

Registered Charity No; 1206831 (England and Wales)

Financial report and accounts 2024/25

Introduction and summary

SHED the Light Gambia was established as a UK charity in February 2024. A bank account was opened in July 2024. Over the subsequent months donors to the work at Sibanor Health Centre in the Gambia transferred their giving from a UK church account (which had operated a sub-fund for Sibanor) to SHED the Light Gambia. This transfer process is now substantially complete and SHED the Light is now operating as a fully independent charity supporting the health and education ministry of the Evangelical Church of The Gambia, centred on Sibanor Health Centre.

This report covers the period from 1st February 2024 to 5th April 2025.

There was little expenditure during the financial year. The reason for this is that the majority of expenditure arises in the Gambia, and due to currency transfer costs the Charity will build up funds to make a large transfer on an occasional basis (in line with the practice of the church sub-fund that historically managed the transfer of funds). At the time of writing (May 2025) a large transfer of £20,000 has just been completed and will be reported in the 2025/26 financial report and accounts.

Income

	Income type	Income amount (£)
1	Regular monthly giving, qualifying for gift aid	8,370
2	One-off gifts qualifying for gift aid	10,142
3	One off gifts not qualifying for gift aid	815
	Total income	19,327

Notes:

Line 1: Regular gifts are used to cover ongoing operational costs and to support a fund for poor patients to assist with medical costs

Line 2; One-off gifts received this year were for building work associated with the newly opened nursing school, and purchase of capillary tubes for the centrifuge used for blood analysis.

Line 3. One-off gifts not applicable for gift aid comprised a gift sent via the UK Stewardship charity, a gift from a church, and small donations received at a number of events where the work of SHED the Light was communicated.

Gift Aid was not reclaimed during the 2024/25 financial year. The gift aid reclaim for the qualifying gifts (in Line 1 and 2) will be lodged in 2025/26 and shown as income in the 2025/26 report and accounts.

Expenditure

	Expenditure type	Expenditure amount (£)
1	Medical and laboratory supplies	434.86
2	Health Centre infrastructure items	103.81
3	Conference exhibition fee - UK	300
	Total expenditure	838.67

Notes:

Line 1: The Medical and Laboratory supplies that were purchased in the UK were items that were not readily available in the Gambia.

Line 2: This expenditure comprised purchase of smoke detectors for the consulting rooms at Sibanor. These were mandated by the Gambian Health Authority, but none were available for purchase in the country.

Line 3: This fee was paid for an exhibition space at the Christian Medical Fellowship conference in the UK

Balance sheet

Location of funds	Amount (£)
Lloyds Bank account : SHED the Light	18,488.33
Total balance	18,488.33

Peter Lisle

Chair of Trustees and Treasurer

12 June 2025

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