

EAST MOUNTAIN UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1174595

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-09-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION MAINLY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY MEANS OF BROADCASTING CHRISTIAN MESSAGES OF AN EVANGELISTIC AND TEACHING NATURE.

Activities: East Mountain UK exists to develop Christian leaders for global mission service. It is a Community of people who love Jesus and are passionate about teaching, developing and empowering leaders. We are working to establish a place where leaders grow- spiritually, biblically and practically in their leadership skills. Partnership & impacting our communities through the Gospel of Christ are key.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Scotland
- Essex
- Havering

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-05	£2,627	£1,088	-	-
2024-05-05	£2,720	£1,047	-	-
2023-05-05	£1,328	£100	-	-
2022-05-05	£106	£0	-	-
2021-05-05	£356	£299	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Brenda Lay Yen Bell		2022-05-19
CHRIS FURR		2017-04-27
Dr DAVID WHITTINGTON		2017-05-09
Gary Brian Seithel		2017-04-27
Robert David Bell		2022-05-10

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beginning May 2024 Balance in Bank				£1672.93
08 May 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	100.00		1772.93
15 May 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		1797.93
30 May 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	30.00		1827.93
31 May 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1857.93
20 Jun 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		1882.93
25 Jun 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		1907.93
28 Jun 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1927.93
19 Jul 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		1937.93
12 Aug 24	Shep Hut busn card printing		-91.83	1846.10
22 Aug 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	40.00		1886.10
27 Aug 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1916.10
27 Aug 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	15.00		1931.10
09 Sep 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	20.00		1951.10
04 Oct 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	15.00		1966.10
07 Oct 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	20.00		1986.10
30 Oct 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	15.00		2001.10
04 Oct 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		2011.10
22 Nov 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	50.00		2061.10
29 Nov 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		2081.10
05 Dec 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		2111.10
10 Dec 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		2121.10
31 Dec 24	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	200.00		2321.10
03 Feb 25	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		2341.10
14 Feb 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	20.00		2361.10
17 Feb 25	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	75.00		2436.10
28 Feb 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	40.00		2476.10
04 Mar 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	50.00		2526.10
06 Mar 25	Reimbursement to C Furr for EM UK websites		-330.48	2195.62
17 Mar 25	Payment for Prayer Garden landscaping materials		-549.28	1646.34
18 Mar 25	Payment for Shep Hut supplies		-11.97	1634.37
21 Mar 25	Reimbursement to G Seithel for charity insurance		-100.80	1533.57
21 Mar 25	Payment for Shep Hut supplies		-13.99	1519.58
24 Mar 25	Payment for Shep Hut supplies		-82.00	1437.58
24 Mar 25	Refund for store error for above expense	11.33		1448.91
16 Apr 25	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1478.91

22 Apr 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	25.00		1503.91
28 Apr 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	30.00		1533.91
02 May 25	Direct Donor gift Shep Hut	5.00		1538.91
Totals		£954.50	-£1088.52	£1538.91

£954.50 **Income/ Receipts + beginning balance = 954.50 + 1672.93 = £2627.43**

£1088.52 **Expenditure in fiscal year 2024-2025 year ending 5 May 2025**

There are no loans, or outstanding bills due.

Signed by Chair of Trustees



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Charity Insurance £100.80

Rev Gary B Seithel

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26 May 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1247.56
31 May 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	78.00		1325.56
12 Jun 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	29.25		1354.81
29 Jun 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	48.75		1403.56
4 Jul 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1413.31
7 Jul 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	15.00		1428.31
21 Jul 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1447.81
4 Aug 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	39.32		1487.13
22 Aug 23	D SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		1512.13
30 Aug 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1531.63
1 Sep 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1561.63
5 Sep 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	12.50		1574.13
12 Sep 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1583.88
15 Sep 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	20.00		1603.88
19 Sep 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	50.00		1653.88
20 Sept 23	Payment to C Furr for EM UK ministry event lodging		-707.27	946.61
25 Sept 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	15.00		961.61
28 Sept 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	125.00		1086.61
13 Oct 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1106.11
17 Oct 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	20.00		1126.11
31 Oct 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1135.86
7 Nov 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1145.61
9 Nov 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	14.75		1160.36
14 Nov 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1179.86
17 Nov 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1209.86
28 Nov 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1229.36
5 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1249.36
8 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	65.00		1314.36
13 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	14.62		1328.98
15 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1348.98
19 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		1358.98
19 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	5.00		1363.98
20 Dec 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		1373.89
9 Jan 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	29.25		1403.23
11 Jan 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	50.00		1453.23
16 Jan 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1473.23
18 Jan 24	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	100.00		1573.23
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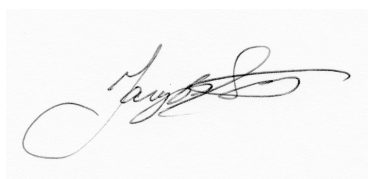
20 Feb 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	35.00		1688.23
21 Feb 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		1718.23
4 Mar 24	Charity Insurance payment		-100.80	1617.43
4 Mar 24	Visa sponsorship renewal costs for KINGS		-239.00	1378.43
8 Mar 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1398.43
11 Mar 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1417.93
2 Apr 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	40.00		1457.93
2 Apr 24	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	30.00		1487.93
10 Apr 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	50.00		1537.93
17 Apr 24	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	50.00		1587.93
18 Apr 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		1597.93
19 Apr 24	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	30.00		1627.93
22 Apr 24	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	25.00		1652.93
2 May 24	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1672.93
Totals		£1491.94	-£1047.07	£1672.93

£1491.94 Income/ Receipts + beginning balance = 1491.94 + 1228.06 = **£2720.00**

£1047.07 Expenditure in fiscal year 2023-2024 year ending 2 May 2024

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Signed by Chair of Trustees



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Charity Insurance £100.80

UKVI Certificate of Sponsorship £239.00

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11 March 2025

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Spring and Summer 2022:

The East Mountain UK community opened the Shepherd's Hut retreat space in the spring (March) of 2022. By later spring and into the summer, we began to see an increased interest and use for the space. A booking website was launched and Jessica King began managing the bookings and communications for the ministry. As word began to spread, we saw guests coming from as far away as Scotland's west coast to spend time in the Hut.

The Shepherd's Hut was also used for East Mountain discipleship and small group meetings. It became a space that community members could go for personal retreat as well as for leading coaching sessions, discipleship sessions and group meetings.

Autumn and Winter 2022:

The King family continued their integration into Scottish life. Jess took on more responsibility with the Shepherd's Hut management and also contemplated starting a group in her town for mother's with young children. Vinny worked to develop his business as a joiner/handyman and was engaged in numerous projects. Fiona McLaughlin developed community liturgy and worship materials.

Kirsten Furr began a group for primary school-aged boys called "Bible time." Working with classmates of Carlson Furr, she developed a discipleship curriculum to help introduce the Bible to children here who have no church background. We saw one young man, Nathan, give his life to the Lord during this time!

During September, the Furr's had a couple of supporters come to visit, Jim and Donna Gatling, who were interested in supporting the purchase of Whitekirk Church. They were introduced to some of the members of

the Whitekirk NewLife Trust and were excited by the prospect of this potential ministry centre. They decided to donate a very generous \$30,000 to the Trust to help make this a reality! The Trust continued to work with the Church of Scotland to see the sale of the property happen. Chris was kept informed of the progress (or lack thereof!).

Winter and Spring 2023:

Through the winter and into the spring, the individual community members worked to develop their own “outflows” of ministry. The East Mountain UK is modelled on a rule of life in community (Eat, Read, Pray, Share, Go). This “Go” piece is the outflow of the life in community that we experience together each week as we meet on Thursdays. All of our “outflow ministries” have a certain flavour that we would name as typically East Mountain UK. This flavour involved ministry to the heart of the individual, soul care, deep discipleship and a ministry of presence. Every single community member evidenced this kind of outflow ministry!

In March, we celebrated the Shepherd’s Hut one year anniversary! As a community, we took time reading through the guest book from the hut. In this book guests write their prayers, thanks and experience in the space. We were moved to tears at how many times we heard how God had met people in powerful ways! The phrase, “this is a thin space!” was written time after time. We took time to thank God for His mercy and to reconsecrate the space for His purposes. We also began to wonder if it might be in our future to build a 2nd hut in another location to be able to host overnight guests.

Chris began official training to become a certified life coach in early 2023. This ongoing process will allow him to better engage pastors, ministers and leaders here in the UK and beyond. He also began a new phase of pilgrimage ministry in May by leading a 6 day walk on the St. Cuthbert Way (70 miles). This route from Melrose in the Scottish Borders to Holy Island in Northumberland offers an exciting ministry pathway of deep discipleship, soul development/care and spiritual formation. Chris tested this out with a young man from the US who was considering joining the EM UK team. They walked the entire St. Cuthbert Way and used a book Chris developed based on the “5 Encounters of Pilgrimage.” The pilgrimage was very successful and served as a template for future walks to come. Chris and Vinny King discussed how Vinny can also be trained to serve on these walks and how can integrate this as part of his own “outflow ministry.”

In conclusion, the year period of May 2022 to May 2023 was one of burgeoning new ministries and deepening development of the EM UK community. We saw God open up new avenues of engagement after the difficult period of the Pandemic and experienced our ministry outflow reach whole new subsets of people here in Scotland and beyond. We are so grateful for His mercy and blessings toward EM UK!

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Director, East Mountain UK 24 April 2024

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4 May 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.83		162.83
6 May 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.83		172.66
24 May 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	29.49		202.15
30 May 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	29.83		231.98
7 Jun 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		241.98
8 Jun 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.83		251.81
16 Jun 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		261.81
23 Jun 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		271.81
4 Jul 22	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	30.00		301.81
5 Jul 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		311.81
13 Jul 22	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	20.00		331.81
15 Jul 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	15.00		346.81
8 Aug 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.83		356.64
8 Aug 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		381.64
15 Aug 22	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	30.00		411.64
7 Sept 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		421.64
21 Sept 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		451.64
22 Sept 22	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	20.00		471.64
26 Sept 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		491.64
27 Sept 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	15.00		506.64
7 Oct 22	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	50.00		556.64
18 Oct 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		576.64
25 Oct 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	25.00		601.64
1 Nov 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	5.00		606.64
3 Nov 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		626.64
11 Nov 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	5.00		631.64
16 Nov 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		651.64
29 Nov 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		661.64
8 Dec 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		681.64
19 Dec 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	26.00		707.64
29 Dec 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		717.64
30 Dec 22	East Mtn Tithe to I Got Shoes		100.00	617.64
9 Jan 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	250.00		867.64
16 Jan 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		887.64
17 Jan 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		897.64
23 Jan 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	30.00		927.64
3 Feb 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		947.64
14 Feb 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	30.00		977.64

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27 Feb 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	4.92		982.56
7 Mar 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	15.00		997.56
14 Mar 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	5.00		1002.56
21 Mar 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1012.31
21 Mar 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	48.75		1061.06
28 Mar 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1080.56
4 Apr 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	29.25		1109.81
19 Apr 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	20.00		1129.81
20 Apr 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.50		1149.31
25 Apr 23	Direct Donor gift Shepherds Hut	50.00		1199.31
27 Apr 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	7.00		1206.31
3 May 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.75		1216.06
3 May 23	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	12.00		1228.06
	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut			
Totals		£1175.06	£ 100.00	£1228.06

£1175.06 Income/ Receipts + beginning balance = 1175.06 + 153.00= 1328.06

£100.00 Expenditure in fiscal year 2022-2023 year ending 4 May 2023

There are no loans, or outstanding bills due.

Signed by Chair of Trustees



Trustees expenses- £ 0.00

Gift to I Got Shoes charity £100.00

UKVI Certificate of Sponsorship £0.00

Rev Gary B Seithel

23 April 2024

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East Mountain UK Director's Report May 2021-May 2022

The period of May of 2021 to May of 2022 saw (literal!) ground-breaking activity as well as the addition of a new migrant worker family and the opening of a new ministry venue and exciting new possibilities for the community. In the continuing world of Covid-19 lockdown and restrictions; followed by a slow return to normalcy, East Mountain UK community gives thanks to God for His hand on us during this time of growth, challenge and opportunity!

Spring and Summer 2021:

The East Mountain UK community welcomed the King family (Jessica, Vinny and their two children) immediately before this reporting period began. The month of May saw the King family come out of their imposed quarantine after international travel and begin their life in Scotland with a 3 week stay at the Furr's. During this time, they recovered from a recent bout with Covid and the shock of moving a family with small children internationally after almost 7 years of work to get here! They then moved into a rental house and began the process of settling in. Their adjustment to life in Scotland continued through the remainder of 2021 and into 2022. They are a welcome addition to the East Mountain UK community!

During the late spring and early summer, East Mountain continued to clear the land in the front garden of Wall End to create a "Prayer Garden" space and a spot for the building of the Shepherd's Hut. By July, three different spots had been cleared, weeded (with roots of nettles and brambles dug up by hand), covered in weed-proof membrane and then with either pebbles or mulch. The main, centre portion was covered with gravel for the Shepherd's Hut space with the two adjoining spaces either for flower planting or a fire pit. This was months of hard work, but the results were so satisfying.

In May of 2021, Chris Furr was informed that the Church of Scotland was planning to sell Whitekirk, a medieval church in East Lothian with a long history of pilgrimage connected to the earliest days of Christianity in this part of Scotland. This began a process of inquiry in which East Mountain, in conjunction with Discovery Church in Dunbar and 24-7 Prayer Scotland began discussing what it might look like to join in partnership to see this church purchased, restored and renewed in our day as a centre of pilgrimage, prayer and the arts. Later in the summer of 2021, we were introduced to Tommy Dale, who subsequently formed the Whitekirk NewLife Trust and invited Chris to participate on the board and to write the mission and vision of the Trust. In July of 2021, Chris and Kirsten returned to the US and presented the ministry of East Mountain UK, including the Whitekirk project to a US supporting/partner church. There was much excitement about the Shepherd Hut and Whitekirk. This has since turned into a growing number of donors from the US to the Whitekirk project through the NewLife Trust.

Autumn and Winter 2021:

In September of 2021, Chris and Vinny began the construction work on the Shepherd Hut. East Mountain purchased a partial kit for the Hut from a company in Essex. Numerous people (friends and partners of the EM UK community) offered their help and expertise to help landscape, paint and build the hut. The project was quite a learning curve for both Vinny who had a good deal of building experience but had never tackled a project in the UK and for Chris who was learning how to do construction. Thankfully, EM UK had generous donors from the US who gave through Paraclete (the Furr's' sending organisation) to cover the complete cost of the Shepherd's Hut.

The EM UK community welcomed back the Deep Community Experience team (Dale Phillips and Keith Keller) back to Scotland to lead a community process (Phases 1) for the EM UK team plus John Timms, pastor of Discovery Church Dunbar. It was a wonderful experience and deepened our community connection.

Winter and Spring 2022:

The Shepherd's Hut was completed in February of 2022. We decorated the hut, planted early spring flowers and prepared for our March 5 grand opening party by inviting several friends to come and to experience the space. The feedback we received was overwhelmingly positive. The men and women who spent time in the Hut all commented on the fact that they experienced the

presence of God in the Hut and that it was a “thin space.” On March 5, we hosted almost 80 people in the Prayer Garden and had a beautiful day of music, presentations, prayer and good food. The weather was beautiful, and there was nothing but positive feedback for the Hut. The website for the Hut (www.theshepherdshut.org) was launched and Jessica King began her job of managing bookings. The Furr's cleaned and stocked the hut, as well as welcomed the majority of the guests who began to come. This ministry continued to grow through the spring and summer.

The Deep Community team (Dale and Carmen Phillips) returned in the spring to do Phase 2 of DCE with the EM UK team. We were able to go even deeper in our stories, community connections and relationship with God. Phase 3 is on schedule for Autumn 2023.

In April, Jess and Vinny King celebrated their first year in Scotland as a part of East Mountain UK. They had been through a one-year period of Noviciate into the community and had their year review. It was concluded that the Kings had integrated well and were truly making good inroads into life in Scotland and had become important members of the community. Jess was beginning to take on more and more responsibility as the coordinator of the Shepherd Hut ministry and Vinny was learning more about what it would take for him to work as a joiner/handyman in the area. Their boys had integrated well into nursery.

In conclusion, the year period of May 2021 to May 2022 was full of exciting movement forward, despite the continuing confusion in the UK and world due to Covid-19. The integration of the Kings, the building of the Prayer Garden and Shepherd Hut, the two DCE seminars and the possibilities of Whitekirk going forward were all highlights of the year.

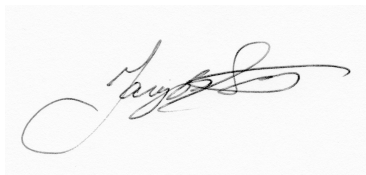
Chris Furr
Director, East Mountain UK

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Date:	Details:	In:	Out:	Bank Balance:
beginning 2021 Balance in Bank				£57.14
22 Mar 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	0.98		
22 Mar 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	39.32		97.44
23 Mar 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	5.90		103.34
25 Mar 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	19.66		123.00
31 Mar 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		133.00
1 April 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		143.00
21 Apr 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	10.00		153.00
4 May 22	SumUp Pymt Shepherds Hut	9.83		162.83
Totals		£105.69	£ 00.00	£162.83

£162.83 **Income/ Receipts**
£00.00 **Expenditure in fiscal year 2021-2022 year ending 5 May 2022**

There are no loans, or outstanding bills due.
Signed by Chair of Trustees



Trustees expenses- £ 0.00
Employers insurance £00.00
UKVI Certificate of Sponsorship £0.00

Rev Gary B Seithel
11 Feb 2023

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East Mountain UK Director's Report May 2020-May 2021

The period of May of 2020 to May of 2021 saw great global challenges that affected the course of the work and ministry of East Mountain UK and yet allowed us to refocus on the core of our mission and to adapt in a ruthlessly changing world. The East Mountain UK community gives thanks to God for His hand on us during this time and for the advances we have been able to make!

Spring and Summer 2020: As this reporting period begins two months after the official designation of the Pandemic and the lockdowns in the UK, there is a definite lack of content in terms of physical gatherings for much of 2020. In February of 2020 we hosted our last large monthly gathering of partners and friends of the East Mountain UK community. These may be reinstated at a later date, but with Covid restrictions, we thought it better to put them on an indefinite hold.

The spiritual formation cohort led by East Mountain for pastors and church leaders (started in summer 2019) moved from a fortnightly physical gathering to a once a week Zoom gathering. This actual increase of meeting space (albeit virtual) was a great blessing and encouragement to all the men involved. Several said that it was truly a lifeline in a very difficult time. This group concluded in June, 2020 with a small "pilgrimage walk" around a reservoir in East Lothian. From this group, several relationships and ministry possibilities for future engagement by the charity have remained.

Covid also forced the cancellation of our first US intern who was planning on a summer 2020 engagement. This was unfortunate, but unavoidable. Despite this disappointment, East Mountain has moved forward with consideration for what internship will look like in the future (2022 and beyond) and how we should handle hosting an intern going forward.

During this summer lockdown period, God opened our eyes to a new and potentially exciting way to engage church leaders, pastors and others in the "new normal" of the Covid and post-Covid world. We began to make plans to transform a portion of the Wall End property into a prayer garden and place of retreat. The proposed location on the Furr's property would serve as a "Covid compliant" way to invite others to a place of rest, restoration and retreat. Plans were made to begin the work of development in 2021.

Autumn and Winter 2020: During the autumn, East Mountain UK saw significant changes in the makeup of our community. Together with the East Mountain UK Board of Trustees, we oversaw the transition of the Scott family (an American family here on a Tier 2 Minister of Religion visa) from our charity to another UK charity. The Scott family officially made this transition on December 31, 2020. Though this involved some difficulty and a good deal of discernment, the end result was one of benefit for everyone.

During October of 2020, Fiona Maclaughlin (a local leader with whom Kirsten Furr had a discipling relationship), began to engage the community by attending regular meetings (on Zoom and outdoors!). By late autumn, she asked to formally join the community and to regularly help the work of the charity. We were so very encouraged to expand our core group to UK nationals and to see the previous ministry of East Mountain affect a leader so much so that they wished to have a closer connection. Fiona has been a wonderful addition to the East Mountain community! We worked closely with Fiona to re-establish the community rhythms and to begin the process of welcoming the King family in 2021.

During October of 2020, East Mountain also helped another American migrant worker family (with another UK Christian charity) make the transition from a different European country to Scotland. East Mountain hosted this family and helped them to settle in. From this relationship have developed many mutually beneficial ministry opportunities and relational connections in the Edinburgh area.

It was during this period as well that East Mountain UK decided officially to build a “Shepherd’s Hut” in the proposed Prayer Garden at Wall End as an enclosed space of retreat. Information gathering and a budget were prepared and the process of seeking donations from US donors (run through the Furr’s sending agency, Paraclete in the USA) was begun.

Winter and Spring 2021: In February of 2021, we began the official groundbreaking of the Prayer Garden and Shepherd Hut. Throughout the spring season, teams of local volunteers helped us to dig up the overgrown front garden space on the River Tyne, landscape it and prepare it for the eventual building of the Shepherd Hut on the space. This project was a wonderful way to engage partners and friends in the work of East Mountain and to give them a taste of the ministry work of the community and the hope and dream of what the Prayer Garden might become.

Finally, at the end of April, 2021, East Mountain UK welcomed the King family as migrant workers on a Tier 2 Minister of Religion visa. Arriving from the US, the Kings immediately were thrown into the chaos of trying to adapt to a new country in the middle of a pandemic! They spent the time covered by the end of this report period looking for housing, getting life set up and learning how to function within their roles in the charity. I am pleased to say that they have made the transition and have settled well. Their coming brought new energy and enhanced the vision and mission of East Mountain UK.

In conclusion, the year period of May 2020 to May 2021 was filled with significant upheaval and challenges, refocusing and then marked forward momentum. Although I would not choose to go through this particular year again, it did serve the purpose to narrow our focus, clarify our ministry endeavours and to welcome new and well-suited members to our charity community.

Chris Furr
Director, East Mountain UK

Signed on behalf of trustees
Gary B Seithel Chair 1 April 2022



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Date:	Details:	In:	Out:	Bank Balance:
beginning 2020 Balance in Bank				356.10
1 Mar 21	Reimburse G&P Seithel for Access Insurance		£298.96	57.14
Totals			£ 298.96	57.14

£356.10

Income/ Receipts

£298.96

Expenditure in fiscal year 2018-2019 year ending 5 May 2019

There are no loans, or outstanding bills due.

Signed by Chair of Trustees

Trustees expenses- £ 0.00

Employers insurance £298.96

UKVI Certificate of Sponsorship £0.00



Rev Gary B Seithel

1 April 2022