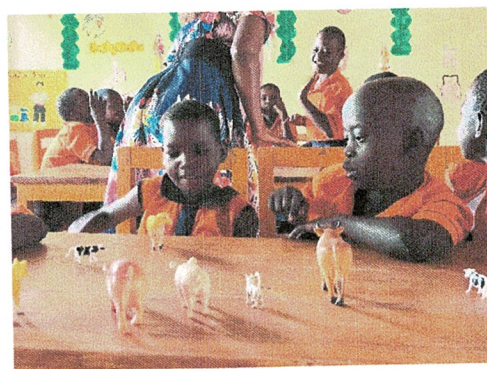
In April we celebrated our ten year anniversary with a march through the town accompanied by a brass band. This was great fun for everyone, and we walked to the site of our first school in tiny rented rooms. After our march we had a gathering to which we welcomed parents, the community and important guests from the councils and education department. It was wonderful to hear from the guests the impact that Family of Hope is having on the local community, region and even at national level. The children had prepared some entertainments, and we were able to share food with everyone. It was a very special and happy day.



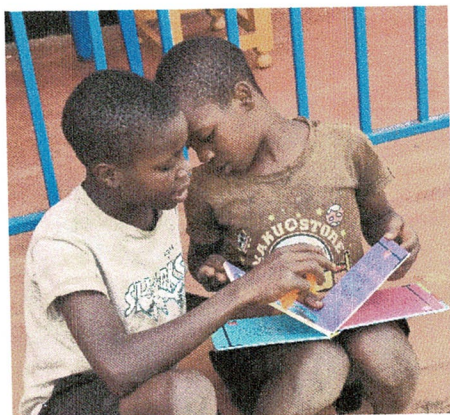
The children are thriving under the care of our amazing teachers and matrons. They work so hard to make sure everyone is included, learning and that they are happy. We have been so impressed with the hands on lessons that really help the children to be active and involved in their learning. Here is Teacher Christine doing some practical phonics sessions.



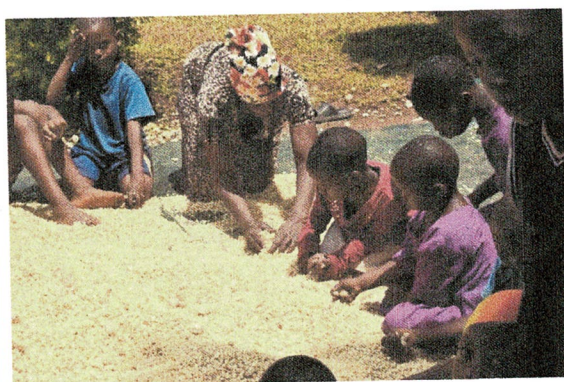
The classrooms are looking great with lots of pictures on the walls. The children are happy and smiling in class and obviously enjoying their learning.



The children love looking at picture books. It is wonderful to see some children helping others to read the books or children pointing out letters and sounds that they recognise in the texts. We have been very grateful for donations of lots of picture books to take out to the school. Thank you very much.



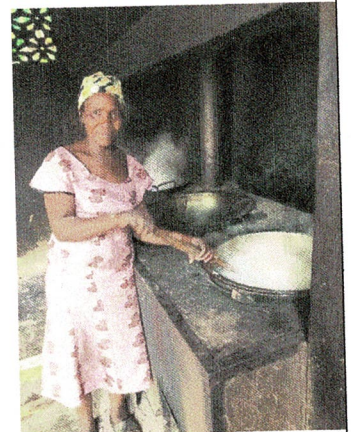
Aswell as learning in the classrooms the children are learning life skills with their matrons. They help with chores, learn how to look after themselves and wash their clothes. The children help with harvesting food from the garden and preparing it in the kitchen. Here they are helping to sort the harvested maize.



In the afternoon the children learn simple vocational skills like making mats, hair braiding and making ropes. The children work together to make long ropes from banana fibres and then thoroughly enjoy using them as jump ropes.



In the kitchen we have our amazing cook Samali who works so hard to feed all our children every day. Even our non-boarders have hot food during the school day. Making maize porridge for 70 children and hot lunches and supper is no mean feat. Thank you, Samali, for all your hard work.



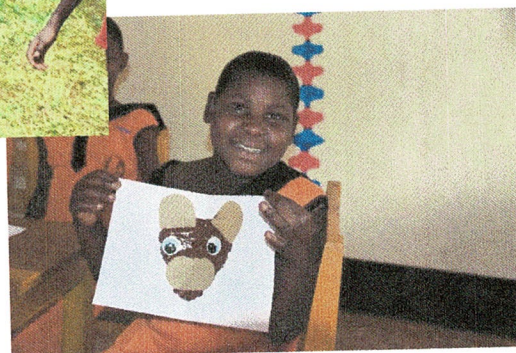
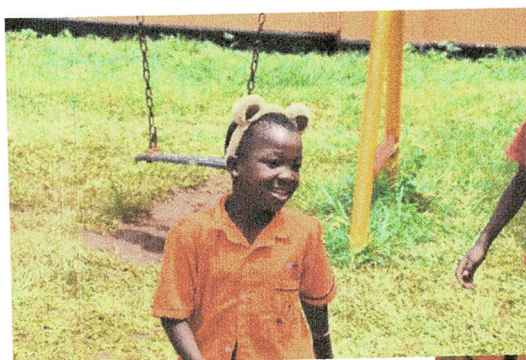
The children help with looking after the animals and on the land as well. They are supported by Henry our amazing farmer. Our Passion Fruit Project is doing really well and our banana plantation is providing lots of fruit. The Eucalyptus trees we are growing for firewood are thriving. We are using our second farm plot to grow more of our own food while we raise the funds for the vocational centre.



We have 31 children in extreme poverty attending local primary schools with their sponsor's support. They are still making great progress at seven different primary schools. The children all joined us for our ten year celebrations and we also had a lovely day with them when we visited. We are so proud of how hard they are working and all their achievements.



While the trustees were in Uganda in 2024 we spent some time in the classrooms and enjoyed doing some teaching. We enjoyed lots of activities based around the story 'We are Going on a Bear Hunt' and great fun was had by all.



The children thoroughly enjoy your donated toys. Thank you so much for thinking of us when you pass on your old toys, games and clothes.



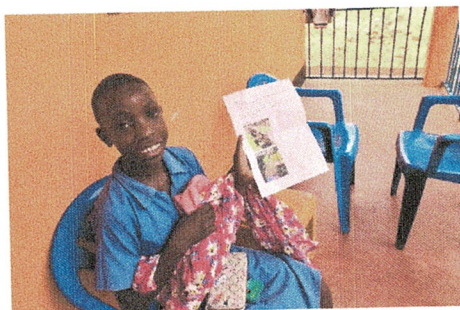
Our football pitch is still used every day by our own children, other local schools, the community youth football and netball teams and for community meetings. Our children use it for ball games, running and athletics as well as supporting any community games. The Family of Hope Community Christmas Football Cup grows bigger every year and the ladies netball teams are part of the competition too. It is great fun for everyone and the community come along in their hundreds to support.



We are still raising funds for our new vocational centre so do get in touch if you or anyone you know could help with that. We are also asking everyone to consider raising their donation by £5 to help us meet a shortfall due to increasing costs in Uganda. You should have received a letter about this and hope you will consider whether you can help us in this way.

If you know of anyone who would like to help us build our new centre or companies etc who may like to sponsor a UK registered charity for a year, please do get in touch.

We would like to thank everyone who sponsors children with us. The children love receiving your photographs, letters and gifts and for a few people they sometimes get to meet their sponsor child when visiting the school. What a special experience for everyone involved. We hope you love seeing their photos as much as they enjoy seeing yours.



We have a you tube channel where we upload little videos. Do check it out for some action! <https://www.youtube.com/@familyofhopeuganda>

Thank you to everyone for a fabulous 2024 and for all your donations of money, items and time.

Please keep up to date by checking out the web site www.familyofhope.co.uk , liking our page on Facebook www.facebook.com/familyofhope.co.uk or following us on Instagram @familyofhopeug.

Email us at: info@familyofhope.co.uk

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At present the charity keeps a reserve of up to £40,000, a year's running costs.
We are beginning to fundraise for the Vocational Centre so our reserve will go up as we save for this.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

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.

All our funding this year has come from individual donors.

We run a programme of 'Child Sponsorship' and have 50 children sponsored.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>A Slater</i>	<i>A Hoelock</i>
Full name(s)	Amanda Slater	A Hoelock
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee

Date

03/06/2025

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2024	To	31/12/2024
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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					
Donations	49,830	-	-	49,830	-
Donations for travel	-	3,000	-	3,000	-
Donations for school	-	9,443	-	9,443	-
Donations for guest house	-	8,400	-	8,400	-
Fraudulent transactions (refund)	3,045	-	-	3,045	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	52,875	20,843	-	73,718	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	52,875	20,843	-	73,718	-
A3 Payments					
General - spend in Uganda	790	-	-	790	-
General - spend in UK	496	-	-	496	-
School - spend in Uganda	-	52,823	-	52,823	-
School - spend in UK	-	467	-	467	-
Guest House - spend in Uganda	-	7,100	-	7,100	-
Travel - spend in UK	-	2,188	-	2,188	-
Fraudulent transactions (refunded)	3,045	-	-	3,045	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	4,331	62,578	-	66,909	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	4,331	62,578	-	66,909	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	48,544	- 41,735	-	6,809	-
A5 Transfers between funds	- 43,847	43,847	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	38,211	4,107	-	42,318	-
Cash funds this year end	42,908	6,219	-	49,127	-

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

Categories

B1 Cash funds

	OK	OK	OK	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))
Total cash funds	-	6,219	42,908	
	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	
	-	6,219	42,908	
Unrestricted funds to nearest £				
Restricted funds to nearest £				
Endowment funds to nearest £				

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

B2 Other monetary assets

-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	

B3 Investment assets

Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

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B5 Liabilities

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

Signature	<i>A. Horlock</i>	<i>A. Horlock</i>
Print Name	Amanda Slater	A. Horlock
Date of approval	13/5/25	4/6/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Family of Hope

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1156732

Set out on pages

1 and 2 of this document

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and 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 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 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:

27 May 2025

Name:

Melvyn Cook

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

FRSC, FRSB

Address:

Clock Cottage, West Ilsley, Newbury, Berkshire RG20 7AW.

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.

None.