

Lift - Labour In Faith And Trust

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 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 published in October 2019.

Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows

Gary Moore
Samuel Walter Maguire
Elizabeth McClean
Thomas Alexander Cranston

Objectives and activities

The objects for which the charity is established are:

- to advance "the Christian Faith" and help relieve poverty, disability, sickness, and advance education in the world -

Achievements and performance

During the financial year 1st April 2022 to 31 March 2023, LIFT completed 7 projects, in Limavady (2) Norway, Poland Israel (2) and Madagascar. In total there were 41 volunteers.

While travel restrictions continued to curtail our overseas activities, we carried out some building and maintenance work at a project in Limavady.

By May time we were able to send our first international team to Norway and as foreign travel continued to open up, we were able to carry out our more normal range of projects.

One nurse remains, working full time at the Good News Hospital at Mandritsara in Madagascar and we have been able to support the ongoing expansion of the hospital by sending teams of skilled professionals to work there.

The objects of LIFT, as contained in its constitution, to advance "the Christian Faith" and help relieve poverty, disability, sickness and to advance education in the world, were achieved in the project to the hospital at Mandritsara.

LIFT does not aim to profit financially from projects, the money donated by volunteers is used directly to cover most of the costs associated with the projects.

LIFT continues to carry out deputation work in churches, with other interested groups and we have taken our Exhibition stand to many conventions.

LIFT continues to co-operate with other like-minded organisations through membership of MAP (Mission Agencies Partnership) and Global Connections.

The Trustees recognise that due to the slow recovery following the Covid pandemic, our overall income and Gift Aid claim have again been reduced. However, regular donations from financial supporters via Standing Orders remain a very helpful bonus.

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Our core activities remain the recruiting of volunteers and sending teams to carry our stated mission. The Seed and Bean Coffee House has continued to serve its purpose very well as an outreach into the local community. The additional income from the profits generated will be used directly by LIFT to advance its work.

The Trustees remain committed to the work and development of LIFT and the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

Financial review

During the year the Charity maintained sound financial reserves.

This report was approved by the Board on 20 November 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Gary Moore
Chairperson of Trustees