

# **Labourers2gether**

**Registered Charity Number 1182581**

**Trustees' Report**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

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The trustees are pleased to present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis as permitted by the Charity Commission for non-company charities with income below £250,000.

## **Structure, governance and management**

The charity is constituted by trust and is governed by a trust deed dated 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

The trustees who held office during the year are listed on the preceding page. New trustees are elected by the existing trustees.

## **Financial review**

The charity received donations totalling £23,010 (2nd year of charity) throughout the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. During the year, funds totalling £11,945 were sent to Angola and £7,404 used in UK to cover various expenses and administrative costs and expenditure relating to shipments and projects.

As at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 £11,433 was held in the UK bank, £65 cash in hand as Kwanzas and £3180 cash in hand as Dollars.

The trustees' general policy is to hold between £2,000-£5,000 in reserve to ensure there is no shortfall in the costs owed for containers when they have arrived and been unpacked in Angola.

The excess above this was due to the Covid-19 pandemic preventing return flights and building work in Angola during from March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020 - March 31<sup>st</sup> 2021.

Compared to the previous year:

- \*equipment costs were less as we were not in Angola to continue the building
- \*caretaking/security & bank charges costs were higher as this was to ensure that all buildings, equipment, grounds etc. were secure during our unexpected prolonged absence (But the benefit of this is that 3 families have received income during a time of extreme financial difficulty as a result of the pandemic restrictions in Angola)
- \*there were no immigration, living costs, materials, offerings to church, food & household expenses as we were not in the country and therefore no volunteer helpers either
- \*travel costs were minimal as there was no travel to or in Angola, and restricted to necessary only travel in the UK
- \*literature was increased due to purchase and postal distributions cost of gospel literature as the pandemic prevented us delivering door-to-door in the UK

\*no professional fees were charged this year as the account is now up and running

\*shipping was a little more due to timing and amount put in containers arriving during the time period

## **Public benefit statements**

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The charity benefits the public through the following programmes which take place in Angola when Jonathan & Ruth are able to be there:

- Relief work with communities suffering the effects of poverty;
- Providing practical and financial help for those who cannot otherwise receive treatment for serious medical needs;
- Demonstrating to local Angolans the skills by building and maintenance of schools, medical clinics and installation of water pumps enabling individuals and families to become more educated, healthy and self-sufficient;
- Teaching local Angolans the clearing of land and commencement of agriculture by planting seeds and care of a polytunnel promoting a healthier diet and the means by which they can provide for their own and
- Teaching needlework to local Angolan young women who are unlikely to be able to find work after school so once set up in business they will have a means by which to live and provide for their families

## **Objectives and activities**

The charity's key object is:

- To advance the Christian Faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the Statement of Faith appearing in the governing document in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit including carrying out missionary work overseas.

## **Achievements and performance**

The charity's key achievements throughout the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 were as follows:

- Sending money over to help in the building of a temporary home for a national missionary, which will then be used as a store and outreach centre in Kavungu, Angola
- Caretaking of land for future agriculture project on mission station Camundambala, Angola
- Final distribution of 23,000 Gospel Calendars/John 3:16 Seed Sowers in Four Marks and surrounding villages in Hampshire, UK

- Security of all buildings and plant machinery and equipment in The Lodge Kintal in Camundambala for future projects on our return to building in Kavungu.
- The purchase & shipping of equipment & materials required for continuing the building projects already started and replacement of damaged/wear&tear of tools.
- The sorting and shipping of donated sewing machines, blankets, stationery and hygiene goods to distribute to the poor on our return to Kavungu

This report was approved by the board of trustees and signed on their behalf.

Jonathan Singleton  
Date:

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Receipts and Payments account

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>		
Donations received	<u>23,010</u>	
<u>40,953</u>		
<u>Payments</u>		
Equipment	3,722	9,676
Caretaking/Security	7,006	
3,725		
Immigration Costs	0	
153		
Living Costs	0	
1,378		
Materials	0	2,633
Travel	131	
6,797		
Offering to Church	0	
246		
Food & Household Expense	0	
565		
Literature	3,013	639
Professional Fees	0	
180		
Shipping	939	496
Bank Charges	87	
0		
Building Expense	4,000	3,445
Sundries	451	3
	<u>19,349</u>	<u>29,936</u>
Net Receipts	3,661	11,017
Cash as at 1 April 2020	<u>11,017</u>	<u>0</u>
Cash as at 31 March 2021	<u>14,678</u>	<u>11,017</u>