



G R A C E S U S T A I N S A F R I C A

Annual Report and Accounts

April 2020 – October 2021

Registered Charity Number: 1189092

Grace Sustains Africa CIO

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Annual Report

Context and History of the charity

GSA was founded by Emmanuel Ayoola to transform Africa by creating sustainable change within local communities.

In January 2017, Emmanuel visited a village in Sierra Leone called Mobai, where his late grandmother was born, as a result of her passing. Emmanuel saw kids that had the same blood as him, but not the same opportunities as he has had. He vowed to do everything he could to empower them to be everything that God created them to be by combating poverty, lack of water facilities, and lack of education.

We believe that not only is it gracious giving that empowers and sustains communities, but the grace of God that sustains us all. GSA aims to picture the gracious love of God, through gracious support that will transform Africa one community at a time

GSA was granted charitable status on April 16, 2020.

Our dedicated team of trustees passionately leads GSA in creating the impact that we seek to make. We're always pushing ourselves to stay ahead of the curve and striving to serve our communities economically and spiritually.

Prior Achievements

Since 2017, GSA has impacted over 600 households in Sierra Leone and funded:

- Clean Water Fountains
- Classroom and Recreational Resources
- Solar panels
- Agricultural tools for farming
- Sanitation Equipment
- Essential foods

Coronavirus Fundraising 2020 (May-August)

With coronavirus cases in Sierra Leone doubling in the first week of May 2020, and rapidly rising, GSA began a fundraising project to raise money to supply essential foods, PPE and sanitation equipment to the local community of Mobai, Sierra Leone.

In partnership with a team of voluntary fundraisers conducting a range of activities including sponsored exercise runs, online quizzes, online auctions, social media takeovers, and personal campaign videos, we successfully granted an amount of £3,013.30.

This grant was donated to Mandu Secondary school which we have a long-standing partnership, and they were able to use the donations to support members of the community. We supported more than 600 households by sponsoring the purchase of hand washing buckets, face Masks, hand sanitizer and soap, rice, and other essential foods.

School Partnerships

Mandu School: GSA began partnering with and supporting Mandu School in December 2018. We started by commissioning local workers to build 2 clean water fountains with over half a mile of pipework. We then paid to provide sports kits and resources equipment including footballs and netballs for the school so that they can compete in local sporting competitions. Finally, we paid for the building of 30 tables, benches, desks, and chairs for the classrooms. All the work was completed by local labourers to encourage real sustainable change in the community.

St Michael's school: St Michael's School was the second school in which we provided clean water, sports equipment, classroom resources, laptops, and agricultural tools. To support their agricultural work this year, we have donated £1,083.05 to the school.

RC Primary school: Our work in R.C Primary School took our impact to over 1100 children in the community of Mobai, Sierra Leone. GSA donated £2,307.00 to the school this year to support them with the equipment and agricultural tools requested.

Cleverminds Educational Foundation: In September 2021, we raised money to fund a school uniforms and classroom facilities for 250 orphaned children to attend a Christian school in Delta, Nigeria. Since then we have also led Bible lessons with primary aged children at the school through Zoom.

Baiima Community Bible Church: Also in September 2021, we funded a Pastor's Training Conference in Baiima, Sierra Leone. This provided technical equipment for over 150 attendees.

Looking forward

At the start of 2021, plans were forming to begin a process of planning for the next few years and the continued growth of the charity.

The next step in that process was to begin planning and discussing the recruitment of several new GSA team members including a head of marketing and a head of volunteer fundraising.

Financial Review:

The accounts are for the twelve months from 16th April 2020 - 1st October 2021.

Total unrestricted income during this period was £8,613.65

Total unrestricted expenditure in the period was £11,629.04

The income was exclusively made up of voluntary donations.

Structures and governance:

GSA CIO obtained registered Charity Status (1189092) on 16 April 2020.

It is managed by its trustees, under the terms of its constitution, and is a Public Benefit Entity.

Mr Emmanuel Ayoola, Mr Akinloluwa Obembe, and Mr Samuel Adedero are trustees and they meet monthly for trustee planning meetings to overseeing the activities of the charity.

Governing Principles:

GSA trustees adhere to some important principles that govern who we partner with and how we decide to allocate our funding. These are outlined in the following statements:

- GSA will not work independently or assume sole leadership for the indigenous churches, missionaries, and projects we assist, rather we seek to work in partnership with local communities and leaders, empowering their development and growth.

- It is GSA's theological conviction that the mission partners and churches we will support are fellowships of like-minded believers seeking to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20). We do not intend to have any ecclesiastical authority over local congregations, but will only be willing to partner with those holding firm to an orthodox Christian statement of faith.

- Our main concern in the selection and support of Christian mission partners and churches is that their godliness, doctrine, and zeal aligns with GSA. GSA trustees will confer with leadership members of indigenous churches, before confirmation of our partnership and support with individuals or groups.

- Our main concerns in the selection and support of particular projects and fundraising goals include the impact, maintenance, and sustainability of the project. GSA will consider if the strategies proposed are the best ways to achieve the end goals, the extent to which many people are served, and how effectively they will support future sustainable development.

- GSA will provide funding for individual projects, missions support, or indigenous church assistance as necessary according to predetermined periods, costs, outcomes, and objectives. Following this GSA will re-evaluate its capacity to support.

- Accountability is a priority in the support GSA provides. We will work in partnership

with churches and organisations, requiring clear and regular feedback from our partners in the field.

-GSA will work with community leaders, indigenous churches, and their elders to determine the financial support required for each project we support. GSA trustees will consider guidance from community leaders, time and commitment requirements, and average incomes in individual countries.

Financial Accounts

Summary of Financial Activities

For the year 16th April 2020 - 1st October 2021

1. Incoming

	Total (£)
Online Donations	8,613.65
Offline Donations	0
Grants and Trusts	0
Total Income	8,613.65

2. Outgoing

	Total (£)
Mobai donation to Mandu school - covid response 1	2,093.02
Mobai donation to Mandu school - covid response 2	514.00
Mobai donation to Mandu school - covid response 3	406.28
Garri Processing Machine	1,416.19
RC Primary School equipment and agricultural work	2,307.00
Staff costs	0.00
Website and domain costs	116.42
Technical equipment for BCBC conference	115.21
Cleverminds Education Foundation School Resources	3,000.00

Contractor Costs	1,620.00
Virtual Office Address	40.92
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Total Expenditure	11,629.04
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