

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2023**

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

**Objectives and activities**

1. To advance the Christian religion for the benefit of the public in the area of benefit.
2. Associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities voluntary and other organisations in the area of benefit in a common effort to relieve poverty and advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for said inhabitants.

The Lighthouse is a fellowship of believers whose purpose is to know God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We equip believers through discipleship for works of service and strive to reach the unreached community with the Saviour's love by offering support, friendship and love.

**Achievements and performance**

**Ministry**

The Lighthouse Fellowship continues to meet twice a week, on Wednesday nights for bible study and in unity with other believers on Friday mornings for prayer for our community and land. We also meet every 3-4 weeks on a Sunday around the Word and to share a meal together. As in previous years we gathered together in unity with believers from other fellowships on Good Friday morning on Slieve Gallion mountain to pray over the community. Anyone is welcome to attend any of our gatherings.

**Local Community Outreach**

Community Outreach is a large part of what we do and continues to be the heartbeat of our fellowship. We continued to offer support and show love within the community throughout this financial year. Examples this year include:

- Over 100 food hampers were given out just prior to Christmas 2022 to those in need of extra support and/or encouragement. This effort was supported by the Fellowship and we also received additional support from local businesses and Council.
- We continued our weekly ministry with the men in Maghaberry Prison. As a Fellowship we also collected 1,306 bags of mini eggs for all of the prisoners and staff in Maghaberry and had the opportunity to distribute them throughout the prison on Good Friday, when four men gave their lives to the Lord. We were blessed with not only donations from our own fellowship but we also received donations from another fellowship and organisation to support this outreach within the prison.
- We collaborated with Magherafelt Methodist Church to do a combined community BBQ, inviting the residents of Wesleyan Mews.
- We have practically offered assistance to people throughout the community by offering pastoral care, transportation to medical appointments, assistance with home appliances and furniture. In addition we also provided assistance with grass cutting and yard clean up where needed.

Through our outreach in the community we continue to refer people to Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and local food banks.

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**Overseas**

We continue to actively support the ministry work in Dancu, Moldova. Two teams travelled to Dancu to offer spiritual encouragement as well as offering training and practical help. We also provided a week of respite in Northern Ireland to two of the team members from Moldova. In addition, we received another generous donation of new school clothing and were able to send out seven pallets to support the work in the community.

A team also went to Mongolia for three weeks in March 2023 to work alongside Mongolia VET Net.

Our Fellowship once again supported the Samaritan's Purse online shoe box appeal to provide Christmas shoe box gifts to children in communities overseas.

**Financial review**

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

**Structure, governance and management**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee not having any share capital.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:


Mr A Campbell

Mr G Stewart

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

  
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Mr A Campbell  
Trustee

  
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Mr G Stewart  
Trustee

Date: 3.9.24  
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