

Charity Registration No 1161150

Discipling the Nations

Financial Statements
Year ended 31st March 2024

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Approved by the trustees on 09/01/2025 and signed on their behalf by

Name: John Maunder

Trustee

Signature

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Objectives and Activities

Purpose

The advancement of the Christian religion, in particular but not exclusively by promoting Christian and vocational learning, education and training.

Main Activities

The main activity of Discipling the Nations is the development of accredited Christian courses to be run in a variety of settings e.g. church, prisons or other organisations. The curriculum is flexible in length and depth of study to cater to a wide variety of learners and learning environments. Specifically, Discipling the Nations undertakes the following activities:

- Development of Bible Course Curriculum, particularly Chaplaincy

- Development of Learning Outcomes and working with AIM (formerly OCNWMR) on recognised accreditation.

- Verify the standard of teaching and marking of courses being run

- Assist in the delivery of teaching.

- Discipling the Nations operates DtN Academy – which runs DtN courses and is financially considered a division of Discipling the Nations and is therefore included in these accounts.

Achievements and Performance

The 2023/2024 year has seen the further development of online course content. The chaplaincy course, which concluded in May 2024, was successfully delivered via Zoom and several students continued their education to postgraduate or master's levels and secured employment as chaplains or in healthcare professions. We have continued to expand our content on community chaplaincy. These modules are designed to address the unique challenges faced by chaplains working with specific groups e.g. family and youth, providing them with the tools and knowledge necessary to offer effective support and guidance.

Additionally, we started initial discussions and brainstorming around a new Worship and Pastoral Care course. This course will be tailored to equip students with the skills needed to lead worship services and provide pastoral care in various settings, including churches, hospitals, and community centres. The curriculum will cover a wide range of topics, from liturgical practices and sermon preparation to counselling techniques and crisis intervention. This new addition will further enhance our commitment to providing a holistic and inclusive spiritual education, ensuring that our graduates are well-prepared to serve their communities in diverse and meaningful ways.

Trustee Remuneration

Two trustees have received the following remuneration:

John Maunder -Remuneration for teaching & marking	£6,000.00
Colin Bennet – Remuneration for teaching	£100.00

Financial Review

Overall income for the year was £9,230.96 which all relates to unrestricted activities, raised through student fees of £8,680.96 and donations totalling £550.00.

Expenditure for the year was £7,582.16 covering general running costs, office supplies, staffing/contractors, OCN fees in addition to a bursary disbursement of £335.00.

For the financial year 2023/24 we report a profit of £1,313.80.

Reserves

The trustees define the charity's free reserves as unrestricted assets which are available to the charity and to be expended at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of any of the charity's objectives, but which has not yet been spent, committed or designated.

The trustees confirm that the free reserves should be held at a minimum of £3,500 representing an average of three month's volunteer travel expenses, contractor costs and rent plus the annual OCN centre registration fee. At the end of the year free unrestricted funds of £5,460.18 were available, which satisfies the charity's criteria.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Prior period Total funds £
Income from:					
Donations	1	550.00	-	550.00	535.00
Charitable activities	2	8,680.96	-	8,680.96	9,320.82
Total		<u>9,230.96</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,230.96</u>	<u>9,855.82</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	3	45.70	-	45.70	0.00
Charitable activities	4	7,536.46	335.00	7,871.46	7,954.51
Total		<u>7,582.16</u>	<u>335.00</u>	<u>7,917.16</u>	<u>7,954.51</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>1,648.80</u>	<u>(335.00)</u>	<u>1,313.80</u>	<u>1,901.31</u>
Transfers between funds	5	(511.00)	511.00	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>1,137.80</u>	<u>176.00</u>	<u>1,313.80</u>	<u>1,901.31</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		<u>4,322.38</u>	<u>6,155.21</u>	<u>10,477.59</u>	<u>8,576.28</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>5,460.18</u>	<u>6,331.21</u>	<u>11,791.39</u>	<u>10,477.59</u>

Balance Sheet

Note ref		Total funds £	Prior year funds £
	Fixed assets:		
	Tangible fixed assets	-	-
	Total fixed assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	Current assets:		
	Debtors	5,904.00	3,519.00
	Cash at bank and in hand	7,708.93	10,071.09
	Total current assets	<u>13,612.93</u>	<u>13,590.09</u>
	Liabilities:		
6	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year:	1,821.54	3,112.50
	Net current assets or liabilities	11,791.39	10,477.59
	Total assets less current liabilities	<u>11,791.39</u>	<u>10,477.59</u>
	Total net assets or liabilities	<u><u>11,791.39</u></u>	<u><u>10,477.59</u></u>
	The funds of the charity:		
	Unrestricted funds	5,460.18	4,322.38
	Restricted funds	6,331.21	6,155.21
		<u>11,791.39</u>	<u>10,477.59</u>

Notes to Financial Statements

1. There are two restricted funds: a general student bursary fund and an overseas fund which is designed to help with both overseas set up and running costs and overseas student bursaries.
2. Charitable activities income are students' fees
3. Raising funds costs were related to meetings
4. Charitable activities expenses include:

Accreditation fees	£92.00
Public liability insurance	£102.84
GDPR Registration	£35.00
Consumables/stationery	£109.03
Furniture & equipment	£0
Honoraria/teaching services	£6,600.00
Training (fees & materials)	£0.00
Web hosting	£597.59
Bank charges	£0.00
	<u>£7,536.46</u>

Restricted Funds

Bursary expenditure	£335.00
Overseas fund expenditure	£0.00
	<u>£335.00</u>

5. With trustees' agreement a transfer of general funds was made to bursary funds of £511.00

6. Current liabilities include:

Accrual of OCN & other charges	£0.00
Creditors	£700.00
Deferred fees (service not yet provided)	£1,121.54
Total	<u>£1,821.54</u>

Structure, Governance and Management

Structure: The Charity is setup as a CIO (charity incorporated organization) with three trustees, who meet regularly to discuss issues arising.

Decision making: Any major decisions are discussed by the trustees, including the appointment of new trustees. Each trustee was appointed with consideration of their experience and ability. No areas have been highlighted for additional training.

Remuneration: Key volunteers (the charity currently has no employees) are able to claim travel expenses at a rate agreed by the trustees and in line with HMRC guidance. Honoraria or payment for services may also be paid for teaching, marking and course development.

Management: The day to day running of the charity is delegated to John Maunder.

Relationships between Charities: None.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Discipling the Nations

Also known as: DtN

Charity Number: 1161150

Name of Trustees:

David Carr

Karen Van der Poll

Colin Bennett

John Maunder

Funds Held as Custodian Trustee

Discipling the Nations holds no funds as custodian trustee on behalf of others.