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DNIPRO HOPE MISSION
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's CIO - Foundation Registered 12 Mar 2018, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are:

- To relieve poverty and sickness of persons living in Ukraine.
- To advance the Christian faith in Ukraine for the benefit of the public.

The policies adopted in furtherance of these objects are:

- Provision of grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty and/or sickness and raising awareness on issues concerning the plight and circumstances of persons in Ukraine, in particular, but not exclusively, by providing support to other persons, institutions, churches and agencies involved in or wishing to become involved in similar activities.
- Education and the provision of courses and practical seminars run by local Christian communities in accordance with the statement of belief of the charity.

There has been no change in these during the year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

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Achievements and performance

Who we are?

Dnipro Hope Mission (DHM) is a registered UK charity that works in close cooperation with trusted partners in churches in Ukraine to provide essential supplies to vulnerable people, such as the sick and disabled, in the poorest regions of Ukraine. We offer compassionate care for all people in need such as sick, disabled, refugees and orphans as well as providing education, training and funding to local partners in Ukraine who are offering this care.

Our vision is to help make the Kingdom of God a visible reality in Ukraine. Our aim is to encourage people in Ukraine and to create an environment in which they can feel valued and safe. At Dnipro Hope Mission, our aim is to save lives in Ukraine and to restore hope and dignity to Ukrainian people impacted by poverty, disease and war. This ultimate objective guides everything we do.

Why?

For many Ukrainians, the war started in 2014 with the first Russian invasion and the ongoing war in the Donbas from 2014-2022. DHM founders Joshua and Varduyi Seale wrote in 2016: *'Being witnesses of this poverty and need, we could not stand aside and watch people suffering and we try to help as much as we can'*.

Since February 24th, 2022, the suffering and anguish of the Ukrainian people has increased.

More than 12,654 civilian men, women, girls, and boys have been killed, and over 29,392 injured since 24 February 2022, as verified by HRMMU. Throughout 2024, the Russian Federation increased its use of aerial bombs, short-range drones, long-range missiles and loitering munitions. Civilian casualties rose by 30 per cent in 2024 compared with 2023 as hostilities again intensified on the frontline. Children accounted for 673 of those killed and 1,865 of those injured. Although people over 60 make up only 25 per cent of the general population, older persons accounted for nearly half of civilian deaths and more than a third of injuries in frontline communities in 2024.

Russian armed forces deliberately, repeatedly, and systematically attacked energy infrastructure in Ukraine through a series of large-scale, coordinated strikes. This affected water distribution, sewage and sanitation systems, heating and hot water, public health, education and the overall economy. At least 790 attacks have damaged or destroyed medical facilities and 1,670 have damaged or destroyed educational facilities. In 2024, at least 306 attacks affected medical facilities – a threefold increase compared to 2023; and at least 576 attacks affected educational facilities – a 96 per cent increase compared to 2023. These figures cover the period from 24 February 2022 to 30 November 2024 and so the actual extent of civilian casualties is much higher. Ref: <https://hrmmu-3-year-update.my.canva.site/>

As we stated last year, the work of our partners serving all in need, regardless of background, language, or religious affiliation has been non-stop throughout this reporting year and since the war began. They are all experiencing profound exhaustion of body, mind and spirit as they live through the daily horror of war. There has been no respite. Several of them have narrowly avoided being killed themselves – their vehicles targeted by drones and narrowly avoiding missiles. They are surrounded by devastated villages, towns and cities and are constantly serving suffering people. They have had to attend countless funerals of cherished friends and family members. As pastors they have lost many 'brothers and sisters' in their churches as their congregations fled westwards. They are constantly serving newly displaced people as evacuations from the front-line areas continue – providing food, water, clothing and shelter as well as emotional, social and spiritual support to thousands of people who have left everything and lost all they ever had – in some cases in just their nightgowns.

Our partners are working in the areas of the country where people are most 'at risk' (those who are close to the front lines, displaced or living in institutions). They prioritise the poor and the most vulnerable: the over 70s, people with disabilities, people with pre-existing heart conditions or respiratory illness, children under five, people living in substandard housing or without access to adequate electricity and heating, people who are homeless and those whose use of alcohol and drugs as a coping mechanism is excessive.



So many are struggling. '14.6 million people are in humanitarian need.' ref: <https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cbp-9467/>.

Smaller charities such as DHM with our local partners who are focused on mission and service and know first-hand what people need can reach areas where there are no large NGOs and where people feel forgotten.

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How?

We offer our help by:

- Supporting different projects initiated and led by our partners in Ukraine throughout the year.
- Organising events/ visits/ meetings in the UK to talk about humanitarian needs in Ukraine and the work of DHM.
- Before the second Russian Invasion, we organised winter and summer trips to help people to learn about Ukraine and its needs. We were unable to visit Ukraine during the summer of 2022 because of the war but a small team visited Ukraine to support our partners from March 3rd-March 8th 2023, February/March 2024 and a third visit was made by a team in February/March 2025.
- Publication of a bi-monthly newsletter and occasional updates by email.
- Convening monthly prayer and information meetings to involve and update our supporters and pray for our partners on the ground in Ukraine.

All our activities are discussed and agreed on by our Board of Trustees.

Partnership with Vasylykivka Baptist Church

Alexander (Sasha) and his co-workers at the Dim Nadiyi Church (House of Hope), in the village of Vasylykivka, Dnipro region, are long standing partners of DHM in Ukraine and we send regular funds to support the work each month. Sasha is also a military chaplain. Our partner Sasha continues his quiet service, day after day, week after week. He and his wife Iryna have chosen to stay in Vasylykivka which is just 70 km from the frontlines. Many church members fled to the relatively safer west of the country or overseas. Once a thriving church of over 100 people, just 12 or so elderly ladies remained although some have since returned and they have been joined by many internally displaced people. This year, they were able to open a second church in Pavlivka village. There are twenty people who now attend regularly. This year five of them came to faith and were baptised. Two others were baptised from the church in Vasylykivka.

All the family are putting their lives at risk every day – one daughter is a doctor on the front line and another is a paramedic in Dnipro.

Each week, Sasha travels to the 'grey' zone, in Donetsk and delivers water and food, medication and food baked and grown by the local communities to two villages where people have been living without electricity or water for at least 6 months. This journey is very dangerous and in March 2025, Sasha narrowly escaped death and saved a woman to whom he'd brought food and water. He was just 2km from the front line and was targeted by a Russian drone. His minibus was destroyed. He then had to shelter with the woman until nightfall and the drone threat was diminished. Sasha was kept safe. He then borrowed another vehicle so he could go back and provide relief once more.

The wrecked minibus was bought for Sasha in 2017 by Epsom Baptist Church. We are incredibly grateful to them as they have provided funds for a replacement. We are delighted to report that we were able to provide Sasha with a replacement minibus in June 2025. Sasha uses DHM funds to buy medication such as cold and flu medicines to supply to all in need. He supports an incredible Volunteer Centre which specialises in sourcing and dispatching medical supplies at the cheapest possible costs.



Over the summer, Sasha planned a summer camp for women and children in the village of Novohryhorivka. Just 20km from this camp, a rocket exploded. Even so, despite the danger, the camp continued and over 100 people attended. Many weren't Christians, but heard about how faith can sustain and strengthen you in wartime. The camp provided a wonderful 'oasis of normality' in all the chaos this terrible war is wreaking. See the video dated July 13th on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/DniproHope/> Monthly meetings continued after the summer to provide friendship and mutual support for all who participated.

For over 10 years DHM has been supporting 224 residents in a care home for adults with a learning disability. Sasha visits regularly with food gifts. The home is Liubomirivka in the Zaporizhzhia region. In October 2024, this area was bombed by the Russians. Again, you can see the video on our Facebook page (posted Oct.15th)

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During the winter of 2024/5, with funding from DHM, the Vasylykivkha Baptist Church opened a Warm Hub, a place where people can come for a hot drink, a snack and social, emotional and spiritual support.

Sasha says *'Thank you to you all, and each of you personally, who are involved in the ministry of Dnipro Hope Mission. Thank you for your help, for your responsive, kind hearts, for you constantly being with us in this ministry.'*

DHM contributed £7064 to Sasha's work in the year to March 2025.

House of Hope

Work continued on the 'House of Hope' - a centre for the community where everyone is welcomed, helped, involved, and where the heart of the gospel can be seen and lived out in practice. In Sept/Oct it was not an easy decision to spend funds on providing a roof, windows and a door to the House of Hope building before winter, given the military situation. However, by roofing and securing the building, the progress made in earlier years was protected and preserved. Windows were installed and the building was equipped with temporary generators so that it could be used as an emergency shelter/community hub during the winter.



DHM spent £13, 456 in supporting the House of Hope fitting out in the year to March 2025.

Partnership with Oleksandr, House of the Gospel Bible Church, Tsarichanka

It has been a hard year for our partner Oleksandr in Tsarichanka. He sent us several messages over the summer of 2024: *'It is very hard to pray. Inhuman people have done evil and continue to commit atrocities against the people of Ukraine'; '...Life is getting really hard. There are as many as 15 alarms a day...rockets and drones flying and where they will hit us is anybody's guess. There is constant fear. It's also hard to live without electricity. We are without power for 18 hours and then have power for 6 hours, praise God. There are generators, but the noise is awful, and the power generated is expensive. Prices are going up for everything. Pray for peace for Ukraine, for an end to this ridiculous war...'; 'Pray for us ...from 10pm—8am for 8 hours, rockets and Shahed drones were flying...heaven and earth shook from the explosions!!! Why is the world silent?'*

Throughout the year, he continued to serve people with disabilities at the care home in the village of Mohyliv (where many disabled and wounded people arrived from the war zone). At present there are nearly 300 residents and poorly paid staff in the home, all of whom are included in the help provided through regular visits by a team from the church. Supplies of food, water, hygiene products, and essential medication, purchased using funds from DHM, were delivered. The team also provided social and spiritual support, offering worship services with preaching and singing. Church members received communion. Holidays were marked with special gifts of chocolate, bananas, and other treats. Bedridden residents were visited regularly. The medication delivered by the team is saving lives. The war has severely affected the mental health and well-being of residents of such institutions, resulting in increased nervousness, anxiety, and a worsening of existing mental illnesses. In January 2025, Oleksandr organised a church-sponsored health care event for staff and residents of the Mohyliv home, together with local villagers and internally displaced people. About 300 people were able to consult a doctor and an optometrist, as well as take part in a church service.



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Programmes for children

Social, educational, and spiritual programs for children are an important part of the church's outreach. In June 2024, DHM funds enabled Oleksandr to offer day camps for younger children for two full weeks in the church grounds. In July, they ran a 7-day camp for youth and in August, a 7-day camp for kids aged 10-14. Despite the heat, the summer camps were welcomed. 96 children attended the first camp in July. Throughout the year, special children's events are held at the church. Nearly 200 children take part in these programs.

The School House Project was begun by Oleksandr and his community in 2023 and has continued throughout 2024/5. This is an education centre supporting 16 children in Tsarichanka who are from internally displaced families, 'social' or war orphans, or who are generally 'at risk'. When the local school switched to a partial online format because the existing bomb shelter could not accommodate all the pupils, it created a difficulty for families without internet access at home. The participating children can come to the schoolhouse for on-line classes, which greatly helps single parents who can continue to work knowing their children are safe. DHM funds helped Oleksandr employ two teachers and a cook (breakfast and a hot lunch are served). Funds from our Winter Appeal provided an ECOFlow battery to keep the children warm and on-line during the long hours without power. Funds from DHM also helped the church complete the school building's façade during the summer of 2024.



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Tsarichanka is relatively close to the southern frontline and a group from the church delivered relief aid during the year to frontline communities. Oleksandr (on the right in the dark green shirt) visited the Kherson region to deliver aid and spiritual support to the village of Posad-Pokrovskoe where there is much damage, and the church was destroyed.



DHM contributed £5987 to Oleksandr's work, plus a further £2297 from our winter appeal.

Partnership with Alexander (now a refugee in Sweden)

Some of our long-term supporters, who met Alexander in Ukraine before the full-scale Russian invasion in 2022, send funds to support him and his family (his wife and 4 daughters). Following a serious accident, he and his family became refugees in Sweden. In 2023 he told us that he could not imagine how he would be alive without the support he has received through DHM. Life continues to be difficult, but following extensive surgery and rehabilitation, Alexander is again able to stand and walk. He is closely involved in church-planting ministry among other Ukrainian refugees (7 congregations have formed over the past 3 years), especially those with disabilities.

DHM provided Alexander with £2802 in the course of the 2024 – 25 financial year.

Partnering with Salvation Evangelical Church, Poltava

Serhii, who leads Salvation Church, was a partner of DHM before the war and we continue to send funds regularly. Serhii leads a large church with a vast range of programmes for IDPs and residents in this very poor area. Other ministries include visits to the frontline to deliver food and messages of hope to soldiers; visits to local hospitals to minister to wounded soldiers; a ministry to people who are visually impaired and supporting military families and caring for widows and mothers who have lost their husbands and sons in the war. They also offer a variety of activities for children and teenagers – weekly camps, clubs and individual mentorship. They also visit the elderly and deliver food and hygiene products.

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Poltava is a city of around 300,000 people situated around 75 miles from the border with Russia, and roughly 143 miles from the eastern front. Regarded as 'safe' until 2024, the city and surrounding region are now regular targets of Russian drone and missile attacks. On September 3rd, Russian forces launched two ballistic missiles against the city and a total of 58 people were killed and over 320 were injured. A team from the church immediately went to one of the city's hospitals to provide care to the victims. Our partner, Serhii wrote: *'We saw the strength of spirit and courage of those who, despite trauma, remained steadfast and hopeful. Doctors have selflessly fought for every life, and we were honoured to help them by providing necessary medicines, bandages, and nutrition to the patients.'* Another Russian missile struck a residential building in the city on the morning on Feb 1st, 2025, killing at least 14 people, including two children, and injuring another 17. The church took their mobile kitchen and provide hot meals to emergency workers, utility crews and residents of the affected houses.

There are now so many internally displaced people in Poltava, that the church have a food van parked in their car park to provide hot meals to those in need each day. Rents have soared and people have no money left over for food. The ministry is non-stop as evacuations continue from cities further east which have been under heavy attack from the Russians throughout 2024. There are regular support groups to support over 400 IDPs. The month of September was a typical month - Salvation Church ran 24 support groups for IDPs at the church for Bible study and food parcels (250 people approx.) and visited 80 wounded soldiers. They also, with the full-time army chaplain, visited 150 soldiers on the front lines. As well as praying with the soldiers they took some pastries, 'victory bread,' biblical literature and personal messages of support and hope. Salvation Church is providing long-term support to many internally displaced families. Kateryna wrote: *'Through the church, I can save on groceries and get my children the medical treatment they need, buy them toys and learning materials. I am very grateful for the support during this difficult time. Your help enables us to endure this ordeal, and I hope for a better future.'*



Six people were baptised at Salvation Baptist Church at the beginning of April. Serhii, sent us this message... *'Praise Jesus for finding and saving people. That in the midst of darkness, He brings light. Also, our youngest daughter was baptized - my wife and I are very happy.'* The DHM trustees give thanks that people are finding faith amid the ruins of the war as, for some, this gives a greater sense of meaning, reduces stress, and brings healing after trauma.

Throughout the summer there were many children's camps for children aged 6 – 12 and teen summer camps providing *'unforgettable adventures and spiritual enrichment.'*

By the autumn of 2024, there were approximately 1000 internally displaced people who had recently arrived in Poltava. Salvation Church was given a 'collapsible house' to provide a home for approximately 20 families. They raised the funds to buy a plot of land and ensure it has a gas supply and firm base and families are now moving into this accommodation.



In January 2025, DHM formed a new partnership with Guildford Baptist Church to develop a joint ministry with SEC. This three way partnership is enabling even more to be done and monthly meetings have been established to work together on SEC's many projects.

DHM contributed £6,568 to the work of the Poltava Salvation Church in the 2024-5 financial year.

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Partnership with Roman Rakhuba of Zaphoryzyia and the Mennonite churches



Roman Rakhuba is the Head of the Mennonite Church in Ukraine. He evacuated his church from Zaporizhzhya to the far-Western area of Trans-Carpathia. The number of projects that Roman has some knowledge or involvement with is huge. DHM funds are sent to Roman on an occasional basis to support the work that he does. Specifically, DHM helped transfer funds from the Dutch Mennonite community for Roman to use to help a family whose father had fallen on the front line.

Partnership with Sergey, Samar (formally Novomoskovsk)

Sergey is the senior pastor of "Light of Life" church (affiliated with the Association of Mennonite Brethren Churches of Ukraine) in Samar and is also an army chaplain. We have been supporting Sergey regularly since the full scale war began. He oversees chaplaincy work in a large geographical area; frequently on the road, he ministers to both soldiers and civilians. Functioning automobiles are an essential tool for an effective chaplaincy ministry. They are vital for delivering aid and evacuating wounded soldiers, but also have a short lifespan, as they are at constant risk of being hit by a missile or running over a mine. Sergey wrote, *'The division in which I serve was recently in a heavy battle. Soldiers were killed; automobiles were damaged. The cars save soldiers' lives. Five cars were badly damaged; four have been repaired; one more car needs to be fixed to carry the wounded out of battle.'*

In Samar, "Light of Life" church functions as a community centre and central point for aid distribution and other practical help to IDPs and the community in general. Sergey's wife, Valentina, coordinates the work of the church volunteers. From the church, humanitarian aid and literature are provided to IDPs and other needy persons at various venues, both locally and in the rural areas. Sergey wrote: *'Many internal refugees have come to Novomoskovsk [Samar]. There isn't Enough work even for local people and it's very difficult for IDPs to find employment. People really need help. When we offer aid, it's always a great blessing for them. Thank you for your support and prayers.'*

In this financial year, DHM provided £6000 to support Sergey's work.



Partnership with Oleksii from Vinnitsia



Our partner Oleksii was the pastor of two churches affiliated with the Association of Mennonite Brethren Churches of Ukraine. Now those two churches, in Berdyansk and Balkovo, are under Russian occupation and Oleksii and his congregation have fled. Oleksii was forced to evacuate in 2022, and he started a new church for internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Vinnytsia. We send funds regularly to Oleksii to support his ministry. The church building in Vinnytsia is open throughout the week to welcome people of all ages seeking help and human contact, with a coffee bar, sports and games equipment, film night etc; Relief parcels are made available locally to those who attend the meetings and humanitarian relief is taken substantial distances to frontline communities, providing social, emotional and spiritual support; Internally displaced children and youth also meet in the church in Vinnytsia on Friday evenings to play table tennis and other games, get a hot drink and snack and participate in church activities.

Throughout 2024-5, Oleksii, has continued to serve as an army chaplain, always seeking *'to do good and help people who are in difficult circumstances.'* In addition to helping displaced people and refugees in the Vinnytsia region and ministering to all those in his church, he makes frequent trips to support people in Kherson and the surrounding areas. Kherson was liberated from the Russians by Ukrainian forces on November 11th, 2022. However, since then, almost daily shelling by Russian forces has turned significant parts of the once vibrant and thriving city into ruins. Many continue to live there but the infrastructure has been destroyed; there are no life-saving services and there is the daily risk of death from drone or missile strikes. Humanitarian aid delivered by the church helps people survive, expresses solidarity, and gives hope.

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Note the windows of a church in the Kherson region, secured with sandbags so that people are protected from debris during shelling episodes.

Recently, the group has extended humanitarian aid (food and incontinence products) to the elderly and other vulnerable people who are unable to leave the front-line areas. Oleksii wrote to us: *'...on our recent trips, we are dealing with elderly people more and more often, mostly confined to bed, and sick. In areas close to the frontline areas, these people do not often receive humanitarian support, the roads here are very difficult to pass through But it is this part of the population that is less secure and protected now.... It is a huge blessing for them.'* Older people in Ukraine are dying earlier than they would have done in times of peace, as Russian missiles have destroyed health care facilities and there is a lack of medicines. Many older people are suffering from untreated urinary tract infections, concussion, reduced hearing because of shockwaves and explosions, poor mobility because of prolonged periods of isolation at home or amputations following limb damage, and severe bronchitis and pneumonia after spending days without physical exercise in unheated apartments without windows. Sadly, for some elderly people, this is not their first war. They suffered physically and emotionally during the Second World War and/or the first Russian invasion of 2014, and/or the ensuing war in Donbas 2014-2022.



In the summer of 2024, when Oleksii wrote to us asking for additional money to fund a programme of summer camps, we sadly had to say 'no' as we didn't have any funds to send. However, after sharing this information with some of our supporters, the Dutch Mennonite Conference and several individuals sent very generous donations which enabled the camps to go ahead. We are very grateful. With these funds, Oleksii and his team were able to hold the following camps:

A youth camp for over 60 internally displaced young people who spent six days in the Carpathian Mountains. These vulnerable teenagers, all affected by war, were able to spend time talking about God and experience trauma healing. Oleksii reported: *'Travelling, boating and mountain climbing conquering our first joint peak...praying for the world and back! Enjoying the beautiful views of God's creation... the wonderful time spent in the circle of young people will be remembered for a long time by me and every teenager....'*



A family camp for 14-15 couples from the frontline territories. Oleksii and his co-workers were able to spend time with young couples, encouraging them, praying for and with them, and talking about their needs. War is having a significant impact on marriages, and it is important to nurture and support young families, especially in times of war and separation.

Five day-camps for 100 children in the war-torn Kherson Region. On his frequent trips to the front lines in this area, Oleksii had been asked many times to organise events for children. He received permission to go to five different villages to lead day-camps. The team somehow organised trampolines, sports, and craft activities, led Bible classes, shared lunch, and talked to parents. Our partner Oleksii wrote: *"Children are the future of Ukraine, and we cannot stop praying for them and investing in activities that help them adapt well, grow spiritually and morally and remain positive despite all the adversity, trauma and stress."*

Over the autumn and winter, Oleksii and his team continued to deliver large amounts of aid to different destinations each week. This included a risky journey to the Zaporizhzhia Region, home to the largest nuclear power plant in Europe. With occupied Donetsk to the east and Crimea to the south, a part of the Zaporizhzhia region was overrun by the Russian army right at the start of the conflict. The city of Zaporizhzhia remains under Ukrainian control but is one of the most dangerous front-line areas and is regularly attacked by drones and rockets.

A European donor offered lorries full of frozen pizza to Oleksii. DHM funds were used for fuel so that he was able to deliver the pizzas throughout the frontline areas to displaced persons, military personnel, homeless people, and shelters for people with special needs. He wrote, *'They express their gratitude to you for your involvement in our work and to everyone who invested and supported us so that we could bring them these pizzas and humanitarian support.'*



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Our partner Oleksii's group was also extremely busy with a 'Christmas Marathon' – distributing 2,500 gift boxes to internally displaced children in Vinnytsia and children near the front lines around Kherson. They eventually reached more than 4,500 children!

Throughout the year, this team also worked with local child protection services to reach children in the most difficult family circumstances. The number of domestic violence cases in Ukraine has increased significantly since the war began as families suffer from the increased stress of losing homes, being displaced, impoverishment, and the psychological stress of shelling and missile attacks.



DHM sent Oleksii £8650 for his work, and specifically a further £5120 for his summer camps.

Partnership Dnipro Independent 'Regeneration' Baptist Church

Deacon Yevhenii and Dnipro Independent Baptist Church became our partner in 2022/3. Like many churches in Dnipro Region, their church became a hub for humanitarian relief, and they worked non-stop helping those in need, both refugees and in the church. Yevhenii says that this year has been difficult, not knowing how events will develop. Every month the church distributes 150-200 packages - food, hygiene products, and medicine to internally displaced people. Yevhenii regularly makes home visits and supports lonely pensioners and people who are disabled.



This year, the church identified a group of deaf people who had great needs and is now holding regular weekly meetings for the deaf community here. They consist of bible study, spiritual support and practical help. Approximately 20 come to the church for support.

Conditions were very hard in Dnipro over the summer - very hot weather, no power, no water, a tired population and waves of Russian unmanned drones and rockets which fly low over the city and terrorise the residents. Using DHM funds, the church was able to run a camp for 30 teenagers at the dacha of a church member and held a camp at the church when 50 children aged 6-12 arrived on the first day. These camps gave children and young people a time of peace and they experienced being part of a caring community.

Over Christmas, Dnipro Independent Church used DHM funds to host a fun day with gifts, crafts, and food for 50 children.

In May 2022, Yevhenii's wife, Polina and their two children, joined family members already in the UK. Yevhenii has been able to visit just once a year. Thankfully, Yevhenii was given permission to travel to the UK in January 2025 for a short visit and he was able to meet his new daughter! Together with his family and three DHM trustees, he received a warm welcome from New Malden Baptist Church (pictured). A huge thank you to NMBC for their hospitality. Yevhenii has now returned to Ukraine. New Malden Baptist Church are continuing to partner with Yevhenii and offer support and joint Bible studies are taking place.



DHM was able to provide £6070 for Yevhenii's work in the course of 2024 – 25.

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Partnership with Dnipro Central Baptist Church

Our partner, Mikhailo, his wife Tanya, and the team at Dnipro Central Baptist Church are deeply committed to supporting children and young people and those who care for them.

Children and young people in Ukraine are suffering in ways that seem unimaginable - over 659 have been killed; 1747 wounded; many are missing, and thousands have been taken to Russia. (<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/average-least-16-children-killed-or-injured-ukraine-every-week-escalation-war-nears>). This is having a significant impact on their mental health and well-being and there is a shortage of mental health support services. We are very thankful for our partner, Mykhailo, who is coordinating children's clubs in the Dnipro area and training leaders for the groups. 35 churches in the region have now opened clubs where about 1,000 children and teenagers come every week for bible stories, games, songs, food, and prizes. This kind of support - belonging to a community, sharing everyday moments of fun and laughter with peers and supportive adults - is nurturing resilience as is the development of spirituality and faith.

Over the summer, churches in this area ran some 50 camps for children and adolescents. *'We appreciate your prayer support,'* he writes.

In November, Mykhailo led the 'Teenage Academy' - teenagers from different churches across the region gathered for 3 days of training. He also organised a conference, 'Through Trials to Faith' which was held in Dnipro on 30 November for people involved in children's and youth ministry.



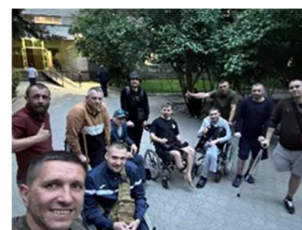
At the end of December/early January Mykhailo had organised many events for Christmas. They included a holiday party/evangelisation event for more than 100 children. He also organised a winter camp for 27 children and 8 members of the organising team. Travel to and from the camp was by train. The camp programme lasted 5 days. DHM funds were used to support these events. Overall, he tells us that 1000 children heard about the birth of Jesus.

They are encouraging rural congregations to reach out to the children in their area and organise children's clubs. In February, they organised a 'Family Conference' to encourage couples and families to get closer and foster more meaningful relationships. We are so thankful for all our partners who support children who have experienced all the horrors of war: violence, loss of family members, displacement, and disrupted education.

DHM sent £6020 to make laws avoid for this work in the course of 2024- 2025.

Partnership with Valeriy Fedoranych in Khust

Valeriy is Rector of a small theological college in the Southwestern town of Khust. This college is a supply hub taking humanitarian aid to those in need in front line areas bi-monthly. They continue to provide essential support to refugees and internally displaced people, including food, shelter, medical care, and emotional and spiritual support. Civilians and military personnel receive psychological, emotional, and spiritual support to cope with the effects of trauma – including those who have lost their limbs and the families of returning soldiers. Valeriy meets soldiers who have returned from war on a regular basis for a fishing outing and time for eating together & fellowship, prayer and sharing scripture. DHM trustee Margaret Murchison and her husband Rodger, an IAB member, visited Valeriy twice during this reporting year (in September 2024 and Feb/March 2025) and reported: *'This is innovative and such a helping/healing ministry'*



DHM was able to send £2985.02 to Valery in the course of the 2024 – 25 financial year.

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Partnership with Vasily, Rock of Salvation church, Pokrovsk city in the Donetsk

Vasily is minister of the Rock of Salvation church, Pokrovsk city in the Donetsk region and has worked tirelessly since the war broke out. This partner and his church are very close to the front lines and fighting has been very heavy and intense around Pokrovsk. Since 2022, They have been providing life- saving humanitarian relief in the community and to IDPs in Pokrovsk, in the war-torn Donetsk region - running a bakery and a water filtration unit. DHM funds enabled our partner Vasily and his team to bake thousands of loaves of bread every week to distribute to civilians caught up in the fighting. The church had a well and the water filtration unit provided safe drinking water, given free to all in need. Through April and May 2024, Vasily and those in the church continued their ministries and served those who were unable to leave. They risked death and/or Russian occupation as the Russians advanced steadily towards the city.



Vasily sent the following message in early May: *'Starting tomorrow, the next stage of evacuation will begin. This week, we plan to take people to Poltava, Vinnytsia, and Odesa tomorrow. Next week to Kremenchuk and more. The boys just returned from Volyn yesterday. There is fatigue. Please pray for strength of spirit and vigour of body. Thank God people are LEAVING. There is a lot of work. No one cancelled the supply of water to the population - 34,000 litres of drinking water were delivered last week. There will be no less for this week. Thanks to "DNIPRO HOPE MISSION," for the fuel for the evacuation and equipment....'*

In August, authorities in Ukraine ordered the evacuation of families with children from the city of Pokrovsk, in the unoccupied Donetsk region. Vasily and his family were forced to evacuate - leaving both his church building and his home in Pokrovsk. It was a very challenging time - building a new life, beginning from nothing, finding a home, a job, and a source of income. He wrote to our treasurer: *'I thank God for cooperation and friendship with you and DNIPRO HOPE MISSION! As you know almost all our church left when the war started on 24th February 2022. With just a small team of people remaining in the church, we actively continued the social and spiritual work in Pokrovsk and the Donetsk region. Firstly, the bakery and then we built and equipped a water treatment plant. Every week we brought food and clothing for residents of the city and the region. This is what we did: Baked and distributed 64,000 loaves of bread and delivered them to all the 'hotspots' of the region (Avdiivka, Maryanka and other places). Over 4,000,000 litres of clean water was delivered and distributed for 2 years every day!!! There were days when 8-10 tons a day were taken out and roses were given! More than 1,000 people were evacuated from hot spots. After a thousand, we stopped counting! We took 1,500 people from Pokrovsk into our care. We helped them with food. We ran the Humanitarian HUB. It is very difficult to give a figure in tons. Food, clothing, winter ovens, and other items. More than one hundred tons of such cargo was accepted and distributed. We calculated that in 2.5 years we drove 480,000 km. That's 12 times around the Equator! This is the largest expense item of our mission, about 80,000€!!! This is just the fuel—we also paid for many repairs to our vehicles.'*

Despite now living in the safer western side of the country, Vasily has not abandoned his flock. He makes the 14 hour trip back to Pokrovsk each week, delivering food, water, clothing and hygiene supplies. The vast mileage over rugged terrain in war-torn areas has taken its toll on Vasily's vehicle, and he is in urgent need of a new one. Recognising the extraordinarily difficult circumstances in which Vasily has operated, DHM sent £13,587 to support his projects in the 2024 – 25 financial year.

Partnership with Equilibrium, a rehabilitation project for children and adults who have experienced trauma and disability.



This partnership was formed during the reporting year 2023-4. Margarita, an internally displaced person from Zaporizhia now living with her mother and sister in Uzhhorod, Western Ukraine, started a rehabilitation project (with her own savings) in Transcarpathia, Western Ukraine, for internally displaced families mostly from Eastern Ukraine where Russian attacks have been relentless. The goal of this project is to provide rehabilitation and build resilience through physical therapy and psychological support. Margarita is studying Psychology of War Trauma on Children and is passionate about using horses for the physical and emotional transformation of children traumatised by war and disability.

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Equilibrium is a therapeutic programme consisting of equine therapy, massage, music therapy, stories, games, play and youth worker support/mentorship for children and young people with a variety of challenges and disabilities, many of whom have been internally displaced. The original stables and an arena for equine therapy were about 7 minutes' drive from an 'office' based centre which is well equipped with massage facilities, a small kitchen for snacks and hot drinks, art therapy material, therapy balls and equipment and a wide variety of toys. Two horses were originally donated to the project and others were rented from the stables as needed. The project works with approximately 14 children each month and almost 438 children will have completed the project by March 2025.



DHM began to support Equilibrium with a monthly grant in July 2023 and was able to jointly fund a minibus which transports children and their families to the project. When funding allows, Equilibrium adds swimming into the therapy programme as well as food and humanitarian aid packages for needy families.

In June 2024, DHM began to raise additional funds for Equilibrium by applying for grants which would enable Margarita to expand the project. The need for Equilibrium is huge. More people are coming to the Trans-Carpathian region as the situation deteriorates in the east. Almost all have lost relatives and friends and are asking for help. Margarita wrote: *'We will have to learn to love, survive, and*

have patience for a long time yet, because none of these experiences pass without a trace. When peace comes, many families will have been broken; the world they knew no longer exists ... their relatives were raped, kidnapped, killed...'

In the longer term, Margarita's vision was to buy land and build her own facility. DHM trustees, Melanie and Helen together with Helen's daughter Hannah, visited Equilibrium in July/August and were very impressed with Margarita's work and the positive impact the project was having on the families and children. To read more about the visit, please see our blog posts from August 2024.



<https://www.dniprohopemission.org/blog/page/3/>

Margarita and her amazing volunteer team worked non-stop throughout the summer, running 5 x ten-day camps. Over seventy children benefited from a programme of equine therapy, massage, therapeutic play, craft, movement, music therapy and more. Some of the children have disabilities and more complex needs. These camps are a wonderful time of inclusion and social interaction for children with and without disabilities.

In September, Margarita was given a field for the Equilibrium project and started to raise her own funds to build stables. DHM is very grateful that we were awarded several small grants totalling £6, 750 which we were able to send to Margarita so the building work could begin. We had generous donations from our supporters too.

In the Autumn of 2024, work on the new stables began. Margarita wrote *'Thank you for being so close and helping so much. I am very grateful to DHM that is so zealously trying to help people in Ukraine. Yesterday, I was at the construction site all day, the roof has already been completely installed, and we will move in soon...'*

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Construction has continued at the site. An arena has been set up with sand and gravel to stabilise the land and create a high-quality surface for working with horses and conducting the training sessions. A fence has also been built around the arena – to stop the cows wandering onto it!

In addition to building the stables, Margarita rescued another horse and in January 2025, ran the first therapeutic programme on the new site. A group of traumatised internally displaced children and young people with a variety of challenges and disabilities benefitted from 14 days of equine therapy, massage, music therapy, stories, games, play and youth worker support/mentorship. The programme doesn't just help children – their families and volunteers all benefit from the psycho-social support offered by the project.



Meanwhile, one floor of a large building at the site has been converted into several small rooms to accommodate the other parts of the programme including an art room, a small kitchen for snacks and hot drinks, a play area and a massage therapy room. Then the children can spend all day at the same site moving from one activity to the next. The move from the town centre is planned for summer 2025.

DHM and Equilibrium are hugely grateful to Ian Askey Charitable Trust, The Alchemy Foundation, the Archer Trust, the William A. Cadbury Charitable Trust and the Souter Trust who gave small grants to Dnipro Hope Mission enabling Equilibrium to expand.

Thanks to so many kind donations, DHM was able to provide £13, 387 to the Equilibrium project in the course of the financial year and has a restricted fund available to continue that support into the 2025 – 26 financial year.

Partnership with 'Time of Good Changes' – a programme consisting of five projects which includes the 'House of Mercy', a rehabilitation project for single, homeless men and a street feeding project

The 'House of Mercy' project is a residential smallholding offering rehabilitation for internally displaced, single men who are often ill, disorientated, unemployed, without documents and suffering from addictions. We have supported this project since 2023. In the summer of 2024, project leader Dima reported 'a great harvest resulting in food able to be stored.' The photograph shows residents of the House of Mercy. They all have very difficult lives and face many challenges. For example: Andrii (his name has been changed) was born in 1991 in the village of Snizhki, Kyiv region. He lost his parents, and the house he lived in no longer exists. After he started travelling to Kyiv to work, his wife filed for divorce, and they had one son. After the divorce, he ended up on the streets and has been living in various temporary places for the past 9 years. He was recently hit by a car, after which he underwent three operations on his leg with the installation of a plate. When it was time to be discharged from the hospital, the question arose of where he would be able to go, because he has difficulty moving around on crutches and cannot take care of himself on his own. The medical staff looked for different options for help, and thanks to several people and recommendations from the Mission Eurasia he was brought to the 'House of Mercy'.



Throughout 2024-5 we supported Dima and his wife, Olha with funds for rent for a Community Hub (in Kyiv) which was open to all in need every day - a place where people came every day and received clothes and other vital help, and/or have a hot meal. The Hub also offered a free haircut and people received psychological and spiritual support. In the autumn, we provided funds for a generator/battery so that the building had heat and light and was able to provide a safe space for the most vulnerable during the 12/15-hour power cuts that took place over the winter. Unfortunately, in April 2025, the community hub had to close because the landlord did not agree to extend the lease. Olha Kasnodi is actively looking for a new site working in partnership with the "new life" church in Kyiv.

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However, throughout the year, Dima and Olha Kasnodiy have been able to run an open-air “soup kitchen” in Kyiv every weekend, offering hot food and spiritual support to everybody and anybody bewildered by the terror of war in the city. That work continues, using a retired Polish army mobile kitchen which can deliver borsch and porridge in military quantities!



Above left: There were many grateful visitors to the Community Hub in Kyiv

DHM provided £7080 to support the House of Mercy, and £12,758 to support the community hub in the course of the 2024 – 25 financial year.

Military Chaplains

DHM supports at least five chaplains in the Ukrainian army, funding their fuel costs, vehicle repairs and purchases of non-military equipment. In October 2024, we issued guidance to Ukrainian partners who are supporting acting soldiers in the Ukrainian armed forces. Many of our partners' churches support the troops on the front lines with supermarket treats, home-cooked food, basic, non-tactical medicines and even a free haircut! Above all, DHM thanks each and every military chaplain for their enormous courage and sacrifice working alongside soldiers in appalling conditions who so much deserve our support. Photo: Sergei R. and his brother mourn the loss of the commanding officer of the unit of soldiers under their care.



All such expenditure is delivered in accordance with our special policy on the support for the Ukrainian military which has been approved by the law firm Stone King and communicated to all of our local partners in Ukraine.

Partners' retreat in Ukraine



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A DHM team, led by Joshua, (co-founder of DHM with his wife Varduyi), recently visited Ukraine to offer prayers and a visible display of solidarity to our Ukrainian ministry partners who are working tirelessly to serve war-torn communities suffering as a result of the Russian invasion. The members of the DHM team came from different countries: *Dave Benson* from the London Institute of Contemporary Christianity; *Jose Arrais*, the European Director of the Mennonite World Conference; and *Rodger and Margaret Murchison*, a couple from the United States, who have travelled with Joshua to Ukraine for over 7 years.

An Easter reflection on this trip can be found here:
https://www.baptisttimes.co.uk/Articles/714626/An_Easter_reflection.aspx.

Joshua has also written an account to the trip on the DHM blog:
<https://www.dniprohopemission.org/a-testament-of-hope-report-on-a-recent-trip-to-ukraine-by-joshua-searle/>

International Advisory Board

The DHM BOT would like to thank all those who serve on our IAB and use their experience and expertise to promote our charitable objectives. During this reporting year, Rev. Jose Arrais made links with Mennonite churches in Europe, accompanied Joshua on the mission trip to Ukraine and has been a long term encourager and supporter; Inna Haitan gave advice and guidance on travelling in Ukraine and a number of other matters; Rev. Mike Williams and Reigate Baptist Church gave generously to our Winter Appeal; Rev. Dr Ian Stackhouse, Senior Pastor at Guildford Baptist Church formed a partnership with GBC, DHM and Salvation Baptist Church, Poltava and offers ongoing support to our partner Serhii and his wife Olena; Bob Thomas FAPM, led and supported the Board of Trustees as we developed more rigorous reporting arrangements with our partners.

Fundraising

We are incredibly grateful to every individual person and every church and organisation that has donated to Dnipro Hope Mission. We rely on the generosity of our donors, not just in the UK, but also in Europe and the USA to support the life-saving ministries of our mission partners in Ukraine. We thank God for every donation we receive, big or small. Some donations were anonymous, and we apologise if we have missed sending an individual letter of thanks which is our desire. We thank all our individual donors – regular and occasional from the bottom of our hearts.

A special thank you to:

Geoff and Joan Boston who held a plant sale and open garden at their Stockton home on Saturday May 18th and raised an incredible £1081.

Louise Chapman, Blue Badge Guide, who took a group from Onslow Village WI around the Tower of London and donated her fees to DHM and **Onslow Village** WI members who made this possible

Loyal and long-standing supporter, **Madeleine Blake** who once again organised Easter and Christmas table top sales at Stoneleigh Baptist Church – her fundraising each year has raised almost £1000 to support the essential work of DHM.

Jacquie and Steve Taylor and their friends who raised over £900 from car boot sales and donations and for their non-stop support for DHM (and especially their dedication to the Boiko family). We greatly appreciate Jacquie's remarkable work as **Community Organiser**, supporting trustees and coordinating our February 8th event for our supporters at Stoneleigh Baptist Church.

Epsom Baptist Church who provided funds for a replacement vehicle for our partner Sasha Boiko and pray for him regularly.

The **Lyndhurst Trust** who donated £3000 in July.

Sophie, Yani and all their colleagues at **Experian** - they managed to raise an amazing £590 for Ukraine which will go towards our Winter Appeal. They held a bake sale and a 'Walk-a-Thon' - walking 566 miles together, which is the equivalent of the distance between eastern Ukraine to Poland.

Thanks to **Reigate Baptist Church** who immediately responded to our Winter Appeal with a generous donation and an invitation to speak.

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A huge thank you to all the volunteers who collected on Guildford High Street and raised £1,215 for our winter appeal. You can see photos on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/DniproHope/>. Many of those collecting were refugees and have family members on the front lines.

New Malden Baptist Church organised collections and events to support the work of our partner Yevhenii and Dnipro Independent Baptist Church.

DHM trustee Helen who ran the Kempton Park 10K on Saturday, 1st March, raising £740 for the Equilibrium Project in western Ukraine.

A ladies' craft group in Poole, the **'Space for Life'** group, who knitted and crocheted blankets for elderly and disabled people 'left behind' on the front lines near Kherson. These were sent to our partner Oleksii.

Thanks to all our supporters who joined us at **Dnipro Hope Mission Information Afternoon@ Stoneleigh Baptist Church**. You encouraged and inspired us! A special thanks to SBC for all your support.

We especially want to thank our brilliant and very hard-working **treasurer, Reg** who ensures all donations are wisely used to support our many partners.

Our dedicated **Chair of Trustees: Mark Allchorn**, without whom much of the work above may not have happened. His integrity, leadership, sense of humour, kindness, ability to listen and his supportive approach are valued by fellow trustees.

To our supporters, we would be unable to stand with Ukraine and support all of the 'heroes of the faith' featured in this report

Winter Emergency Appeal:

We anticipated that the 2024-5 winter would be tough for Ukrainians and launched our fourth Winter Appeal. It had been a very difficult year with non-stop fighting and massive destruction along the frontline cities, towns and villages and concentrated waves of bombs, missiles and drones throughout the year targeting Ukraine's energy infrastructure. Most areas of Ukraine were facing blackouts lasting up to 10-12 hours daily which impacted the availability of lifts and water. The cost of utilities, food and essential commodities continued to rise, and, after almost three years of war, the population was tired, and millions were struggling. The hard, colder months increase the risk of storms and snow will bring risk to life and more suffering.

We used the funds donated to enable our partners to buy EcoFlow portable power stations to support warm hubs where communities can meet together and stay warm and connected as the weather worsens.

Funds for one power station were sent to Sasha in Vasylykivka. He prepared the church to be used as a warm hub for the local community. He writes: *'Thank you for your sensitive and kind hearts! Thank you for your constancy in service, it is incredible how much you do for us and for Ukraine and Ukrainians. Thank you for the feeling of unity and kinship. We really needed the EcoFlow portable power station. Today, we had 12 hours without power – and this is not the limit. Russia will hit power distribution stations again and again! Yesterday, we were able to hold an evening service under the light, thanks to EcoFlow, and today it was also used. We were able to work with power tools to install windows and doors + the refrigerator and thermos to make tea are working.'*



Funds for a second Eco-flow power station were sent to Dima and Olha running the Community Hub and Street Feeding project in Kyiv. A third was sent to our partner Oleksandr in Tsarichanka for the School House

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Organisation:

During 2024- 25 our Board of Trustees were delighted to recruit two new trustees Helen Evans, a long-standing supporter of DHM, and Professor Dr Dennis Philip – you can see bios here: <https://www.dniprohopemission.org/about/>

These were much needed as Dnipro Hope Mission has expanded since the war started; the need is great, the number of people needing humanitarian assistance, spiritual, emotional and social support and rehabilitation is staggeringly high and we need to reduce the pressure of work on our existing trustees. Sadly after four years of service as our Vice-Chair, Rev R Martin resigned from the BoT due to increased pastoral and family responsibilities. We continue to look for new Board members – the skills we need are social media/communications and project management/oversight but first and foremost we are looking for people with a heart for Ukraine and a calling to the 'forgotten' and the most vulnerable - those who are elderly, people who are disabled, those who are homeless, women and children. Ideally, we want to recruit younger people and Ukrainian speakers.!

Financial review

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees considers that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Unquestionably, the generosity of our donors has tried to keep in step with the devastation of the Ukraine war. Income has increased by 26% to approximately £173,000. This is enabled us to expend £131,500 on direct charitable expenditure as summarised in this report. It also enabled us to set up restricted funds for specific projects such as Equilibrium. Reliable and consistent support from the first Augusta Baptist Church in the United States meant that the partners' trip to Khust in February was self-funded.

Administrative expenses increased significantly this financial year by £4260, being the fees of the law firm Stone King in connection with advice on support by DHM for the Ukrainian military. The trustees believe this was prudent expenditure because it resulted in a constructive and practical policy which enables DHM to continue funding the work of military chaplains for soldiers and civilians alike in frontline areas, whilst addressing the potential criticism that such work contributes to the support of the Ukrainian Armed Forces. Accordingly overall administrative expenses comprised some 4.3% of income in the financial year, but would have been only 1.8% of Income but for those legal expenses which are not expected to be repeated.

The trustees has assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

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Plans for future periods

Summer camps: In summer 2024, we were asked to fund a number of summer camps for children and adults all over Ukraine. Unfortunately, many of those requests came at the last minute, meaning that we did not always have the funds to meet these requests. Learning from that experience, we have set up a summer camp appeal in May 2025 which has raised £7160 by the time of writing (August 2025). This has enabled us to deliver funds to partners organising camps in advance rather than in arrears, and we now have a restricted fund able to help with costs of camps in 2026.

Emergency response: Our focus will continue to be the emergency response to the second Russian invasion of Ukraine and supporting our trusted partners in Eastern Ukraine who are making heroic sacrifices and facing death as they continue to support vulnerable and needy people affected by the war.

Pastoral care: Many of our partners were already pastors and have faced an incredible workload over the past year as they care for displaced people and those who have remained. As noted at the beginning of this report, our partners are now exhausted and depressed. Our trip (see above) was planned as a partner retreat and time for rest and restoration. During the 2024-5 reporting year, each Ukrainian partner was provided with a Russian/ Ukrainian speaking 'buddy' from our Board of Trustees to improve communication and provide more meaningful support. This will continue and develop.

DHM Frontline Transport Aid Appeal: Many of our partners have vehicles which have covered over 500,000km and are in desperate need of maintenance and fuel to keep them operational. These vehicles are not just modes of transport; they are lifelines. Each vehicle helps deliver food, water, medical supplies, and crucial support to those in desperate need and our partners cannot work without them. We launched an appeal in May 2025 and by the time of writing (August 2025) it has raised an astonishing £11,282.

Seed funding: We would like to offer small grants to community type projects proposed by members of our partner organisations. We've got in mind steps like replacing craft equipment, ovens, potters' kilns, carpentry workshops which have been destroyed by the war but might help a local economy to start up again and create work for those in need.

Rebuilding Initiatives: One of our trustees is in conversation with developments bank. We hope and pray that DHM could be involved in the rebuilding initiatives.

Possible projects should funds permit:

The needs of soldiers returning from the front with severe drug addiction issues – a vision of Dima and Olha running their House of Mercy.

The needs of amputees: There are now 110,000 amputees in Ukraine and many are not getting any help at all. Delayed fitting of prosthetics leads to decreased mobility and these people may never leave their wheelchairs. DHM would like to support a bigger scale campaign for amputees, but this is beyond the scope of our finances at present.

Theological training

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable incorporated organisation, the CIO - Foundation Registered 12 Mar 2018 as its governing document.

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The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Dr J Searle	
G Jowett	(Resigned 22 July 2025)
Rev. R Martin	(Resigned 30 June 2024)
M Allchorn	
M Murchison	
M Gray	(Resigned 15 November 2025)
A Igbokwe	
R Fowler	
M Raber	
H Evans	(Appointed 11 April 2024)
Prof. Dr. D Philip	(Appointed 30 June 2024)
A Eyre	(Appointed 11 December 2025)

The procedures of recruitment, eligibility, appointment, training and retirement of Trustees are detailed in Constitution of Dnipro Hope Mission. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. The decision about a new trustee appointment is made by all existing trustees unanimously at the Board of Trustees meeting. A new Trustee would be provided with information on the activities, financing and management structure of the Charity, together with Charity Commission guidance and codes of conduct related to the roles and responsibilities of Trustees.

The Board's skills base is reviewed regularly to identify recruitment and training needs to ensure effective governance. Regular Board meetings are also used to identify areas where training would improve the performance of the Board.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the organisation. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

DHM is a team of Trustees, International Advisory Board, coordinators here in the UK as well as in Ukraine, and faithful friends who serve the charity as volunteers and supporters.

Trustees' functions and duties, decision making and delegation, as well as meeting procedures are detailed in Constitution of DHM.

The Trustees hold final authority within the charity with the management team being responsible for the day-to-day charity operations. Coordinators and volunteers hold authority for all Dnipro Hope Mission activities within their respective roles. The International Advisory Board provides professional support in different areas of Charity activities.

'I am grateful to the many DHM supporters who were praying for us while we were in Ukraine. I'm also incredibly grateful to every individual person and every church and organisation that has donated to Dnipro Hope Mission. We rely on your generosity in order to support the life-saving ministries of our mission partners in Ukraine.' Joshua

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mark Allchorn

M Allchorn

Chair of Trustees

8 January 2026

DNIPRO HOPE MISSION

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DNIPRO HOPE MISSION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Dnipro Hope Mission (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Noel Aloko FCCA

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Chartered Certified Accountants
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Dated: 9 January 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes						
<u>Income from:</u>							
Donations and legacies	3	97,078	57,891	154,969	76,003	50,048	126,051
Other trading activities	4	18,770	-	18,770	11,081	-	11,081
Investments	5	-	750	750	-	745	745
Total income		115,848	58,641	174,489	87,084	50,793	137,877
<u>Expenditure on:</u>							
Charitable activities	6	81,601	81,875	163,476	124,321	26,716	151,037
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		34,247	(23,234)	11,013	(37,237)	24,077	(13,160)
<u>Other recognised gains and losses</u>							
Other gains or losses	10	-	-	-	(25)	-	(25)
Net movement in funds		34,247	(23,234)	11,013	(37,262)	24,077	(13,185)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		25,457	43,023	68,480	62,719	18,945	81,664
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		59,704	19,789	79,493	25,457	43,022	68,479

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

DNIPRO HOPE MISSION**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION****AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	11		-		1,760
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		80,029		67,255	
Current liabilities	13	(536)		(536)	
Net current assets			79,493		66,719
Total assets less current liabilities			79,493		68,479
			<u>79,493</u>		<u>68,479</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds			19,789		43,022
Unrestricted funds			59,704		25,457
			<u>79,493</u>		<u>68,479</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 8 January 2026



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Trustee

DNIPRO HOPE MISSION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Dnipro Hope Mission is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 86-90 Paul Street London EC2A 4NE.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's CIO - Foundation Registered 12 Mar 2018, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts.

1.5 Expenditure

Income and expenses are included in the financial statements as they become receivable or due. Expenses include VAT where applicable as the company cannot reclaim it.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Motor vehicles	25% Reducing balance basis
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of non-current assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £
Donations - Organisations	35,606	-	35,606	31,507
Donations - Individuals	61,472	57,891	119,363	94,544
	<u>97,078</u>	<u>57,891</u>	<u>154,969</u>	<u>126,051</u>
For the year ended 31 March 2024	<u>76,003</u>	<u>50,048</u>		<u>126,051</u>

4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025 £	2024 £
Gift Aid claim	14,672	9,660
Fundraising events	4,098	1,421
Other trading activities	<u>18,770</u>	<u>11,081</u>

5 Investments

	Restricted funds	Restricted funds
	2025 £	2024 £
Interest receivable	<u>750</u>	<u>745</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6 Charitable activities

	General Activities 2025 £	General Activities 2024 £
Depreciation and impairment	1,760	587
Development Project support	78,689	26,766
War Relief	71,768	118,852
	<u>152,217</u>	<u>146,205</u>
Share of support costs (see note 7)	10,729	4,352
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	530	480
	<u>163,476</u>	<u>151,037</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	81,601	124,321
Restricted funds	81,875	26,716
	<u>163,476</u>	<u>151,037</u>

7 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2025 £	2024 £
Administrative Expenses	5,363	-	5,363	1,778
Computer costs	455	-	455	327
Bank Charges	927	-	927	1,562
Motor vehicle	146	-	146	123
Rent & rates	264	-	264	246
Other support costs	3,574	-	3,574	316
Independent examiner fees	-	480	480	480
Trustee gifts	-	50	50	-
	<u>10,729</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>11,259</u>	<u>4,832</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>10,729</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>11,259</u>	<u>4,832</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the independent examiner of £480 (2024- £480) for independent examination fees.

8 Trustees

Governance costs includes a cash gift of £50.00 made to trustees Rev. Roger Martin by the charity during the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	-	-

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

10 Other gains or losses

	Unrestricted funds
	2024 £
Foreign exchange gains	25

11 Property, plant and equipment

	Motor vehicles £
Cost	
At 1 April 2024	9,888
At 31 March 2025	9,888
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2024	8,128
Depreciation charged in the year	1,760
At 31 March 2025	9,888
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	1,760

Investment properties rented to another group entity have been accounted for using the cost model. The carrying value of these investment properties included within property, plant and equipment is £Nil (2024 - £Nil).

12 Borrowings

	2025 £	2024 £
Bank overdrafts	56	56
Payable within one year	56	56

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

13 Current liabilities

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Bank overdrafts	12	56	56
Accruals and deferred income		480	480
		<u>536</u>	<u>536</u>

14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by:						
Property, plant and equipment	-	-	-	-	1,760	1,760
Current assets/(liabilities)	59,704	19,789	79,493	16,288	50,431	66,719
	<u>59,704</u>	<u>19,789</u>	<u>79,493</u>	<u>16,288</u>	<u>52,191</u>	<u>68,479</u>

15 Related party transactions

During the year ended 31 March 2025, the charity made a cash gift of £50.00 to Rev. Roger Martin in recognition of their voluntary service. This was approved by the board and complies with the charity's policies on trustee benefits. year (2024 - none).