

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH

England & Wales · Charity number 1188733

Details

Other names THE BOYS' BRIGADE - INTERNATIONAL

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-03-24

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF CHRIST'S KINGDOM, THE PROMOTION OF EDUCATION AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AMONGST THE YOUTH OF THE WORLD BY SERVING AND SUPPORTING MEMBER ORGANISATIONS.

Activities: 1. Global Fellowship is the international network of The Boys' Brigade and kindred organisations. 2. Members of Global Fellowship carry out Christian youth work in around 70 countries of the world. 3. Global Fellowship: a) manages events b) invests in organisations developmentc) networks and shares news around the BB world d) provides grantse) enables members to work together

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£43,732	£59,333	-	-
2023-12-31	£35,504	£60,036	-	-
2022-12-31	£40,395	£74,336	-	-
2021-12-31	£34,030	£34,796	-	-
2020-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Kamphata Botha		2022-08-19
Khareem Perry		2022-08-19
Kim Koch Rasmussen		2022-08-19
Margaret Pang		2022-08-19
Simon Gallaher		2025-06-22

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Registered charity 1188733

Principal address 120 Broadsands Avenue, Paignton, Devon TQ4 6JW

GOVERNANCE DETAILS

Trustees	Kamphata Botha	Zambia
	David Martin	United Kingdom
	Margaret Pang	United Kingdom
	Khareem Perry	Trinidad
	Kim Koch Rasmussen	Denmark
General Manager	Bill Stevenson	
Treasurer	David Martin	
Independent Examiner	Sarah Alexander FCCA FCA Lewis Brownlee (Chchester) Limited, Appledram Barns, Birdham Road, Chichester, West Sussex PO20 7EQ	
Investment Manager	CCLA, 1 Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB	
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The Executive Committee is the trustee board of the Charity. They are elected at Council in accordance with the Constitution from amongst the representatives of members attending the Council meeting. The Executive Committee may co-opt additional members where the need arises.

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The Executive Committee has examined the major risks which the Charity faces. It has established systems to enable regular reports to be produced whereby reasonable and prudent steps can be taken to mitigate exposure.

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Objections and aims

The Charity is a global network whose purpose is the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, the promotion of education and relief of poverty amongst the youth of the world by serving and supporting member organisations. Its current objectives are identified within the Executive Committee's Strategic Plan which is available on the Charity's website.

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During the year, Kamphata Botha (Zambia), Margaret Pang (UK), Khareem Perry (Trinidad) and Kim Koch Rasmussen (Denmark) served as trustees on the Executive Committee. David Martin (UK) continued to serve as Treasurer and Trustee.

Kayinga Brolyn from Uganda chairs the Charity's Young Leaders Group. It has now been operating for a few years. In 2024, the importance of succession planning was explored the Young Leaders Group has helped the Charity maintain momentum with the important 18–30-year-old age group.

The Charity also benefits from several volunteers who willingly give of their time without charge. Where claimed, reasonable travel expenses are paid.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Public benefit and charitable activities

The Executive Committee has complied with the requirements in Section 17 Charities Act 2011 and has had due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and confirm that it complies in all respects.

2024 turned out to be another good year for Global Fellowship. The Charity has continued to see growth in member organisations, particularly in Africa where there are hundreds of thousands of members. During the year, further work was undertaken in pursuit of the charitable purposes by continuing efforts to encourage member organisations to develop their own capacity, governance, development plans and leadership training.

Throughout the year, the General Manager and African Development Manager have been busy supporting development activities across the world. In Africa, the Charity has been assisting the Brigade in DR Congo, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Tanzania and Zimbabwe to improve their structures and leader training. Progress has been made in re-activating the internal Regional Fellowship networks with the West Africa Region and Central and Southern Africa regions holding meetings for the first time in many years. It has been encouraging to see new companies being set up across the globe. Contact has been received from churches in Bangladesh, South Sudan and Liberia who are looking to start the BB. There has also been a membership growth in Tonga and other areas of the Pacific.

During the year, the General Manager was able to visit many member organisations. During his travels, Bill Stevenson visited Australia, Benin, Canada, Ghana, India, Indonesia, New Zealand, Singapore, Togo, Tonga. As well as visiting local groups, he also met church leaders and politicians and other national leaders. The Africa Development Manager, Masauso Mwanza, also managed to visit Ethiopia and South Africa. The networking and individual contacts made during these visits have proved vital in building relationships across the network and helping to raise the profile of the Brigade in those countries.

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One of the Charity's priorities has been developing further links with BB Asia where regular contact is maintained with BB Asia Executive members. The General Manager was present at BB Asia's AGM and conference in Siem Reap in November. It also proved an ideal opportunity to learn more about the work of BB Cambodia. It is encouraging to see BB Asia's work to establish the BB in new countries in that part of the world.

Thrive, the first GF Event for young leaders in many years took place in Tobago from the 14th to 21st July. A super group of young leaders from five nations attended and participated in a full programme. The week opened with The Chief Secretary of the Tobago House of Assembly hosting a reception on the Sunday evening. Other activities included discussions on leadership, organisational values and conflict resolution. There was also time for Christian fellowship, role-plays and lots of different games; and of course, there was some time to enjoy the Caribbean sun at the beach. The event was planned and delivered by two GF Trustees, Margaret Pang and Khareem Perry. The Charity is grateful to them, and the BB Tobago Islands Council, for all their support and for making the event a great success.

The Charity's Young Leader network continues to meet online on a regular basis and now has representation from most member countries. In July, two young leaders from the Bahamas returned to Scotland to complete the KGVI (King George VI) Leadership Course. In addition to the course at Carronvale House, they also spent time at camp with members of the 45th Glasgow Company and attended the Royal Edinburgh International Tattoo. Young leaders from Europe and Africa also represented the Charity as virtual delegates at the high-level UN COP29 climate change conference which was held in Baku.

The Executive Committee met in person in Scotland in June and on several other occasions via Zoom. The in-person meeting was also held at Carronvale House in Larbert. As well as holding governance discussions, trustees enjoyed joining in the programme with the 2nd Cambusnethan Company who were also staying at Carronvale. Furthermore, ExCo members also took the opportunity to visit Scottish companies. The Chair was able to meet with the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. Most of the action points in the current three-year development plan have now been completed. ExCo members have now started thinking about what priorities should form the basis of the next plan.

Over the year, the Charity organised several virtual events / Zoom calls to stay connected with member organisations. GF Week took place in May prior to Pentecost. It was pleasing to see growth in this event with more local leaders engaging in it. This year, the theme was "The Armour of God" and a different worship slot was broadcast daily with music videos from across the world also being shared. A special online service for Pentecost Sunday rounded up the week.

The Charity has been pleased to see an increased readership of the monthly newsletter. Also, there are now over 4,000 followers on Facebook watching the Charity's work.

The Charity recognises that more can be done to raise external funds for our work. Contact has been made with the UK Foreign and Commonwealth office to see if the Charity can access international development funding. The Christmas Appeal helped to raise some valuable funds. Grateful thanks are extended to the regular supporters who make regular donations. This help is much appreciated.

The Executive Committee realise that it would be impossible to sustain this work without so many dedicated and faithful office-bearers, staff members and leaders in member organisations who devote so much time week in week out to sustain the work of the Brigade across the world. Thanks are also extended to the trustees and part time staff team.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial activities

The Charity has prepared its accounts using the receipts and payments basis as prescribed by the Charity Commission. Given the level of income, an independent examination is commissioned on an annual basis.

The Charity's unrestricted income on ordinary activities was £42,546 (2023: £34,512), against which £59,333 (2023: £57,823) was expended. £40,000 (2023: £15,000) of investments were sold during the year to fund day to day expenditure. More will need to be sold in mid-2025 to maintain working capital.

It is pleasing to note that more member organisations are now contributing subscription fees. This is welcome. The Executive Committee's policy remains that grants or financial support will only be made to Member organisations who have contributed subscriptions and membership information.

The Charity is very grateful to its donors in supporting the work of Global Fellowship. The Charity wishes to extend its individual donor base during 2025, as well as attract further trust funding.

Investment performance

The Executive Committee's investment strategy is to hold its investment fund in an established charitable investment fund. CCLA Investment Management undertake this using their Ethical Investment Fund. The Charity's investments are held as income generating units.

The Investment Fund returned £20,974 (2022: £21,103) of income. Although £40,000 of investment units were sold during the year to fund operations, the dividend remained in the same ballpark. The Executive Committee is pleased with investment performance which is consistent with general charity sector investment trends. The capital performance of the investment fund continues to be effective on an unrealised basis.

Investment policy

The Charity's investment policy is aimed at maintaining the real value of the portfolio and generating a reasonable level of income to support its operational strategy. The Executive Committee undertook its periodic investment strategy review in November 2023 and the continued use of pooled charitable investment funds was agreed.

Reserves policy

The Executive Committee has adopted a reserves policy which recognised that its investment income and suitable use of its portfolio is essential for funding its activities. The Charity's medium to long term aim is to sustainably deploy its reserves in assisting member organisations to become self-sustaining and capable of supporting their local work, as well as the international aspects of the Global Fellowship.

The Charity has no long term or significant liabilities. As a result, it is a going concern which has access to the necessary funds to cope with emergencies and contingencies.

Independent examination

Whilst Sheen Stickland became part of Lewis Brownlee during the year, the personnel engaged on the Charity's independent examination remain unchanged.

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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Charity looks forward to delivering its three-year Strategic Plan and to holding the next Triennial Council in 2025. It is also hoped to introduce The Boys' Brigade to several new countries, and to also host the first Young Leaders event in many years.

The Charity is committed to increasing international connections and ensuring that all members are aware that they are part of the worldwide BB family.

Since its foundation in 1883 by Sir William Alexander Smith, the Brigade has played a key part in assisting the mission of local churches. This year, it has been pleasing to see even more Church denominations introduce the BB programme into the life of their churches. Member organisations continue to provide first class programmes and help point young people towards the Good News of the Gospel. The Charity looks forward to seeing what it can do to continue support and develop its Members in over 70 countries who now work with over 1 million members.

This report was approved by the Executive Committee of Trustees on 17 April 2025 and signed on its behalf.



Kamphata Botha

Trustee and Chair of Executive Committee

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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees
Year ended 31 December 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth ('Charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Sarah Alexander FCCA FCA
Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited
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Date: 13 May 2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary income					
Donations	17,348	200	-	17,548	8,436
Gift aid	-				
Investment income					
Dividend income	19,988	-	986	20,974	21,103
Income from charitable activities					
General income	5,210	-	-	5,210	5,965
Total income	42,546	200	986	43,732	35,504
Investment sales	40,000	-	-	40,000	15,000
Total receipts	82,546	200	986	83,732	50,504
PAYMENTS					
Cost of raising funds					
Staff/establishment costs	3,809	-	-	3,809	3,370
Charitable activities					
Staff/establishment costs	26,662	-	-	26,662	23,591
Investing in Organisations	13,314	-	-	13,314	17,910
Marketing & general	1,425	-	-	1,425	636
Governance costs					
Trustee meetings	4,757	-	-	4,757	5,926
Staff/establishment costs	1,904	-	-	1,904	1,685
Independent examination	1,080	-	-	1,080	1,080
Support costs					
Staff/establishment costs	5,713	-	-	5,713	5,056
Insurance	499	-	-	499	437
Bank charges	170	-	-	170	345
	59,333	-	-	59,333	60,036
Investment purchases	-				
Total expenditure	59,333	200	-	59,333	60,036
Net receipts/(payments)	23,213	200	986	24,399	(9,532)
Transfers	986	-	(986)	-	-
Cash brought forward	13,899	4,427	-	18,326	27,858
Cash carried forward	38,098	4,627	-	42,725	18,326

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
CASH ASSETS					
Bank of Scotland	38,098	4,627	-	42,725	18,326
Total - cash	38,098	4,627	-	42,725	18,326
ASSETS					
Monies due to Charity	-	-	-	-	-
Total – other assets	-	-	-	-	-
LIABILITIES					
Accounts due	-	-	-	-	-
Total – liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
INVESTMENTS					
Market value	676,033	-	33,340	709,373	729,703
Total – investments	676,033	-	33,340	709,373	729,703
TOTAL FUNDS	714,131	4,627	33,340	752,098	748,029

The accounts were approved by the Trustee Board on 17 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Kamphata Botha
Trustee and ChairmanDavid Martin
Trustee and Treasurer

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	As at 1 January 2024 £	Net cash movements £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfers £	As at 31 December 2024 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
Cash	13,899	23,207	-	992	38,098
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	695,407	(40,000)	18,729	-	674,136
	709,306	(16,793)	18,729	992	712,234
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Malawi fund PCI/CMF	4,427	200	-	-	4,627
	4,427	200	-	-	4,627
ENDOWMENT FUNDS					
Dennis Webb fund	34,296	992	941	(992)	35,237
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TOTAL FUNDS	748,029	(15,601)	19,670	-	752,098

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The Charity is pleased to now have its own Young Leaders Group chaired by Kayinga Brolyn from Uganda. Succession planning is key to future success and as well as planning various events. The YL group has kept the Charity focused on the important 18–30-year-old age group.

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In the year under review, the Charity has sought to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit by continuing its efforts to encourage member organisations to develop their own capacity and self-sufficiency, membership growth and leadership training.

It was so encouraging to see members activities returning to normal after the pandemic. At this stage, it is still too early to judge the overall effect of COVID on the network. Whilst it appears that some members have seen an overall reduction in activities, it is pleasing to witness amazing growth in many other member countries.

During the year, the General Manager and the African Development Manager have continued to support development work across the globe. In Africa, focus has been maintained on assisting DR Congo, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Tanzania and Zimbabwe. The Charity was delighted that pilot companies have now been set up in Ethiopia and new work continues with Churches in Pakistan. Furthermore, progress has been made in re-starting Regional Fellowship meetings in Africa. In October, the Charity co-hosted a Virtual Founders Day Event along with BB Malaysia and BB Australia. Also, there was a joint Executive Committee meeting with colleagues on the BB Asia Executive Committee. The Charity has continued to partner with the International Duke of Edinburgh award and see a number of members introduce The Award into their national programmes. The Executive Committee recognise that more fundraising work needs to be done and the Christmas Appeal helped to raise some valuable funds for the organisation.

GF Week took place in May in the run up to Pentecost and again appeared to be a great way to raise awareness of our work. A daily prayer slot on the theme of "It's God's World" was broadcast via social media. Each day, a different worship slot was broadcast and music videos from across the world were

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also shared. This year, groups were encouraged to get involved in tidying up land in their own area or doing a beach clean. It was encouraging to see so many groups responding positively to this. The content was widely shared via social media and proved to be a good way to increase the profile of the Charity.

With travel returning to normal, the General Manager was able to resume face to face meetings with members. Early in the year, he travelled to the Caribbean Region and was able to visit the Brigade in Trinidad, Jamaica and the Bahamas. Everyone involved agreed that there is still scope to grow the Brigade further in that area. August saw Bill Stevenson in Nigeria, Ghana, Rwanda and Uganda. As well as visiting BB groups, he was also able to meet with church leaders, politicians and senior government officials including His Excellency The Vice-President of Ghana. Bill was also able to meet with leaders in The Boys' and Girls' Brigade Canada. In November, Bill travelled to Kuala Lumpur to participate in the very successful BB Asia Conference and AGM event. The Africa Development Manager also managed to visit Ethiopia and South Africa. The networking and individual contacts made during these visits have proved vital in building relationships across the network.

The Charity continued to support Young Leaders work throughout the year. The Charity's Young Leader network continues to meet on a regular basis and now has good representation across most of the Members. In July, support was given to two young leaders from the Bahamas to attend the prestigious KGV Leadership Course organised at Carronvale House in the UK. As well as attending the course, Shane and Joanel had a full programme of visits across Scotland including attending the Edinburgh International Tattoo. Morten Sigaard and Nadia Aron Pilgaard from the FDF in Denmark represented the Fellowship at the UN's COP28 climate change conference in Dubai. They both agreed it was a tremendous experience being at COP and being able to act as ambassadors for Global Fellowship at such a high-level and important event.

The Executive Committee met in person in Edinburgh in June and on other occasions during the year via Zoom. Good progress has been made on implementing the three-year development plan which was agreed at the 2023 Council meeting. Over the year, it was good to see a marked increase in the number of followers using social media. There was also an increase in the readership of monthly newsletters. Under the Chairmanship of Kamphata Botha from BB Zambia, ExCo are committed to ensuring that trustees and the staff team do their utmost to support Member Organisations.

The Executive Committee are very grateful to the dedicated and faithful supporters who regularly donate financially to support the Charity's work. Thanks also go to the many thousands of office-bearers, staff members and leaders in member organisations who do so much on a weekly basis to maintain the work of the Brigade across the world. Thanks also go to the trustees and small staff team.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Charity looks forward to delivering its three-year Strategic Plan and to holding the next Triennial Council in 2025. It is also hoped to introduce The Boys' Brigade to a number of new countries, and to also host the first Young Leaders event in many years.

The Charity is committed to increasing international connections and ensuring that all members are aware that they are part of the worldwide BB family.

Since its foundation in 1883 by Sir William Alexander Smith, the Brigade has played a key part in assisting the mission of local churches. This year, it has been pleasing to see even more Church denominations introduce the BB programme into the life of their churches. Member organisations

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continue to provide first class programmes and help point young people towards the Good News of the Gospel. The Charity looks forward to seeing what it can do to continue support and develop its Members in over 70 countries who now work with over 1 million members.

This report was approved by the Executive Committee of Trustees on 28 April 2024 and signed on its behalf.



Kamphata Botha

Trustee and Chair of Executive Committee

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH
Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees
Year ended 31 December 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth ('Charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

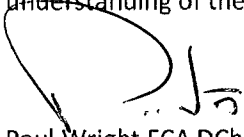
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Paul Wright FCA DChA
Sheen Stickland
7 East Pallant
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West Sussex
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Date: 29/4/24.....

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary income					
Donations	8,436	-	-	8,436	6,628
Gift aid	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income					
Dividend income	20,111	-	992	21,103	21,158
Income from charitable activities					
General income	5,965	-	-	5,965	12,609
Total income	34,512	-	992	35,504	40,395
Investment sales	15,000	-	-	15,000	-
Total receipts	49,512	-	992	50,504	40,395
PAYMENTS					
Cost of raising funds					
Staff/establishment costs	3,370	-	-	3,370	2,651
Charitable activities					
Staff/establishment costs	23,591	-	-	23,591	18,554
Investing in Organisations	15,697	2,213	-	17,910	35,104
Marketing	636	-	-	636	371
Governance costs					
Trustee meetings	5,926	-	-	5,926	10,208
Staff/establishment costs	1,685	-	-	1,685	1,325
Independent examination	1,080	-	-	1,080	1,020
Support costs					
Staff/establishment costs	5,056	-	-	5,056	3,976
Insurance	437	-	-	437	517
Bank charges	345	-	-	345	610
	57,823	2,213	-	60,036	74,336
Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	57,823	2,213	-	60,036	74,336
Net receipts/(payments)	(8,311)	(2,213)	992	(9,532)	(33,941)
Transfers	992	-	(992)	-	-
Cash brought forward	21,218	6,640	-	27,858	61,799
Cash carried forward	13,899	4,427	-	18,326	27,858

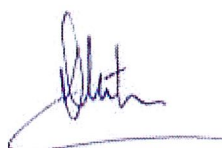
GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH**Accounts****Year ended 31 December 2023****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
CASH ASSETS					
Bank of Scotland	13,899	4,427	-	18,326	27,858
Total - cash	13,899	4,427	-	18,326	27,858
ASSETS					
Monies due to Charity	-	-	-	-	-
Total – other assets	-	-	-	-	-
LIABILITIES					
Accounts due	-	-	-	-	-
Total – liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
INVESTMENTS					
Market value	695,407	-	34,296	729,703	679,036
Total – investments	695,407	-	34,296	729,703	679,036
TOTAL FUNDS	709,306	4,427	34,296	748,029	706,894

The accounts were approved by the Trustee Board on 28 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Kamphata Botha
Trustee and Chairman



David Martin
Trustee and Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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	As at 1 January 2023 £	Net cash movements £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfers £	As at 31 December 2023 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
Cash	21,218	(8,311)	-	992	13,899
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	647,121	(15,000)	63,286	-	695,407
	668,339	(23,311)	63,286	992	709,306
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Regional funds	703	(703)	-	-	-
Malawi fund PCI/CMF	5,937	(1,510)	-	-	4,427
	6,640	(2,213)	-	-	4,427
ENDOWMENT FUNDS					
Dennis Webb fund	31,915	992	2,381	(992)	34,296
	31,915	992	2,381	(992)	34,296
TOTAL FUNDS	706,894	(24,532)	65,667	-	748,029

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
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REFERENCE DETAILS

Registered charity 1188733
Principal address Felden Lodge, Felden Lane, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire HP3 0BL

GOVERNANCE DETAILS

Trustees

Kamphata Botha	Zambia (appointed 19 August 2022)
Simon Gallaher	United Kingdom (resigned 19 August 2022)
Paul Kabanda	Uganda (resigned 19 August 2022)
Ane Kristiansen	Denmark (resigned 19 August 2022)
David Martin	United Kingdom
Margaret Pang	United Kingdom (appointed 19 August 2022)
Khareem Perry	Trinidad (appointed 19 August 2022)
Kim Koch Rasmussen	Denmark (appointed 19 August 2022)
Tim Pratt	New Zealand (resigned 19 August 2022)
Bill Stevenson	United Kingdom (resigned 8 January 2021)

General Manager Bill Stevenson

Treasurer David Martin

Independent Examiner A C Kensett FMAAT FCCA
Sheen Stickland, 7 East Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 1TR

Investment Manager CCLA, 1 Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB

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The Executive Committee is the trustee board of the Charity. They are elected at Council in accordance with the Constitution from amongst the representatives of members attending the Council meeting. The Executive Committee may co-opt additional members where the need arises.

New trustees are briefed on their election and receive an induction pack designed to assist them perform their duties, including copies of the Constitution, recent financial information, policy documents, Executive Committee minutes and Charity Commission publications.

Risk management

The Executive Committee has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The Executive Committee has examined the major risks which the Charity faces. It has established systems to enable regular reports to be produced whereby reasonable and prudent steps can be taken to mitigate exposure.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objections and aims

The Charity is a global network whose purpose is the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, the promotion of education and relief of poverty amongst the youth of the world by serving and supporting member organisations. Its current objectives are identified within the Executive Committee's Strategic Plan which is available on the Charity's website.

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Volunteers

The Executive Committee members are the trustees of the Charity and give their time free of charge. Although out of pocket expenses where reasonably incurred are reimbursed, some Executive Committee members are supported by their member organisation with cost and travel support or through personal means.

During the year, Tim Pratt and Ane Kolby Kristiansen retired as trustees at the end of their nine-year terms. Also, Paul Kabanda and Simon Gallaher also stood down. At the Uganda Council meeting in August 2022, the Charity extended its grateful thanks for the service given by Tim, Ane, Paul and Simon during their trusteeship. The Charity was also pleased to welcome Kamphata Botha (Zambia), Margaret Pang (UK), Khareem Perry (Trinidad) and Kim Koch Rasmussen (Denmark) as trustees on the Executive Committee. David Martin (UK) continues to serve as Treasurer and Trustee.

The Charity also benefits from several volunteers who willingly give of their time without charge. Where claimed, reasonable travel expenses are paid.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Public benefit and charitable activities

The Executive Committee has complied with the requirements in Section 17 Charities Act 2011 and has had due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and confirm that it complies in all respects.

In the year under review, the Charity has sought to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit by continuing its efforts to encourage member organisations to develop their own capacity and self-sufficiency, membership growth and leadership training.

Although COVID restrictions remained in place in many parts of the world, 2022 witnessed a welcome return to normal for most of our member organisations. Weekly meetings, residentials, church parades and other activities have resumed, and it has been encouraging to see young people once again enjoying these programmes.

The Charity was delighted to appoint Rev The Lord Griffiths of Burry Port as its first Patron. Leslie Griffiths was previously the Brigade President in the UK and is well known to many members. As a member of the UK House of Lords and the Council of Europe, he has many useful connections to help support the Charity's work.

In Spring 2022, the Charity supported Martha Kakyoo, a young leader from Boys' and Girls' Brigade Uganda, to attend the impressive community development course "Changemakers" which took place at FDF's High School in Silkeborg, Denmark. It was a totally different experience for Martha, and it is hoped that she will be able to utilise many of the skills she learnt in her own organisation.

The second GF Week took place in May and, again, it was a great success. Each day, a different worship slot was broadcast and music videos from across the world were also shared. The content was widely shared via social media and enabled us to increase the profile of the charity. As part of a social action response, members were encouraged to plant a tree in their own areas. The week culminated in a virtual service for Pentecost Sunday led by Tim Pratt, the then Chair of Trustees. During the week, the Charity managed to reach an audience of over 10,000 people and it was a great way to raise awareness of GF with local leaders.

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During the year, the Charity's African Development Manager has continued to support development work across the continent. Although there has been a particular focus on DR Congo, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Tanzania and Zimbabwe, work has also continued with churches in Ethiopia. The Charity was pleased to be able to extend the Partnership Agreement with BB Zambia and Masauso Mwanza's contract for a further three years. The Charity is grateful to him and all the trainers in Africa who have provided such dedicated work during the year. The Charity has also continued to help the newly formed BB Pakistan develop their programmes.

The highlight of the year was undoubtedly the Council Meeting and Conference which was held in Kampala, Uganda from the 17 to 21 August. Although international travel costs were still expensive, the Charity was delighted that member organisations from twelve countries were able to attend. The conference commenced with an impressive service at Church of Uganda's Namirembe Cathedral which was graced with the presence of the Archbishop of Uganda. During the time together, delegates took part in various workshops on youth empowerment, the Duke of Edinburgh Award, sustainable development goals and succession planning. It was not all hard work and members also enjoyed a visit to Entebbe Zoo and a beating retreat by local bands.

As part of the conference the triennial general Council meeting took place on Friday 19 August. For the first time, the Council meeting was live streamed across the world. Members received various updates on development activities, finance and agreed a few minor changes to the constitution. A new three-year Strategic Plan was also agreed. As set out in the volunteer section above, new Executive Committee was elected. The Charity is grateful to all the members of Boys' and Girls' Brigade Uganda who worked so hard to help make the time in Kampala such a success.

The new Executive Committees met in person in London in November and Kamphata Botha was elected as chair. The Executive Committee along with the General Manager and African Development Manager have now made a start on implementing the new strategic plan. One exciting development as part of the plan has been the establishment of a GF Young Leader's Group which has started operating since the Kampala Council meeting.

Having now received observer status from the United Nations, the Charity was pleased to send two delegates to the important COP27 Climate Change Conference which took place in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt in November. As part of its ongoing work plan, the Charity has been highlighting the importance of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and encouraging member organisations to include these in their own national activity programmes.

The Charity's monthly newsletter continues to be an excellent way to share information across the network and the number of subscribers has increased, as we have also seen an increase in the number of followers we have on social media. Bill Stevenson our General Manager has continued to connect with members via Zoom and other platforms; as a result there is a far better understanding of the needs and issues facing members.

The Charity is particularly thankful to the vast army of volunteer leaders and small staff teams who have managed so well to keep their organisations operating throughout 2022.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial activities

The Charity has prepared its accounts using the receipts and payments basis as prescribed by the Charity Commission. Given the level of income, an independent examination is commissioned on an annual basis.

This is the second year of the Charity operating in its charitable incorporated organisation status.

The Charity's unrestricted income on ordinary activities was £34,063, against which £72,698 was expended. The higher operating costs were due to holding a Council meeting in Uganda and the support given to visit member organisations. Whilst no investments were encashed during 2022, it is envisaged that working balances will need to be topped up from this source during the first half of 2023.

In 2022, further positive engagement steps were made with more member organisations now making statistical returns and paying subscriptions. Whilst there is clearly a long way to go, it is pleasing to note progress. The Executive Committee's policy remains that grants or financial support will only be made to Member organisations who have contributed subscriptions and membership information.

The Charity is very grateful to its donors in supporting the work of Global Fellowship. The Charity wishes to extend its individual donor base during 2023, as well as attract further trust funding.

Investment performance

The Executive Committee's investment strategy is to hold its investment fund in an established charitable investment fund. CCLA Investment Management undertake this using their Ethical Investment Fund. The Charity's investments are held as income generating units and operate on a much lower cost basis than the former Barclays arrangements. In addition, a higher bank balance is now being held to provide working capital.

The Investment Fund returned £21,158 (2021: £21,168) of income. However, due to turbulent global investment markets, an unrealised valuation loss was experienced. Despite this, the Executive Committee is pleased with investment performance which is consistent with general charity sector investment trends.

Investment policy

The Charity's investment policy is aimed at maintaining the real value of the portfolio and generating a reasonable level of income to support its operational strategy. The Executive Committee undertook its periodic investment strategy review in November 2020 and the continued use of pooled charitable investment funds was agreed.

Reserves policy

The Executive Committee has adopted a reserves policy which recognised that its investment income and suitable use of its portfolio is essential for funding its activities. The Charity's medium to long term aim is to sustainably deploy its reserves in assisting member organisations to become self-sustaining and capable of supporting their local work, as well as the international aspects of the Global Fellowship.

The Charity has no long term or significant liabilities. As a result, it is a going concern which has access to the necessary funds to cope with emergencies and contingencies.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Charity looks forward to delivering its three-year Strategy.

The Charity is committed to increasing international connections and making all members at local level aware that they are part of the worldwide BB family.

Ever since Sir William Smith founded the Brigade in 1883, it has been an integral part of the mission of many churches. The member organisations continue to be a great source for good in this troubled world and never forget the real need to spread the Good News of the Kingdom to young people across the globe. Grateful thanks are given for all the young people who have come to faith due to the dedicated work of so many leaders across all 60 member organisations and 750,000 members.

This report was approved by the Executive Committee of Trustees on 16 August 2023 and signed on its behalf.



Kamphata Botha
Trustee and Chair of Executive Committee

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH
Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees
Year ended 31 December 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth ('Charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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:

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary income					
Donations	6,628	-	-	6,628	6,076
Gift aid	-				401
Investment income					
Dividend income	20,164	-	994	21,158	21,169
Income from charitable activities					
General income	7,271	5,338	-	12,609	6,384
Total income	34,063	5,338	994	40,395	34,030
Investment sales	-	-	-	-	15,000
Cash transfer from GF (unincorporated)	-	-	-	-	47,565
Total receipts	34,063	5,338	994	40,395	96,595
PAYMENTS					
Cost of raising funds					
Staff/establishment costs	2,651	-	-	2,651	2,204
Charitable activities					
Staff/establishment costs	18,554	-	-	18,554	15,425
Investing in Organisations	33,465	1,639	-	35,104	9,490
Marketing	371	-	-	371	1,337
Governance costs					
Trustee meetings	10,208	-	-	10,208	-
Staff/establishment costs	1,325	-	-	1,325	1,102
Independent examination	1,020	-	-	1,020	990
Support costs					
Staff/establishment costs	3,976	-	-	3,976	3,305
Insurance	517	-	-	517	518
Bank charges	610	-	-	610	425
	72,697	1,639	-	74,336	34,796
Investment purchases	-				-
Total expenditure	72,697	1,639	-	74,336	34,796
Net receipts/(payments)	(38,634)	3,699	994	(33,941)	61,799
Transfers	994	-	(994)	-	-
Cash brought forward	58,858	2,941	-	61,799	-
Cash carried forward	21,218	6,640	-	27,858	61,799

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
CASH ASSETS					
Bank of Scotland	21,218	6,640	-	27,858	61,799
Total - cash	21,218	6,640	-	27,858	61,799
ASSETS					
Monies due to Charity	-	-	-	-	-
Total – other assets	-	-	-	-	-
LIABILITIES					
Accounts due	-	-	-	-	(1,224)
Total – liabilities	-	-	-	-	(1,224)
INVESTMENTS					
Market value	647,121	-	31,915	679,036	775,362
Total – investments	647,121	-	31,915	679,036	775,362
TOTAL FUNDS	668,339	6,640	31,915	706,894	835,937

The accounts were approved by the Trustee Board on 16 August 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Kamphata Botha
Trustee and Chairman



David Martin
Trustee and Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	As at 1 January 2022 £	Net cash movements £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfers £	As at 31 December 2022 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
Cash	58,858	(38,635)	-	994	21,218
Debtors	-		-	-	-
Liabilities	(1,224)	1,224	-	-	-
Investments	738,920	-	(91,798)	-	647,121
	796,554	(37,411)	(91,798)	994	668,339
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Regional funds	703	-	-	-	703
Malawi fund PCI/CMF	2,238	3,699	-	-	5,937
	2,941	3,699	-	-	6,640
ENDOWMENT FUNDS					
Dennis Webb fund	36,442	994	(4,527)	(994)	31,915
	36,442	994	(4,527)	(994)	31,915
TOTAL FUNDS	835,937	(32,718)	(96,325)	-	706,894

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH
Trustees' report
Year ended 31 December 2021

REFERENCE DETAILS

Registered charity 1188733
Principal address Felden Lodge, Felden Lane, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire HP3 0BL

GOVERNANCE DETAILS

Trustees	Simon Gallaher Paul Kabanda Ane Kristiansen David Martin Tim Pratt Bill Stevenson	United Kingdom Uganda Denmark United Kingdom New Zealand United Kingdom (resigned 8 January 2021)
General Manager	Bill Stevenson (from 9 January 2021)	
Treasurer	David Martin	
Independent Examiner	A C Kensett FMAAT FCCA Sheen Stickland, 7 East Pallant, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 1TR	
Investment Manager	CCLA, Senator House, Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4ET	
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Transfer of charitable undertaking and merger

The Charity received a transfer of charitable undertaking and merger from Global Fellowship of Christian Youth (registered charity 275036) with effect from 00.01am on 1 January 2021. This resulted in a Net Assets transfer of £746,078 of predominantly cash and investments. Given identical Charitable Objectives, the continuing nature of the Charity's work remains unchanged and the transaction is recognised on the Charity Commission's Register of Mergers.

Recruitment, appointment, induction and training of new trustees

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The Executive Committee has complied with the requirements in Section 17 Charities Act 2011 and has had due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and confirm that it complies in all respects.

In the year under review, the Charity has sought to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit by continuing its efforts to encourage member organisations to develop their own capacity and self-sufficiency, membership growth and leadership training.

The COVID-19 pandemic had a major effect on the Charity's work. For the first time ever, the Executive Committee were unable to meet in person during the year. The closure of international borders put an end to all travel plans and the ability to have face to face contact with member organisations. However, the Global Fellowship family is very resilient and as national lockdowns were applied members moved to hosting virtual meetings for their young people. These proved most successful. It has been encouraging to hear reports of young people still engaging on a weekly basis. These online platforms have also generated opportunities for on-line international exchanges.

The Council meeting in 2019 agreed a new strategic plan and the Executive Committee have worked to find new ways of delivering it given the pandemic. The Executive Committee was delighted that Bill Stevenson, a past Brigade Secretary of BBUK, took over as General Manager in January. Bill brought with him much experience of the youth work sector and the Brigade worldwide and he has already been working hard to raise the Charity's profile and improve engagement with the membership. New technology like Zoom and WhatsApp has been put to good use to re-establish contact with many member organisations. As a result of gathering more database information across the network, an improved view has been gained of the strengths and needs of our members.

As a result of the pandemic, the African Development Manager has been working on reduced hours. However, Masauso Mwanza has still managed to provide support and encouragement to member organisations in the African region. Prior to lockdown, training workshops took place and visits were made to member organisations. Since then, support moved online to overcome travel barriers. The

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Charity has continued to assist member organisations improve their governance systems. The Executive Committee agreed to provide emergency funding to BB Zimbabwe to help them rebuild their organisation which had suffered under the previous government regime. The Charity has been working hard to provide support to improve the governance and sustainability of our member organisations in DRC Congo, Malawi, Sierra Leone, Tanzania & Zimbabwe.

In May 2021, Global Fellowship also had its first ever GF Week. Everything happened on-line, but it was great to have contributions from many different nations and see people connecting with others they had never met before. Each day started with a short prayer for the day based on the theme of children in the bible. Furthermore, stories were broadcast for younger children using various storytellers from across the world. Other activities included a talk on the history of GF by the Archivist and many members took part in an international connections workshop webinar. The week culminated in a special virtual service for Pentecost Sunday led by Tim Pratt, Chair of Trustees. Overall, the total audience was greater than anticipated and reached over 9,000 people. Many of the videos have now been watched over 500 times.

The Charity's monthly newsletter continues to be an excellent way to share information across the network and the number of subscribers has increased as well as a greater up take of interest in Global Fellowship social media posts.

During the year, it was pleasing to welcome the return of a uniformed BB Companies in India. Work is also taking place with churches in Pakistan to introduce the BB and eighteen groups are now operating there. Support and initial training have been put in place and prayerful support given that this new work will flourish in the years ahead.

The Charity is now working with churches in Ethiopia to start The Boys' Brigade there. This is taking place in partnership with the Bishop of the Horn of Africa and BB Kenya who are key members of this initiative. Some support has also been provided to assist training initiatives in Sierra Leone and the Solomon Islands.

The Charity was delighted to have been granted observer status at the COP26 Conference held in Scotland in November 2021. It is believed that it is the first time Global Fellowship has participated in a United Nations international event.

The Charity is particularly thankful to the vast army of volunteer leaders and small staff teams who have managed so well to keep their organisations operating throughout 2021.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial activities

The Charity has prepared its accounts using the receipts and payments basis as prescribed by the Charity Commission. Given the level of income, an independent examination is commissioned on an annual basis.

This is the first year of the Charity operating in its charitable incorporated organisation status.

The Charity's unrestricted income on ordinary activities was £33,035 against which £34,796 was expended. The lower operating costs were due to Covid limiting the ability to travel and visit member organisations. During the year, £15,000 of investments were encashed to maintain working balances.

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As noted above, the Charity received a transfer of Net Assets from its predecessor organisation. This resulted in £47,565 of cash at bank and £696,822 of investments being received.

In 2021, further positive engagement steps were made with more member organisations now making statistical returns and paying subscriptions. Whilst there is clearly a long way to go, it is pleasing to note progress. The Executive Committee's policy remains that grants or financial support will only be made to Member organisations who have contributed subscriptions and membership information.

The Charity is very grateful to its donors in supporting the work of Global Fellowship. The Charity wishes to extend its individual donor base during 2022 as well as attract further trust funding.

Investment performance

The Executive Committee's investment strategy is to hold its investment fund in an established charitable investment fund. CCLA Investment Management undertake this using their Ethical Investment Fund. The Charity's investments are held as income generating units and operate on a much lower cost basis than the former Barclays arrangements. In addition, a higher bank balance is now being held to provide working capital.

The Investment Fund returned £21,169 of income along with an unrealised market valuation increase. The Executive Committee is pleased with investment performance and the lower operating costs.

Investment policy

The Charity's investment policy is aimed at maintaining the real value of the portfolio and generating a reasonable level of income to support its operational strategy. The Executive Committee undertook its periodic investment strategy review in November 2020 and the continued use of pooled charitable investment funds was agreed.

Reserves policy

The Executive Committee has adopted a reserves policy which recognised that its investment income and suitable use of its portfolio is essential for funding its activities. The Charity's medium to long term aim is to sustainably deploy its reserves in assisting member organisations to become self-sustaining and capable of supporting their local work as well as the international aspects of the Global Fellowship.

The Charity has no long term or significant liabilities. As a result, it is a going concern which has access to the necessary funds to cope with emergencies and contingencies.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Charity looks forward to its Council event in Uganda in August 2022. The Charity is continuing to deliver its three-year Strategy and looks forward to refreshing this at the Council event in Uganda in August 2022.

The Charity is committed to increasing international connections and making all members at local level aware they are part of the worldwide BB family.

Ever since Sir William Smith founded the Brigade in 1883, it has been an integral part of the mission of many churches. The member organisations continue to be a great source for good in this troubled world and never forget the real need to spread the Good News of the Kingdom to young people across

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the globe. Grateful thanks are given for all the young people who have come to faith due to the dedicated work of so many leaders across all 60 member organisations and 750,000 members.

This report was approved by the Executive Committee of Trustees on 24 June 2022 and signed on its behalf.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim Pratt', is written over a horizontal line.

Tim Pratt
Trustee and Chair of Executive Committee

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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees
Year ended 31 December 2021

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth ('Charity') for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date:30/6/2022.....

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary income					
Donations	6,076	-	-	6,076	-
Gift aid	401	-	-	401	-
Investment income					
Dividend income	20,174	-	995	21,169	-
Exceptional items	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities					
General income	6,384	-	-	6,384	-
Total income	33,035	-	995	34,030	-
Investment sales	15,000	-	-	15,000	-
Cash transfer from GF (unincorporated)	44,624	2,941	-	47,565	-
Total receipts	92,659	2,941	995	96,595	-
PAYMENTS					
Cost of raising funds					
Staff/establishment costs	2,204	-	-	2,204	-
Charitable activities					
Staff/establishment costs	15,425	-	-	15,425	-
Investing in Organisations	9,490	-	-	9,490	-
Marketing	1,337	-	-	1,337	-
Governance costs					
Trustee meetings	-	-	-	-	-
Staff/establishment costs	1,102	-	-	1,102	-
Independent examination	990	-	-	990	-
Support costs					
Staff/establishment costs	3,305	-	-	3,305	-
Insurance	518	-	-	518	-
Bank charges	425	-	-	425	-
	34,796	-	-	34,796	-
Investment purchases	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	34,796	-	-	34,796	-
Net receipts/(payments)	57,863	-	995	58,858	-
Transfers	995	-	(995)	-	-
Cash brought forward	-	-	-	-	-
Cash carried forward	58,858	2,941	-	61,799	-

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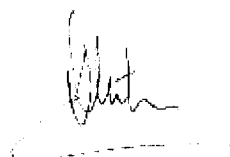
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
CASH ASSETS					
Bank of Scotland	58,858	2,941	-	61,799	-
Total - cash	58,858	2,941	-	61,799	-
ASSETS					
Gift aid claim due	-	-	-	-	-
Total – other assets	-	-	-	-	-
LIABILITIES					
Accounts due	(1,224)	-	-	(1,224)	-
Total – liabilities	(1,224)	-	-	(1,224)	-
INVESTMENTS					
Market value	738,920	-	36,442	775,362	-
Total – investments	738,920	-	36,442	775,362	-
TOTAL FUNDS	796,554	2,941	36,442	835,937	-

The accounts were approved by the Trustee Board on 24 June 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Tim Pratt
Trustee and Chairman



David Martin
Trustee and Treasurer

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	As at 1 January 2021 £	Merger transfer in £	Net cash movements £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfers £	As at 31 December 2021 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS						
Cash	-	44,624	13,239	-	995	58,858
Debtors	-	1,691	(401)	(1,290)	-	-
Liabilities	-	-	-	(1,224)	-	(1,224)
Investments	-	664,072	-	74,848	-	738,920
	-	710,387	12,838	72,334	995	796,554
RESTRICTED FUNDS						
Regional funds	-	703	-	-	-	703
PC of Ireland (Malawi)	-	2,238	-	-	-	2,238
	-	2,941	-	-	-	2,941
ENDOWMENT FUNDS						
Dennis Webb fund	-	32,750	995	3,692	(995)	36,442
	-	32,750	995	3,692	(995)	36,442
TOTAL FUNDS	-	746,078	13,833	76,026	-	835,937

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Accounts

Registered charity:

1188733

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DORMANT ACCOUNTS

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CORPORATE INFORMATION

TRUSTEE BOARD AND OFFICERS

Trustees: Simon Gallaher (appointed 24 March 2020)
Paul Kabanda (appointed 17 December 2020)
Ane Kolby Kristiansen (appointed 17 December 2020)
David Martin (appointed 24 March 2020)
Tim Pratt (appointed 17 December 2020)
Bill Stevenson (appointed 24 March 2020, resigned 8 January 2021)

Chair: Tim Pratt
Treasurer: David Martin
Secretary: Bill Stevenson

CHARITY DETAILS

Registered charity: 1188733
Registered office: Felden Lodge, Felden Lane, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire
HP3 0BL
Legal status: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE BOARD

The Trustee Board presents its annual report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. Global Fellowship of Christian Youth ('the Charity') is a charitable incorporated organisation which is governed by a voluntary Trustee Board.

Organisation

The Charity was registered on 24 March 2020. The Charity operates as the Global Fellowship of The Boys' Brigade and other Christian organisations.

The Charity is an umbrella organisation whose purpose is the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, the promotion of education and relief of poverty amongst the youth of the world by serving and supporting member organisations. Its current objectives are identified within the Executive Committee's Strategic Plan which is available on the Charity's website.

The Charity was established as an incorporated body to carry on the work of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth (unincorporated association – registered charity 275036).

Financial and operating review

The Charity was dormant and did not trade during the period from registration through to 31 December 2020.

Post balance sheet event

On 1 January 2020, the Charity received a transfer of assets and the charitable undertaking of Global Fellowship of Christian Youth (unincorporated association – registered charity 275036). The Charity will continue the work of the former Unincorporated Association as required by the Transfer and Vesting Agreement dated 23 December 2020.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 9 February 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



David Martin
Trustee

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2020

Income & expenditure	Notes	2020
		£
Turnover		-
Operating costs		-
Operating surplus / (deficit)		<u>-</u>
Interest receivable and other income		-
Interest payable and similar charges		-
Surplus / (deficit) for the year		<u><u>-</u></u>

The Charity was dormant and did not trade during the period.

The Charity received no income and incurred no expenditure in the period and therefore did not make either a surplus or a deficit.

The accompanying notes for part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2020

Registered charity: 1188733

	Notes	2020
		£
Net assets		-
Reserves		<u><u>-</u></u>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 9 February 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



David Martin
Trustee

The accompanying notes for part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Status

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation governed by the Charities Act 2011.

Subject to the Charities Act 2011, the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (Insolvency and Dissolution) Regulations 2012 and the Charity's Constitution, in the event of any remaining assets being available on dissolution, they shall be applied for charitable purposes that are the same or similar to those of the Charity.