

Spud Bears Ministry

Northern Ireland · Charity number 100798

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2015-05-15
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: Our mission is to send teddy bears and soft toys to hospitals and orphanages in Uganda, Tanzania, Ghana and Ecuador along with solar powered animatronic talking bears to share the Gospel and health education with children who are unable to read and have no one to read to them.

What the charity does: The advancement of religion,The advancement of health or the saving of lives

How the charity works: Medical/health/sickness,Religious activities

Who the charity helps: Children (5-13 year olds),Overseas/developing countries

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£68,801	£71,380	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mr Roy Davies		
Mrs Ann Davies		
Mrs Julie Haycock		

Accounts



1st January 2024 - 31st December 2024

Expenditure

Teddy Bear Container Storage	-£	820.00
UPS Global Logistics	-£	1,427.96
SB Gen 2 Jetta Hong Kong	-£	36,567.75
Postal Sort Postage	-£	6,890.55
Bank / Transaction Fees	-£	600.75
Cuddly Bears Procurment and Shipping	-£	16,747.53
Teddy Times	-£	2,192.94
Next Gen Aluminium LED Solar Chargers	-£	5,774.54
Stamps	-£	226.79
Website	-£	131.40

Total	-£	71,380.21
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Spud Bears Ministry has no Debtors or Liabilities

Accounts



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Spud Bears Ministry Accounts

1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023

Income

Church Income	£	4,345.40
Individual Income Chq	£	33,390.90
Individual Income Online	£	10,501.45
Monthly Standing Orders	£	14,719.00
Trust Income	£	2,000.00
Gift Aid	£	6,262.88

Total	£	71,219.63
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Spud Bears Ministry Assets are Cash in Bank	£	12,142.15
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Expenditure

Teddy Bear Container Storage	-£	2,360.00
UPS Global Logistics	-£	7,663.53
Parcelforce International	-£	732.98
SB Gen 2 Jetta Hong Kong	-£	27,121.79
Postal Sort postage	-£	5,128.13
Bank / Transaction Fees	-£	729.51
Additional Single Ply Boxes	-£	158.00
Cuddly Bears Procurment and Shipping	-£	9,956.03
Teddy Times	-£	2,235.46
Next Gen Aluminium LED Solar Chargers	-£	3,638.06
Stationary and Misc	-£	304.89
Stamps	-£	218.00
Website	-£	121.90
Ted on a Bed Project	-£	4,973.19

Total	-£	65,341.47
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Trustee Report 2023

Matthew 29 vs 26

26 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Introduction

I would like to start by giving thanks to the Lord, for enabling and blessing the ministry of Spud Bears throughout the year. Again we have been truly blessed with the support we have received. In a year that yet again was hit by the high cost of living. A heartfelt thank you to each and everyone of our supporters for both their prayers and generous donations.

Moving to Direct Sourcing

Following on from our new trial of direct procurement of the cuddly Teddies and having them shipped from source. We have seen great results and a much lowering of the unit cost, in comparison with shipping via a courier from Northern Ireland to the children's homes, orphanages and clinics overseas.

Increasing demand for Spud Bears in China

It has been such a blessing to see the work grow in China with the links to the underground churches and we have been able to hear of some of the amazing stories of how the Spud Bears are being used and protected by the Lord.

Continuing of Next Gen Solar Charging

In 2023 we were able to send even more of the Next Gen solar chargers. A total of 150 of the Aluminium cased USB charging 5V 2A units have been sent. Each unit also contains a bright LED torch light which provides a free source of light to people in the night.

Thank You

I would like to finish by thanking each and everyone who has taken Spud Bears into their hearts and generously supported the work, to bring the Love of Jesus, along with comfort and life saving information to so many children.



Roy Davies

Chairman / 8th October 2024

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Spud Bears Ministry

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Commission under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the by Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as a charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records.

3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Spud Bears Ministry

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland: I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Mr Peter McBride



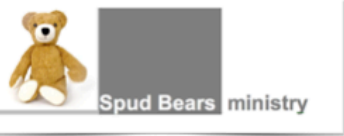
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26th September 2024

Accounts



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Spud Bear Ministry Accounts

1st January 2022 - 31st December 2022

Income

Church Income	£	5,099.50
Individual Income	£	34,673.92
Monthly Standing Orders	£	14,898.00
Trust Income	£	4,750.00
Gift Aid	£	5,658.48
UPS Refund	£	22.77
Total	£	65,102.67
Spud Bears Ministries Assets are Cash in Bank	£	6,263.99

Expenditure

Teddy Bear Container Storage	-£	2,140.00
Gen 1 Talking Components	-£	1,301.55
UPS Global Logistics	-£	10,670.50
Parcelforce International	-£	7,517.12
SB Gen 2 Jetta Hong Kong	-£	23,636.71
Postal Sort postage	-£	5,661.45
Overseas Travel	-£	1,477.63
Bank / Transaction Fees	-£	671.84
Additional Single Ply Boxes	-£	87.30
Cuddly Bears Procurment and Shipping	-£	9,514.49
Teddy Times	-£	2,173.46
Next Gen Aluminium LED Solar Chargers	-£	3,521.17
Stationary and Misc	-£	76.90
Stamps	-£	492.91
Website	-£	113.81
Returned Cheque	-£	30.00
Total	-£	69,086.84
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Trustee Report 2022

Colossians 3:17

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Introduction

I would like to start by giving thanks to the Lord, for his wondrous provision for the work during 2022. This was a very challenging year with the war in Ukraine, sending the cost of living prices to record highs. But we have been so blessed with the level of support that we received from our supporters, enabling us to continue the work.

Cost of Shipping

The cost of shipping our cuddly bears saw a sharp and steady increase throughout 2022, with the added complexity caused by the many strikes by Royal Mail. This year we continued with our existing global shipping suppliers UPS and Parcelforce and they have again, consistently been the best value and most user friendly. Although surprisingly, we found that in many circumstances it was actually cheaper to source new cuddly teddy bears and have them shipped from the factory directly to the clinics and orphanages rather than post preloved Teddies from Northern Ireland.

China Zero Covid

With the Gen 2 bears being designed in Hong Kong, we did face some difficulties with manufacturing slow downs and back logs, due to the zero covid policy. But we are truly thankful that all our talking Spud Bears did make it to their new homes to carry out the Lords work as planned.

Next Gen Solar Chargers

We have been so blessed to be able to continue to send an additional 56 top grade Aluminium cased USB Charging 5V 2A units, which also contain a high powered LED torch. Which provides a free source of light to people during the night. These have been sent to existing Spud Bear projects in Africa.

Thank You

I would like to finish by thanking each and everyone who has generously supported Spud Bear Ministries and enabled the work, to bring the Love of Jesus, along with comfort and life saving information to so many children.



Roy Davies

Chairman / 12th October 2023

Annual return

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Spud Bear Ministry

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended

31 December 2022

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Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Name: Mr Peter McBride

Relevant professional qualification or body:

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Date: 4th October 2023



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