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CHRISTIANS AWARE
ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2024

CHRISTIANS AWARE

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2024.

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 Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities applying FRS 102 (2019), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Reference and administrative details

Trustees	Rev. J Bennett Mr IC Bosman Mr S Chellaiah Rev. JR Flack Mrs N Hayward Mr A Khan Rev RY Khan Mr M King Mrs B Mayhew Mrs F Pike Rev. I Selvanayagam Mr M Slater Mr RC Taylor	(Resigned 27 January 2024) Assistant Treasurer Chair (Appointed 27 January 2024) Treasurer (Resigned 8 April 2024) Vice Chair
Patron	Archbishop Angaelos	
Company secretary	Mrs BJ Butler	(delegated day to day management)
Company number	02417029	
Charity number	328322	
Registered office and principal address	53B Jarrom Street Leicester LE2 7DH	
Independent examiner	Paul Barnett FCCA Newby Castleman LLP Chartered Accountants West Walk Building 110 Regent Road Leicester LE1 7LT	
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Objectives and activities

The charity's objects and principal activities are the advancement of faith and assisting the ecumenical movement within the Christian Church and the encouragement of understanding between Christians and people of other faiths. It is committed to increasing cross-cultural understanding and to promoting development, justice and peace. It seeks to do so through arranging visits, pilgrimages, conferences, meetings and publications. The publications include books and periodic magazines. The charity also makes grants to several overseas charitable organisations, with whom there are close links, via amounts donated to the restricted funds.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have considered the Commissioner's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The services provided by the charity are for any member of the public and we welcome the participation of Christians and Non-Christians alike. Inter-faith dialogue between all members of the public is actively encouraged. A website is also available which provides an opportunity for the charity to engage with a worldwide audience.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Achievements and performance

This year our work has continued to be affected by us having to move out of our long-standing office due to it being deemed unsafe. We moved into our new office the year before last and it is now our registered office address. The building work is now complete. We have managed to gradually move many of our stored items into the new office and to build shelving in designated storage areas. We have been well supported by our members during this difficult time. We have managed to resume many of our normal activities. There have been no staff changes.

Our visits normally enable our members to learn about the way of life and faith in the local communities they visit. Sometimes during our visits, material help is provided to host communities, but this is not central to any visit. Members of some groups are sometimes able to contribute comparatively small financial amounts to local projects. Donations have been given for work with the very poor. Special restricted funds are kept by Christians Aware and this year we were delighted to award grants to organisations of the sum of £18,485. Our aim is to pass on funds raised as soon as we reasonably can. Although it is not our intention to teach, our members are able, through shared experiences and conversation, to convey something of their own heritage, faith and culture. They are also able to learn and to bring back their experiences to share in their local communities and churches. Some conference and discussion opportunities are held following visits. Conferences are also held on issues of human rights and responsibilities. Reports of events are included in the magazine.

Our 'Faith Awareness' programme works to bring understanding and trust between members of the world faiths. It normally includes courses, day conferences, visits to places of worship and community, the publication of books and pilgrimages. A pilgrimage to places of faith and community was held this year in Leicester. Visits were made and talks and conversations were held in five different communities. We joined in Interfaith week and a special interfaith webinar was held. Resources and opportunities are offered to school children and students. Our women's interfaith group has met regularly throughout the year on the zoom platform. Two 'face to face' meetings have also been held this year. A presentation was made on the empowerment of Gambian girls.

This year we were able to offer a weeklong pilgrimage led by Robert Taylor. The May pilgrimage was a long-distance walk from A Coruna along the 'Camino' to Santiago de Compostela in Northern Spain. Participants walked approximately nine miles every day and joined together in worship.

A pilgrimage was also made to Canterbury this year, organised by Brian McHenry. A long weekend was spent in the cathedral lodge. Visits were made to St. Augustine's Abbey, St. Martin's church and the cathedral. A talk was given by the Dean of Canterbury.

Our annual conference was held at Hinsley Hall in Leeds. The title for the conference was 'Strangers and Pilgrims. People, Displacement and Migration in God's World.' Speakers included Inderjit Bhogal who led the bible study. Torsten Moritz joined us from the European Conference of Churches Commission on Migrants. Bethan Lant came from Praxis and spoke about migration and asylum in the UK. Adam Boulter spoke about the need to appreciate other people, including migrants.

Our 2024 summer school was held at Parcevall Hall in the Yorkshire Dales. Presenters included Stephen Skinner, Ellen Teague, Jane Skinner, Jayaraj Nambiar, Olwen Crockhall Greening, Gurmuk Singh, and John Swales. The focus for the week was 'Faith in Life. Care for creation by the World Faiths.' The week included talks, worship and visits, one to an organic market garden and one to St. Mary's church in Embsay, winner of a gold eco-award. A commitment to 'Faith in Life,' was made by all those present. This was also given as a challenge to our wider networks.

Two visits to York were made this year. A conference was held on 'Slavery then and now,' with Richard Reddie from the Council of Churches for Britain and Ireland as the speaker. A summer visit was made to the Bar Convent and to All Saints church in North Street.

Our webinar speakers this year included Margaret Barker, Alan Race, Ian Bradley, Rowan Williams, Fadi Mikhail, Diana Langham. Our webinars continue to offer an excellent resource for our members.

We had two overseas visitors this year. Anthony Das came from Kolkata and Aki Kobayashi came from Japan for our annual conference. Other international people at the conference were from India, Pakistan, Zambia and Iraq.

We held an India Day in Leicester. The speaker was Inderjit Bhogal and his title was 'India today, the challenges of living with diversity.' Participants included those from India. An Indian meal was followed by worship.

Through our normal conferences, summer schools, meetings, books and other publications, particularly the magazine, we seek to share with one another our values, our experiences and our awareness of others so that together we can play a stronger part in promoting peace, justice and development.

We published one new book this year, 'A Lassie from Lancashire' a memoir by Anthea Dove. Anthea has written many books for us and this is her own life story.

We measure our performance in achieving our objectives not only by the number of people who normally participate, but also by asking them to evaluate the resources from which they benefit, to share with others in groups and to give talks. We see our work as a resource for local communities and churches. We are in frequent contact with correspondents around the world who give us an insight into the value of our work. Inevitably, however, these assessments are subjective and qualitative rather than providing hard data but we can build on the outcome in planning further resources and activities for the future.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Financial review

The statement of financial activities for the year is set out in the financial statements on page 5.

Net resources on unrestricted funds amounted to a shortfall of £2,808. It is vitally important that we strive to make savings and increase our income.

The trustees would like to place on record their grateful thanks to the Executive Secretary, Barbara Butler, for all her initiative and commitment in carrying forward the work of the charity. They are also grateful to the office manager, Eliam Ngoma, to the subscription's secretary, Bob Taylor, and to the service normally provided by our volunteers, most notably our regional representatives and office staff. In addition, many of our members give a great deal of their time in helping to run visits, conferences and other activities.

Reserves policy

Reserves are needed:

- i) to provide funds which can be designated to specific projects to enable those projects to be undertaken at short notice; and
- ii) to cover administration, fundraising and support costs without which the charity could not function.

The trustees consider that free reserves should be sufficient to provide approximately 3 months cover of core expenditure and the amount of free reserves held as at 30 September 2024 in the sum of £20,765 was slightly below this figure. The charity's free reserves are defined as its general funds (being unrestricted funds less designated funds and fixed assets).

Risk Management

The charity has examined the risks involved in running its services, commercial operations and fundraising activities and has put in place systems to minimize such risks. Volunteers continue to help in the office. The Subscriptions Secretary normally works remotely. Both the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer work online. There is a system in place to ensure that invoices are paid on time. Our members and others are encouraged where possible to make payments by bank transfer.

Structure and governance

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 25 August 1989. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Trustees

The trustees who have held office since 1 October 2023 are set out on page 1.

All the trustees are Christians. They are selected in an attempt to obtain a balance of gender, age, denomination, skill and experience. The trustees are elected every year at the Annual General Meeting. The induction and development of trustees is adapted for each individual and a welcome pack is offered to all.

Organisational structure

The charity is governed by the trustees. They meet three or four times a year, one of the meetings being residential, to consider strategic and planning issues and to monitor their implementation and the achievement of objectives.

The management and educational programme of the charity is delegated to the Executive Secretary. In carrying out her tasks she normally works in partnership with three groups set up by the trustees which include both trustees and other members - an operations group, a fundraising group and an international visits group. Since the outbreak of Covid 19 the Operations Group has met on the Zoom platform every two weeks to share necessary planning. There are also a number of voluntary regional representatives who arrange programmes in their geographical area in consultation with the Executive Secretary.

Plans for future periods

Our future plans do not include any major change in the nature of our activities. However, we continue to need to find ways of increasing our membership to help increase our income and we plan further books and visits to the developing world. We plan to continue to introduce more short new visits on the European mainland. We continue to try and help the members themselves increase our membership, and we also need to encourage more monthly subscriptions. Further, we need to promote our books, services and activities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 November 2024 and signed on their behalf.

Mrs F Pike
Trustee and Treasurer

Mrs BJ Butler
Secretary

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRISTIANS AWARE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Christians Aware (the charity) for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

Paul Barnett FCCA (Independent Examiner)
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Dated: 25 November 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income from:					
Income from donations and legacies	3	44,543	16,394	60,937	65,283
Charitable activities	4	36,020	-	36,020	40,161
Other trading activities	5	4,342	1,117	5,459	5,673
Income from investments	6	110	-	110	329
Total		<u>85,015</u>	<u>17,511</u>	<u>102,526</u>	<u>111,446</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	7	36,699	468	37,167	33,746
Charitable activities	8	51,120	24,675	75,795	83,482
Total		<u>87,819</u>	<u>25,143</u>	<u>112,962</u>	<u>117,228</u>
Net expenditure		(2,804)	(7,632)	(10,436)	(5,782)
Transfers between funds	14	(4)	4	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(2,808)</u>	<u>(7,628)</u>	<u>(10,436)</u>	<u>(5,782)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>23,573</u>	<u>8,630</u>	<u>32,203</u>	<u>37,985</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u><u>20,765</u></u>	<u><u>1,002</u></u>	<u><u>21,767</u></u>	<u><u>32,203</u></u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	15		804		1,298
Current assets					
Stocks	16	10,355		11,829	
Debtors	17	12,145		7,001	
Cash at bank and in hand		15,512		21,662	
		<u>38,012</u>		<u>40,492</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	<u>(17,049)</u>		<u>(9,587)</u>	
Net current assets			20,963		30,905
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>21,767</u>		<u>32,203</u>
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	21		1,002		8,630
Unrestricted funds	22		20,765		23,573
Total charity funds			<u>21,767</u>		<u>32,203</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2024.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised by the board of trustees on 22 November 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:

Mrs F Pike
Trustee and Treasurer

Company Registration No. 02417029

The notes on pages 7 - 20 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Christians Aware is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office and place of business is given in the reference and administration details on page 1 of these financial statements.

The members of the company are the trustees named on page 1. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Transfers from restricted funds to unrestricted funds are made when restricted assets are released and reallocated to unrestricted income funds following the discharge of the restriction.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Donations are accounted for when they are received or committed.

Legacies are recognised at the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution, or the legacy being received. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Donated goods and donated services are recognised as income at the value of the gift to the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Government grants which do not specify performance conditions are recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable.

Membership subscriptions are recognised equally over the period of subscription.

Entitlement to income from trading activities usually occurs with the supply of goods to the buyer.

Charitable activities include income associated with conferences, courses, summer schools, visits and pilgrimages. Income associated with visits and pilgrimages after the year end is deferred.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	25% per annum
Computers	33.33% per annum

1.7 Stocks

Stocks comprises books and other fundraising goods and is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Provision is made for damaged, obsolete and slow-moving stock where appropriate.

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are measured at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the SOFA.

1.10 Taxation

As a charity, the company is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No such tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.11 Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the charity, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.13 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

1.14 Funds received as an agent

The charity receives certain funds towards book publications. These funds are held by the charity in trust on the balance sheet until spent. These funds therefore do not appear as either income or expenditure in the charity's SOFA.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

The trustees do not consider there to be any key sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and legacies	29,967	10,257	40,224	19,731	31,879	51,610
Grants	-	3,670	3,670	-	-	-
Subscriptions	6,293	-	6,293	6,069	-	6,069
Gift aid recovered	8,283	2,467	10,750	6,055	1,549	7,604
	<u>44,543</u>	<u>16,394</u>	<u>60,937</u>	<u>31,855</u>	<u>33,428</u>	<u>65,283</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Conferences, courses and summer school	20,406	-	20,406	24,391	-	24,391
Visits and pilgrimages	15,614	-	15,614	15,770	-	15,770
	<u>36,020</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,020</u>	<u>40,161</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,161</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Books, cards and goods	4,342	1,117	5,459	5,425	248	5,673
	<u>4,342</u>	<u>1,117</u>	<u>5,459</u>	<u>5,425</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>5,673</u>

6 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Interest repayment supplement	7	-	7	2	-	2
Bank interest	103	-	103	327	-	327
	<u>110</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>329</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>329</u>

7 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Magazines	8,574	-	8,574	8,111	-	8,111
Books, cards and goods	5,469	468	5,937	4,874	(536)	4,338
Support costs (note 10)	22,656	-	22,656	21,297	-	21,297
	<u>36,699</u>	<u>468</u>	<u>37,167</u>	<u>34,282</u>	<u>(536)</u>	<u>33,746</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

8 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding	Support Costs	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	Note 9 £	Note 10 £	£	£
Conferences, courses and summer school	18,715	-	13,523	32,238	32,088
Visits and pilgrimages	10,526	-	12,752	23,278	20,014
Grant funding	-	18,485	-	18,485	28,325
Book publications	1,794	-	-	1,794	3,055
	<u>31,035</u>	<u>18,485</u>	<u>26,275</u>	<u>75,795</u>	<u>83,482</u>
Unrestricted funds				51,120	49,218
Restricted funds				24,675	34,264
				<u>75,795</u>	<u>83,482</u>

9 Expenditure on grant funding

The charity undertakes its charitable activities partially through grant funding of activities and awarded grants to the following organisations:

	Grant funding 2024 £	Grant funding 2023 £
Trinita Society - support and education of street children	9,700	2,300
Lent 2020 Toliara - supporting the education fund of the Anglian Diocese	-	3,025
Lent 2024 Zambesi Sounds - working with musicians and other artists	785	-
Mahajanga Diocese Madagascar - support for the Diocese	7,000	18,600
Panchsheel Adiwasi Schools	1,000	2,425
SAC-CC South Asia Council	-	1,975
	<u>18,485</u>	<u>28,325</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

10 Expenditure on support costs

	Basis of allocation	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	Time spent	13,448	13,553
Trustee expenses	Time spent	11,836	5,373
Volunteer expenses	Time spent	-	1,244
Travel	Use of resources	1,807	272
Premises expenses	Use of resources	9,197	7,369
Office	Use of resources	4,872	3,400
Office relocation costs	Use of resources	-	39
Miscellaneous	Use of resources	1,125	1,079
Depreciation	Use of resources	494	1,808
Independent examiner's fees	Governance	2,045	1,985
Accountancy	Governance	2,215	2,215
Annual report	Governance	1,892	1,749
		<u>48,931</u>	<u>40,086</u>
Analysed between			
Raising funds		22,656	21,297
Charitable activities		26,275	18,789
		<u>48,931</u>	<u>40,086</u>

Support costs include governance costs totalling £6,152 (2023: £5,949)

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Support services to charitable activities	1	1
Administration	1	1
Total	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

Employment costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	13,259	13,380
Other pension costs	189	173
	<u>13,448</u>	<u>13,553</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

12 Trustees

None of the trustees received nor waived any remuneration or benefits or reimbursements from the charity during the year, or in the previous year.

Expenses were reimbursed to the trustees as follows:

	2024 number	2023 number	2024 £	2023 £
Leadership re visits and pilgrimages	-	1	-	1,086
Travel	6	5	6,977	2,674
Accommodation and subsistence	4	4	4,374	1,077
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13 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

14 Transfers

A transfer has been made to the restricted Book Capital fund in the sum of £4 in order to write off a small balance on funds "To Be Passed On".

15 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computers £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 October 2023	1,608	4,217	5,825
At 30 September 2024	<u>1,608</u>	<u>4,217</u>	<u>5,825</u>
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 October 2023	402	4,125	4,527
Depreciation charged in the year	402	92	494
At 30 September 2024	<u>804</u>	<u>4,217</u>	<u>5,021</u>
Carrying amount			
At 30 September 2024	<u>804</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>804</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>1,206</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>1,298</u>

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16 Stocks	2024	2023
	£	£
Books	7,812	8,333
Other fundraising goods	2,543	3,496
	<u>10,355</u>	<u>11,829</u>

17 Debtors	2024	2023
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Prepayments	6,853	3,638
Other debtors	5,292	3,363
	<u>12,145</u>	<u>7,001</u>

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
	Notes	
Deferred income	20	4,506
Accruals		5,081
		<u>9,587</u>
		<u>17,049</u>

19 Retirement benefit schemes

Defined contribution schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees.

The charge to the SOFA in respect of defined contribution schemes was £189 (2023 - £173).

This expenditure has been allocated to support costs and unrestricted funds.

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20 Deferred income

Deferred income comprises income associated with visits and pilgrimages after the year end and membership subscriptions.

	2024 £	2023 £
Balance brought forward	4,506	4,592
Amount released from previous year	(4,506)	(4,592)
Deferred in current year	10,449	4,506
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Balance carried forward	10,449	4,506
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21 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 October 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 30 September 2024 £
Book fund - capital and income	(2,241)	1,117	(828)	4	(1,948)
Book fund - stock	916	-	(468)	-	448
General projects	125	-	-	(125)	-
IRCS India Little Elephants	140	-	-	-	140
Lent 2020 Toliara, Madagascar	28	112	(14)	-	126
Lent 2021 Rural Development	11	-	-	-	11
Lent 2022 Afghanaid	5	-	-	-	5
Lent 2024 Zambesi Sounds	-	848	(872)	125	101
Mahajanga Diocese Madagascar	7,251	-	(7,025)	-	226
MEEN	101	-	-	-	101
Mt. Kenya South mothers' mercy home	875	-	-	-	875
Panchsheel	481	825	(1,113)	-	193
SAC/CCC	459	-	-	-	459
Travel Fund	85	753	(779)	-	59
Trinita Society	188	10,186	(10,374)	-	-
William Conflict resolution centre	206	-	-	-	206
Annual Conference 2024	-	3,670	(3,670)	-	-
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	8,630	17,511	(25,143)	4	1,002
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21 Restricted funds

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Previous year:	At 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 30 September 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Book fund - capital and income	186	628	(3,055)	-	(2,241)
Book fund - stock	379	-	537	-	916
General projects	-	125	-	-	125
IRCS India Little Elephants	140	-	-	-	140
Lent 2020 Toliara, Madagascar	2,153	1,000	(3,125)	-	28
Lent 2021 Rural Development	11	-	-	-	11
Lent 2022 Afghanaid	5	-	-	-	5
Mahajanga Diocese Madagascar	4,101	23,750	(20,600)	-	7,251
MEEN	101	-	-	-	101
Mt. Kenya South mothers' mercy home	875	-	-	-	875
Munguishi coffee	(420)	239	-	181	-
Panchsheel	341	2,850	(2,710)	-	481
SAC/CCC	325	2,334	(2,200)	-	459
Travel fund	85	-	-	-	85
Trinita Society	13	2,750	(2,575)	-	188
Wi'am conflict resolution centre	206	-	-	-	206
	<u>8,501</u>	<u>33,676</u>	<u>(33,728)</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>8,630</u>

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21 Restricted funds

(Continued)

Book fund

to support the writing and publication of such books as will further the aims of Christians Aware as an educational charity.

General projects

the main project is to provide support for the rural Katete Girls Secondary School in Zambia.

IRCS India

to support a pre-school in Thayyur near Chennai (Madras) to help marginalised children aged 1-6 to grow and flourish socially, emotionally, physically and mentally via an IRCS project.

Lent 2020 Toliara Madagascar

to support the education fund of the Anglian Diocese of Toliara including training church leaders, teaching resources and basic education.

Lent 2021 Rural Development Parakkanvilai

a community project which aims to empower people in poverty to develop themselves through training and employment projects, education and primary care.

Lent 2022 Afghanaid

in support of the suffering people of Afghanistan.

Lent 2024 Zambesi Sounds

working with local musicians and others across all art forms to develop and support creative talent. Other aspects include developing health and wellbeing programmes.

Mahajanga Diocese Madagascar

support for the Diocese to provide clergy housing, training and purchase of rice fields.

MEEN

to help this UK Middle Eastern Network to meet and invite speakers on the Middle East.

Mt. Kenya South mothers' mercy home

to support the development work of the Anglican Diocese of Mt. Kenya South.

Panchsheel

to support the Panchsheel Adiwasi School in a poor tribal area of Maharashtra, India.

SAC/CCC

to support the work with street children of the South Asia Council for Community and Children in Crisis based in Bangalore, South India.

Travel fund

to enable young people to travel, based on the philosophy of our book "Travel with Awareness".

Trinita Society

to provide support for child labourers in West Bengal and work towards a society free of child labour.

Wi'am conflict resolution centre

working with the larger Bethlehem community to build a democratic and just society.

Annual Conference 2024

to fund 10 international students to attend the annual conference.

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22 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 October 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 30 September 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	23,573	85,015	(87,819)	(4)	20,765
	<u>23,573</u>	<u>85,015</u>	<u>(87,819)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>20,765</u>
Previous year:	At 1 October 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 30 September 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	29,484	77,770	(83,500)	(181)	23,573
	<u>29,484</u>	<u>77,770</u>	<u>(83,500)</u>	<u>(181)</u>	<u>23,573</u>

23 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Fund balances at 30 September 2024 are represented by:			
Tangible assets	804	-	804
Current assets/(liabilities)	19,961	1,002	20,963
	<u>20,765</u>	<u>1,002</u>	<u>21,767</u>
	<u>20,765</u>	<u>1,002</u>	<u>21,767</u>
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Fund balances at 30 September 2023 are represented by:			
Tangible assets	1,298	-	1,298
Current assets/(liabilities)	22,275	8,630	30,905
	<u>23,573</u>	<u>8,630</u>	<u>32,203</u>
	<u>23,573</u>	<u>8,630</u>	<u>32,203</u>

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24 Funds received as an agent

	2024 £	2023 £
During the year the charity received the following unrestricted funds as an agent:		
Book sales	114	58
Fund transfer from book capital	-	-
	<u>114</u>	<u>58</u>
Expenses paid during the year	(27)	-
Balance brought forward	25	(33)
Balance due/(from) carried forward	<u>112</u>	<u>25</u>

25 Operating lease commitments

Lessee

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	1,000	6,000
Between two and five years	-	1,000
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>7,000</u>

Lease payments totalling £6,000 (2023 - £4,250) have been recognised as an expense during the year.

26 Related party transactions

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows.

	2024 £	2023 £
Aggregate compensation	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>

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26 Related party transactions

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Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity entered into the following transactions with the company secretary:

	2024 £	2023 £
Travel and subsistence	1,790	272

Donations received by the charity

The total amount of unconditional donations received from officers is as follows:

Aggregate cash donations	15,198	8,767
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27 Controlling party

Christians Aware is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital; it is incorporated under the Companies Act and governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company. The trustees of the Company are elected members and act as directors of the Company who are deemed to be the controlling party of the Company.