

ANNUAL REPORT 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019 – 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2020

Les Amis – Burkina Faso was registered on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2007

- 1) **A meeting of the Trustees** (Gillie Nicholls, David Nicholls and Jude O'Mara Spicer) was held on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 11 Mare Lane, Hascombe, GU8 4JH.

- 2) **Talks and presentations**  
11<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Soroptomists in Lichfield)

- 3) **Trip 2020**

For the second year running, due to security / terrorist problems, there was no trip.

- 4) **Our Regular Projects**

- a) The Yoann Foundation
- b) The Diocese of Koupéla (Baskouré refuge, 20 Gounghin primary girls, 10 secondary school girls of St Monique's, 16 Ex-St Monique pupils (now university students), Gounghin nursery and OCADES).
- c) Priest of Fada N'Gourma Diocese
- d) Priest of Kaya Diocese
- e) St Joseph's Training Centre in Fada
- f) Tenkodogo Diocese

- a) **The Yoann Foundation for disabled women and children**

The fund currently assists 23 widows and 22 disabled children. More emphasis is being placed on helping widows. The support they receive includes food and money. The money goes towards helping the women to meet food, housing, medical and physiotherapy costs, school fees and also materials with which to make things to sell (primarily soap). It remains an important aspect of this Foundation that the women and children get together socially regularly throughout the year. They continue to be given a meal every two months. Another aspect which is increasingly useful is the support of girls being trained in sewing/couture. Many are given sewing machines (funded by us) at the end of their training.

Total sent this year: £11,500

- b) **Diocese of Koupéla: protecting and educating girls**

We continue to finance a **refuge in Baskouré** which houses young girls who have run away from a forced young marriage. Our giving covers food, electricity, housing, clothes, healthcare costs and training the girls in a trade (making clothes, embroidery, brewing the local beer, weaving, soap-making, raising of livestock and growing vegetables). They appealed for extra help as soon as possible purchasing the following: repair to solar panels,, digging of hole for toilet waste), repair to the roof of the dorm, tables and chairs and for blackboards and a fridge. We continue to fund 20 girls through **primary school** and 10 girls through secondary school (these are looked after by **St Monique Home**). All secondary school girls are orphaned of either one or both parents. We have continued to give donations to the **Gounghin Nursery School** and **Primary School**.

We continue to include **OCADES** in our giving. OCADES is an organisation which works to give training to disadvantaged girls and women.

Giving to the Diocese of Koupéla this year:

Baskouré Refuge	5,000
Gounghin Primary School (20 school girls)	1,000
Gounghin Nursery School	2,000
St Monique Home	2,200
St Monique Home (repair of kitchen)	3,500
OCADES	2,000
	<b>15,700</b>

For the fourth year running extra funds have been given to assist **ex-St Monique** students access further vocational training. Ab Pascal SILGA is our contact for this project. Giving: £6,300

c) **Priest of the Diocese of Fada N’Gourma**

We continue to give funds to a priest of this diocese for the purpose of his being able to help, in a direct and practical way, the many individuals who approach him for assistance. This method of reaching out to the destitute is extremely valuable to Les Amis. Giving this year: £6,977

d) **Priest of the Diocese of Kaya**

We have been happy to give money to a priest of this diocese to help not only various individuals, but also a group of women to access training in specific skills: advanced kitchen courses, hairdressing, cloth dying, soap making, bridal clothes and accessories. At the end of their training each one receives support to set them up in business. In June 2019, in the light of the great difficulties being suffered in Burkina Faso as a direct result of increasing acts of terrorism, we made a special local appeal. The money raised from the appeal was used to relieve the suffering of the thousands of refugees who have settled in Kaya. Giving this year: £13,000

e) **St Joseph’s Training Centre, Fada:** we continue to help with the costs of training a group of runaway girls as seamstresses at the St Joseph's Training Centre in Fada. In addition to the beds and toilet we bought/built (2015), the building of a piggery (2016), repairing the dorm’s roof (2018) we gave them funds for the building of an atelier.

f) Added to the list of giving is the Diocese of Tenkodogo. Our giving to Tenkodogo this year was to support the education of young and disadvantaged girls in the diocese. Giving this year: £2,000

Each area of activity is consistent with the objectives of the charity set out in the Trust Deed lodged with The Charity Commission for England and Wales.

6) **Finances for the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**

a) **Income**

Major donations (over £500)	9,886
Other cash and cheque donations	4,791
Gift Aid from HMRC	5,550
Donation from GN to cover bank fees and charges	316
Refund from Bulb Energy	74
Standing Orders	24,642
<b>Total income</b>	<b>45,389</b>

b) **Outgoings**

	<b>£</b>
Priest of Fada Diocese	6,977
Yoann Foundation	11,500
Priest of Kaya Diocese	13,000
Diocese of Koupéla	15,700
Ex-St Monique girls (now at university)	6,300
Tenkodogo Diocese	2,000
Payment to Bulb Energy (in error)	74
Bank fees (£224) and charges (£86)	310
<b>Total outgoings</b>	<b>55,861</b>



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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/09/2019

To

31/08/2020

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	44,958	440	-	45,398	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	44,958	440	-	45,398	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	44,958	440	-	45,398	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants and donations paid	55,421	440	-	55,861	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	55,421	440	-	55,861	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	55,421	440	-	55,861	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	- 10,463	-	-	- 10,463	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	62,700	-	-	62,700	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	52,237	-	-	52,237	-

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank balances	52,237	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	52,237	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		David Nicholls	31/10/2020	
		Gillie Nicholls	31/10/2020	

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**

**LES AMIS BURKINA FASO (registered charity no. 1120772)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Les Amis Burkina Faso for the year ended 31 August 2020.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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25 October 2020