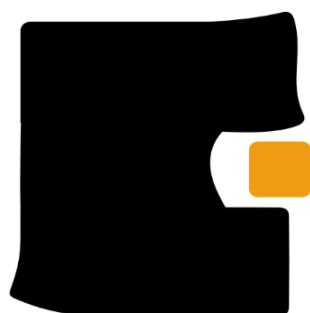


Our God Given Mission

Report of the Trustees for year ended 31 March 2024

Registered Charity No: 1170615



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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Our God Given Mission

Charity Registration Number: 1170615

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Board of Trustees

Michael Timilehin Omoniyi (Chair)
Jemie Irukwu
Naa-Dei Nikoi
Samuel Cole

Bankers: Caf Bank, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling ME19 4JQ

Governing Document: OGGM is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with the Charity Commission since December 2016 under charity number 1170615.

Trustees Report

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year to 31st March 2024.

Purposes and Objectives

Our God Given Mission (OGGM) is a Christian Charity driven by the goal to help young adults discover Jesus and equip them to make Him known. This is built on the biblical instruction of going out into all the world and preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to all creation! Gospel simply means good news. OGGM's primary and driving purpose is to share this good news with as many people that will listen, whilst mobilising others to do the same. OGGM shares this 'good' news, which is love and peace, by carrying out religious devotional acts, missionary and outreach work and by raising awareness and understanding about Jesus Christ and his message of Love.

Our objectives are to:

- Help young adults to discover the person of Jesus Christ, and equip them to make Him known to the people in their lives:
- Publish and release materials that help the public understand the message and the teachings of Jesus Christ: and
- Raise awareness about the primary teaching of Jesus, spreading His love and peace to the public.

Our Strategy

We achieve our aims practically by creating spaces for meaningful community, offering a platform for learning and education, and curating mission experiences that change participants forever. The three channels of our work are:

- **Belong:** Addressing the lack of community by hosting a range of events to allow Christians to meet [Hebrews 10:24-25]. According to a report from the Co-Op on the state of UK communities, almost of 45% of people don't feel part of the community they live in;
- **Believe:** Addressing the lack of knowledge through an award winning publication with content that answer some of the most difficult questions that young people have about faith and apologetics [1 Peter 3:15]; and
- **Become:** Addressing the lack of perspective by taking young people on mission trips, that enable them to gain an "On Mission" mindset, with which they can share the Gospel wherever they find themselves [Matthew 28:19-20].

We have already been delivering across these channels over the last 9 years and our goal is to increase our output, sustainably and for the long-term.

What need are we addressing?

We believe there is a faith crisis in the UK. A survey asking whether participants share a biblical worldview, revealed 16% of Baby Boomers (1940s-60s) did vs 4% millennials (1981-00s).

When asked about faith: 36% of millennials said they were 'hopeful', 28% 'not hopeful', 33% 'not sure'.

Statistics tell only a part of the story. Abuse, depression, hopelessness, fear all feel commonplace in today's world. The need for light has never been more urgent, especially in the younger generation, and we present the gospel as the most fundamental solution.

Who is our target audience?

Our target audience is young adults across the UK. Over the years we have developed great rapport with young adults in the black British community who make up the largest cohort of our audience to date.

Activities and Achievements for the financial period

Belong: Creating spaces for Christians to experience meaningful community

Our world has never been more interconnected, and yet many young adults that we meet explain loneliness and lack of community as the biggest hindrances in their Christian journey. We create events where young adults have the opportunity to experience Christian fellowship and build relationships.

Examples of the impact from our work this year include:

- Annual Retreats: We delivered a week-long retreat in Wales, 'FOCUS23' which was attended by just shy of 200 people and remains our flagship event of the year.
- Through this 5-day retreat, we uncovered what it means to have Joy and the kind of joy the Gospel promises us. We looked at the texture of joy and what it looks like to have joy despite the situations we may be going through.
- Since launching our first retreat in 2017, we have seen over 2,000 young adults come to hear the gospel, with over 80 baptisms.
- Partnering with the local church: We do not believe in a vision of sharing the Gospel that leaves the church behind. We are convinced that the local church is critical to the effort of helping more people know Jesus (young or old). We have continued to partner with local churches to integrate young adults who attend our events into a church community. We also work with local pastors to deliver teaching on biblical topics across our platforms, especially the online courses.

Believe: Creating resources to encourage a deeper understanding of the gospel.

Examples of the impact from our work this year include:

- Online articles: We have a team of volunteers who write online articles principles that promote Christ whilst addressing current theological, cultural, and societal issues. During the year we have published over 50 articles that have reached over 50,000 readers, covering a range of Christ-centred topics.

- Online podcasts: We host an award-winning podcast show 'On the Table' where we discuss modern issues through a gospel lens. We also host another podcast 'The Pulse' which is an educational podcast to untangle tricky theological questions in a digestible way. To date we have published over 70 episodes across both podcasts, with over 10,000 listeners.
- Online Courses: We have created online courses where individuals can work their way through a self-directed curriculum on topics such as: what is the gospel, 101 to evangelism, study of pneumatology.

Become: Reaching the lost, primarily through missions

The third channel of our work is focused on evangelical outreach.

Examples of the impact from our work this year include:

- Missions' trips: We host two mission trips each year, with between 8-10 individuals joining. Attendees come back with a renewed desire to share the gospel in their local context. Since starting our missions' trips, we have helped over 50 young adults embark on their very first missions' trip, and embrace sharing the gospel in their day to day life.
- During 2023/24, we read the scriptures, prayed and shared personal testimonies with people in the southern region of Tenerife who felt their lives had lost purpose. We believe the name of Jesus has the power to change hearts and minds as well as give hope where guilt, shame and hurt reside. Our team of volunteers joined a local church in Los Santos, who have been involved in the missionary work for over 13 years. The trip was largely successful, and we intend to continue this partnership for years to come.

Accounts

The accounts have been drawn up on a receipts and payments basis.

As at 31/03/24 OGGM held £8,669 of total funds available in its account. The key movements are available in the receipts and payments summary for the financial period of this report.

The Trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charity, and their policy is to hold enough funds to meet 24 months of operating costs of the charity.

Trusteeship

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The existing Trustees are responsible for identifying and selecting new Trustees to join the organisation. In selecting new Trustees we seek to identify individuals who have shown interest in the advancement of the gospel message, and volunteer their efforts by leading on projects which the charity is pursuing. Potential Trustees are asked to complete an application form expressing why they would be interested in becoming a trustee. Once they have progressed beyond this stage, they are interviewed by current Trustees. This process allows the charity to consider the person's eligibility, competence, and skills, to ensure they are suitable for the available role.


Induction and training of Trustees

New Trustees are introduced to their role and provided with copies of the constitution and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are provided to the trustee including the guidance on charities providing public benefit, and the advancement of religion for the public benefit. Existing Trustees set up time to meet with the new

trustee and provide an overview of the main projects the charity is working on. Initially, new Trustees will assist in these projects and tasks. Once they have developed the experience they then lead on these projects.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees on 15 December 2024 by

Signature: 

Full Name: Samuel Cole

Position: Trustee and Head of Finance

ACCOUNT FOR RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
OUR GOD GIVEN MISSION

No (if any)
1170615

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	41,366	-	-	41,366	27,615
Events	21,203	-	-	21,203	27,812
Account Interest	30	-	-	30	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	62,599	-	-	62,599	55,427
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	62,599	-	-	62,599	55,427
A3 Payments					
Admin Expense	731	-	-	731	1,276
Event Expense	40,240	-	-	40,240	30,375
Paypal Fees	122	-	-	122	-
Stripe Fees	1,045	-	-	1,045	-
Zoom Fees	187	-	-	187	-
Freelance Contract Payment	21,000	-	-	21,000	21,000
Sub total	63,325	-	-	63,326	52,651
Total payments	63,325	-	-	63,325	52,651
Net of receipts/(payments)	(726)	-	-	(726)	2,776
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	9,395	-	-	9,395	6,619
Cash funds this year end	8,669	-	-	8,669	9,395

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Section 2 Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF	7,832	-	-
	Paypal	10	-	-
	Stripe	1,027	-	-
	Total cash funds	8,669	-	-
	receipts and payments	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Cost (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	Amount due (optional)
	Independent Examination Fee	480	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of
			SAMUEL COLE	15.12.24

Our God Given Mission

Accounts Year Ended 31st March 2024

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Our God Given Mission

I report on the accounts of Our God Given Mission for the year ended 31 March 2024, set out on page 7.

This report is made solely to the Trustees in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act). My independent examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by the law, I do not accept responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees for my independent examination, for this report, or the opinions I have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period (under section 144(2) of the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Direction given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



John Helm ACA
31 January 2025