

DISCIPLESHIP TECH

England & Wales · Charity number 1178838

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2018-06-18

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION BY USING TECHNOLOGY, SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLATFORMS TO SUPPORT AND ENABLE CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND PRAYER, PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, CHURCH ENGAGEMENT, PASTORAL SUPPORT AND OTHER FORMS OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, COMMUNICATION AND INTERACTION.

Activities: Discipleship Tech develops and maintains technology to help people grow in their Christian faith, and to promote understanding of the Christian religion. Primarily at present this is through the PrayerMate app, which is available freely on Apple and Android app stores. Our development team is based in the United Kingdom, but the PrayerMate app is available to people around the world.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£125,455	£143,022	-	-
2024-08-31	£136,722	£144,847	-	-
2023-08-31	£137,734	£131,478	-	-
2022-08-31	£94,316	£97,780	-	-
2021-08-31	£89,432	£73,027	-	-
2020-08-31	£61,407	£75,215	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Megan Clare Clokey		2024-11-25
Michael David Ashelby		2024-01-25
Ramsey Victor El-Khazen		2025-08-27

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Year ended 31 August 2025

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Active generosity

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	c/o Sedulo Office 605 Albert House 256-260 Old Street London EC1V 9DD
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Foundation registered 18 June 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1178838
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	G.S. Owens - Chair (resigned April 2026) J.C. Sutton (resigned 7th May 2025) M.D. Ashelby M.C. Clokey (appointed 24 November 2024) R. El-Khazen (appointed 27th August 2025)
KEY MANAGEMENT	A. Geers (CEO)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Sarah Crispin ACA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025.

Objects of the charity

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal object, as set out in its governing document, is to advance the Christian faith, including without limitation by using technology, software applications and other platforms.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

This year we are delighted to have released our new Bible game project, *The Serpent & The Seed*, after more than four years in development. By the end of the financial year it had reached 11,000 downloads in countries all around the world, receiving many 5 star reviews from users, and glowing write-ups from organisations such as The Gospel Coalition and the secular mobile gaming website PocketGamer, who wrote "Although I don't think it's controversial to say religion in gaming rarely works out well. But occasionally, something really compelling emerges from a genuine desire to showcase a story through the lens of faith, such as the case of *The Serpent & The Seed*." As well as sharing the game at conferences such as Spring Harvest and The Big Church Festival, we have also been marketing it through social media, across Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, YouTube and X. One user wrote, "I was scrolling on TikTok and it just popped up... and just really wanted to play it! I downloaded it and it was just breath taking! I'm 23 years old, I follow Jesus for about 10 months now and lately it has been hard to get in the Word and read it! this spiritual warfare is the worst I had since following Jesus and this gave me interest to get back in, it motivated me. no bugs or crashes, I started today and played it the whole evening!" This really epitomised why we invested so much in creating this game - trying to create an experience which would help people of all ages to engage with the Scriptures, whether for the first time, or maybe just in a fresh way. It was also a privilege for our CEO Andy Geers to use the game as the basis for a three week study course with a group of three non-Christians - each week they would play some of the game at home, then meet up to discuss and read some of the key Bible passages. Over the three weeks they looked at Genesis 2 & 3, the life of Abraham, Isaiah 53 and Revelation 22. The participants greatly enjoyed it, and one of them took away a Bible to read once the course had finished.

In addition to launching the game, we also continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including moving our major redevelopment project to an "open beta" stage. This multi-year project has involved porting the app to the cross-platform Flutter framework, addressing long-standing user issues with the data syncing and building a strong foundation for future developments.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 657,994 app downloads. Served over 30,000 active users per month - almost 53,000 users in total across the year. A total of around 20.2 million items were prayed for during the period, an average of 1.68 million items per month.

PrayerMate distributed eight devotional feeds for Advent 2024 - including our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Waiting for Jesus", which had over 950 subscribers, plus "Sing In Exultation!" by Jonathan Landry Cruse, and "The Coming King" by the UK charity The Langham Partnership, "Down To Earth" by the charity LICC. Four devotional feeds were distributed for Lent 2025 - including producing our own "Praying the Psalms Through Lent" feed which had almost 500 subscribers, and "Journeying with God in the Wilderness" by Mark Broadway.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £11,267 to £125,455, and expenditure decreased by £1,825 to £143,022. As a result the cash held by the charity decreased by £17,567 to £24,226, of which £23,723 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Total employment costs were £93,197, which includes our CEO and people employed or contracted to do software development and user support, social media and marketing.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £24,000 (which equates to about three months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. The trustees recognise the commitments to subscribers that extend for up to 12 months, while noting that the costs of maintaining delivery of the service to meet these commitments are very small. At the year end, the charity held cash in the general fund of £23,723 and the reserves policy was not met. The trustees are aware of the small shortfall of £277 and will address this in the coming year.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by the CEO, Andrew Geers. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Ramsey el Khazen
Ramsey el Khazen (May 6, 2026 20:46:36 GMT+1)
Ramsey El-Khazen - Trustee
Date: May 6, 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DISCIPLESHIP TECH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Discipleship Tech ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2025 on pages 6 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and 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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Sarah Crispin

Sarah Crispin (May 18, 2026 12:34:33 GMT+1)

Sarah Crispin ACA
Stewardship
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LONDON
EC1Y 8AB

Date: May 18, 2026

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

		Unrestricted Funds				
		General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
Notes		£	£	£	£	£
Income receipts						
Donations		61,875	-	17,016	78,891	96,486
Gift aid receipts		849	-	1,203	2,051	-
Other grants		-	-	6,000	6,000	-
Income from charitable activities		38,450	-	-	38,450	40,152
Investment income		63	-	-	63	84
Total receipts		101,237	-	24,219	125,455	136,722
Payments						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	119,307	-	23,715	143,022	144,847
Total payments		119,307	-	23,715	143,022	144,847
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(18,070)	-	503	(17,567)	(8,125)
Transfers between funds	4	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(18,070)	-	503	(17,567)	(8,125)
Cash funds as at last year end		41,793	-	-	41,793	49,918
Cash funds at this year end	A	23,723	-	503	24,226	41,793

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted funds	2025	2024
		General funds	Designated funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
A Cash funds						
Cash at bank with immediate access		23,723	-	503	24,226	41,793
		<u>23,723</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>503</u>	<u>24,226</u>	<u>41,793</u>
B Other monetary assets						
Gift aid due to charity		360	-	1,246	1,606	498
In-app purchases amounts receivable		814	-	-	814	1,019
Other debtors		300	-	-	300	88
		<u>1,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,246</u>	<u>2,720</u>	<u>1,606</u>
C Liabilities						
Accounts payable		1,471	-	1,245	2,716	5,239
Fee for Independent Examination		1,380	-	-	1,380	1,260
		<u>2,851</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,245</u>	<u>4,096</u>	<u>6,499</u>

Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £25,812 during the year (2024: £26,482). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £14,072 at year-end (2024: £13,602).

D Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Ramsey el Khazen
Ramsey el Khazen (May 6, 2026 20:46:36 GMT+1)
 Ramsey El-Khazen - Trustee
 Date: May 6, 2026

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Staffing costs	93,197	-	-	93,197	86,930
Bible game app development costs	-	-	23,715	23,715	40,742
Technology and other consulting and contracting	-	-	-	-	5,940
Marketing	14,958	-	-	14,958	3,476
Operating expenses	4,694	-	-	4,694	5,007
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,320	-	-	1,320	1,260
Royalties	982	-	-	982	547
Currency transfer costs	285	-	-	285	308
Travel	3,376	-	-	3,376	276
Insurance	218	-	-	218	196
Conferences and training	276	-	-	276	164
	<u>119,307</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,715</u>	<u>143,022</u>	<u>144,847</u>

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and was paid £41,000 (2024: £37,500) and the charity paid pension contributions of £1,043 (2024: £938).

4 Movement of funds

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	41,793	101,237	(119,307)	-	23,723
Restricted funds					
Bible Game fund	-	24,219	(23,715)	-	503
	<u>-</u>	<u>24,219</u>	<u>(23,715)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>503</u>
Total funds	<u>41,793</u>	<u>125,455</u>	<u>(143,022)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,226</u>

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Year ended 31 August 2024

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	First Floor, Thames Exchange 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1BE
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Foundation registered 18 June 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1178838
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	G.S. Owens (Chair) E.S. Blower (resigned 13 May 2024) J.C. Sutton M.D. Ashelby (appointed 25 January 2024) M.C. Clokey (appointed 24 November 2024)
KEY MANAGEMENT	A. Geers (CEO)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Stephen Mathews FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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Objects of the charity

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal object, as set out in its governing document, is to advance the Christian faith, including without limitation by using technology, software applications and other platforms.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

We continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including undertaking a major redevelopment project to port the app to the cross-platform Flutter framework, addressing long-standing user issues with the data syncing.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 600,355 app downloads. Served over 30,000 active users per month. A total of around 19.5 million items were prayed for during the period, an average of 1.6 million items per month.

PrayerMate distributed seven devotional feeds for Advent 2023 - including writing our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Waiting for Jesus", which had over 870 subscribers, plus "The Advent of Glory" by R.C.Sproul, and "The Newborn King" by the UK charity The Langham Partnership. Four devotional feeds were distributed for Lent 2024 - including producing our own "Praying the Psalms Through Lent" feed which had over 600 subscribers, and "Journeying with God in the Wilderness" by Mark Broadway.

The charity made significant progress on the development of our new mobile game Bible Overview experience titled The Serpent & The Seed, designed to help improve Bible engagement:

- Continuing to work with the artist Greg Clifton on artwork for the bulk of the game, and musicians Poc Bishop Hooper, as well as other contributors.
- Exhibiting a demo at our first two secular conferences, PocketGamer Connects London and WAS (part of the London Games Festival), to a very positive reception.

We are working towards the goal of launching The Serpent & The Seed in mid-April 2025, the culmination of a number of years' work. We will need to raise additional funds to support the launch of this since there will be some significant one-off costs as we promote it at various festivals and conferences, and online, etc.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements (continued)

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

By the grace of God, the above activities and achievements have served to advance the charity's principle object and purpose of advancing the Christian faith, summed up in our vision of 'Using technology to help people get to know Jesus better'. Once again this year we have been greatly encouraged by so many users sharing testimonies of how our PrayerMate and Redeeming Time apps have encouraged them in their faith, and we trust that in due time our Bible Game project, The Serpent & The Seed, will engage tens of thousands of people who are not familiar with Christianity. We are very appreciative of our donors and those who have made grants to Discipleship Tech, to enable this ministry to take place, including Deo Gloria Trust and the Slavanka Trust.

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £1,012, to £136,722, and expenditure increased by £13,368 to £144,847. As a result the cash held by the charity decreased by £8,125, to £41,793, all of which is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Total employment costs were £92,870, which includes our CEO and people employed or contracted to do software development and user support, social media and marketing. However, this excludes the game designers and developers involved in the Bible Overview game project.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £21,000 (which equates to about three months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. The trustees recognise the commitments to subscribers that extend for up to 12 months, while noting that the costs of maintaining delivery of the service to meet these commitments are very small. At the year end, the charity held net cash in the general fund of £41,793.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by the CEO, Andrew Geers. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

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We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Grant Owens

Grant Owens (May 8, 2025 11:05 GMT+1)

G. OWENS

Date: May 8, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

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2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Stephen Mathews
Stephen Mathews (May 8, 2025 14:23 GMT+1)

Stephen Mathews FCA
Stewardship
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Date: May 8, 2025

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	2024	2023
		General Funds	Designated Funds			
		£	£	£	£	£
<i>Income receipts</i>						
Donations		71,898	-	24,589	96,486	93,697
Gift aid receipts		-	-	-	-	2,764
Income from charitable activities		40,152	-	-	40,152	41,205
Investment income		84	-	-	84	69
<i>Total receipts</i>		112,134	-	24,589	136,722	137,734
<i>Payments</i>						
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	75,604	-	69,242	144,847	131,478
<i>Total payments</i>		75,604	-	69,242	144,847	131,478
Net of receipts / (payments) before		36,529	-	(44,654)	(8,125)	6,255
Transfers between funds	4	(43,028)	-	43,028	-	-
Net movement in funds		(6,499)	-	(1,626)	(8,125)	6,255
Cash funds as at last year end		48,292	-	1,626	49,918	43,663
Cash funds at this year end	A	41,793	-	-	41,793	49,918

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Notes	Unrestricted Funds			2024 £	2023 £
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	41,793	-	-	41,793	49,918
	41,793	-	-	41,793	49,918
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity	489	-	10	498	83
In-app purchases amounts receivable	1,019	-	-	1,019	1,672
Other debtors	88	-	-	88	531
	1,596	-	10	1,606	2,286
C Liabilities					
Accounts payable	1,016	-	4,223	5,239	3,137
Fee for Independent Examination	1,260	-	-	1,260	1,260
Pension creditors	-	-	-	-	360
	2,276	-	4,223	6,499	4,757

Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £26,482 during the year (2023: £27,552). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £13,602 at year-end (2023: £14,277).

D Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Grant Owens
Grant Owens (May 8, 2025 11:05 GMT+1)

G. OWENS

Date: May 8, 2025

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	General funds	Designated funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Employment costs	58,430	-	28,500	86,930	85,148
Bible game app development costs	-	-	40,742	40,742	25,245
Technology and other consulting and contracting	5,940	-	-	5,940	4,410
Marketing	3,476	-	-	3,476	6,733
Operating expenses	5,007	-	-	5,007	4,659
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,260	-	-	1,260	1,200
Royalties	547	-	-	547	1,009
Currency transfer costs	308	-	-	308	(26)
Travel	276	-	-	276	1,374
Insurance	196	-	-	196	184
Conferences and training	164	-	-	164	1,542
	<u>75,604</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,242</u>	<u>144,847</u>	<u>131,478</u>

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and was paid £37,500 (2023: £37,500) and the charity paid pension contributions of £938 (2023: £914).

4 Movement of funds

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	48,292	112,134	(75,604)	(43,028)	41,793
Restricted funds					
Bible Game fund	1,626	24,589	(69,242)	43,028	-
	<u>1,626</u>	<u>24,589</u>	<u>(69,242)</u>	<u>43,028</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>49,918</u>	<u>136,722</u>	<u>(144,847)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,793</u>

DISCIPLESHIP TECH

England & Wales - Charity number 1178838

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Discipleship Tech

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 August 2023

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LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	First Floor, Thames Exchange 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1BE
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO Foundation registered 18 June 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1178838
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	A.R. Reynolds (formerly Chair, resigned 31 August 2023) G.S. Owens (Chair) E.S. Blower J.C. Sutton M. D. Ashelby (appointed 25 January 2024)
KEY MANAGEMENT	A. Geers (CEO)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Stephen Mathews FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Objects of the charity

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal object, as set out in its governing document, is to advance the Christian faith, including without limitation by using technology, software applications and other platforms.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including:

- Further refining and deploying our major redesign of the user interface, to make the app more intuitive for new users and to streamline our development process across multiple platforms. It is now the default user interface for all English-language users.
- Modernising and refactoring the app to continue working with Google and Apple's latest mobile operating systems.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 561,000 app downloads and served over 30,000 active users per month.

A total of around 17 million items were prayed for during the period, an average of 1.48 million items per month.

Distributed seven devotional feeds for Advent 2022 - including writing our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Waiting for Jesus", which had over 800 subscribers, plus "Gifts of Grace" by Jared C. Wilson, and "Bless the Peacemakers" by the UK Charity Tearfund.

Launched a significantly redesigned and enhanced version of our Redeeming Time app, to help people to develop habits of Bible reading. One user contacted us to say "Thank you for making Redeeming Time - It has become a part of my everyday life, and has helped me to get back into the Word of God again."

Exhibited at the "Word Alive" conference in Prestatyn, North Wales, meeting face-to-face with existing and potential users and to raise awareness of our ministry

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements (continued)

Making significant progress on the development of our new mobile game Bible Overview experience titled The Serpent & The Seed. After starting to work with the artist Greg Clifton, we have been able to build demo versions of the first two “acts” of the game, which we were able to trial with members of the public at the Word Alive conference and the Christian Game Developers Conference in California, as well as with a number of 11-14 year olds on a summer camp run by the UK Charity CPAS, with very positive feedback. We are also very grateful to have been able to raise £32,000 from around 200 donors, towards the continued development of the project.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

By the grace of God, the above activities and achievements have served to advance the charity's principle object and purpose of advancing the Christian faith, summed up in our vision of ‘Using technology to help people get to know Jesus better’. Once again this year we have been greatly encouraged by so many users sharing testimonies of how our PrayerMate and Redeeming Time apps have encouraged them in their faith, and we trust that in due time our Bible Game project, The Serpent & The Seed, will engage tens of thousands of people who are not familiar with Christianity. We are very appreciative of our donors and those who have made grants to Discipleship Tech, to enable this ministry to take place, including Deo Gloria Trust, Slavanka Trust and Goodnews Evangelical Mission.

Financial review

During the year income increased by £43,418, to £137,734, largely as a result of the crowdfunding achieved towards the Bible Overview game and other grants towards this project. As we increased activity geared towards its launch, expenditure also increased by £33,699 to £131,478.

As a result the cash held by the charity increased by £6,255, to £49,918, of which is £48,292 unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Total employment costs were £89,558, which includes our CEO and people employed or contracted to do software development and user support, social media and marketing. However, this excludes the game designers and developers involved in the Bible Overview game project.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £21,000 (which equates to about three months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. The trustees recognise the commitments to subscribers that extend for up to 12 months, while noting that the costs of maintaining delivery of the service to meet these commitments are very small. At the year end, the charity held net cash in the general fund of £48,292.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by the CEO, Andrew Geers. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

G Owens

G. OWENS

Date: 13 May 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

DISCIPLESHIP TECH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Discipleship Tech ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2023 on pages 6 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and 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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Stephen Mathews

Stephen Mathews FCA
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
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Date: 21 May 2024

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted Funds	2023	2022
	General Funds	Designated Funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Income receipts</i>					
Donations, legacies and grants	47,768	-	45,928	93,697	52,836
Gift aid receipts	1,090	-	1,674	2,764	-
Income from charitable activities	41,205	-	-	41,205	41,476
Investment income	69	-	-	69	4
<i>Total receipts</i>	90,131	-	47,602	137,734	94,316
<i>Payments</i>					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2 78,108	7,500	45,870	131,478	97,780
<i>Total payments</i>	78,108	7,500	45,870	131,478	97,780
Net of receipts / (payments) before	12,023	(7,500)	1,732	6,255	(3,463)
Transfers between funds	4 -	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	12,023	(7,500)	1,732	6,255	(3,463)
Cash funds as at last year end	36,269	7,500	(106)	43,663	47,126
Cash funds at this year end	A 48,292	-	1,626	49,918	43,663

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds			2023 £	2022 £
		General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £		
A Cash funds						
Cash at bank with immediate access		48,292	-	1,626	49,918	43,663
		<u>48,292</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,626</u>	<u>49,918</u>	<u>43,663</u>
B Other monetary assets						
Gift aid due to charity		73	-	10	83	136
In-app purchases amounts receivable		1,672	-	-	-	1,747
Other debtors		531	-	-	531	58
		<u>2,276</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>614</u>	<u>1,941</u>
C Liabilities						
Accounts payable		3,137	-	-	3,137	488
Fee for Independent Examination		1,260	-	-	1,260	1,170
Pension creditors		360	-	-	360	-
		<u>4,757</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,757</u>	<u>1,658</u>

Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £27,552 during the year (2022: £28,095). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £14,277 at year-end (2022: £10,751).

D Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

G Owens

G. Owens

Date: 13 May 2024

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>				
	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly					
Employment costs	57,023	-	28,125	85,148	72,868
Bible game app development costs	-	7,500	17,745	25,245	10,639
Technology and other consulting and contracting	4,410	-	-	4,410	6,547
Marketing	6,733	-	-	6,733	3,713
Operating expenses	4,659	-	-	4,659	1,488
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,140
Royalties	1,009	-	-	1,009	933
Currency transfer costs	(26)	-	-	(26)	(97)
Travel	1,374	-	-	1,374	-
Insurance	184	-	-	184	176
Conferences and training	1,542	-	-	1,542	371
	<u>78,108</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>45,870</u>	<u>131,478</u>	<u>97,780</u>

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and was paid £37,500 (2022: £31,760) and the charity paid pension contributions of £914 (2022: £766).

4 Movement of funds

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	36,269	90,131	(78,108)	-	48,292
Designated funds					
Bible Game fund	7,500	-	(7,500)	-	-
	<u>7,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Restricted funds					
Bible Game fund	(106)	47,602	(45,870)	-	1,626
	<u>(106)</u>	<u>47,602</u>	<u>(45,870)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,626</u>
Total funds	<u>43,663</u>	<u>137,734</u>	<u>(131,478)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,918</u>

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KEY MANAGEMENT	A. Geers (CEO)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Stephen Mathews FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2022

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Objects of the charity

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal object, as set out in its governing document, is to advance the Christian faith, including without limitation by using technology, software applications and other platforms.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including:

- A major redesign of the entire user interface, to make the app more intuitive for new users and to streamline our development process across multiple platforms. By the end of this financial period we were ready to begin beta testing with a small number of users, with overwhelmingly positive feedback.
- Modernising and refactoring the app to continue working with Google and Apple's latest mobile operating systems.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 516,000 app downloads.

Served over 30,000 active users per month.

A total of around 17 million items were prayed for during the period, an average of 1.4 million items per month.

Distributed seven devotional feeds for Advent 2021 - including writing our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Why Did Jesus Come?", which had over 1,000 subscribers, plus "The Dawn of Redeeming Grace" by Sinclair Ferguson, and "Christmas in your global neighbourhood" by the UK Charity Tearfund.

Distributed eight devotional feeds for Lent 2022 - including producing our own "Praying the Psalms Through Lent" feed which had over 800 subscribers, one by Tearfund, and "Forty Women" by Ros Clarke.

Exhibited at the "Word Alive" conference in Prestatyn, North Wales, meeting face-to-face with existing and potential users and to raise awareness of our ministry

Continuing with the design and development of a new mobile game Bible Overview experience titled The Serpent & The Seed. We have now designed and prototyped the first three of four game acts and are hoping to bring an artist on board in the coming year to build out the game.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

By the grace of God, the above activities and achievements have served to advance the charity's principle object and purpose of advancing the Christian faith, summed up in our vision of 'Using technology to help people get to know Jesus better'. We have been greatly encouraged by so many users writing in this year with testimonies of how our PrayerMate and Redeeming Time apps have blessed them in their faith, and we trust that in due time our Bible Game project, The Serpent & The Seed, will engage tens of thousands of people who are not familiar with Christianity. We are very appreciative of our donors and those who have made grants to Discipleship Tech, to enable this ministry to take place, including Deo Gloria Trust, Slavanka Trust and Goodnews Evangelical Mission.

Financial review

During the year the charity received £94,316 (2021: £89,432) and made payments of £97,780 (2021: £73,027) in relation to its charitable activities, resulting in cash held by the charity decreasing to £43,663 at year end (2021: £47,126). Of this balance, a minimum of £7,500 has been designated by the trustees towards completion of the Bible Game project, therefore, £36,163 is general funds and can be used for any charitable purpose. The restricted fund for the Bible Game project had a small deficit (£106) at the year end, but this was cleared in September 2022 on receipt of a grant of £5,000.

Total employment costs were £72,868, which includes our CEO and people employed or contracted to do software development and user support, social media and marketing.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £30,000 (which equates to about three months' of unrestricted expenditure and unexpired subscriptions) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. The trustees recognise the commitments to subscribers that extend for up to 12 months, while noting that the costs of maintaining delivery of the service to meet these commitments are very small. At the year end, the charity held net cash in the general fund of £36,163. Because of the nature of cash flow on the Bible game project this number fluctuates month to month and the charity seeks to comply with its reserves policy at all times.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by the CEO, Andrew Geers. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A.R. Reynolds

A.R. Reynolds

Date: 28 February 2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DISCIPLESHIP TECH**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Discipleship Tech ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2022 on pages 5 to 7 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and 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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Stephen Mathews

Stephen Mathews FCA

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
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Date: 7 March 2023

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
<i>Income receipts</i>					
Donations, legacies and grants		31,899	20,937	52,836	52,168
Income from charitable activities		41,476	-	41,476	37,265
Investment income		4	-	4	-
<i>Total receipts</i>		<u>73,379</u>	<u>20,937</u>	<u>94,316</u>	<u>89,432</u>
<i>Payments</i>					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	76,736	21,043	97,780	73,027
<i>Total payments</i>		<u>76,736</u>	<u>21,043</u>	<u>97,780</u>	<u>73,027</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(3,357)	(106)	(3,463)	16,405
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(3,357)</u>	<u>(106)</u>	<u>(3,463)</u>	<u>16,405</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		47,126	-	47,126	30,721
Cash funds at this period end	A	<u>43,769</u>	<u>(106)</u>	<u>43,663</u>	<u>47,126</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2022

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted	2022	2021
	General	Designated	funds		
	funds	funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	36,269	7,500	(106)	43,663	47,126
	<u>36,269</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>(106)</u>	<u>43,663</u>	<u>47,126</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity				136	15
In-app purchases amounts receivable				1,747	1,421
Other debtors				58	312
				<u>1,941</u>	<u>1,748</u>
C Liabilities					
Accounts payable				488	1,280
Fee for Accounts preparation and Independent Examination				1,170	1,150
				<u>1,658</u>	<u>2,430</u>
Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £28,095 during the year (2021: £25,328). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £10,751 at year-end (2021: £10,401).					
D Assets retained for charity's own use				2022	2021
				£	£
Computers (at cost less 25% annual depreciation)				974	1,948
				<u>974</u>	<u>1,948</u>
E Guarantees and secured debts					

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by *A.R. Reynolds*

date: 28 February 2023

A.R. Reynolds

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2022

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

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	General funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly				
Employment costs	62,464	10,404	72,868	55,494
Bible game app development costs	-	10,639	10,639	7,373
Technology and other consulting and contracting	6,547	-	6,547	5,208
Marketing	3,713	-	3,713	2,145
Operating expenses	1,488	-	1,488	854
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,140	-	1,140	1,020
Royalties	933	-	933	615
Currency transfer costs	(97)	-	(97)	166
Insurance	176	-	176	148
Conferences and training	371	-	371	5
	<u>76,736</u>	<u>21,043</u>	<u>97,780</u>	<u>73,027</u>

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and was paid £31,760 (2021: £30,000) and the charity paid pension contributions of £766 (2021: £713).

4 Movement of funds

	Balances at 31.08.21 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balances at 31.08.22 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	47,126	73,379	(76,736)	(7,500)	36,269
Designated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Bible Game fund	-	-	-	7,500	7,500
	<u>47,126</u>	<u>73,379</u>	<u>(76,736)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,769</u>
Restricted funds					
Bible Game fund	-	20,937	(21,043)	-	(106)
	<u>-</u>	<u>20,937</u>	<u>(21,043)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(106)</u>
Total funds	<u>47,126</u>	<u>94,316</u>	<u>(97,780)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,663</u>

The restricted fund holds grants received for the development of a bible game and a small deficit is carried over due to the timing of receipts from grant funding.

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2021

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year to 31 August 2021.

Objects of the charity

The charity is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal object, as set out in its governing document, is to advance the Christian faith, including without limitation by using technology, software applications and other platforms.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including:

- Redesigning the 'first use' flow for Android users, to make it easier for new users to get started with the app
- Redesigning the content gallery where users find new 3rd party prayer content
- Modernising and refactoring the app to continue working with Google and Apple's latest mobile operating systems.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 476k app downloads.

Served over 30-35k active users re month.

1.5 million items prayed for per month, a total of around 19 million items prayed during the period.

Distributed nine devotional feeds for Advent 2020 - including writing our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Advent Hope", which had over 1,100 subscribers, plus "The Christmas We Didn't Expect" by David Mathis, and "Our Present: Hope" by the UK Charity Tearfund.

Distributed seven devotional feeds for Lent 2021 - including producing our own "Praying the Psalms Through Lent" feed which had over 1,600 subscribers, one by Tearfund, and "An Ocean of Grace" by Tim Chester.

Celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the PrayerMate app by inviting users to send in video testimonials, which we shared through a special "10 Years of PrayerMate" website and on social media.

Launched a new app, "Redeeming Time", to help people engage with the Bible in the free minutes when otherwise they might instinctively turn to social media.

Rolled out a pilot version of the "Digital Easter Experience" project which we developed in partnership with UK Charity CrossTeach, which helped over 500 school children to engage with the meaning of Easter.

Following the success of the Digital Easter Experience, began design and development of a new mobile game Bible Overview experience titled The Serpent & The Seed.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

During the year the charity received £89,432 (2020: £61,407), and made payments of £73,027 (2020: £75,215) in relation to its charitable activities, resulting in cash held by the charity of £47,126 at year end (2020: £30,721). This cash balance is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Total employment costs were £55,494, which includes our CEO and people employed or contracted to do software development and user support, social media and marketing.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £14,000 (which equates to about two months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. The trustees recognise the commitments to subscribers that extend for up to 12 months, while noting that the costs of maintaining delivery of the service to meet these commitments are very small. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £47,126 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

Reserves at year end were higher than the previous year in anticipation of increased spending on The Serpent & The Seed during the 2021-22 financial year.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a senior management team led by the CEO, Andrew Geers. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A.R. Reynolds

Date: 10 May 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DISCIPLESHIP TECH**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Discipleship Tech ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2021 on pages 5 to 7 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and 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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Stephen Mathews FCA

Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
LONDON
EC1Y 8AB

Date: 20 May 2022

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 £	2020 £
Income receipts					
Donations, legacies and grants		42,168	10,000	52,168	30,044
Income from charitable activities		37,265	-	37,265	31,364
Total receipts		79,432	10,000	89,432	61,407
Payments					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	63,027	10,000	73,027	75,215
Total payments		63,027	10,000	73,027	75,215
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		16,405	-	16,405	(13,807)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		16,405	-	16,405	(13,807)
Cash funds as at last year end		30,721	-	30,721	44,528
Cash funds at this period end	A	47,126	-	47,126	30,721

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2021

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted	2021	2020
	General	Designated	funds		
	funds	funds			
	£	£	£	£	£
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access	47,126	-	-	47,126	30,721
	<u>47,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,126</u>	<u>30,721</u>
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity				15	34
Subscriptions receivable				-	470
In-app purchases amounts receivable				1,421	-
Deposit on office space				-	300
Other debtors				312	735
				<u>1,748</u>	<u>1,539</u>
C Liabilities					
Accounts payable				1,280	113
Fee for Accounts preparation and Independent Examination				1,150	1,000
				<u>2,430</u>	<u>1,112</u>
Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £25,328 during the year (2020: £22,480). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £10,401 at year-end (2020: £7,270).					
D Assets retained for charity's own use				2021	2020
				£	£
Computers (at cost less 25% annual depreciation)				1,948	2,922
				<u>1,948</u>	<u>2,922</u>
E Guarantees and secured debts					

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by: A.R. Reynolds

date: 20 May 2022

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly		
Employment costs	55,494	66,081
Bible game app development costs	7,373	-
Technology and other consulting and contracting	5,208	2,631
Marketing	2,145	1,825
Operating expenses	854	1,269
Office space	-	1,135
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,020	1,080
Royalties	615	700
Equipment	-	150
Software licences	-	143
Travel	-	102
Currency transfer costs	166	-
Insurance	148	101
Conferences and training	5	-
	<u>73,027</u>	<u>75,215</u>

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and was paid £30,000 (2020: £30,000) and the charity paid pension contributions of £713 (2020: £714).

4 Movement of funds

	Balances at 31.08.20 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balances at 31.08.21 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	30,721	79,432	(63,027)	-	47,126
	<u>30,721</u>	<u>79,432</u>	<u>(63,027)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,126</u>
Restricted funds					
Bible Game fund	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(10,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>30,721</u>	<u>89,432</u>	<u>(73,027)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,126</u>

The restricted fund was created to hold a grant received for the development of a bible game.

Accounts

Discipleship Tech

Report and Accounts

for the year to 31 August 2020

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2020

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	First Floor, Thames Exchange 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1BE
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	CIO - FOUNDATION registered 18 June 2018
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1178838
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	A.R. Reynolds (Chair) E.S. Blower G.S. Owens J.C. Sutton
KEY MANAGEMENT	A. Geers (CEO)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Stephen Mathews FCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Continued development and improvement of the PrayerMate app on iOS and Android and the PrayerMate Platform website, including:

Launching a major new version of the PrayerMate app, v7, including many features requested by users such as event reminders, being able to customise the selection of items that appear for prayer, being able to search your lists and search for new organisations to subscribe to.

Launching translations for PrayerMate in the French and German languages.

Updating the publishing website to allow organisations and churches to use rich text and header images in their prayer feeds.

Revamping the website landing page for people who are discovering PrayerMate for the first time.

The PrayerMate app reached an all-time total of 431.4k app downloads.

Served over 40k active users during the first peak of the Covid-19 pandemic in March-April 2020.

1.6 million items prayed for per month, a total of around 19.6 million items prayed during the period.

The number of "PrayerMate Share" small groups created reached 1,457, with a total of 4,483 group members.

Distributed nine devotional feeds for Advent 2019 - including writing our own PrayerMate Advent devotional, "Come, Lord Jesus", which had over 1,500 subscribers, plus "Repeat the Sounding Joy" by Christopher Ash, and "Focus on Christmas" by the UK Charity Tearfund.

Distributed seven devotional feeds for Lent 2020 - including 40acts by the UK charity Stewardship, "Alive" by Tearfund, and "To Seek and to Save" by Sinclair Ferguson.

Participated in the COVID-19 Global Church Hackathon event organised by FaithTech, developing a new resource called "The Easter Experience" in partnership with UK Charity CrossTeach, to help school children engage with the meaning of Easter. We obtained a small grant to help complete this project and hope to launch it to wider distribution from the beginning of 2021.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2020

Financial review

During the year the charity received £61,407 (2019: £101,202), and made payments of £75,215 (2019: £56,574) in relation to its charitable activities, resulting in cash held by the charity of £30,721 at year end (2019: £44,528). All of this balance is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £14,000 (which equates to about two months' of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £30,721 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

Governance

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We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A.R. Reynolds

Date: 1 March 2021

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TO THE TRUSTEES OF
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Independent examiner's statement

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Stephen Mathews FCA

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Date: 23 March 2021

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
<i>Income receipts</i>					
Donations, legacies and grants		30,044	-	30,044	83,064
Income from charitable activities		31,364	-	31,364	18,138
<i>Total receipts</i>		61,407	-	61,407	101,202
<i>Payments</i>					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	75,215	-	75,215	56,674
<i>Total payments</i>		75,215	-	75,215	56,674
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(13,807)	-	(13,807)	44,528
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(13,807)	-	(13,807)	44,528
Cash funds as at last year end		44,528	-	44,528	-
Cash funds at this period end	A	30,721	-	30,721	44,528

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

DISCIPLESHIP TECH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
A Cash funds		
Cash at bank with immediate access	30,721	44,528
	<u>30,721</u>	<u>44,528</u>
B Other monetary assets		
Gift aid due to charity	34	418
Subscriptions receivable	470	-
Deposit on office space	300	-
Other debtors	735	-
	<u>1,539</u>	<u>418</u>
C Liabilities		
Pension contributions payable	-	279
Accounts payable	113	-
Fee for Accounts preparation and Independent Examination	1,000	1,080
	<u>1,112</u>	<u>1,359</u>
Deferred income: The charity has received subscription income of £22,480 during the year (2019: £15,349). Subscriptions generally last for 12 months and the unexpired portion of these subscriptions amounts to approximately £7,270 at year-end (2019: £8,000).		
D Assets retained for charity's own use	2020 Cost £	2019 Cost £
Computers (at cost less 25% annual depreciation)	2,922	3,896
	<u>2,922</u>	<u>3,896</u>

E Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by

A.R. Reynolds

date

1 March 2021

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DISCIPLESHIP TECH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2020

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2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly

	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Employment costs	66,081	40,820
Technology and other consulting and contracting	2,631	9,455
Marketing	1,825	792
Operating expenses	1,269	772
Office space	1,135	-
Accounts preparation and independent examination	1,080	-
Royalties	700	
Equipment	150	3,896
Software licences	143	272
Travel	102	137
Insurance	101	330
Conferences and training	-	200
	75,215	56,674

3 Transactions with related parties

Mr A. Geers, the CEO of the charity, is regarded as key management and for the year ended 31 August 2020 was paid £30,000 (2019: £20,000 for eight months), and the charity paid pension contributions of £714 (2019: £418 for eight months).