

ROMANIAN MINISTRIES

England & Wales - Charity number 1159517

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Company number [CE002428](#)

Registered 2014-12-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN ROMANIA AND AMONG ROMANIAN SPEAKING PEOPLE BY THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL OR MATERIAL AID, OR BY WHATEVER FORM OF SUPPORT THE TRUSTEES DEEM FIT.THE RELIEF OF POVERTY IN ROMANIA AND AMONG ROMANIAN SPEAKING PEOPLE BY THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL OR MATERIAL AID, OR BY WHATEVER FORM OF SUPPORT THE TRUSTEES DEEM FIT.

Activities: Funding of Christian Ministries in Romania and alleviation of poverty among Romania's very poor

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Romania
- Bristol City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£241,355	£286,234	-	-
2023-12-31	£218,986	£238,108	-	-
2022-12-31	£207,545	£156,269	-	-
2021-12-31	£160,979	£148,740	-	-
2020-12-31	£106,424	£82,933	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DUMITRU CORNEL PELEA		2014-04-25
HOWARD THOMAS BILTON		2014-12-14
JAMES ANTHONY MARTIN		2014-12-14
PETER GRAHAM COX		2014-12-14
RACHEL ELIZABETH JONES		2014-12-14
Rev ADRIAN CAREY-JONES		2014-12-14

ROMANIAN MINISTRIES

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Accounts

Draft Trustees Annual Report

Romanian Ministries

Charity number 1159517

1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024

Romanian Ministries was founded as a charity on 8 December 2014. It helps Romanian Christians in ministry and provides assistance to the Romanian poor, continuing in this throughout the 12 months of 2024. Also, in the last two years, we have extended our assistance to include widows and parents of soldiers killed in the Ukrainian / Russian war.

All of those involved are grateful to God for the opportunity of Christian service and vastly benefitted by fellowship with our brothers and sisters in the lands of Romania and the Ukraine.

We view ourselves as a conspicuously Christian enterprise and see our work as the active expression of our commitment to God through Jesus Christ, with all being done for His glory. We hope to continue operations in accordance with divine guidance as we look to the future.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity's Principal Address: 6 Cedar Row
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BS110UJ

Charity Trustees: Howard Bilton
Adrian Carey-Jones
Peter Cox
Rachel Jones
James Martin
Cornel Pelea

All of the above individuals served as trustees for the full length of the period being reported on.

Structure Governance and Management

Romanian Ministries has a constitution which was submitted formally to the Charities Commission and accepted prior to the commencement of the charity on 8 December 2014.

The structure of the charity is that of a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO).

Trustees are appointed for a fixed period, varying according to each trustee, and subject to reappointment following the expiry of each term. Re-appointment must be by the existing trustees.

Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity are the promotion of the Christian religion principally but not exclusively in Romania and among Romanian speaking people by the provision of financial or material aid, or by whatever form of support the trustees deem fit, and the relief of poverty principally but not exclusively in Romania and among Romanian speaking people by the provision of financial or material aid, or by whatever form of support the trustees deem fit.

Achievements and Performance

The year in question saw the continuation of funding partnerships with various churches and Christian charitable trusts. Donations were also received from individuals aware of our work for the Lord. We were, and continue to be, most grateful for all generosity and support received.

Giving during the year equalled **£241,346** (2023 - £218,986). Of this, **£146,289** was in the form of specifically ringfenced donations (2023 - £124,547). Expenditure equalled **£286,138** (2023- £238,108). This resulted in a deficit for the year of £44,792 (in 2023 deficit £19,122).

We thank our Lord Jesus Christ both for donations received and for outgoings made possible by accumulated funds. The annual deficit once again was attributable to one-off costs relating to the construction of our home for abandoned children. This premises is nearing completion at the time of writing (August 2025).

Our main projects during the year were as follows:

- **Christian Hospice Care** – it was a privilege and blessing to continue sponsorship of 4 members of staff at Emanuel Hospice, payments during the year amounting to £72,017 (2023 - £66,680). Although a little short of the total funds needed, the staff we sought to help were Beni Paul (doctor), Paula Popovici (nurse), Adriana Bidilean (psychologist) and Cristi Tap (physiotherapist). The work of Emanuel Hospice continues to inspire all visitors with its selfless resolve and evangelistic impetus despite immense challenges. Of the 2024 donations, £15,000 was received from a Christian charitable trust towards a new hospice building currently under construction, for which we were deeply grateful.
- **Ukrainian Refugees** – following on from our previous year's activities in the Ukraine, our focus in 2024 was on assisting the widows and parents of soldiers who had died in the conflict. This aid program has been administered by Pastor Valerii Shevchuk and his wife Natalia near the city of Cerniti. It was a joy to visit them and others in the Ukraine in May 2024. In 2024 donations gratefully received permitted a significant expansion of the work so that it included 65 families and also monthly evangelistic suppers. Total giving for the year amounted to £32,211 (2023 - £18,012).
- **Village Evangelism** – we were grateful to help Viorel Rete in his work in two small villages north of Cluj. His ministry consisted of regular preaching, pastoral visiting and also a summer camp in these most rural locations. Expenditure in 2024 equalled £1,027 (2023 -£5,575).

- **Abandoned Children** – our primary focus in relation to this area of ministry remains the construction of a home for abandoned children near the city of Arad. Eventually, Lord-willing, this premises will welcome 12 abandoned children, as close to infancy as possible, in a distinctively Christian environment. Capital outlay costs have been significant, with expenditure in 2024 equalling £78,660 (2023 - £79,050). We anticipate the completion of the home in the latter months of 2025, the Local Authority having committed itself to funding running costs once complete.
- **Mission Outreach** continued in Scornicesti, the town where the communist ex-leader of Romania, Nicolai Ceausescu, was born and raised. Iosif Varan serves in a range of evangelistic activities and church work, our sponsorship of him in 2024 amounting to £4,955 (2023 – also £5,000).
- **Roma Children’s Outreach** – a weekly club for Roma children has been continued in the town of Hunedoara under the leadership of Dani Hritac. This takes place on Saturday afternoons with up to 40 children in attendance. We also assisted Dani in his summer camp, paying for disadvantaged children to participate. We have discussed with Dani the possibility of extending this ministry to 3 disused tower blocks in Hunedoara, currently home to approximately 700 gypsy people.
- **Youth Drug Addiction** – we were pleased to continue supporting the Preventis group in the city of Cluj, which visits schools, runs a mentoring scheme for vulnerable youngsters and also provides a counselling service for addicts. Our sponsorship is of Andrei Nedelcu, a Christian psychologist, with some additional funds for parents’ excursions. Total gifts in 2024 equalled £7,000 (2023 - £5,600).
- **Cancer Patients, low price accommodation** – this is provided to patients undergoing treatment in the city of Cluj, as people from many miles away sometimes need to board in Cluj for the duration of their treatment. Casa Filip is run by Christians and provides accommodation for such individuals at half the price of other establishments, or at no cost at all to those unable to afford anything. Our support in 2024 sought to favour assistance in the latter cases. The total given was £6,000 (2023 - £7,000).
- **Poor Pastors Sponsorship** – supplementing salaries which fall below subsistence level, most especially that of Pastor Sorin Sarbu in the village of Draut (£605 in 2024)
- **Deaf Community Outreach and Aid** in the town of Arad and its surrounding area. This was continued by Sammy Gorgan, with us assisting especially with practical needs in the community and the costs of their summer camp (£2,722 in 2023 - £2,535). Late in the year we broached the subject with Sammy of his receiving a part time sponsorship from Romanian Ministries to extend his work. This was agreed to, and commenced in January 2025.
- **Football Chaplaincy** through Daniel Zafiriu, an ex-professional footballer who now engages in evangelistic outreach and chaplaincy roles among the top tier of Romanian football clubs (2024 - £7,210; in 2023 - £6,500).

- **Prison Ministry** – this joyfully continued during the year through Cosmin Ghirghiu and his team. Cosmin himself now has 30 years of experience in this ministry, and his work extends to 6 prisons. He and his team run Bible study courses, evangelistic meetings, vocational training and family days, all with a clear Christian emphasis. Our help was directed mainly towards part-sponsoring one of Cosmin’s staff and also family days at Cluj prison, at a cost of £6,000 (2023 - £5,000).
- **Anti-abortion Counselling** – through the Project Iochebed centre in Suceava, where our assistance covered rent payments on their premises and also practical necessities for the first twelve months following birth (2024 - £3,500; 2023 - £3,500).
- **Youth Camps** – we were so glad to be able to continue our involvement in this important annual outreach activity. We especially prioritised where possible the support of children who would otherwise not be able to attend. We helped four camps during the year at a total cost of £3,197.
- **Christian Literature** – we were approached during the year by preacher and youth worker Daniel Cojita with a request for funding for 700 copies of Rebecca Mcloughlin’s book *Confronting Christianity*. This is an apologetics masterclass, answering 12 of the most difficult questions Christians are asked by the outside world. We were very glad to assist with £3,500 for this, the books seeing a wide distribution among Christian and non Christian youth and adults.
- **Bible College Students** – after a break of some years, with much joy we recommenced support in this area, helping three young men in their Bible College studies. Two of them came with especial recommendations from their professors, and yet were facing potential withdrawal from their studies due to financial difficulties. We were glad to help with £2,125 of sponsorship.
- **Poverty Relief** - gifts were made to poor families through Casa Grace in Oradea, a Christian Social work agency, focusing especially on very poor families affected by the pandemic

Grants are normally made following contact with relevant individuals in Romania and word of mouth recommendations from other known and trusted sources.

We give heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His blessing of the work in 2024 and ascribe all credit and whatever measure of success to His interventions of grace.

It seems fitting to cite at this juncture the well-known verse of God’s pre-eminence in all things from Psalm 115 vs 1 “*Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Your name give glory.*”

Our aim in Romanian Ministries is to remain as work of God’s grace, guided and led by the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit to the glory of God in every particular.

Financial Review

The receipts and payments account for the period in question is attached on the following page and has been independently examined by a suitably experienced and independent individual and duly approved.

The independent examiners certification is found on the page after the receipts and payments account.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

Full Name:

Position:

Date:

Romanian Ministries

Charity Number 1159517

Draft Receipts and Payment Account

01.01.2024 – 31.12.2024

Receipts	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds 2024	£ Total 2023
Donations and Gifts	78,970	146,829	225,799	205,947
Gift Aid Reimbursements	5,392	10,155	15,547	13,039
Total Income for Year	84,362	156,984	241,346	218,986

Payments

Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	115,155	161,892	277,047	227,570
Printing Postage and Stationery	6,291	0	6,291	6,253
Professional Fees	0	0	0	600
Petrol Reimbursements	875	0	875	878
Travel Costs	1,375	0	1,375	1,989
Bank Transfer Costs	550	0	550	818
	124,246	161,892	286,138	238,108
Excess of Income over expenditure	(39,884)	(4,908)	(44,792)	(19,122)

Opening Funds 01.01.2021 £123,389

Closing Funds 31.12.2021 £78,597

Consisting of:

Unrestricted Funds £47,030

Restricted Funds £31,567

Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

Independent Examiner's Report

31st December 2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Romanian Ministries

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1159517

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2024.

**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 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.

Signed: *Scott Canning*

Date: 28th October 2025

Name: Scott Canning MAAT

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

Association of Accounting Technicians

Address:

10 Meadow Street, Avonmouth

Bristol

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Romanian Ministries

Charity Number 1159517

Receipts and Payment Account

01.01.2024 – 31.12.2024

	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds 2024	£ Total 2023
Receipts				
Donations and Gifts	78,979	147,329	225,808	205,947
Gift Aid Reimbursements	5,392	10,155	15,547	13,039
Total Income for year	84,371	157,484	241,355	218,986
Payments				
Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	116,255	160,030	276,285	227,570
Printing and Stationery	6,140	0	6,140	6,253
Professional Fees	0	0	0	600
Travel Costs	965	0	965	878
Advertising	1,790	0	1,790	1,989
Bank Transfer Charges	1,054	0	1,054	818
Total Payments	126,204	160,030	286,234	238,108
Excess of Income over expenditure	(42,333)	(2,546)	(44,879)	(19,122)

Opening Funds 01.01.2024

123,389

Closing funds 31.12.2024

78,510

Comprising:

Bank and Cash Balances

Consisting of -

Unrestricted funds
Restricted funds

44,581
33,929

Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

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We thank our Lord Jesus Christ both for donations received and for outgoings made possible by accumulated funds. The annual deficit was attributable to one-off costs relating to the construction of our home for abandoned children. It is hoped that this premises, called Casa Ovidiu, will be ready by the end of 2024.

Our main projects during the year were as follows:

- **Christian Hospice Care** – it was a privilege and blessing to continue sponsorship of 4 members of staff at Emanuel Hospice in full, payments during the year amounting to £66,680 (2022 - £57,150). The staff we supported were Beni Paul (doctor), Paula Popovici (nurse), Adriana Bidilean (psychologist) and Cristi Tap (physiotherapist). The work of Emanuel Hospice continues to inspire all visitors with its selfless resolve and evangelistic impetus despite immense challenges.
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- **Abandoned Children** – we continued our support of Project Romanian Rescue near Constanta in its work with abandoned children, assisting with general expenses and the running of the home. We continued construction of a home for 12 abandoned or neglected children in Arad, called Casa Ovidiu. Expenditure in 2023 equalled £4,000

for Project Romania Rescue (also £4,000 in 2022) and £79,050 for Casa Ovidiu (2022 - £13,425).

- **Mission Outreach** in Scornicesti, the town where the communist ex-leader of Romania, Nicolai Ceausescu, was born and raised. Iosif Varan continued his range of evangelistic activities and church work, our sponsorship in 2023 amounting to £5,000 (2022 – also £5,000).
- **Roma Children’s Outreach** – a weekly club for Roma children has been continued in the town of Hunedoara under the leadership of Dani Hritac. This takes place on Saturday afternoons with up to 40 children in attendance. We also assisted Dani in his summer camp, paying for disadvantaged children to participate. Such a ministry has been a joy to engage in and expenditure for the year equalled £2,810.
- **Youth Drug Addiction** – we were pleased to continue supporting the Preventis group in the city of Cluj, which visits schools, runs a mentoring scheme for vulnerable youngsters and also provides a counselling service for addicts. Our sponsorship is of Andrei Nedelcu, a Christian psychologist, with some additional funds for a staff away day. Total gifts in 2023 equalled £5,600 (2022 - £7,100).
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- **Prison Ministry** – after an interval of several years, this recommenced in the maximum security facility in Aiud through our assistance of Cosmin Ghiurghiu and his team. They run evangelistic meetings, vocation training and family days, all with a clear Christian emphasis. Our help was directed mainly towards part-sponsoring one of Cosmin’s staff (£5,000) although we hope in future to assist with family days at Cluj Prison.
- **Anti-abortion Counselling** – through the Project Iochebed centre in Suceava, where our assistance covered rent payments on their premises and also practical necessities for the first twelve months following birth (£3,500)

- **Youth Camps** – especially the summer camp for children and teenagers in the village of Draut
- **Romanian Families in Bristol** – as well as excursions during the summer holidays, our help focused on arranging much needed visits to the dentist for a number of Roma children. The nearest dentist we could find was in Bradford on Avon, and the visits have provided us with helpful outreach opportunities.
- **Poverty Relief** - gifts were made to poor families through Casa Grace in Oradea, a Christian Social work agency, focusing especially on very poor families affected by the pandemic

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Signature:

Full Name:

Position:

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Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

Independent Examiner's Report

31st December 2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Romanian Ministries

**On accounts for the year
ended**

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Signed:

Scott Canning

Date:

25th October 2024

Name:

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Charity Number 1159517

Receipts and Payment Account

01.01.2023 – 31.12.2023

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Receipts				
Donations and Gifts	88,007	117,940	205,947	195,067
Gift Aid Reimbursements	6,432	6,607	13,039	12,478
Total Income for year	94,439	124,547	218,986	207,545
Payments				
Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	85,635	141,935	227,570	146,443
Printing and Stationery	6,253	0	6,253	5,964
Professional Fees	600	0	600	300
Travel Costs	878	0	878	560
Advertising	1,989	0	1,989	2,157
Bank Transfer Charges	818	0	818	845
Total Payments	96,173	141,935	238,108	156,269
Excess of Income over expenditure	(1,734)	(17,388)	(19,122)	51,276

Opening Funds 01.01.2023

142,511

Closing funds 31.12.2023

123,389

Comprising:

Bank and Cash Balances

Consisting of -

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Restricted funds

86,914
36,475

Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

Independent Examiner's Report

31st December 2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Romanian Ministries

**On accounts for the year
ended**

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Signed:

Scott Canning

Date:

25th October 2024

Name:

Scott Canning MAAT

**Relevant professional
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Association of Accounting Technicians

Address:

10 Meadow Street, Avonmouth

Bristol

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Romanian Ministries

Charity Number 1159517

Receipts and Payment Account

01.01.2023 – 31.12.2023

	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds 2023	£ Total 2022
Receipts				
Donations and Gifts	88,007	117,940	205,947	195,067
Gift Aid Reimbursements	6,432	6,607	13,039	12,478
Total Income for year	94,439	124,547	218,986	207,545
Payments				
Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	85,635	141,935	227,570	146,443
Printing and Stationery	6,253	0	6,253	5,964
Professional Fees	600	0	600	300
Travel Costs	878	0	878	560
Advertising	1,989	0	1,989	2,157
Bank Transfer Charges	818	0	818	845
Total Payments	96,173	141,935	238,108	156,269
Excess of Income over expenditure	(1,734)	(17,388)	(19,122)	51,276

Opening Funds 01.01.2023

142,511

Closing funds 31.12.2023

123,389

Comprising:

Bank and Cash Balances

Consisting of -

Unrestricted funds
Restricted funds

86,914
36,475

ROMANIAN MINISTRIES

England & Wales - Charity number 1159517

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Park Hill
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Achievements and Performance

The year in question saw the continuation of funding partnerships with various churches and Christian charitable trusts. Donations were also received from individuals aware of our work for the Lord. We were, and continue to be, most grateful for all generosity and support received.

Giving during the year equalled £207,545 (2021 £160,979). Of this, £121,572 was in the form of specifically ringfenced donations (2021 £120,446). Expenditure equalled £156,269 (2021 £148,740). This resulted in a surplus for the year of £51,276 (in 2021 £12,239).

We are humbly thankful before our God for our best year of donations to date.

Our main projects during the year were as follows:

- **Christian Hospice Care** – it was a privilege and blessing to continue sponsorship of 4 members of staff at Emanuel Hospice in full, payments during the year amounting to £57,150. The staff we supported were Beni Paul (doctor), Paula Popovici (nurse), Adriana Bidilean (psychologist) and Cristi Tap (physiotherapist). The work of Emanuel Hospice continues to inspire all visitors with its selfless resolve and evangelistic impetus despite immense challenges.
- **Ukrainian Refugees** – following the commencement of conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, we visited the Kairos Centre in northern Romania with a view to helping in March 2022. This was supplemented by gifts to churches and needy persons later in the year before a visit to the Ukraine itself in September. Our focus was on helping immediate refugee needs, especially in the form of accommodation costs and food, providing medical aid in the Ukraine to displaced persons and subsequently assisting war widows. Total giving for the year amounted to £18,012.
- **Village Evangelism** – we were grateful to help Viorel Rete in his work in two small villages north of Cluj. As well as assisting him financially in weekly outreach activities and his summer camp, funds were received following the conclusion of litigation against Vio after an incident with one of his buffalo and a moving vehicle several years before. We were most grateful to received ringfenced donations sufficient for full coverage of all associated costs (£13,336).
- **Abandoned Children** – we continued our support of Project Romanian Rescue near Constanta in its work with abandoned children, assisting with general expenses and the running of the home. We continued construction of a home for 12 abandoned or neglected children in Arad, called Casa Ovidiu. Expenditure in 2022 equalled £4,000

for Project Romania Rescue and £13,425 for Casa Ovidiu. It is hoped that 2023 will see Casa Ovidiu largely completed, although this is dependent on further donations being received.

- **Mission Outreach** in Scornicesti, the town where the communist ex-leader of Romania, Nicolai Ceausescu, was born and raised. Iosif Varan continued his range of evangelistic activities and church work, our sponsorship in 2021 amounting to £5,000 (2021 £6,000).
- **Roma Children's Outreach** – this year saw the commencement of a new Roma children's outreach program in Hunedoara under the supervision of Dani Hritac. This consisted of Saturday meetings with Dani and his team of helpers in a small Roma settlement which lacked any other type of church involvement. We were grateful for this opportunity and seek opportunities to extend our witness among Roma communities in Romania
- **Youth Drug Addiction** – we were pleased to continue supporting the Preventis group in the city of Cluj, which visits schools, runs a mentoring scheme for vulnerable youngsters and also provides a counselling service for addicts. Our sponsorship is of Andrei Nedelcu, a Christian psychologist, with some additional funds for renovation of a further room in the office complex for counselling sessions. Total gifts in 2022 equalled £7,100.
- **Cancer Patients, low price accommodation** – this is provided to patients undergoing treatment in the city of Cluj. People from many miles away sometimes need to board in Cluj for the duration of their treatment. Casa Filip is run by Christians and provides accommodation for such individuals at half the price of other establishments, or at no cost at all to those unable to afford anything. Our support in 2022 was for assistance in the latter cases. The total given was £3,000.
- **Christian Old People's Home** – run by Dr Valentin Samuel and his wife in south eastern Romania, it accepts cases in accordance with their needs and offers a Christian environment. Total gifts in 2022 equalled £3,500.
- **Poor Pastors Assistance** – supplementing salaries which fall below subsistence level, most especially that of Pastor Sorin Sarbu in the village of Draut
- **Deaf Community Outreach and Aid** in the town of Arad and its surrounding area. This was continued by Sammy Gorgan, with us assisting especially with practical needs in the community and the costs of their summer camp (£2,005).
- **Football Chaplaincy** through Daniel Zafiriu, an ex-professional footballer who now engages in evangelistic outreach and chaplaincy roles among the top tier of Romanian football clubs (£6,700).
- **Anti-abortion Counselling** – through the Project Iochebed centre in Suceava, where our assistance covered rent payments on their premises and also practical necessities for the first twelve months following birth

- **Youth Camps** – especially the summer camp for children and teenagers in the village of Draut
- **Romanian Families in Bristol** – in 2022, after extensive help during the covid pandemic, our assistance focused primarily on Christmas presents for poorer Roma families
- **Poverty Relief** - gifts were made to poor families through Casa Grace in Oradea, a Christian Social work agency, focusing especially on very poor families affected by the pandemic

Grants are normally made following contact with relevant individuals in Romania and word of mouth recommendations from other known and trusted sources.

We give heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His blessing of the work in 2022 and ascribe all credit and whatever measure of success to His interventions of grace.

It seems fitting to cite at this juncture the well-known verse of God's pre-eminence in all things from Psalm 115 vs 1 *"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Your name give glory."*

Our aim in Romanian Ministries is to remain as work of God's grace, guided and led by the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit to the glory of God in every particular.

Financial Review

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Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

Full Name:

Position:

Date:

Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

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Receipts				
Donations and Gifts	82,547	112,520	195,067	146,301
Gift Aid Reimbursements	3,426	9,052	12,478	14,678
Total Income for year	85,973	121,572	207,545	160,979
Payments				
Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	32,198	114,245	146,443	144,722
Printing and Stationery	5,964	0	5,964	2,316
Professional Fees	300	0	300	300
Travel Costs	560	0	560	0
Advertising	2,157	0	2,157	430
Bank Transfer Charges	845	0	845	972
Total Payments	42,024	114,245	156,269	148,740
Excess of Income over expenditure	43,949	7,327	51,276	12,239

Opening Funds 01.01.2022

91,235

Closing funds 31.12.2022

142,511

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The increase in donations, for which we thank the Lord, was due in part to the assimilation of two charities into Romanian Ministries during the course of the year, *Support for Romania* and *Harvest*. This diversified our portfolio of ministry projects in a most blessed way, while at the same time enlarging our family of regular supporters.

Our main projects during the year were as follows:

- **Emanuel Hospice** – it was a privilege and blessing to continue sponsorship of 4 members of staff at Emanuel Hospice either in part or in full, payments during the year amounting to £56,000. The staff we supported were Beni Paul (doctor), Paula Popovici (nurse), Adriana Bidilean (psychologist) and Cristi Tap (physiotherapist). The work of Emanuel Hospice continues to inspire all visitors with its selfless resolve and evangelistic impetus despite immense challenges.
- **Florina Pater, paintings** – 21 of these were brought to the UK in 2021 for sale at £100 apiece, all proceeds being returned to Florina in Romania. Florina is 23 years old and afflicted with *epidermolysis bulosa*, a severe skin disorder which has caused her the loss of both hands.
- **Bible College Students** – support in this area in 2021 (£1,000) represented a reduction compared to 2020, due to a concern on our part regarding the number of students actually commencing pastorates on conclusion of their studies. The strategic importance of this ministry, however, is sufficiently great to guarantee our ongoing interest.
- **Abandoned Children** – we continued our support of Project Romanian Rescue near Constanta in its work with abandoned children, assisting with general expenses and the running costs of the home. Expenditure in 2021 equalled £7,200 (£4,800 in 2020).
- **Abandoned Children**, completion of a home – interest in this formally commenced in July 2021 following considerable prayer, the project involving completion of a house owned by David and Flavia Muntean. Originally intended to function as a bed and breakfast, its purpose is eventually to house 12 abandoned children in partnership with a local church. Though structurally complete, the house's interior works were yet to

start, and our hope is for a finish date of early 2024. Expenditure in 2021 equalled £4,850, although £17,468 was received in donations.

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- **Poverty Relief, House purchase** – following the destruction of his extremely modest dwelling by floodwater in June 2020, donations had been sought to help Sorin Rete, the extremely hard-working Christian helper on our land project in Radesti. After initially looking for a small house, a suitable one bedroom flat was identified in late 2021 and the purchase completed in December, in-year expenditure being £15,150.
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Charity Number 1159517

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Total Income for Year	40,533	120,446	160,979	106,424
Payments				
Ministry Grants / Poverty Relief	51,960	92,762	144,722	78,778
Printing and Stationery	2,316	0	2,316	2,830
Professional Fees	300	0	300	
Petrol Reimbursements	0	0	0	0
Travel Costs	430	0	430	0
Advertising	0	0	0	744
Bank Transfer Costs	972	0	972	581
Total Payments	55,978	92,762	148,740	82,933
Excess of Income over expenditure	(15,445)	27,684	12,239	23,491

Opening Funds 01.01.2021 £78,996

Closing Funds 31.12.2021 £91,235

Consisting of:

Unrestricted Funds £44,699

Restricted Funds £46,536

Romanian Ministries

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Name:

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The year's activities were affected dramatically by the advent of the worldwide coronavirus pandemic. This resulted in the cancellation of numerous meetings in churches to present on the work, as well as no visits being made to Romania itself. This was the first year of no visits to Romania by Romanian Ministries volunteers since 2008.

Achievements and Performance

The year in question saw the continuation of funding partnerships with various churches and Christian charitable trusts. Donations were also received from individuals aware of our work for the Lord. We were, and continue to be, most grateful for all generosity and support. Giving during the year equalled £106,424 (2019 £106,534). Of this, £70,818 was in the form of specifically ringfenced donations (2018 £66,606). There were 433 individual donations during the year (452 in 2019).

The main projects sponsored during the year were as follows:

- sponsoring five members of staff at **Emanuel Hospice** in part or in full. Total donations for the year equalled £52,945 (£50,120 in 2019), although amounts relating to latter months were transferred in early 2021. Those sponsored were hospice doctors, a social worker, a physiotherapist and a psychologist. The work of Emanuel Hospice continues to inspire all visitors with its selfless resolve and evangelistic impetus despite immense challenges.
- **paintings from Florina Pater** were brought to the UK for sale at £100 apiece, all proceeds being returned to Florina in Romania. Florina is 21 years old and afflicted with *epidermolysis bulosa*, a severe skin disorder which has caused her the loss of both hands.
- we sponsored Bible college students in financial hardship at **Emanuel University** in Oradea. Expenditure equalled £3,300
- £4,800 was allocated to a **home for Abandoned Girls** close to the city of Constanta to assist with staff costs and also to arrange an excursion (£8,485 in 2019).
- financial gifts and material aid was given to a **home for Abandoned Children** in Beliu, The aid this year was primarily sent to help the ministry of David and Flavia Muntean, who arranged the purchase of furnishings for the home and also the transport of children to a local church for its youth meetings.
- support of a **missionary in Scornicesti**, Iosif Varan. Sponsorship of £5,000 was passed to Iosif in 2020.
- our **land project** in the village of Radesti, close to Aiud, generated profits for the support for Pastor Doru Decean and also returned £900 to Romanian Ministries for the support of other projects.

- financial **assistance for a number of trusted pastors**, supplementing their salaries, which sometimes fall below subsistence level.
- a specific program to **support Christian widows** was continued, now focusing on older women in rural areas
- we continued our investment in **Christian book translation** through Faclia Publishing. The amount allocated in 2020 was £617.
- outreach among **deaf people** in the town of Arad and its surrounding area was continued by Sammy Gorgan.
- 2020 saw the continuation of help to **sports evangelist Daniel Zaifiris**. Daniel is an ex-professional footballer who now engages in evangelistic outreach and chaplaincy roles among the top tier of Romanian football clubs.
- we continued to support Claudiu Calin in his **outreach to young people**, especially those with no church connections in the town of Arad. This ministry to adolescents and late teens is ideally suited to Claudiu's gifts and abilities, and he came to us warmly recommended by his fellowship.
- Gifts were made to poor families through **Casa Grace** in Oradea, a Christian Social work agency, focusing especially on very poor families affected by the pandemic
- In 2020 we began to help **Romanian families in Bristol** from the Roma community or those claiming to be homeless and living on the streets.

Grants are normally made following contact with relevant individuals in Romania and word of mouth recommendations from other known and trusted sources.

We give heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His blessing of the work in 2020 and ascribe all credit and whatever measure of success to His interventions of grace.

It seems fitting to cite at this juncture the well-known verse of God's pre-eminence in all things from Psalm 115 vs 1 *"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Your name give glory."*

Our aim in Romanian Ministries is to remain as work of God's grace, guided and led by the Scriptures and the Holy Spirit to the glory of God in every particular.

Financial Review

The receipts and payments account for the period in question is attached on the following page and has been independently examined by a suitably experienced and independent individual and duly approved.

The independent examiners certification is found on the page after the receipts and payments account.

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature:

Full Name:

Position:

Date:

Romanian Ministries

Charity Number 1159517

Receipts and Payment Account

01.01.2020 – 31.12.2020

Receipts	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds 2020	£ Total 2019
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Gift Aid Reimbursements	2,822	2,589	5,411	5,608
Total Income for Year	29,213	77,211	106,424	106,534
Payments				
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Printing and Stationery	1,330	1,500	2,830	3,153
Petrol Reimbursements	0	0	0	107
Travel Costs	0	0	0	359
Advertising	744	0	744	248
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Consisting of:

Unrestricted Funds £48,228

Restricted Funds £30,768

Romanian Ministries

Charity No: 1159517

Independent Examiner's Report

31st December 2020



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Romanian Ministries

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1159517

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2020.

**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 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.

Signed: *Scott Canning*

Date: 22nd October 2021

Name: Scott Canning MAAT

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

Association of Accounting Technicians

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