

THE PRAYER SHOP INITIATIVE (TPSI)

England & Wales · Charity number 1203047

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-05-12

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

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF VICTIMS OF RAPE AND CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN GHANA THROUGH THE PROVISION OF PEER-SUPPORT AND COUNSELLING.TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL ABOUT TOPICS RELATING TO IDENTIFYING, PREVENTING, AND REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Ghana

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£310	£1,240	-	-
2024-04-30	£12,566	£7,269	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alithea Baye		
BISHOP BARRINGTON AUGUSTUS MULLINGS		
IRONE LORRAINE WILLIAMS		2023-05-12
JANET SWANSTON		
NICHOLAS VALENTINO MCCREATH		

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Annual Report For: March 2024- April 2025

This year has been one of many challenges for TPSI. Some trustees have become inactive without explanation or response to enquiries while sickness has greatly reduced the zeal and function of others. The task of refurbishing the property secured for the establishment of correspondence office in Ghana and the base from which to launch and deliver the core operational objectives of the Charity, has been frustrated with the indecision of contractors and the constant movement of cost – influenced by foreign exchange rates. In addition, there is the unresolved issue of registering the Charity in Ghana as the Asanti Regional Municipal has objected to our application on the grounds that the name of Charity implies that we are seeking to engage in merchandising prayers. They recommend that we change the name to one that does not generate such implications. These developments have greatly affected TPSI to pursue its objectives with the strength of passion and commitment which characterised the time of its establishment.

Still, the vision remains viable, and those who are still on board are committed to serve with passion to bring change to the lives of women and girls who are living with the trauma of rape and other types of sexual abuse and violence. The team, though smaller now than when we began (Having three functioning trustees instead of five), is actively promoting the vision of TPSI to seek people who have a heart for the vision to serve as trustees and volunteers in advancing the vital cause to which we are committed.

We endeavour to complete refurbishment work on the premises secured for office and service delivery base in Kumasi, Ghana, no later than the summer of 2026. In conjunction with this, we aim to complete the Job Descriptions and Persons Specifications to advance the recruitment drive for a Project Manager, an Office Administrator, and two to three Support Workers to commence orientation training by October of 2026. By this time, we should have resolved the situation of adopting a subsidiary name for The Prayer Shop Initiative to have the Charity registered in Ghana.

While none of these goals can be achieved without funds, and is evident from the financial statement attached that donations have fallen over this period, we endeavour to seek funding from funders where the Charity's objectives meet funding criteria. We are hoping for an increase in income and correspondingly service delivery year on year on year – beginning next year.

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The Prayer Shop Initiative (TPSI) commences life as a Charity in May 2023 when it was registered with the Charity's Commission and Companies House UK. We commence our work of promoting TPSI and fundraising to meet the overall objective of providing needful services to woman and children living with the trauma of rape in Ghana. Critical to this is the need for pastoral care counselling for victims and survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse (CSA) and adult victims of rape. Of equal importance is information sharing to mitigate male-directed sexual violence amongst special groups such as children and young people within school settings, where rape is also frequently reported. Ideally, adult men constitute a principal group to receive information geared at promoting protection for vulnerable groups in society amongst which children and women are strongly featured. Because Ghana boasts a robust cultural patriarchy, which is readily recognised with its Traditional Counsel of Elders and Church Groups, which are exclusively male dominated.

We hosted a Prayer Breakfast on March 9th, 2024, which was in effect, the launch of TPSI at the Limelight Community Hub in Old Trafford, Manchester. We had 120 persons in attendance. The features of this meeting were the presentations of: 1) special prayers for victims and survivors of rape and other forms of sexual abuse and violence, and those who perpetrate such heinous crimes; 2) presentation of a video produced and volunteered by a survivor of CSA; 3) sharing an "agape meal"; 4) the presentation of a special charge from a keynote speaker, which highlights the plight of women and children who have become dislocated and homeless due to war and domestic violence; 5) an appeal was made for the attendees to give their ongoing support in monetary gifts and other means to help TPSI achieve their objectives.

We have secured a five-year lease on a property in Ghana from which TPSI will deliver its mission objectives. The property is currently being refurbished and should be completed 2025, once we are able to successfully register the charity in accordance with Ghanaian legislation.

We are still working to launch a website for TPSI and hope this will come on stream by 2025 once we are able to secure funding for it.

Some trustees have become dormant. We are actively seeking to recruit at least two additional trustees come 2025 two of those who signed up for the role at the outset have now become dormant.

As this is a new venture for all of us, we are managing teething challenges by reading literature provided by the Charity's Commission and sourcing training from Third Sector and other training providers, which is helping and will continue to help TPSI maintain its registration as a charity.

End of Report.

Financial statement is attached for your attention.