

THE BURN 24-7 UNITED KINGDOM
(A charitable incorporated organisation)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Charity number: 1173397

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

01/04/2022 - 31/03/2023

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The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Charity name:	The Burn 24-7 United Kingdom
Governing document:	CIO - FOUNDATION
Registration date:	13 Jun 2017
Charity registration number:	1173397
Principal address:	1 Lowes Court, Durham, DH1 4NR
Bankers:	Reliance Bank Limited Faith House, 23-24 Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8EB.
Trustees: Indicated roles were those as at 31/3/23.	Tiffany Buhler William Robert Byng – Secretary Jocelyn Claire Dillamore Robin Mark Dillamore James Waters
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Structure, governance and management

Governing document

THE BURN 24-7 UNITED KINGDOM is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 13 Jun 2017.

The Burn 24-7 as an organisation

The Burn 24-7 UK operates primarily in the United Kingdom, with links with churches and Christian organisations both in the UK and internationally. In particular, Burn 24-7 UK relates to the Burn 24-7 as a global movement, operating in several nations worldwide including the USA, continental Europe, especially Eastern Europe, India and South Africa. Burn 24-7 is a movement of burning hearts across the world returning to their first love for Jesus and then taking that love to the nations.

Local Burn Furnaces are at the heart of the movement. These are communities of passionate worshippers from different churches and denominations who unify around the presence of God for 'Burns' – regular extended times of worship and prayer.

Burn 24-7 UK started in 2009 and has grown since to around 25 Burns across the UK. The movement is growing as new Burn Furnaces are launched. There is a hunger stirring across the nation for the presence of God and to see night and day worship established.

Discipleship and training are carried out via the online 'Field Training' programme. We sometimes host a summer residential discipleship school and are looking to develop an apprenticeship programme.

Our UK missions arm is developing with local street outreaches and other, extended outreaches during large cultural or sporting events. We also facilitate mission trips overseas, primarily via our links with people in Cyprus and the Middle East.

Within the United Kingdom an organisational structure has developed to provide this largely 'grassroots' movement with effective support for sustainable growth. Local Furnaces have at least one Director ultimately responsible for pioneering it with the Holy Spirit's help. Directors are strongly encouraged to prioritise the development of a local team that will share the vision and bring different skills to bear on its fulfillment. During the reporting period, Local Furnace Directors were supported by a National Core Leadership Team, which included the National Directors, and a wider Leader Team comprising Regional Directors, an Administrator and others providing additional support for areas such as evangelism and overseas mission, and discipleship and training.

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The Burn24-7 as a charity

The charity was established in 2017 in support of the wider aims of the organisation. Being registered as a charity provides a context within which good practice can be applied to financial accountability and social responsibility. As such the board of Trustees aims to meet at least quarterly. These meetings take place online, to accommodate the constraints of one Trustee living overseas. They allow Trustees to review finances, risk management, legal issues and other matters affecting the charitable company. In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

Objectives, activities and achievements

The objectives of the charity are:

- The advancement of the Christian faith;
- The stirring of prayer and worship within the wider church;
- The facilitation of mission and evangelism in the UK and wider.

Local Furnaces

Local Furnaces are at the heart of Burn 24-7. We are convinced that everything in life should flow from a place of first love for God. There are currently around twenty-five Burn furnaces in the UK, with interest being expressed about more starting. During the reporting period a Burn Furnace in Teesside was relaunched and is pioneering a highly successful model of worshipping in each of six defined areas in the borough for two consecutive months before moving on.

There is a variety in the level of activity, depending on where each local Furnace is in its development process, but the majority consistently hold extended (at least three hours, often more) worship and prayer times, with sessions led by worship leaders representing the church across their locality. Burn 24-7 UK has a rising profile within the UK church, which is helping connections with local leaders, and an increasing sense of favour for what we are doing. We love to partner with other parts of the body of Christ, and our Directors are often found supporting other similar ventures under those ventures' own banners.

The reporting period saw local Burn Furnaces explore new opportunities for gathered corporate worship after the restrictions of the Covid-19 pandemic were lifted. Most local Burn Furnaces have ceased all forms of live-streaming and have enjoyed supporting local churches in facilitating live worship events once more.

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National Initiatives

As a national movement, we gathered regularly online throughout the reporting period, including monthly meetings of the Core Leadership Team and regular national and regional calls, open to Furnace Directors and members of local teams, to provide updates and opportunities to pray together and support one another.

In addition:

- In July-August 2022 Burn 24-7 UK facilitated 336 hours of unbroken worship and prayer during the Birmingham Commonwealth Games, partnering with local churches and ministries such as YWAM, Firestarters and Healing on the Streets. Various missional activities took place during each day. We were grateful to Elim Life Centre, Pheasey, for the provision of a venue, encouraged by feedback from local partners about the efficacy of what we were doing during the event, and excited about ongoing connections with church leaders in Birmingham who are eager to explore ongoing expressions of unified extended worship and prayer in the city.
- In August 2022 many local Directors and Team members choose to attend the 'David's Tent' worship festival in West Sussex, and an informal Burn 24-7 gathering was held onsite during the event.
- In September 2022 we held a weekend in-person Summit at The Poplars in Ledbury. This was attended by nearly all UK Furnace Directors and others interested in finding out more about the movement.
- In November 2022 the Burn UK Core Team was able to gather in Chester for a day of prayer, fellowship and planning.
- In January 2023 we began the year with three days of prayer and fasting, with daily prayer calls hosted by different Regional Directors. This culminated in an extended Zoom call which involved people from across the UK and overseas.

Burn 24-7 UK Missions

Burn 24-7 UK Missions seeks to:

- See the restoration of the UK as a great sending nation of long and short-term missions
- Train and equip local Burns across the UK to become missional – activating them in local, supernatural outreach
- Plant Furnaces of worship all over the world, bringing worship to the darkest places

UK mission trips

- Our primary focus in the summer of 2022 was the Commonwealth Games Burn outreach in Birmingham, as outlined above.

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Overseas mission trips:

- A missions trip to Cyprus and Bethlehem took place in June 2022. In Cyprus the Burn partnered with a team from YWAM (Youth With A Mission) in outreach during the Kataklysmos Festival in Larnaca. In Bethlehem, our primary partnership was with local Christians already known to us, and their contacts. Future trips to these places and others are anticipated.
- In addition, Burn 24-7 UK paid for our missions director to participate in a Burn 24-7 Global missions trip to Iraq during the year.

Equipping and Training

We are committed to building people up to be able to fulfill the calling to love God and love the world He loves. To this end we run several initiatives aimed at equipping believers through the word and practical engagement.

Worship and Missions School

In July 2022, a Worship and Missions School was held at The Poplars in Ledbury. This was attended by a total of around 30 people including staff, students and visiting speakers. It was a wonderful time of training and equipping in worship and evangelism, in advance of our Commonwealth Games Burn and outreach activities. Most of the people who attended the School participated in the Commonwealth Games Burn in some way.

Burn 24-7 Apprenticeship

This is a year's programme with lots of hands on application and personal mentoring towards gaining practical leadership and ministry skills. Field Training (see below) forms part of the apprenticeship programme.

During 2022-3, we had two apprentices attached to the Durham Burn Furnace and its associated House of Prayer.

Field Training

This is an online course developed by the Burn 24-7 global community with an orientation towards establishing people in Burn 24-7 core values and principles. Field Training is recommended to local Burn furnace directors and members of their teams, and is open and available to anyone interested in developing a fuller understanding of the worship and prayer movement. In the UK, anyone considering launching a new Burn Furnace is strongly encouraged to complete the Field Training course as part of their discernment process.

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During the report period, further revisions to course materials were made by Robin and Claire Dillamore, who oversaw the course globally. Teaching and learning takes place via pre-recorded videos, Bible study, and required reading by a wide variety of authors. The course includes opportunities for differentiation, such as resources for 'going deeper' in areas of study and suggestions for extended reading.

In the UK, 2022-3 saw another highly successful mentoring group run with a British leader. This group worked through the materials together at a manageable pace, with opportunities to discuss learning facilitated by fortnightly Zoom calls. Much positive feedback was received from participants.

Financial Statements

A bookkeeping system exists, overseen by our Administrator. This provides accountability for local Furnaces to raise finances (through free will offerings at monthly burns and regular giving via standing order). Funds raised are deposited in the shared bank account and registered within a 'virtual sub account.' The same account and bookkeeping system is also used to manage other corporate activities such as Discipleship Schools, Missions trips and the annual Summit.

Following a period of consultation with Furnace Directors, a new subscription-based Finance Model was implemented in April 2022. An annual subscription of £120 is requested from each Furnace. This covers central administrative costs such as the Administrator's stipend and licence fees, for example, and is transferred from each Furnace's 'sub account' in April each year.

In addition, each Furnace is invited to make voluntary donations to centralised Burn funds. These and other generous donations enable us to subsidise missions trips, provide travel expenses (e.g. for our Missions Director), and to offer bursaries for different events, for example. As a charity we monitor the payments received and will claim gift aid where it is appropriate.

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Approved by the trustees on 30 January 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

William R Byng (Trustee)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2022

To

31/03/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Local furnace income	-	4,447	-	4,447	4,118
Offerings and donations	904	-	-	904	608
UK Summit fee income	7,882	-	-	7,882	7,305
Worship & mission school fee income	1,825	-	-	1,825	3,740
Missions trip income	-	10,890	-	10,890	-
Sales of Burn merchandise	1,300	-	-	1,300	2,911
Gift Aid	7,417	-	-	7,417	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,328	15,337	-	34,665	18,682
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,328	15,337	-	34,665	18,682
A3 Payments					
Local furnace expenses	-	1,378	-	1,378	1,748
UK Summit expenses	6,050	-	-	6,050	7,515
Worship & mission school expenses	5,392	-	-	5,392	4,277
Mission trip expenses	-	11,025	-	11,025	-
Commonwealth Games Burn	-	4,362	-	4,362	-
Gifts and honoraria	257	-	-	257	573
Administration and bookkeeping fees	1,462	-	-	1,462	1,580
Bank charges	173	-	-	173	148
Licences	399	-	-	399	379
Graphic design and printing	215	-	-	215	759
Subscriptions	159	-	-	159	617
Marketing costs	657	-	-	657	627
Travel and accommodation	-	-	-	-	851
Burn merchandise purchases	1,122	-	-	1,122	3,119
Sub total	15,886	16,765	-	32,651	22,193
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,886	16,765	-	32,651	22,193
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,442	- 1,428	-	2,014	- 3,511
A5 Transfers between funds	2,274	- 2,274	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,665	15,652	-	28,317	31,828
Cash funds this year end	18,381	11,950	-	30,331	28,317

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Reliance Bank account	18,369	11,950	-
	Kingdom Bank account	12	-	-
	Total cash funds		18,381	11,950
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Stocks of merchandise	838	-	-
	Gift Aid debtor	168	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		William R Byng	30/01/2024	