

## **Trustees' Report on Activities for the Year**

The trustees are pleased to present this report on the activities and achievements of the charity over the past year. Our mission continues to be guided by our core values: compassion, service, and support to those in need. The charity's work has been driven by the generosity of our donors, members, and volunteers, and we are proud of the impact we have made within our community. We remain committed to providing support to individuals in need, both spiritually and practically, in the name of Christ.

## **Outreach and Community Engagement**

Every first Saturday of the month, the charity has continued its mission to reach out to individuals and families in our local communities. Our dedicated volunteers go out to engage with people, share the message of Christ, and provide practical help to those in need. This outreach effort remains an integral part of our work, and we are grateful for the opportunity to meet the spiritual and physical needs of those we encounter. We strive to show compassion, offer support, and bring hope to individuals who may be facing difficult circumstances.

In addition to regular outreach efforts, our charity has been particularly active in providing vital support to homeless individuals in the winter months. As the colder weather sets in, we recognize the increased vulnerability of those sleeping rough, especially around transportation hubs. This year, we have made several trips to the streets surrounding Romford, Stratford, and Ilford stations, where we provide warm food, blankets, and other essential supplies to homeless individuals. These outreach events have taken place on a regular basis, and our volunteers are committed to making a positive difference for those experiencing homelessness.

Our approach has always been practical and compassionate—meeting immediate physical needs while also offering emotional and spiritual support to those in need. Each time we visit these areas, we are reminded of the importance of human connection, and we continue to be motivated by the desire to serve those who are often overlooked and marginalized.

## **Support through Donations and Volunteer Contributions**

The charity's ability to carry out its work is made possible through the generous donations and contributions of our members, volunteers, and the wider community. We rely on these donations to fund our activities, purchase food, blankets, and other essential supplies, and to cover the costs of our regular outreach efforts. We are immensely grateful for the contributions that have been made, both financially and in terms of time and effort from our volunteers. On any given occasion, we may have 3-4 volunteers helping with outreach, though the number may vary depending on availability.

The spirit of giving within our charity remains strong, and it is through the partnership of donors and volunteers that we continue to serve the community. Our volunteers are an essential part of the team, working tirelessly to ensure that our outreach initiatives are successful and that we can meet the needs of those we serve. Their commitment to our cause has been an inspiration, and we look forward to continuing to grow and expand our volunteer base in the future.

## **Venue and Services**

Our regular services continue to be held at The United Reformed Church Hall, located at Mill Lane, Chadwell Heath, Romford, RM6 6RS. This venue has provided us with a welcoming and accessible space to gather as a community and continue our spiritual and charitable work. The services take place every Sunday from 9:00 am to 10:30 am, and we are grateful for the ongoing support of the church in providing this space for us.

The regularity of our services is an essential part of our outreach and enables us to continue building connections with individuals in our community. These services are a space for worship, reflection, and encouragement, as well as an opportunity to connect with those we serve. We remain committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for all individuals, regardless of their circumstances.

## **Challenges and Future Outlook**

While we are proud of what we have accomplished this year, we are also aware of the challenges that lie ahead. As demand for our services continues to grow, we recognize the need to expand our resources, both in terms of donations and volunteers. We also hope to extend our reach to other areas in need, ensuring that our charity's work continues to make a positive impact on a broader scale.

In the coming year, we are committed to further strengthening our relationships within the community, engaging new volunteers, and continuing to provide essential services to those in need. We hope to expand our outreach initiatives, increase our fundraising efforts, and explore additional ways to support those who are vulnerable and marginalized. We also aim to ensure that the message of Christ continues to guide all that we do, bringing hope, comfort, and support to those who need it most.

## **Conclusion**

The trustees would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our supporters—donors, volunteers, and members of the community—who have made this year's activities possible. Without your help, we would not be able to continue the work we do. Your generosity and dedication are deeply appreciated, and we look forward to continuing to serve together in the years ahead.

As we move forward, we remain focused on our mission to serve others, showing the love of Christ through both word and action. We pray that the coming year brings new opportunities to extend our reach, deepen our impact, and bring hope to those in need.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Charity Number:1198431

Charity Income & Expenditure Statement  
For the Period: March 2022 – August 2023

<b>Month</b>	<b>Donations (£)</b>	<b>Overhead (£)</b>	<b>Net Surplus (£)</b>
March 2022	479.92	305.00	174.92
April 2022	403.60	155.00	248.60
May 2022	440.50	286.00	154.50
June 2022	297.10	145.00	152.10
July 2022	308.80	172.00	136.80
August 2022	939.95	1,490.00	-550.05
September 2022	264.95	335.00	-70.05
October 2022	733.30	160.00	573.30
November 2022	336.35	230.00	106.35
December 2022	260.70	160.00	100.70
January 2023	983.69	250.00	733.69
February 2023	261.34	135.00	126.34
March 2023	245.37	165.00	80.37
April 2023	477.71	450.00	27.71
May 2023	387.70	120.00	267.70
June 2023	342.67	240.00	102.67
July 2023	156.25	150.00	6.25
August 2023	299.10	420.00	-120.90

Total 2023 | 7,619.00 | 5,368.00 | 1,384.00