

Chairman's Report

CRU AGM 14th April 2019

The work of CRU is to support the work of Maria's Care by raising funds for education, building maintenance and to support its various projects.

We have had a number of fundraising events taking place this year including:

- Concerts
- The CRU Ball at Hollin Hall Country Park Hotel
- A concert by a Welsh Male Voice Choir
- Various quiz nights
- A Ugandan craft stall at a Summer Show
- Selling of homemade crafts

We also received a generous donation from the Rotary Club, which enabled us to purchase a large number of trees to plant on a piece of land that is owned by Maria's Care. This will provide fruits and firewood, until the time is right for the land to be used for another purpose, when the Lord chooses to reveal His plan.

We are very pleased that the local Christian resource centre, in Macclesfield, is happy to support us by selling crafts that we bring back and also are encouraging customers to help to sponsor a child.

We took a team out to Uganda last Summer and the range of the team's knowledge and skills enabled lots to be achieved. Helen Whitehead, a musician and teacher, worked with Ivan, the music teacher and pulled together a concert at Kamuli Cathedral, involving every class at Maria's Care. This was attended by many parents and local people and helped to raise the profile of the school. Dai and Helen Jones and Felicity Tucker had educational expertise and together they set up a library at the school. Emma Glass, a midwife was able to visit the local hospital and Graham Norden, a builder worked with a team to paint the school.

Deborah Puttick's experience as an engineer was invaluable and enabled us to solve the problem of the kitchen staff working in a smoke-filled environment. We had already installed a chimney and closed ovens, but Deborah's suggestion to raise the height of the roof has totally solved the problem. Susan Clayton focussed as she always does on the Computer Suite. Over the years, she has sourced and taken over a number of laptops and whilst there she trains the staff in how to use them. It has been agreed that the computer suite will be named 'The Clayton Suite'. This is not known to Susan; and when we visit in October 2019 we will ask her to unveil a plaque.

In 2021, Maria's Care will be celebrating its 25th anniversary. Leading up to this event, to mark the beginning our celebrations in August 2020, a 3 day cultural festival will take place to showcase local songs and dances.

Rhona and I have just returned from spending two weeks in Uganda. The purpose of our trip was mainly to attend meetings with the NGO Trustees, and the school Leadership – but as always, God had other things lined up for us, too.

On arrival in Kampala, we had an initial meeting with the NGO Trust. In addition to our three Ugandan Trustees, Rita Mujjimbiri, Celia Kaala and Henry Mugoya, we were pleased to meet an additional Trustee Samuel Okiror. Sam has a lot of expertise in education and has recently carried out staff appraisals at Maria's Care.

One reason for this meeting was to look over and agree suggested increases in salaries for the staff at Maria's Care. This was agreed and annual contracts were then drawn up.

When we reached Maria's Care we found that there was an inspection to take place – looking at health and safety in the school. This was very timely, and Rhona was able to join them on their inspection. The inspector was very pleased that the kitchen roof had been raised, meaning that the staff no longer work in a smoke-filled environment. The kitchen is now very good, with its new, sealed ovens with chimneys and covered worktops.

A few recommendations given by the inspector were:

- For a ramp to be put in for wheelchair access to the office
- More fire extinguishers in the compound
- Bars taken out of a window in the boys dormitory to allow a fire exit

We invited the Head of Security in Kamuli (who is a lady) to visit the school. She was impressed at what she saw, and she spoke to the children in their assembly – encouraging them in their faith and using the example of her position and that of Rebecca Kadage (Speaker at Parliament – and former resident of Kamuli) to inspire and encourage girls to aim high when they set their goals.

Ivan, the Music Teacher at Maria's Care has enrolled on a two year course to further his musical training. This is part of his Professional Development. He attends the training at weekends and in holidays. He is a great asset to the school. To show our appreciation we gave him a violin and some books to help him to improve the choral singing at the school. By the time we left, he had already made considerable progress with the violin!

The sewing project is going well, but there is a constant need for material.

The chicken project has experienced a set back – the chickens caught a disease and died. So at the moment there are none. Michael, who looks after the birds is undertaking some training and when that is complete, more chickens can be purchased.

Another reason for our visit was to look at sponsorship of children and to make contact with all of the sponsored children who are now attending high school. I met with each

sponsored child to check on their situation, speaking with them about their sponsors and have them write letters for me to bring back.

The Trustees had asked us to speak with the staff to see if they would like to have some training on 'enterprise'. With the idea being that they can supplement their income by making a product and having a business plan. This was received very well by the staff, so the Trustees are now looking at delivering this training.

I'd like to thank each member of the committee for the vital role that they play. Next year will be our 25th Anniversary. As we look back over those years, we thank God for his faithfulness and guidance and we pray that He will continue to show us his plan for Maria's Care. Lord, give us eyes to see with Your vision, ears to hear Your voice and hands to do Your work. Amen.

Many, many thanks also go to our supporters, both financially and in prayer.

The current trustees of CRU are:

Julie Parker (Chairman)

Lyn Holmes (Secretary)

Paul Roebuck (Treasurer)

Rhona Marshall (Coordinator)

Kim Harwood

Miriat Naiga

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Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2018	As at 31/12/2017
Current assets		
7001: Cash at Bank	1,933.68	2,228.99
7002: Petty Cash balance	4.21	30.27
7003: Ug Shillings at Cost	—	—
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
Total Current assets	1,937.89	2,259.26
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	—	—
Z04: Accounts Payable	—	—
Total Liabilities	—	—
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	1,937.89	2,259.26
Reserves		
Excess / (deficit) to date	(321.37)	—
Z01: Starting balances	2,259.26	2,259.26
Total Reserves	1,937.89	2,259.26

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	2,128.28	2,488.92
Designated	(190.39)	(229.66)
Restricted	—	—
Endowment	—	—
Total	1,937.89	2,259.26

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<i>Incoming resources</i>					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	74,085.32	—	—	74,085.32	87,818.51
Activities for generating funds	16,840.01	—	—	16,840.01	9,113.23
Other incoming resources	43,380.63	—	—	43,380.63	23,264.87
Total income	134,305.96	—	—	134,305.96	120,196.61
<i>Resources used</i>					
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income	7,665.21	—	—	7,665.21	7,658.44
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold and other	1,877.87	—	—	1,877.87	3,351.03
Charitable activities	91,163.00	—	—	91,163.00	104,456.40
Other resources used	33,921.25	—	—	33,921.25	4,708.58
Total expenditure	134,627.33	—	—	134,627.33	120,174.45
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(321.37)	—	—	(321.37)	22.16
<i>Transfers</i>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	227.46	—	—	227.46	1,815.42
Gross transfers between funds - out	(227.46)	—	—	(227.46)	(1,815.42)
<i>Other recognised gains / losses</i>					
Net movement in funds	(321.37)	—	—	(321.37)	22.16
<i>Reconciliation of funds</i>					
Total funds brought forward	2,259.26	—	—	2,259.26	2,237.10
Total funds carried forward	1,937.89	—	—	1,937.89	2,259.26
<i>Represented by</i>					
Unrestricted					
General fund	2,128.28	—	—	2,128.28	2,488.92
Designated					
Student Judith	(190.39)	—	—	(190.39)	(188.39)
Student Sande	—	—	—	—	(41.27)

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Analysis of income and expenditure

Selected period: 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources						
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>						
1101 - Gift Aid Gifts by St/Ord	36,862.71	2,762.00	—	—	39,624.71	34,951.08
1102 - Donations by St/Order	9,313.01	—	—	—	9,313.01	8,488.14
1103 - Gift Aid not by St/Ord	5,231.81	84.00	—	—	5,315.81	23,276.91
1104 - Donations not by St/Ord	15,398.03	—	—	—	15,398.03	18,486.94
1105 - Collecting Boxes	110.00	—	—	—	110.00	439.18
1106 - Justgiving Fundraising	4,161.26	—	—	—	4,161.26	2,116.26
1109 - Charities Trust Donations	162.50	—	—	—	162.50	60.00
1402 - Cards Sales	—	—	—	—	—	13.75
1403 - Crafts Sales	611.30	—	—	—	611.30	1,500.90
1406 - Charity Ball	—	—	—	—	—	6,197.60
1408 - Quiz Night Income	810.00	—	—	—	810.00	1,400.98
1410 - Cowbridge Choir Event	3,304.98	—	—	—	3,304.98	—
1418 - Fundraising one-off events	12,088.33	—	—	—	12,088.33	—
1419 - Fundraising one-off methods	25.40	—	—	—	25.40	—
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds Totals</i>	88,079.33	2,846.00	—	—	90,925.33	96,931.74
<i>Other incoming resources</i>						
1201 - Tax Recovered on Gifts	11,569.17	—	—	—	11,569.17	14,479.87
1602 - Uganda Trip Income	31,811.46	—	—	—	31,811.46	8,785.00
<i>Other incoming resources Totals</i>	43,380.63	—	—	—	43,380.63	23,264.87
Incoming resources Grand totals	131,459.96	2,846.00	—	—	134,305.96	120,196.61

Resources used

<i>Costs of generating funds</i>						
2500 - Travel Exps - UK	611.17	—	—	—	611.17	1,043.85
2502 - Insurance	310.97	—	—	—	310.97	371.83
2504 - Postage	34.05	—	—	—	34.05	40.06
2505 - Telephone	238.18	—	—	—	238.18	228.50
2506 - Stationery	195.68	—	—	—	195.68	269.74
2513 - R. Marshall - Salary	5,552.40	—	—	—	5,552.40	5,405.80
2515 - IT Equipment and Software Support	404.77	—	—	—	404.77	75.00
2518 - Uganda Networks Membership	30.00	—	—	—	30.00	—
2520 - Website costs	53.99	—	—	—	53.99	25.66
2521 - Justgiving Charges	234.00	—	—	—	234.00	198.00
2203 - Cost of Crafts	515.00	—	—	—	515.00	261.07
2208 - Quiz Night Costs	156.58	—	—	—	156.58	380.75
2209 - Cowbridge Choir - Costs	1,106.29	—	—	—	1,106.29	—
2215 - Charity Ball Costs	100.00	—	—	—	100.00	2,709.21
<i>Costs of generating funds Totals</i>	9,543.08	—	—	—	9,543.08	11,009.47

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
<i>Charitable activities</i>						
2001 - Maria's Care Grant	86,163.00	—	—	—	86,163.00	93,455.03
2005 - Supported Student Costs	769.00	2,693.00	—	—	3,462.00	11,001.37
2101 - Projects	1,538.00	—	—	—	1,538.00	—
<i>Charitable activities Totals</i>	88,470.00	2,693.00	—	—	91,163.00	104,456.40
<i>Other resources used</i>						
2501 - Uganda Trip Costs	33,921.25	—	—	—	33,921.25	4,708.58
<i>Other resources used Totals</i>	33,921.25	—	—	—	33,921.25	4,708.58
Resources used Grand totals	131,934.33	2,693.00	—	—	134,627.33	120,174.45

Christian Relief Uganda - 1055166**Fund movement summary****Selected period: 01 January 2018 to 31 December 2018**

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
STJudith - Student Judith	(188.39)	2,691.00	2,693.00	—	—	(190.39)
STSande - Student Sande	(41.27)	155.00	—	(113.73)	—	—
General - General fund	2,488.92	131,459.96	131,934.33	113.73	—	2,128.28
Totals	2,259.26	134,305.96	134,627.33	—	—	1,937.89



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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018

1. Accounting Policies

General

These Accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities. The charity accounting packages, Donations Coordinator and Finance Coordinator, supplied by Data Developments of Wolverhampton, have been used to maintain the accounts, and Finance Coordinator has been used to produce the statements of accounts shown in the previous 5 pages.

Policy on Reserve Funds

It is the policy of the charity to employ funds for the purpose given as quickly as possible. The general policy on unrestricted funds is only to hold in reserve sufficient funds to cover up to the next month's known expenditure.

2. Fixed Assets

As at 31st December 2018 the Charity is not in possession of any Fixed Assets

3. Restricted Funds

The **Funds Analysis** for the Year Ended 31st December 2018 is shown on Page 5.

4. Fundraising Activities

Most of the income of the charity is derived from donations for the work being carried out in Uganda. However, the trustees launch fundraising activities and initiatives. These vary from year to year and this year, in addition to the funds that were raised from the sale of local crafts brought back from Uganda, funds were raised from a Quiz Night, and Cowbridge Choir Event. The Fundraising one-off events were events put on by individuals who went on one of the 3 trips to Uganda this year.

<u>Fundraising Income</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Cards	0.00	13.75
Crafts	611.30	1500.90
Events		
- Charity Ball	0.00	6197.60
- Quiz Night	800.10	1400.98
- Cowbridge Choir Event	3304.98	0.00
- Fundraising one-off events	12088.33	0.00
- Fundraising one-off methods	25.40	0.00
Total Fundraising Income	16830.11	9113.23

5. Maria's Care

Money is transferred each month by electronic bank transfer for use by Maria's Care. A company called VFX Financial PLC is used to do the transfer free of charge. This money is used for the day to day running of Maria's Care and also for specific projects that we are informed of by the NGO trustees and Head Teacher. How this money is used is recorded so that the CRU trustees see in detail how the transferred funds are used.

6. Projects

- The financing of the main ongoing projects of Sponsorship for the education of pupils and students at Primary Schools, Secondary Schools and Vocational Training Schools, and the support of the Primary, Pre-School and Deaf Unit at Maria's Care continued.
- Supporters continued to support students who had the ability to continue their education beyond the secondary education stage. This type of sponsorship is coming to an end as CRU will focus entirely of funding the work of Maria's Care in the future.
- This year trainee midwives from the UK went to Uganda and helped in a hospital as part of their ongoing training. They raised money for the hospital which was sent using VFX to transfer the money directly from CRU to the hospital account.

7. Charitable Activities

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Maria's Care Grants	86163.00	93455.03
Supported Students' Costs	3462.00	11001.37
Projects	1538.00	0.00
Total	91163.00	104456.40

8. Cost of Generating Funds

The expenditure of £7,665.21, incurred as a result of general fund raising and administration of the charity for the year, was made up as detailed in the table below. The expenditure on the purchase of materials for direct fundraising activities has been separated from general fund raising and administrative expenditure.

<u>Costs of generating Voluntary Income</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Travel Expenses - UK	611.17	1043.85
Insurance	310.97	371.83
Postage	34.05	40.06
Telephone	238.18	228.50
Stationery& Photocopying	195.68	269.74
Mrs. R. Marshall – Salary	5552.40	5405.80
IT Equipment and Software Support	404.77	75.00
Uganda Networks Membership	30.00	0.00
Website costs	53.99	25.66
JustGiving Charge	234.00	198.00
Sub-total	7665.21	7658.44
 <u>Fundraising Trading</u>		
Local Crafts	515.00	216.07
Quiz Night	156.58	380.75
Cowbridge Choir Costs	1106.29	0.00
Charity Ball	100.00	2709.21
Sub-total	1877.87	3351.03
 <u>Total Admin. & Fundraising Expenditure</u>	9543.08	11009.47

9. Trustees' Expenses

Some out of pocket expenses, which were incurred as a result of fund raising activities and/or managing the charity, were reimbursed to trustees. These are included in the breakdown of expenses under note 8.

10. Increased no. of trips to Uganda

This year there were 3 trips to Uganda organised by CRU to help raise the profile of Maria's Care and encourage people to raise funds for the school. This has meant an increase in the amount of money paid into the CRU account to pay for flights, accommodation etc. This money is not included in any totals relating to fund raising as the CRU account is simply being used as a holding area ready for paying flights accommodation etc.

Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts of Christian Relief Uganda

I report on the accounts of Christian Relief Uganda for the year ended 31st December 2018.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act.

Have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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