

Bibles for Children

(Founded 1997)

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR
1 AUGUST 2023 to 31 JULY 2024

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27 YEARS OF BIBLE GIVING

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

for the year ending 31 July 2024

It is pleasing to report that, in its 27th year since *Bibles for Children* was established in 1997, the Trustees were able to help almost 30,000 young children to have their very own Bible. In all 29,565 children received a Bible in 465 schools throughout the United Kingdom. 74 of these were new schools added to the charity's database, 20 schools received "restart" presentations and 371 used the charity's follow-on scheme. Since June 1997 740,189 Bibles have been presented in 2,510 schools. Some of the new schools helped were in Wales where, thanks to the work of our Welsh Associate, Mrs Janet Hawking and her team, over 1,500 Welsh speaking children received a copy of Beibl y Plant, the Welsh language version of the Children's Bible.

A further large printing of the Children's Bible was taken into stock during the year. This should be adequate for the work in our 28th year, but further printings of Beibl y Plant and the Rainbow Good News Bible are likely to be required during 2025. The Trustees anticipate that the costs of printing, distribution and administration are likely to face significant increases in the coming year.

The Bible Puzzle Books mentioned in my previous report have proved to be very popular. Originated by Robyn Welsby, a helper with our work in Wales, they are offered to all schools which place an order for Bibles for their pupils. Over 3,400 copies of the first of these on the New Testament were taken into stock, and during the year 1,900 children received a copy. Stock is held in and sent out from Timsbury. Robyn has revised her Puzzle book on the Old Testament and the Trustees plan to offer these to children in due course.

During the year the Trustees welcomed Mrs Marion Miller as the new Minutes Secretary. Marion is a retired Primary School Headteacher with a vast experience and brings many talents to the post.

On a sadder note, due to age (I am nearing my 95th birthday) and physical problems, the time has come for me to stand down as Chairman of *Bibles for Children*. The Reverend Paul Stephens, a member of the Board, was unanimously elected and welcomed by the Trustees as the new Chairman. I will continue to serve on the Board for as long as I can help.

I wish to express my personal thanks and that of the Trustees to all the charitable trusts, churches, and private individuals whose help has been so vital in the expansion of the work to all parts of the United Kingdom. We prayerfully ask that this support will continue.

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis and independently examined according to the requirements of the Charity Commission and the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator by Paxton Independent Examiners.

This being my last report, it is good to be able to confirm that the charity is in good hands to continue the work begun in 1997. As they have done in the past, the Trustees are already planning to make changes necessary to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world. I wish to express my grateful thanks to them for all their hard work and support in the past. I send my best wishes to the new Chairman and the Trustees and also to all the Associates, Representatives and helpers as together we seek to fulfil the objectives of the charity. With over 18,000 Primary Schools in the United Kingdom, the need for *Bibles for Children* to continue its work is clear.



Ted Hudson BEM

Founder/Chairman, Bibles for Children

FROM THE NEW CHAIRMAN

Hello, let me introduce myself. My name is Paul Stephens and I have taken on the role of Chair of *Bibles for Children* following the stepping down of Ted Hudson. I would like to express my thanks for the way Ted has led the Charity since he founded it in 1997 and has built a solid foundation on which to go forward.

I hail from Bristol and originally studied music at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London, after which I taught music at two comprehensive schools in Bristol. Having felt called to being ordained I left teaching to train at Trinity College, Bristol. I served my curacy in North Devon, before being appointed Rector of Norton Fitzwarren and Anglican Chaplain to St Augustine's School (Taunton), then nine years as Chaplain at Monkton Combe School (Bath), finally moving back into parish ministry leading three churches in the Chew Valley. I am now retired and living in Timsbury with my wife, Lesley, and Mr Bumble, the cat.

I am very excited to be working with such a dedicated and enthusiastic team of Trustees. I strongly believe that Bibles for Children is moving into a new phase which is both exciting and vibrant. Please continue to pray for all who are involved in the work of the Charity.

With all good wishes,

Paul

Paul Stephens

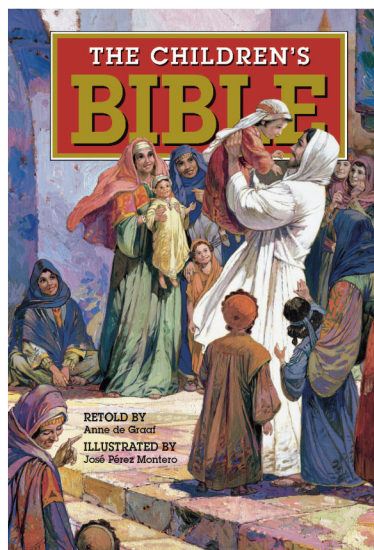


Delighted children with their Bibles in a Welsh Primary School.

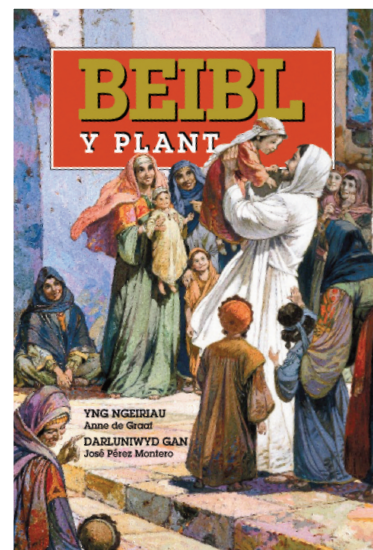
Details of the Bibles presented

The Children's Bible

Nearly 300 stories from the Bible written for young children by Anne de Graaf and beautifully illustrated by José Pérez Montero. Designed to give children in Key Stages 1 and 2 in Primary Schools the best possible introduction to the Bible.



- Large Print
- Short, simple sentences
- Hundreds of lively, detailed illustrations in colour
- 400 pages in a quality binding with gold print cover
- Widely acclaimed by all denominations
- Also available in a Welsh language edition *Beibl y Plant*



Rainbow Good News Bible

The complete Rainbow Good News Bible is translated into simple everyday language and is widely used in schools.

Particularly suitable for pupils in Year 6.

- Many coloured pictures help capture interest and imagination
- Look-up lists on Bible prayers, Jesus' parables and miracles, key people and Bible verses
- Reading plan; important chapters highlighted; passages for special occasions; Bible helps
- 12 maps of the Bible lands; detailed index and 324 acclaimed drawings by Annie Vallotton



BIBLE PRESENTATIONS *August 2023 to July 2024*

*Unless stated otherwise, all schools listed are Primary Schools or Academies.
The figures are the numbers of Bibles given to pupils and their teachers at each school.*

FIRST TIME PRESENTATIONS

Birmingham		Gloucestershire		Oxfordshire	
St. James Catholic, Rednal	155	Withington CE, Cheltenham	38	St. Peter's CE, Alvescot	46
St. Joseph's Catholic, Nechells	156	Hampshire		SCOTLAND: Angus	
St. Chad's Catholic, Newtown	155	Leesland CE Junior, Gosport	342	Borrowfield, Montrose	158
Rosary Catholic, Saltley	310	Hertfordshire		Sefton	
Holy Souls Catholic, Acocks Green	310	St. Rose's Catholic Infant,		Holy Trinity CE, Southport	155
Bradford		Hemel Hempstead	60	Staffordshire	
Idle CE	310	Isle of Wight		Corbett CE, Bobbington	64
St. Winefride's Catholic, Wibsey	175	Holy Cross Catholic, East Cowes	135	Suffolk	
St. John the Evangelist Catholic	105	Leeds		St. Felix RC, Haverhill	134
St. Anne's Catholic, Keighley	156	St. Joseph's Catholic, Otley	155	St. Mary's RC, Lowestoft	115
Buckinghamshire		Leicestershire		Bures, Bures	145
St. Michael's Catholic, High Wycombe	310	St. John the Baptist CE, Leicester	459	Waldringfield, Woodbridge	83
Cambridgeshire		Lincolnshire		Hollesley, Woodbridge	85
St. Laurence Catholic, Cambridge.	197	West Grantham CE, Grantham	174	Barnham CE, Thetford	155
Central Bedfordshire		St. John the Baptist CE, Spalding	324	Wakefield	
Robert Bloomfield, Shefford	512	London - Barnet		Darrington CE, Pontefract	78
Cheshire East		St. Mary's CE, East Barnet	162	WALES: Cardiff	
Smallwood CE, Sandbach	129	London - Enfield		St. Monica's CiW	116
Cheshire West and Chester		Meridian Angel, Edmonton	155	WALES: Carmarthenshire	
Horn's Mill, Helsby	155	London - Hounslow		Llandeilo, Llandeilo	174
County Durham		The Blue, Isleworth	355	Ysgol Carwe, Kidwelly	41
St. John's CE, Shildon	154	London - Richmond upon Thames		WALES: Ceredigion	
St Pius Xth Catholic, Consett	81	St. Mary's CE, Hampton	127	Ysgol Rhydyppennau, Aberystwyth.	120
Our Lady and St. Joseph Brooms		London - Southwark		WALES: Gwynedd	
Catholic, Consett	72	St. Joseph's RC, Bermondsey	141	Ysgol Yr Hendre, Caernarfon	262
Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic,		Norfolk		WALES: Neath Port Talbot	
Peterlee	170	Dickleburgh CE, Diss	142	Crynallt, Cimla	253
St. Mary's Catholic, Stanley	90	Pulham CE, Diss	89	WALES: Pembrokeshire	
St. Benet's Catholic, Chester-le-Street.	151	St. Mary and St. Peter Catholic,		Lamphey, Pembroke	121
Darlington		Gorleston	124	WALES: Swansea	
St. Augustine's Catholic	161	St. Francis of Assisi Catholic,		Ysgol Bae Baglan, Port Talbot	186
Derby		Norwich	256	Glyncollen, Morriston	132
Bishop Lonsdale CE	53	North Yorkshire		Walsall	
Doncaster		Barkston Ash Catholic, Tadcaster	101	Little Bloxwich CE	93
Travis St. Lawrence CE, Hatfield	254	St. Robert's Catholic, Harrogate	236	Westmoreland and Furness	
Dorset		NORTHERN IRELAND		Threlkeld CE, Keswick	58
Manor Park CE First, Dorchester	274	Seagoe, Portadown	132	Wirral	
Essex		Roe Valley Integrated, Limavady	71	Cathcart Street, Birkenhead	134
St. Pius X Catholic, Chelmsford	172	Harryville, Ballymena	130	The Priory Parish CE, Birkenhead	148
Gateshead		St. Paul's, Ahoghill	28		
St Joseph's Catholic Infant and Junior,		Northumberland			
Chester le Street	125	Broomhaugh CE First, Riding Mill	52		

*11,936 pupils and their teachers received a personal Bible
in the 74 schools which joined us this year.*

RE-START PRESENTATIONS

Derby		Sheffield		Ysgol Gynradd Llanfarian, Aberystwyth	30
St. Alban's Catholic, Chaddesdon	236	Totley All Saints CE	99	Ysgol Llwyn yr Eos, Penparcau	174
Leicestershire		WALES: Carmarthenshire		Ysgol Syr John Rhys, Ponterwyd	24
Christ Church & St. Peter's CE,		Gwynfryn, Pontyates	38	WALES: Neath Port Talbot	
Mountsorrel	310	Ponthenri, Llanelli	49	Alderman Davies CiW	250
St. Denys CE Infant, Ibstock	93	Ysgol Gymraeg Rhydaman	198	WALES: Pembrokeshire	
Northumberland		Ysgol Llechyfedach, Tymbl Uchaf	71	Broad Haven, Haverfordwest	86
Whitfield CE, Hexham	19	Ysgol y Blaenau, Ammanford	37		
Nottinghamshire		Ysgol Y Tymbl, Llanelli	86		
St. John's CE, Worksop	320	Ysgol-y-Castell, Kidwelly	165		
Sefton		WALES: Ceredigion			
St. Thomas' CE, Lydiate	155	Ysgol Craig yr Wylfa, Borth	22		

*2,462 pupils and their teachers received a personal Bible in the 20 schools
using the 'Re-Start Scheme' this year.*

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FOLLOW-ON PRESENTATIONS

Barnsley		St. Joseph's Catholic	70	Kent	
The Ellis CE, Hemingfield	25	East Riding of Yorkshire		Harrietsham CE, Maidstone	32
Bath and N.E. Somerset		South Cave CE, Brough	30	Sissinghurst CE, Cranbrook	44
Bathwick St. Mary Church, Bath	32	East Sussex		St. James CE, Tunbridge Wells	90
Chew Stoke Church, Bristol	34	St. Andrew's CE Infants, Eastbourne	77	St. Katherine's CE, Sevenoaks	27
Farmborough Church, Bath	21	Essex		Kingston Upon Hull,	
Farrington Gurney CE, Bristol	16	Blackmore, Ingatestone	39	City of Newland St. John's CE	80
Marksbury CE, Bath	26	Churchgate CE, Harlow	60	Lancashire	
Peasedown St. John, Bath	61	Farnham CE, Bishop's Stortford	8	Altham St. James CE, Accrington	11
Saltford CE, Bristol	61	Feering CE, Colchester	26	Balladen Community, Rossendale	25
Shoscombe Church, Bath	16	Holy Cross Catholic, Harlow	96	Chorley St. Mary's Catholic	30
St. John's CE, Keynsham	60	Holy Trinity CE, Halstead	75	Holy Trinity CE, Burnley	30
St. Julian's Church, Wellow	29	Hutton All Saints' CE, Brentwood	34	Newburgh CE, Wigan	18
St. Mary's CE, Timsbury	41	Ingrave Johnstone CE, Brentwood	33	Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic,	
St. Michael's Junior Church, Bath	50	St. Andrew's CE, Halstead	35	Lytham St. Annes	30
St. Philip's CE, Bath	79	St. Helen's Catholic Infant, Brentwood	90	Rishton Methodist, Blackburn	23
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole		St. Joseph's Catholic, Harwich	36	St. Andrew's CE, Preston	122
Bishop Aldhelm's CE, Poole	90	St. Katherine's CE, Canvey Island	60	St. James' CE, Clitheroe	55
St. Walburga's RC, Bournemouth	62	St. Peter's CE, Brentwood	139	St. John's CE, Burnley	64
Bradford		Trinity St. Mary's CE,		St. Joseph's Catholic, Barnoldswick	12
Baildon CE, Shipley	60	South Woodham Ferrers	26	St. Paul's CE, Accrington	52
Buckinghamshire		Gloucestershire		St. Paul's CE, Rossendale	85
Cheddington, Leighton Buzzard	62	Blockley CE, Moreton in Marsh	31	St. Wilfrid's CE, Lancaster	80
Westcott CE, Aylesbury	40	Hertfordshire		St. Wulstan's & St. Edmund's Catholic,	
Calderdale		Aycliffe Drive, Hemel Hempstead	120	Fleetwood	33
Norland CE, Sowerby Bridge	32	Bishop Wood Junior, Tring	118	Tatham Fells CE, Lancaster	12
St. Mary's CE J&I, Sowerby Bridge	28	Bovingdon, Hemel Hempstead	108	The Willows Catholic, Preston	29
Central Bedfordshire		Boxmoor, Hemel Hempstead	61	Leeds	
Marston Moreteyne, Bedford	81	Broadfield, Hemel Hempstead	91	St. Joseph's Catholic, Pudsey	135
Cheshire East		Brockwood, Hemel Hempstead	64	Leicester	
Bosley St. Mary's CE, Macclesfield	10	Broxbourne CE	32	St. Patrick's Catholic	30
Cranberry, Alsager	237	Chambersbury, Hemel Hempstead	51	Leicestershire	
Pikemere, Alsager	124	Chaulden Junior, Hemel Hempstead	57	Bishop Ellis Catholic, Leicester	100
Wincle CE, Macclesfield	22	Countess Anne, Hatfield	61	Fleckney CE, Leicester	55
Cheshire West and Chester		Dundale, Tring	54	Gilmorton Chandler CE, Lutterworth	33
Helsby Hillside, Frodsham	32	Gade Valley, Hemel Hempstead	59	Great Bowden, Market Harborough	46
Hoole CE, Chester	70	George Street, Hemel Hempstead	61	Higham on the Hill CE, Nuneaton	18
Lower Peover CE, Knutsford	58	Grove Road, Tring	10	Loughborough CE	30
Norley CE, Frodsham	20	Hobbs Hill Wood, Hemel Hempstead	124	Measham CE, Swadlincote	33
St. Chad's CE, Winsford	18	Hobletts Manor Junior,		Snarestone CE, Swadlincote	20
County Durham		Hemel Hempstead	56	South Kilworth CE, Lutterworth	20
Gainford CE, Darlington	15	Holtsmere End Junior,		St. Cuthbert's CE, Leicester	57
Cumberland		Hemel Hempstead	119	St. Margaret's CE, Nuneaton	34
All Saints' CE, Cockermouth	56	Leverstock Green CE, Hemel Hempstead	43	St. Mary's CE, Hinckley	40
Gosforth CE, Seascale	21	Our Lady Catholic, Welwyn Garden City	35	St. Peter & St. Paul CE, Leicester	60
Derby		Pixies Hill, Hemel Hempstead	60	St. Simon & St. Jude CE, Leicester	14
St. George's Catholic, Littleover	70	Potten End CE, Berkhamsted	30	Lincolnshire	
Derbyshire		Sarratt CE, Rickmansworth	30	Ancaster CE, Grantham	31
Melbourne Junior, Derby	70	South Hill, Hemel Hempstead	123	Barrowby CE, Grantham	69
Devon		St. Bartholomew's CE, Tring	28	Brant Broughton CE and Methodist,	
South Molton United CE	30	St. Cuthbert Mayne RC Junior,		Lincoln	10
St. Martin's CE, Exeter	62	Hemel Hempstead	124	Denton CE, Grantham	17
St. Michael's, Newton Abbot	128	St. Mary's CE, Berkhamsted	24	Frances Olive Anderson CE,	
Doncaster		St. Michael's CE, St. Albans	27	Gainsborough	25
Rossington St. Michael's CE	40	St. Paul's CE, Chipperfield,		Gonerby Hill Foot CE, Grantham	42
St. John the Baptist CE, Mexborough	30	Kings Langley	25	Great Ponton CE, Grantham	14
St. Oswald's CE	20	St. Paul's CE, Hunton Bridge,		Halton Hologate CE, Spilsby	24
Dorset		Kings Langley	56	Harlaxton CE, Grantham	18
Milton-on-Stour, Gillingham	13	Swing Gate First, Berkhamsted	44	Leasingham St. Andrew's CE, Sleaford	28
St. Mary the Virgin CE, Gillingham	30	Tudor, Hemel Hempstead	30	Marston Thorold's Charity CE, Grantham	20
Dudley		Westbrook Hay Prep,		Navenby CE, Lincoln	46
St. Chad's Catholic, Sedgley	30	Hemel Hempstead	100	North Hykeham All Saints CE, Lincoln	30

FOLLOW-ON PRESENTATIONS *continued*

Rauceby CE, Sleaford	25	William Law CE, Werrington	90	Meidrim, St. Clears	11
Ropsley CE, Grantham	14	Rotherham		Model CiW, Carmarthen	20
Ruskington Chestnut Street CE, Sleaford	15	St. Alban's CE, Wickersley	70	Mynyddygareg, Kidwelly	18
St. Anne's CE, Grantham	34	Salford		Myrddin, Carmarthen	16
St. Michael's CE, Louth	46	St. Andrew's Methodist, Manchester	30	Old Road, Llanelli	20
St. Sebastian's CE, Grantham	30	St. Paul's CE, Manchester	27	Parc y Tywyn, Burry Port	42
London - Barnet		Sandwell		Penboyr, Llandysul	8
St. John's CE, Friern Barnet	30	Christ Church CE, Oldbury	80	Pentip CiW, Llanelli	26
London - Enfield		Sefton		Penygaer, Llanelli	28
St. Edmund's Catholic, Edmondton	58	Ainsdale St. John's CE, Southport	31	Pwll, Llanelli	9
London - Hounslow		St. John's CE, Southport	24	St. Mary's Catholic, Llanelli	61
Our Lady & St. John's Catholic, Brentford	30	Sheffield		Swiss Valley Community, Llanelli	37
London - Islington		Emmanuel Junior, Waterthorpe	105	Trimsaran, Kidwelly	28
St. Mary Magdalene	26	Solihull		Ysgol Bro Brynach, Whitland	20
Medway		Our Lady of Compassion Catholic, Olton	90	Ysgol Bryn Teg, Llanelli	72
St. John's CE Infant, Chatham	12	Somerset		Ysgol Brynsaron, Llyndysul	6
Norfolk		Bishop Henderson CE, Taunton	64	Ysgol Drefach, Llanelli	17
Dickleburgh CE, Diss	40	Brent Knoll CE, Highbridge	30	Ysgol Gorslas, Llanelli	35
Filby, Great Yarmouth	26	Crech St. Michael CE, Taunton	93	Ysgol Griffiths Jones, St. Clears	27
Fleggburgh CE, Great Yarmouth	17	High Ham CE, Langport	21	Ysgol Gymraeg Brynsierfel, Llanelli	23
Hemblington, Blofield Heath	17	Kingston St. Mary CE, Taunton	9	Ysgol Gymraeg Dewi Sant, Llanelli	48
Hopton CE, Great Yarmouth	64	Langford Budville CE, Wellington	5	Ysgol Gymraeg Ffwrnes, Llanelli	64
Martham, Great Yarmouth	40	Rockwell Green CE, Wellington	40	Ysgol Gymraeg Gwennllian, Kidwelly	31
Mulbarton, Norwich	54	Shepton Beauchamp Church, Ilminster	4	Ysgol Gymraeg Teilo Sant, Llandeilo	18
Old Catton Junior, Norwich	52	St. Andrew's CE Junior, Burnham-on-Sea	53	Ysgol Gynradd Pum Heol, Llanelli	22
Ormesby Village Junior, Great Yarmouth	52	St. Louis RC, Frome	22	Ysgol Pen Rhos, Llanelli	22
Pulham CE, Diss	20	South Gloucestershire		Ysgol y Bynea, Llanelli	13
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic, Norwich	62	Christ Church CE Junior, Bristol	82	Ysgol y Ddwyllan, Newcastle Emlyn	67
St. Martha's RC, King's Lynn	308	Longwell Green, Bristol	90	Ysgol Y Felin, Llanelli	33
Taverham CE Junior, Norwich	103	Mangotsfield CE, Bristol	85	WALES: Ceredigion	
North Lincolnshire		St. Mary's Catholic, Bristol	38	Llanon, Aberystwyth	16
Belton All Saints CE, Doncaster	52	St. Paul's Catholic, Yate	66	Penllwyn, Aberystwyth	23
Haxey CE, Doncaster	50	Wick CE, Bristol	38	Penparc, Aberteifi	10
Westwoodside CE, Doncaster	35	South Tyneside		Pontrhydfendigaid Community, Ystrad Meurig	12
North Northamptonshire		St. Joseph's Catholic, Jarrow	60	Ysgol Cenarth, Newcastle Emlyn	16
All Saints CE, Wellingborough	60	St. Helens		Ysgol Dyffryn Cledlyn, Llanbedr Pont Steffan	11
Denfield Park, Rushden	60	St. Mary & St. Thomas CE	28	Ysgol Gymraeg Aberystwyth	17
Ringstead CE, Kettering	19	Staffordshire		Ysgol Gynradd Aberporth, Cardigan	35
St. Mary's CE, Kettering	38	All Saints' CE, Burton-upon-Trent	25	Ysgol Gynradd Dihewyd, Pont Steffan	17
St. Peter's CE, Wellingborough	60	Needwood CE, Burton-upon-Trent	15	Ysgol Gynradd Gymundol	
Titchmarsh CE, Kettering	18	St. Mary & St. Chad First, Stafford	29	Penrhyn-Coch, Aberystwyth	20
Weldon CE, Corby	35	St. Mary's CE First, Uttoxeter	80	Ysgol Gynradd Llechryd, Cardigan	6
Whitefriars, Rushden	60	St. Michael's CE First, Stafford	50	Ysgol Gynradd Wirfoddol Myfenydd, Aberystwyth	18
North Somerset		Yoxall St. Peter's CE, Burton-on-Trent	15	Ysgol Mynach, Aberystwyth	20
Court de Wyck Church, Bristol	19	Stockport		Ysgol T. Llew Jones, Llandysul	33
Dundry CE, Bristol	11	All Saints' CE, Marple	32	Ysgol y Dderi, Lampeter	7
St. Joseph's Catholic, Portishead	58	Stockton-on-Tees		WALES: Conwy	
Yatton CE Junior, Bristol	95	Wynyard CE, Billingham	60	Ysgol Cystennin, Colwyn Bay	24
North Yorkshire		Suffolk		Ysgol y Plas, Colwyn Bay	15
Croft CE, Darlington	12	All Saints CE, Newmarket	90	WALES: Flintshire	
Danby CE, Whitby	12	Great Waldingfield CE, Sudbury	30	St. Ethelwold's CiW, Deeside	12
Kirk Smeaton CE, Pontefract	22	Gunton, Lowestoft	50	Ysgol y Llan, Holywell	17
Settrington All Saints' CE, Malton	30	Kelsale CE, Saxmundham	49	WALES: Neath Port Talbot	
St. Stephen's Catholic, Skipton	40	Lakenheath Community, Brandon	33	St. Joseph's Catholic Junior, Port Talbot	40
West Heslerton CE, Malton	33	Old Newton CE, Stowmarket	30	St. Therese's Catholic, Port Talbot	27
NORTHERN IRELAND		Otley, Ipswich	4	WALES: Pembrokeshire	
Ballykeel, Ballymena	35	St. Mary's CE, Ipswich	60	Cleddau Reach, Haverfordwest	44
Fourtowns, Ballymena	34	Witnesham, Ipswich	9	Coastlands (St. Ishmael's base), Haverfordwest	13
Portglenone, Ballymena	18	Surrey		Cosheston, Pembroke Dock	12
Northumberland		Esher Church	42	Croesgoch, Haverfordwest	16
Hugh Joicey CE First, Berwick-upon-Tweed	11	Ewhurst CE Infant, Cranleigh	16	Eglwyswrw, Crymych	13
Nottinghamshire		WALES: Blaenau Gwent		Gelliswick CiW, Milford Haven	17
Huthwaite All Saints CE Infant, Sutton-in-Ashfield	20	St. Mary's CiW, Ebbw Vale	30	Golden Grove, Pembroke	75
Selston CE Infant, Nottingham	22	WALES: Carmarthenshire		Goodwick Community	20
Oldham		Abergwili, Carmarthen	10	Holy Name Catholic, Fishguard	5
Holy Trinity CE, Dobcross	30	Brynaman CP, Ammanford	60	Hook Community, Haverfordwest	29
Oxfordshire		Burry Port Community	60	Johnston, Haverfordwest	56
St. Amand's Catholic, Wantage	20	Cae'r Felin Community, Pencader	24	Monkton Priory, Pembroke	37
Peterborough		Cross Hands, Llanelli	29		
		Ferryside, Kidwelly	3		
		Llanmiloe, Carmarthen	10		

FOLLOW-ON PRESENTATIONS continued

Pembroke Dock Community	124	Ysgol y Frenni, Crymch	10	Westmoreland and Furness	
Pennar Community, Pembroke Dock	34	WALES: Swansea		Church Walk CE, Ulverston	15
Penrhyn CiW, Pembroke	24	Christchurch CiW	39	Coniston CE	13
Puncheston, Haverfordwest	12	Cilã	28	Dalton St. Mary's CE	83
Roch Community, Haverfordwest	10	Glaïs	22	Penny Bridge CE, Ulverston	20
Saundersfoot Community	12	Morrison	28	Morland Area CE, Penrith	25
Spittal, Haverfordwest	22	Plasmarl	58	Pennington CE, Ulverston	21
St. Aidan's, Haverfordwest	12	Pontybrenin, Gorseinon	10	Wigan	
St. Florence, Tenby	23	St. Joseph's Catholic, Clydach	26	St. Catharine's CE, Scholes	30
St. Francis Catholic, Milford Haven	38	Ysgol Crug Clas, Dyfatty	4	Wiltshire	
St. Mark's CiW, Haverfordwest	22	Walsall		Forest and Sandridge CE, Melksham	50
St. Oswald's CiW, Kilgetty	19	Holy Trinity CE, Clayhanger	48	Windsor and Maidenhead	
St. Teilo's Catholic, Tenby	10	Warrington		St. Francis Catholic, Ascot	66
Stepaside, Kilgetty	23	Grappenhall St. Wilfrid's CE	63	Trinity St. Stephen CE First, Windsor	32
Tenby CiW	63	Warwickshire		Wirral	
Wolfscastle, Haverfordwest	6	Woodside CE, Atherstone	33	Christ Church Moreton CE	52
Ysgol Bro Ingli, Newport	16	West Northamptonshire		Wokingham	
Ysgol Brynconin, Clynderwen	23	Brackley CE Junior	56	St. Sebastian's CE	5
Ysgol Cilgerran, Cardigan	2	Croughton All Saints CE, Brackley	23	Worcestershire	
Ysgol Clydau, Llanfyrnach	9	Little Houghton CE, Northampton	10	Alvechurch CE Middle	110
Ysgol Ger y Llan, Haverfordwest	25	Newbottle & Charlton CE, Banbury	19	Crown Meadow First, Alvechurch	60
Ysgol Gymunedol Maenclochog, Clynderwen	29	Welford Sibbertoft and Sulby, Northampton	10	York	
Ysgol Hafan-y-Môr, Tenby	30	Weston Favell CE, Northampton	58	St. Barnabas' CE	34
Ysgol Penrhyn Dewi - Non Campus, St. David's	16	West Sussex			
		St. Mary's CE, Pulborough	38		

15,167 pupils received a personal Bible in the 371 schools using the "Follow-on Scheme" this year

New Logo and Puzzle Booklets

DAY 8
SLAVES!
Exodus 15:1-16:13

Abraham's descendants are now a huge nation! It looks like God's promise to Abraham is coming true! But there's a problem...the Pharaoh has put them into slavery in Egypt.

Crack the code to discover what God wants for His people:

ACELOPQRSTU

Slavery is when people treat others as if they own them. Those in slavery have no freedom to make choices and are given little to no money for their work.

Slavery goes against what God intended for human beings. Can you work out why?

Does slavery still happen today? Yes, yes - today it's often called human trafficking.

THINK! Can you find out what charities are working to stop modern day slavery?

PRAY Dear God, please help those who are in slavery find freedom.

DAY 4
THE FIRST DISCIPLES
Matthew 10:1-22

Jesus had twelve 'disciples' (meaning 'students' or 'followers') that travelled around Israel and learnt from Him.

What did Jesus mean when He said "I will teach you to catch people?" (rather than fish)?

In v22 it says that "at once" they left their boats! They must have realised that following Jesus was going to be a 'life-changing experience'!

SPOT THE 9 DIFFERENCES!

THINK! The 12 disciples came from different backgrounds. Matthew was a tax collector for the Romans, while Simon the 'Zealot' was part of a group trying to overthrow the Romans! What one thing did they now have in common?

PRAY Please help me get on with people I find difficult!

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bibles for Children ('the CIO')

CIO Registration: 1187754 (England & Wales) and SC050350 (Scotland) and recognised as a Section 167 charity in Northern Ireland

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31st July 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the CIO you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (the '2005 Act'), the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts carried out under section 44(1)(c) of the 2005 Act and section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the requirements of Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the CIO has prepared its accounts on an accruals basis and is also registered in Scotland your examiner must be a member of a body listed in Regulation 11(2) of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Association of Accounting Technicians which is one of the listed bodies.

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 respect of the CIO as required by section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements Regulation 8 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and 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 accounts to be reached.

Darren Warren – Paxton Independent Examiners

Darren Warren – Paxton Independent Examiners (Aug 22, 2024 09:19 GMT+1)

Signed:

Date:

Darren Warren FMAAT
Paxton Independent Examiners
61a High Street South, Rushden, NN10 0RA

22 August 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Note	Year to 31/07/2024	Year to 31/07/2023
		£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Donations - Not Gift Aided		38,666	57,803
Donations - Gift Aided		8,238	5,916
Gift Aid		2,059	1,479
Sponsorship - First Presentations		5,999	4,567
Sponsorship - Follow-on and Re-start Presentations		88,719	94,278
Fundraising	1	32	148
Bank Interest		3,189	899
Total incoming resources		146,902	165,090
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Printing of Bibles		113,410	90,585
Printing of Presentation labels, brochures, etc.		3,081	2,381
Purchase of cards & goods for resale	1	90	0
Storage and Insurance of Bibles		5,169	6,380
Carriage of Bibles		15,869	17,471
Governance	1, 2	618	300
Management and Administration	1, 3	53,017	38,569
Total outgoing resources		191,254	155,686
NET OUTGOING/INCOMING RESOURCES		-44,352	9,404
Total assets brought forward from previous year		216,100	206,696
TOTAL ASSETS CARRIED FORWARD TO FOLLOWING YEAR		171,748	216,100

Note 1 Basis of Preparation

Basis of accounting —These accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Charities Act 2011 and Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Fixed assets —There are no fixed assets.

Management and Administration costs —Management and administration costs relate to postage, printing, stationery and general costs of administering the charity.

Payments to Trustees —Our paid Treasurer was appointed a Trustee on 12 March 2019. Payments to her during the current financial period, solely for her work as a Treasurer, amounted to £17,048.37.

Trustees Expenses —The Trustees and Associates give all their time free of charge and only claim reimbursement of receipted amounts spent personally and directly on postal charges, stationery, travel expenses and telephone charges.

Unrestricted Funds —All receipts and payments relate to the general unrestricted funds.

Fundraising and Publicity costs —Fundraising and publicity costs are the direct costs of fundraising events.

Cash deposits —All cash deposits are held in the unrestricted general funds.

Bibles for Presentation —Bibles for presentation are Bibles held at the year end that will be distributed within the next year and are stated at cost.

Stocks —Stocks are cards and goods for sale which are held at the year end and are stated at cost.

Governance —As all matters relating to Governance are dealt with by the Trustees, there are no financial implications for the charity apart from the charge made by the Independent Examiner and for Liability & Indemnity Insurance.

Information Technology —Includes the costs of computer equipment, software and maintenance.

	Note	Year to 31/07/2024	Year to 31/07/2023
		£	£
Note 2 Governance – Fees for examination of the accounts			
Independent Examiner's Fees		300	300
Indemnity & Liability Insurance		318	0
Total		618	300
Note 3 Management and Administration costs			
Staff remuneration	1	49,171	34,768
Information Technology	1	365	165
Stationery and ink cartridges		487	690
Travel & Accommodation		0	389
Postage		2,592	2,097
Telephone & Fax		402	460
Total Management and Administration costs		53,017	38,569

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 July 2024

	Note	Year to 31/07/2024 £	Year to 31/07/2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		56,274	60,589
Petty cash		20	20
Bibles for presentation (English)	1	118,819	
Bibles for presentation (Welsh)	1	1,790	159,462
Goods for sale	1	0	0
Debtors		7,919	10,392
Gift Aid due from HMRC		2,060	1,479
Input VAT less Output VAT due		1,276	1,393
Total current assets		188,158	233,335
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
Suppliers: Outstanding invoices		3,932	6,914
Hemel Hempstead Fund		2,960	3,648
St. Albans Fund		41	103
Tring Fund		318	4
West Wales Fund		9,159	6,566
Total current liabilities		16,410	17,235
Total assets less current liabilities		171,748	216,100
Creditors amounts falling due after one year		0	0
NET ASSETS		171,748	216,100
ASSETS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted		171,748	216,100
TOTAL ASSETS CARRIED FORWARD TO FOLLOWING YEAR		171,748	216,100

These accounts were approved by the Trustees at their meeting on 13th August 2024
and signed on their behalf by the Chairman, Reverend Paul Stephens



GOVERNANCE

Going concern – With the current level of cash and stock resources, and the ongoing and expected future contributions from its supporters, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity can continue in its current mode of operation for the foreseeable future. They continue to believe that the "Going concern" basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

Risk assessment – The Trustees have identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. These will be reviewed annually or earlier if the need arises.

Policies – Policies on Safeguarding, Data Protection, Conflict of Interest, Pandemic Risk Assessment, Privacy, and Reserves have been reviewed and approved by the Trustees. They are displayed on the charity's website www.biblesforchildren.org.uk and hard copies can be obtained by emailing bibles4children2@aol.com.

TRUSTEES



Ted Hudson BEM – *Founder and Retiring Chairman*

Trained as a librarian in Leeds in the 1940's. Moved into bookselling in 1950 in Leeds, then Chester and in 1973 in Bath where he became Managing Director of Chivers Book Sales. He set up his own Christian Bookshop in Bath in 1984 – Good News Media. Retired in January 1995. He was a Methodist local preacher for over 50 years. Life-long member of the Methodist Church. Interests: Bible History, Music and Painting.



Dr. Geoff Smith – *Director of Operations*

Graduate of Kings College, London (B.Sc Hons 1st class) where he obtained a Diploma in Theology and his Ph.D in Mathematical Biophysics. Began his teaching career at Stoke Newington in 1962 specialising in Mathematics. Following a move to Romford in 1968, he was appointed Headmaster of Hylands School, Chelmsford in 1973. From 1983 until retirement in 1995, he was Headmaster of Mayflower County High School in Billericay with over 1,200 pupils. A Methodist for over 50 years. Interests: Photography and Chess.



Peter Godfrey

Born in Essex and educated at Forest School, Peter worked for 27 years in the Flavour Industry working his way up to become Sales Director, travelling across the UK and Europe. Later he became a Sub Postmaster in NE Somerset and nearing retirement took on a part-time position as Parish Council Clerk. He has been a Methodist since a teenager having served the Church three times as a Circuit Steward and also in many other capacities. He has two children and five grandchildren.



Rev. Paul Stephens – *Chairman from 1st August 2024*

Paul trained as a professional musician at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, London. As well as playing in various orchestras and brass groups he also taught music in Bristol before retraining as an RE teacher. A call to be ordained saw him working in various parishes in the south-west as well as a period when he was Chaplain at Monkton Combe School. Now retired and living in Timsbury, Paul enjoys making music whenever he can.



Elaine Martin – *Director of Finance*

Originally from London, Elaine first worked with accountants in Bristol before becoming a partner in John Crick & Co Accountants, which she has been involved with for over 30 years. She has been an Anglican since childhood and served the church in different roles including registrar duties during two interregnums. Her main interests are Person Centred Counselling, gardening and walking.

MINUTES SECRETARY



Marion Miller

Originally from Scotland, Marion trained as a Primary teacher. Her extensive career included the headship of a Bath infant school, teaching across all phases of education, and obtaining an MA in Professional Studies. Marion has been a member of St. Mary's Church, Timsbury since 1974 and enjoys travelling, art lessons, reading, walking and time with friends and family.

ADMINISTRATOR



Ruth Reeve

With much of her career spent in administration and other office environments including publishing, both employed and self-employed, Ruth enjoys the challenge of new experiences but appreciates being settled. She is a member of Peasedown St John Methodist Church where she is part of the worship team. Ruth also enjoys friendships, gardening and nice days out.

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