



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	Jan	2022		31	Dec	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name The Mathetes Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1169869

Charity's principal address 10 Dairy Close

Wells

Somerset

Postcode

BA52ND

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Roger Morgan	Chair		
2	David Archer		From 6 September 2022	
3	Mike Cotterell			
4	Andrew Evans			
5	Peter Needle		From 6 September 2022	

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The advancement of the Christian religion through the training, support and provision of resource materials to churches, church leaders and church members for the public benefit in the UK, Africa and elsewhere in the world, primarily but not exclusively within the Anglican Communion.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Mathetes Trust fulfils its objectives through the following activities:

1. We organise conferences and training events and provide ongoing support to Anglican dioceses and other denominational groupings in Africa and elsewhere, primarily but not exclusively through our Rooted in Jesus discipleship programme
2. We provide support and mentoring to church leaders in the UK and beyond, primarily but not exclusively through our EQUIP programme
3. We commission, publish, print and distribute books, literature and other teaching materials in support of these activities and in furtherance of our objective to advance the Christian religion.

In defining the above activities the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The ministry of the Mathetes Trust falls into 3 parts: we support discipleship in Africa through our Rooted in Jesus programme; we provide support and mentoring for church leaders within the UK; we publish resource materials on key topics of Christian life and ministry.

1. Rooted in Jesus – a practical discipleship programme for Africa

The last couple of years have been dominated by the restrictions imposed by the Covid19 pandemic. Whilst the social and economic consequences of the long months of lockdown will remain with us for some time, 2022 brought welcome relief, and the lifting of travel restrictions meant that we were able once again to offer active support and training to those using Rooted in Jesus. The result was that a record number of training events for Rooted in Jesus were held during the year, with 23 conferences taking place in 8 countries. 13 involved teams from the UK, 7 from South Africa and 3 from Tanzania. We also continued to provide advice and encouragement to Anglican dioceses and other network leaders already using Rooted in Jesus. A full report is available on our website.

2. EQUIP – a support programme for church leaders in the UK

The purpose of the Mathetes Trust's EQUIP programme is to provide mentoring assistance to Christians who are themselves committed to serving the Great Commission in the UK – disciples who want to make disciples. EQUIP now serves 75 people who meet regularly in 10 groups: 9 in England and 1 in North Wales.

Seven of the 10 EQUIP groups consist entirely of clergy; one is restricted to those who serve in an Anglican multi-parish benefice, where one minister has responsibility for several churches. Leaders of multi parish benefices are often under pressure to lead each of their churches in quite traditional ways which, even with outstanding leadership, usually results in ageing and declining congregations; it is

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

our aim to help these leaders find a new approach which reverses these trends. The other 3 EQUIP groups are for lay people. One group is for full or part-time children's workers. The other two groups are for lay people who are committed to spreading the Gospel in the places where they live and work.

As part of the ministry of EQUIP we provide training and teams to enable and support parish missions. This year we ran a mission in Slough.

3. Publications

During the year we continued to commission new translations of the Rooted in Jesus leaders' guides. Translations were made into local Arabic, Dinka and Nuer for South Sudan, Alur for DR Congo, Northern Sotho for South Africa, Malagasy for Madagascar and Kumam for Uganda. The Masai (Tanzania) and Kirundi (Burundi) editions were revised and updated, and we produced a new edition of the Rooted in Jesus Team Manual. Rooted in Jesus is now available in whole or in part in 49 languages, and Rooted in Jesus Junior in 11 languages.

We also continued to create booklets for members of our EQUIP groups. These form the basis for the group meetings, and cover key issues of Christian life and ministry. Our existing books and ministry resources have continued to be made available during the year.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We review our finances regularly but have no formal reserves policy as we have few fixed costs.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

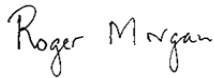
None

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Roger Morgan	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	1st March 2023	

The Mathetes Trust

Receipts and payments accounts for the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Income

Donations	£ 32,946.41
Appeal 2023	£ 12,169.82
Gift Aid	£ 3,822.63
UK book Sales	£ 1,324.42
RinJ book sales	£ 1,716.60
Other income	£ 460.45
Interest	£ 11.31

Total income £ 52,451.64

Expenditure

Admin Costs	£ 2,997.61
UK Publication Costs	£ 442.35
Postage	£ 126.10
Staff Expenses	£ 4,460.49
Staff Salaries	£ 20,332.05
RinJ Africa costs	£ 20,342.33
RinJ Book printing	£ 7,650.71
Bank Charges	£ 324.95
Other expenses	£ -

Total expenditure £ 56,676.59

Opening Balance	£ 34,672.74
Income	£ 52,451.64
Expenditure	£ 56,676.59
Closing Balance	£ 30,447.79



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
THE MATHETES TRUST

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1169869

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2022**.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Robert Powell

Date:

20/6/23

Name:

ROBERT POWELL

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

DIRECTOR - BASIL POWELL SHOES LTD.

Address:

*26 CHAMBERLAIN STREET
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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Set out on pages	
On accounts for the year ended	11 December 2022
Report to the trustees or members of	THE MATTHEW TRUST
Independent examiner's statement	
<p>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention other than those disclosed below in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that any material response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the accounts do not accord with the accounting records • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or <p>I have no concern 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.</p> <p>Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.</p>	<p>Responsibilities and basis of report</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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 Guidance given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.</p>
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any)	DIRECTOR - BAZIL POWELL SHOGS LTD
Name	ROBERT POWELL
Signed	<i>Robert Powell</i>
Date	20/6/23
Address	26 CHAMBERLAIN STREET WELLS SOMERSET BA8 2PT