



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

2015

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1st	Month January	Year 2015		Day 31st	Month December	Year 2015

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Reach 2 Romania

Other names charity is known by Fundatia Emanuel Betania UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1107398

Charity's principal address Holly House, Tallarn Green
Malpas
Cheshire
Postcode SY14 7LJ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Pamela Dance	Secretary		Membership
2	Alison Hague			Membership
3	Liz Tanner	Chair		Membership
4	Martin Woodhall	Treasurer		Membership
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution of 'Reach 2 Romania' dated 7 th November 2009, which replaced the constitution of 'Fundatia Emanuel Betania UK', dated 27 th November 2004
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The constitution states that eligible trustees are elected by the members at the annual general meeting held in each year. The appointment of the above trustees was confirmed at the AGM held on 18 th April 2015.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<p>The trustees familiarise themselves with relevant material from the Charity Commission website, and work to meet their legal obligations. The charity's child protection policy is based on Safeguarding Children and Young People, published by the Methodist Church, April 2010. The Nicene Creed is adopted as a statement of Christian faith.</p> <p>The constitution permits the charity to co-operate with other organisations. No co-operation was carried out during 2015.</p> <p>The Trustees are not related.</p> <p>Financial risks: the bank account requires two signatures. Data Protection Act: information is maintained solely for the purpose of carrying out the day to day running of the charity.</p>

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

<p>The advancement of education, the advancement of religion, the relief of poverty and the assistance in the provision of facilities for recreation and other leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for the people of Romania, in particular but not exclusively, children and the elderly, by providing financial and other assistance.</p>
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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Activities in relation to advancement of education:

Supporting homework club in Teius, including wages for staff, educational materials to junior school and kindergarten via Christmas boxes. Music tuition. Supporting the school in Berindei with equipment such as computers, whiteboards, tables, consumables and sports equipment.

Activities in relation to advancement of religion:

Supporting various activities in Teius, Cornesti, Timisoara and Berindei – encourage children and adults to attend their local church, singing of Christian music, evangelistic meetings and bible study.

Activities in relation to relief of poverty:

Provision of food to children from homework club in Teius. Second hand and new clothing. House repair and building work, new roofs and heating systems. Humanitarian relief in Berindei. Clothing for the prisoners in Aiud gaol. Sponsorship of a nurse for home visits to the elderly in Berindei.

Activities in relation to facilities for recreation:

Support weekly clubs for sport, music and painting in Teius. Annual program of holiday camps and clubs for children from Teius, Cornesti, Berindei and Timisoara – by sponsorship of children and/or leadership teams. Provision of table tennis and other sports equipment. Construction of Youth Hall in Teius for sport, music and drama. Sponsorship of Junior football team in Teius.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The current policy on grant making is that all grants are made direct to Romania. Grants are not made to individuals or organisations in UK. The majority of funds are focussed on Fundatia Emanuel Betania, a not-for-profit company registered in Teius, Romania.

There is no policy to invest funds. Funds not required for immediate use are held in an HSBC savings account.

During 2015 all transfers to Romania were carried out by SEPA in euros, which minimises the transaction charge.

The trustees are personally responsible for their own travel and administration costs. All volunteers are required to be self-funding. The charity's administration and transport costs are met by the trustees and do not appear in the payments section of the CC16a Accounts.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During 2015 the bulk of our financial support continued to go to Fundatia Emanuel Betania in Teius. Material aid was focussed on projects in other places, particularly Berindei in the south of Romania.

2015 was the first full year of activities in the hall, with disabled children, break dancing, and other groups. During the year we connected mains water to the hall in Teius, made a concrete entrance plinth and fenced the remaining side of the site.

The work with children from poor families in Teius continues to thrive with various club activities: homework club, guitar club, and painting club.

Summer holiday camps were sponsored for 85 children from Teius, and 30 children from Cornesti. Craft materials and 120 T-shirts were donated to a camp from Timisoara.

Approximately 200 Christmas presents for the kindergarten and school in Teius, and 80 presents in the village of Cornesti.

Private sponsors were found to help a number of university students.

We continued to send men's clothing and shoes for prisoners in Aiud gaol. However our partner did not collect them from Teius and so some were redirected to poor families in Targu-Mures.

We received quantities of medical dressings which were sent to Dr Alina Nistor in Berindei. We continued to sponsor a nurse in Berindei (year 2 of a 3 year project) to provide home visits for the elderly.

A legacy was received in 2015, part of which will be used to pave the ground in front of the hall during 2016.

Trustee News: Martin Woodhall visited Romania twice during the year to check on the progress of projects.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At year end £49,354 was being held towards general expenditure in Romania in a non-restricted fund. The Trustees have decided that this money will be used to support ongoing expenses in future years.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal source of funding in 2015 was the legacy money, received in 2013, and held in reserve. A second legacy received in November 2015 arrived too late in the year to be allocated to projects.

The breakdown of income by source is given in Section A1 of the CC16a Accounts for 2015.

Funds not required for immediate use are held in an HSBC savings account. The charity does not have an ethical investment policy.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Martin Nigel Woodhall	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	21 st February 2016	