

Mission: Europe Report and Accounts

year ended 31 December 2022

MISSION: EUROPE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

CHARITY INFORMATION

Trustees	Karen Gratton Kevin Westfield Jessica Anne Hymus-Gant
Executive Trustee	Kevin Westfield
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated 23 November 2015.
Charity Registration Number	1164522
Registered Office	Mission: Europe 14 Ash Road Thornton Cleveleys Lancashire FY5 4GP
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Southport PR8 1PD

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
CHARITY INFORMATION

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year.

The following Trustees served throughout the year:
Luke Gratton retired as a Trustee on 28th February
Karen Gratton commenced as a Trustee on 1st March
Jessica Anne Hymus-Gant
Kevin Westfield

The appointment of Trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the charity.
The Board of Trustees is authorized to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death.

Investment Powers

The Trust Deed authorizes the Trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the charity.

In planning the activities the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in December 2008 on 'Public Benefit'.

Constitution, Objects and Policies

The Charitable Trust is constituted by the Trust Deed dated 23 November 2015 named Mission Europe. Its objects are to advance the Christian faith in (but not limited to) Europe. The policy of the Charitable Trust is to positively impact nations facing economic and social distress. The charity provides Leadership Development, Short Term Missions teams (7-14 days) and a variety of Community Development initiatives based on country and need.

Developments, Activities and Achievements

The year ended 31 December 2022 saw the achievement of objectives and vision in some areas of the ministry as detailed below:

In 2022 Mission Europe didn't provide any Leadership Development due to the war in Ukraine. We did however send a couple of short term mission teams and continued one of our Community Development initiatives in order to advance the Christian faith in Europe and positively impact nations facing economic change and social distress.

The project in operation for individuals, families, teams and churches was in the nation of Moldova.

Community Development: 'The Storehouse' project continued in 2022 and expanded to reach out to the under-privileged with the practical love of God in two churches. The four focuses include: Clothes - making a child warm; Food - providing food for families; Heat - making a home warm; Medicine - providing supplies and health awareness. 'The Storehouse' is a support structure to deliver the level of care we would for our own children and family. In 2022 we partnered with two organisations to deliver winter clothes into local schools in Moldova and had monies donated to deliver food parcels and firewood. One 40 tonne lorry with AID also went to the Moldova Storehouse project.

Looking Forward 2023

Short Term Mission Teams: We will work towards sending out mission teams. This will be possible if the war in Ukraine allows safe travel in Moldova.

Community Development: We will continue working to address issues in society where the Christian message can offer a positive influence and solutions. Our aim is to have 'The Storehouse' project sustainable in Moldova with the possibility of sending more AID into further locations and to continue research into what is most needed in the country.

Other: Mission Europe is working well with the change in leadership with Rose Foulds becoming the Executive Director of Mission Europe. Rose has developed a great team of people working with her especially in 'The Storehouse' Project in Moldova and is expanding the Trustees Team.

Our work will continue in partnership with churches and grassroots networks of passionate people investing their time, resources and abilities. 2023 will see the continued efforts to expand the capacity of the charity to respond to the many opportunities to impact Moldova and potential other nations throughout Europe.

Financial Review

Total receipts for the year were £4,469, comparable to £5,645 in 2021.

Total payments for the year were £4,813, decreased from £4,938 in 2021. Efforts were focused on fundraising for the sending of aid.

Year ended for 2022 resulted in a funds decrease of £344, compared to 2021 funds increase of £707.

At year end net current assets totalled: £7,535, a decrease from £7,879 in 2021.

Risk Management

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces. Based on the funds that are maintained, the regular review of the controls over financial matters/systems, there are sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the Charity and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

The Trustees regularly assess the risk of working in war torn countries recognising our duty of care to our Volunteers and Field workers.

Reserves policy: It is the policy of the charity to maintain funds throughout the year at a level that is sufficient to cover management, administration and support costs for a period of three months.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities:

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its income and expenditure for the year. We are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
4. Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 13th June 2023.

K. Westfield

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
CHARITY INFORMATION

	Notes	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Funds 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
Receipts					
Voluntary income	2	4,222	248	4,469	5,645
Total Receipts		4,222	248	4,469	5,645
Payments					
<i>Activities in furtherance of charitable objectives</i>					
Charitable activities	3	4,565	248	4,813	4,938
Governance Costs	4	-	-	-	-
Total Payments		4,565	248	4,813	4,938
Net Receipts/(Payments) before transfers		(344)	-	(344)	707
Transfers between funds	5	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(344)	-	(344)	707
Balances 1 January		7,879	-	7,879	7,172
Balances 31 December		7,535	-	7,535	7,879

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 13th June 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

K. Westfield

The notes on page 7-8 form part of these accounts

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AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022 STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

1. Fixed Assets

The estimated market values of the assets owned by the charity were:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Furniture & Equipment	-	-

2. Bank Balances

Bank operating accounts	6,332	6,675
Bank deposits	1,000	1,000
Petty cash	203	203
	<u>7,535</u>	<u>7,879</u>

3. Liabilities

Mission Europe fell below the threshold for an external review.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of account for each accounting year.

They are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to ensure that such accounts and records comply with the Charities Act 2011.

They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurances that:

1. The charity is operating efficiently and effectively
2. Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition
3. Financial information used within the charity or for publication is reliable
4. The charity complies with relevant laws and regulations

APPROVAL

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 13th June 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

K. Westfield

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CHARITY INFORMATION

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis with a Statement of Assets & Liabilities.

2. Giving to the Charity

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
General Donations	4,222	248	4,469	5,645
	<u>4,222</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>4,469</u>	<u>5,645</u>

3. Charitable activities

a. Direct Charitable Costs

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Project costs	3,515	248	3,762	3,313
Travel and accommodation	-	-	-	-
	<u>3,515</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>3,762</u>	<u>3,313</u>

b. Support & Administration

Premises:

Rent and service charges	-	-	-	600
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600</u>

General Administration:

Conferences and promotions	323	-	323	261
Trustees' expenses	-	-	-	-
Volunteers' expenses	56	-	56	-
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Computer Costs	36	-	36	60
Sundry expenses	636	-	636	704
	<u>1,051</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,051</u>	<u>1,025</u>

Legal and Professional:

Bank and credit card charges	-	-	-	-
Professional fees	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>4,565</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>4,813</u>	<u>4,938</u>
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4. Governance costs	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Accounts and examination	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-

5. Transfers Between Funds

There were no transfers between Unrestricted and Restricted Funds in 2022.

6. Staff & Trustees

The charity has no employees. Its activities are generally carried out by volunteers. Three trustees were reimbursed Trustee-related expenses, totalling £0 for the year (2021: £0).

7. Funds

The restricted funds represent amounts received for specific purposes. Movements in the year across all funds are as follows:

	Balance at 01.01.22 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31.12.22 £
<i>Restricted Income Funds</i>	-	248	248	-	-
	-	248	248	-	-
<i>General Funds</i>	7,879	4,222	4,565	-	7,535
	7,879	4,222	4,565	-	7,535
Total Funds	7,879	4,469	4,813	-	7,535