



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2023
To 31st December 2023

Period start date
Period end date

Charity name: **CHRISTIANS ABROAD**

Charity registration number: **1191344**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To promote the advancement of sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:</p> <p>(a) the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of resources.</p> <p>(b) the relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities; To advance the education of the public in subjects relating to sustainable development and the protection, enhancement and rehabilitation of the environment and to promote study and research in such subjects provided that the useful results of such study are disseminated to the public at large.</p> <p>Sustainable development means "development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Administrative:</p> <p>International safeguarding procedures and protocols agreed with overseas partners.</p> <p>The charity is a member of the Evangelical Alliance and a member associate of Churches Together in Britain & Ireland.</p> <p>The charity partnered with an insurer to provide Christian volunteers with competitive travel insurance, and a travel agent to provide competitive flights.</p> <p>The charity provided volunteer overseas placement preparation.</p>

		<p>Country specific:</p> <p>Nepal – the development of a new build orphanage; micro business projects; volunteer preparation and placement. All through the charity’s partner organisation.</p> <p>South Africa – the charity’s long term volunteer associates provided relief distribution and school project.</p> <p>Kenya – volunteer preparation / placement and trauma counselling project support with the charity’s partner organisations. Supporting a mission associate in training with their community projects.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>The charity has stayed focused on what their charity is there to achieve (its purposes) when planning activities The charity’s report summary of its main activities demonstrates the value of its work.</p> <p>The charity accountability.</p> <p>The trustees confirm that regard has been made to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Administrative:</p> <p>International safeguarding procedures and protocols agreed with overseas partners. The charity became a member of the Evangelical Alliance and a member associate of Churches Together in Britain & Ireland.</p> <p>The charity partnered with an insurer to provide Christian volunteers with competitive travel insurance, and a travel agent to provide competitive flights.</p> <p>The charity provided volunteer overseas placement preparation.</p> <p>Country specific:</p> <p>Nepal – the development of a new build orphanage; micro business projects; volunteer preparation and placement. All through the charity's partner organisation.</p> <p>South Africa – the charity's long term volunteer associates provided relief distribution and school project.</p> <p>Kenya – volunteer preparation / placement and trauma counselling project support with the charity's partner organisations. Supporting a mission associate in training with their community projects.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the period end the charity had £7,631 of unrestricted reserves and £25,273 of restricted funds. The restricted funds were primarily £23,416 for Nepal, £1,024 for Kenya and £619 for Jordan. The main income remained to be donations for the projects which amounted to £17,391.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Any surplus funds owned by Christians Abroad will be invested in order to attract interest, for running costs and to provide best value to the charity. Ideally a minimum reserve will be maintained to cover three months of normal operational costs of the charity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	As at 31 December 2023 Christian Abroad's reserves amounted to £32,904. This includes funds held in restricted and unrestricted reserves.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	With a good, liquid reserve in place, the Finance Manager confirms that Christians Abroad is able to meet its current and longer term obligations as they fall due and that there are no plans to close the charity or curtail its operations.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity has used the model constitution.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is a CIO.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are appointed by the Board and quorum is required for election of a new Trustee.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		
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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Christians Abroad
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1191344
Charity's principal address	Interchurch House 35 Lower Marsh London SE1 7RL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Andrew Wileman	Chairman		
2	Andrew Williams			
3	David Brett			
4	Rachel Sutton			
5	Jennifer Metcalfe			
6	Joelah Flintoff			
7	Anne Burghgraef			
8	Jamie Mackintosh	Chairman		
9	Alistair Sutton			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

[illegible]

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Jamie Mackintosh	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	31 October 2024	



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Transfer of funds from previous entity	-	-	-	-	24,518
General donations	546		-	546	96
Donations to Nepal (incl gift aid)		5,520		5,520	4,526
Donations to Kenya (incl gift aid)		3,100		3,100	2,341
Donations to Jordan (incl gift aid)				-	3,804
Donations to Soul & Seed		8,771		8,771	
Donations for Ordination				-	-
Insurance commission	1,548		-	1,548	1,621
Administration fee	281		-	281	59
VDW NI		4,455		4,455	-
Volunteer placement fee	2,100	2,945	-	5,045	2,635
Partnership fee	-		-	-	400
Legacy			-	-	3,338
Overseas visits - South Africa			-	-	1,305
Interest	67			67	-
Flights	-		-	-	1,305

Sub total (Gross income for AR)

4,543

24,791

-

29,334

44,643

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total receipts

4,543

24,791

-

29,334

44,643

A3 Payments

Accountancy fees	745		-	745	395
Insurance	2,293		-	2,293	1,467
DBS charges	-		-	-	270
Bank charges	85		-	85	103
Office expenses	1,503		-	1,503	1,363
Publicity and promotion	201		-	201	316
Training			-	-	70
Volunteer placement expenses	574	2,945	-	3,519	82
Partnership donation				-	
VDW NI		5,079		5,079	
Overseas flights			-	-	
Donation to Nepal project		4,158	-	4,158	2,435
Donation to Kenya project		2,278		2,278	2,006
Donation to Jordan project				-	-
Donations to Soul & Seed		8,895		8,895	
Ordination donation			-	-	-
Sub total	5,401	23,355	-	28,756	8,507

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	5,401	23,355	-	28,756	8,507
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 857	1,435	-	578	36,136
A5 Transfers between funds	- 72	72	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,560	23,766	-	32,326	-
Cash funds this year end	7,631	25,273	-	32,904	36,136

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period


Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	<div>Cash at bank and in hand</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div>Total cash funds</div> <div>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</div>	<div>7,631</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>7,631</div> <div>OK</div>	<div>25,273</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>25,273</div> <div>OK</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>OK</div>
B2 Other monetary assets	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B3 Investment assets	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which asset belongs</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Cost (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>Current value (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which asset belongs</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Cost (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>Current value (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B5 Liabilities	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which liability relates</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Amount due (optional)</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>When due (optional)</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

	Jamie Mackintosh	31-Oct-24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

CHRISTIAN ABROAD

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2023

Charity no
(if any)

1191344

Set out on pages

2 PAGES

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's accounts carried out
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I
have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission
under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 (other than that
disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130
of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

22/10/24

Name:

TIM GALE

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE .