

Radiant Encounter Ministries
Trustees Annual Report
Year ended 31 December 2021
Charity number: 1165807

Trustees

Stephen Jones, (Chair of Trustees)

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Report of the trustees for the year ending 31 December 2021.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statement of the charity for the year ending 31 December 2021. The financial statement complies with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and has been compiled in accordance with the charity's constitution.

Structure and Governance

The Charity is a registered charity, number 1165807 and was established in England as a Charitable Incorporated Organization on 02 March 2016. It was established to continue the work that Stephen and Adonna Jones began through short term mission trips to Bulgaria.

New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees. The Charity's Constitution provides for a minimum of 3 trustees, to a maximum of 7 trustees.

On appointment all new trustees formally accept in writing and are given a welcome pack, including a copy of the constitution, the board of trustee's minutes, trustees' annual reports and accounts and a copy of the Charities Commission's publication entitled "The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know".

All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee remuneration was paid in this year. Trustees are required to disclose all relevant interests and in accordance with the charity's policy withdraw from decisions where a conflict of interest arises.

Risk Management

The trustees work together to identify risks and where necessary seek training or external advice to reduce the risk.

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The objects of the CIO are:

- The advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit by means of evangelism and the preaching of the Christian faith, working with local churches, in Bulgaria and other countries as the trustees see fit, in distributing aid and delivering pastoral care.
- The relief of poverty in Bulgaria, and other countries as the trustees see fit, by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need.

The Charity's main activities are:

- Encouraging local Bulgarian communities in their faith through local churches and through one to one pastoral care.
- Giving grants or supplying equipment to local churches to improve their services to their communities.
- Giving supplies to relieve poverty and cultivate a sense of personal value among the poor.
- Supporting local relief and development initiatives.
- The transporting of donated goods for the poor to Bulgaria from the UK.

How the charity delivers public benefit

When planning activities, the Trustees of Radiant Encounter Ministries have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Charity strives to make The Christian faith available to all. Radiant Encounter Ministries seeks to work with a broad spectrum of organisations and people in order to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of as many people as possible.

Radiant Encounter:

- Inspires faith, hope and personal growth through the proclamation and demonstration of the good of the Christian faith. Radiant Encounter's interpretation of the Christian faith is based on The Nicene Creed of 325AD. This creed is shared by many denominations including The Orthodox Churches, The Roman Catholic Church and Protestant Churches.
- Supports projects which bring relief to communities. Radiant Encounter has continued supported projects in Kazanluk region, including: the provision of donated clothes as well as hygiene products. Radiant Encounter has also been able to give a grant to help with the building of a facility to house 12 orphans. This facility will house and educate the children and show them the love of God.
- Looks for ways to proclamation of the good news of the Christian Faith. An example of this was when Radiant Encounter supplied a Grant to a local church to help buy over 600 Roma children a Christmas food parcel. For many of these children the food parcel would be there only gift at Christmas and the only food they received that day.
- Provides support of personal hygiene products such as dental hygiene, sanitary ware and nappies for babies in the Roma community's, because of poverty many of the

Roma communities see these products as luxury's and are unable to afford them, themselves.

- Provides support to some of the local nursing homes. Radiant Encounter has supplied goods such as clothes, hygiene products and food parcels. As well as encouraging the staff, whilst adhering to the covid restrictions
- Transports clothes, shoes, and toiletries, which are donated in the UK, and distributes them via local churches in Bulgaria to the poor. This has become an ongoing project.

Financial Review

The charity started the financial year with £598 in the bank.

The Charity has received £6402 in donations this year. These funding has enabled a lot to be achieved whilst leaving funds available at the end of the year of £2,960 of which there is £184 held as restricted funds.

Radiant Encounter received £2,596 from Stewardship. Stewardship is the charity which administers much of Radiant Encounter's online giving and reclamation of tax. £3,368 was given by other charities and donations.

This year the charities total expenditure year was £3,952, of which £262 was spent on overheads and the remaining £3,690 was spent on projects and grants to support those in need.

Grants totalling £1,500 were given this year, of which:

Grant totalling £500 was given to support the Christmas feeding project in Kazanluk, Bulgaria. They were feeding over 600 children on Christmas day.

Grant totalling £1000 was given to support the building work of a facility to house 12 orphans in the Kazanluk Roma neighbourhood

Assets and Liabilities

The Charity has finished the financial year with a positive balance and no debts outstanding.

Gift Aid

In order to process its online website giving, Radiant Encounter uses the service of a charity registered in England and Wales called Stewardship, (charity number 234714). Stewardship administers the reclaiming of tax on behalf of the donor. The funds then come to Radiant Encounter, as a grant from Stewardship of the original amount donated online, plus any tax that has been reclaimed, minus their small administration fee of 3 %. All of Stewardship's profits go to support good charitable causes.

Radiant Encounter has also claimed gift aid where applicable on gifts that did not come through Stewardship.

Reserve Policy

The Charity retains a reserve of sufficient funds to ensure that any ongoing expenses can be covered. Also, all funds held as restricted are retained until they are used for their designated purpose.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to financial statements.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law. The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustee(s) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources for the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies and to apply them consistently and make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the financial statements comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on any of the charity's publications or websites.

Looking Toward the Future

Currently Radiant Encounter is working mainly in the central Bulgarian town of Kazanluk, with some work also in the southwestern Bulgarian towns of Razlog and Sandanski. Radiant Encounter is looking to continue working in these regions.

Radiant Encounter has now established a permanent base in the Kazanluk region as the centre of operations for ongoing relief projects. With Stephen and Adonna Jones, two of the trustees moving out to Bulgaria fulltime.

Radiant Encounter want to continue to build relationships with a local kindergarten whilst partnering with the local church to see this done.

Radiant Encounter want to return to helping and supporting the children's home in Razlog as well as the day centre for people with additional needs, as soon as COVID restrictions are lifted.

We want to continue to reach out to those that are in need and forgotten. Seeing lives being changed, through a practical demonstration of love.

This Trustees annual report was approved by the trustees

On 16/08/2022

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Registered As a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in England and Wales,

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:

FROM 01 JANUARY 2021 TO 31 DECEMBER 2021

INCOME

General Donations	5965
Restricted Donations	437
Gift Aid	Nil
Other Income	Nil
Total Income	6402

EXPENDITURES

Direct Operational Costs

Shipping and Packaging	1362	
Supplies Given	828	
Interpreter	Nil	
Travel and Accommodation	58	
Grants	1500	
Total Operational Costs		3748

Less Other Expenses

Bank Charges	Nil	
Office expenses	204	
Total Other Expenses		204
TOTAL EXPENSES		3952

FUNDS (after expenses)	2450
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Summary of Income and Expenditure Account

Funds (after expenses)	2450
Retained funds at beginning of year	948
Balance of retained funds at the end of year	2960

Summary of Restricted Funds

Restricted funds at beginning of year	350
Restricted donations within this year	271
Spent restricted funds	437
Balance of retained restricted funds at the end of year	184

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BALANCE SHEET STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS ON 31 DECEMBER 2021

	31 December 2021	Previous Year (on 31 Dec)
ASSETS		
Total Cash	£2960	£948
Restricted Cash	184	350
Other Assets	Nil	Nil
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities	Nil	Nil
Long Term Liabilities	Nil	Nil

Note: All figures on these accounts are rounded to the nearest pound.