

This has been another busy year for the Gerontius Amenity Fund. Hannah Charley has continued to do sterling service, taking patients to hospital for no reward save that of knowing she is doing God's will. She and her granddaughter Hazel (my namesake) both had birthdays in August and I sent them each a dress (see photo). She is meticulous about sending me reports on all the patients including bills and clinical reports (see below). This is very interesting for me as a former doctor.



We have treated a total of 19 patients ranging in age from 2 to 63. Our patient with a chronic leg ulcer is still with us. (It is getting better, Honest!) A notable case was the child who received permanent eye damage when the end of the cane poked her eye while the teacher was beating another child. This is the 2nd time we have had such a case and the late Peter Penfold said he "might mention it" during his trip to Freetown. Unfortunately, I didn't manage to catch up with him before he died to see if he had such a conversation.

Peter will be sorely missed as a source of advice and inspiration. In particular I could do with his advice on how to arrange a trip here for Hannah and perhaps her husband next summer. (Although I did speak to the Sierra Leonean Ambassador about it at Peter's funeral!) As Hannah rightly pointed out, I was a guest of honour at her Wedding and it is time for a return trip. We are hoping she might come across for the Abingdon Passion Play on 22nd June 2024



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Such a trip might involve a fundraising Barn Dance as a chance to meet her. We had a very successful fundraising Barn Dance last April. Special thanks are due Lesley Austen who gallantly stepped in the last minute and led the calling on a voluntary basis. It's just a shame I took

her thank you flowers to the wrong house! Still maybe someoneelse appreciated them- God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform and we continue to watch in wonder the wonders He is performing in Sierra Leone.

Simple Charity accounts

Income and Expenditure Account Year ending 21 June 2023

	£	£
Income		
Donations received	5538	
Fundraising income	175	
giftaid	999	
Total income	<u>6712</u>	
Expenditure		
transferred to Sierra leone	4765	
transfer fees	84	
Costs of hall for Barn Dance	65	
Costs of hall for AGM	46	
cardnet	50	
Total Expenditure	<u>5011</u>	
Net income / (expenditure)		<u>1701</u>
Balance at 21 June 2023		3037
Balance from 21 June 2022		<u>1336</u>
net income		<u><u>1701</u></u>

Balance Sheet

age	SLE	£
xx malaria and typhoid	8,150	558.28
48 xx nephrotic syndrome	2,600	248.89
37 xy leg ulcer	14,000	849.88
18 xy severe malaria	850	54.80
xy Chest infection	1,300	78.92
xx spondylolysis	5,500	264.42
xy inflammation	3,000	144.14
2 xx severe fever+cough	500	24.02
xx eye	1,000	48.05
45 xx fractured foot and cut mouth	2,450	105.58
45 xy hyperglycaemia, typhoid, dysentery	4,335	186.85
xy fractured foot	5,500	237.03
20 xy fractured foot with abscess	10,500	452.50
63 xy cardiac problems	4,350	187.50
24 xy abdominal problems	2,500	21.55
12 xx cane poked eye *	2,900	132.00
20 xx Pelvic Inflammatory disease	2,040	87.93
45 xx umbilical Hernia	750	32.33
xy swollen jaw	300	11.54
subtotal	72,525	£3,726.21
transport costs	9,007	£340.50
totals	81,532	£4,066.71

Hazel Glennie 22/1/2024

* schoolgirl, teacher was beating another child and end of cane went in her eye

Signed (treasurer)

Date:

22/1/2024 C Beale CLAUDETTE BEALE

Independent Examiner's Statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to doubt that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records, and to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records, has not been reached.