

REVIEW OF 2023

MAF UK's Chairman Matthew Burton celebrates another year of challenges and changes



'See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?' (Isaiah 43:19)

Last year was a year of new beginnings. Donovan Palmer — former CEO of Mercy Ships and UK National Director of YWAM — joined us as Chief Executive at a time when we're seeking to grow, in order to see increasing numbers of isolated people changed by the love of Christ.

With the UK facing the biggest downturn in legacy funding in recent history, the increasing cost of living, war in Ukraine and the recent conflict in the Middle East, 2023 saw us begin a far-reaching review of the way we operate as a mission.

Primarily, we seek to raise the extra funds necessary to meet the ever-growing needs in some of the world's remotest regions.

We praise the Lord that we've begun to see some encouraging progress, by facing the daunting obstacles preventing us from raising vital support for the many vulnerable communities desperately needing essentials we often take for granted.

In 2023, our pilots, personnel and partners enabled the lost and lonely to experience His light — changing and transforming communities through our flights.

Thanks to our selfless volunteers, supporters and staff, MAF enabled educational activities in Arnhem Land, carried medical cargo to isolated areas in Chad, assisted Bible translation in Guinea (top right), brought clean water to Kenya's parched places, provided access to healthcare in some of Liberia's remotest regions and helped combat the effects of Cyclone Freddie in Madagascar (bottom right).

These achievements were made possible by God's unfailing goodness and your sacrificial gifts and prayers. Because of you, some of the world's poorest and most embattled people experienced His help, hope and healing throughout 2023.

Thank you



2 During a storm-tossed night on Lake Victoria, a capsized boat led to 25 deaths. Evangelist Sam Tsapwe has been flying for many years with MAF to the airstrip on Bukasa Island, from where he reaches remote fishing villagers by boat. In spite of this tragedy, Sam has resolved to continue bringing the Good News to the most isolated people in **Uganda**.



1 When Sudan erupted in violence, MAF aircraft took to the skies in support of hastily constructed camps at the border town of Renk, **South Sudan**. Transporting hundreds of passengers and more than 25 tonnes of cargo, our planes' unique ability to save precious time was a godsend as the influx of frightened, starving refugees escalated wildly.



3 The first ever Africa Climate Summit was held in Nairobi, **Kenya** with leaders from across the continent discussing how to tackle the catastrophic droughts and floods caused by global warming. As farmers struggled to maintain meagre herds of goats and cattle, MAF delivered volunteer vets to communities where some animals cling desperately to life.





4 In **Madagascar**, our aircraft delivered more than 7 tonnes of polio vaccine to 23 locations as part of UNICEF's concerted effort to eradicate the disease. Praise the Lord that, in September alone, more than 18.5 million adults and children were vaccinated — that's over half the total population.

5 This MAF programme celebrated its 50th birthday with an event at Gove Airport hosted by Country Director Matt Henderson. Our staff and partners continue their commitment to work tirelessly to serve the Yolŋu — an indigenous Aboriginal tribe of approximately 16,000 people living in north-eastern **Arnhem Land**.



6 'While I was playing, they shot me,' says 12-year-old Ruth from the mountain village of Yenkisa, **Papua New Guinea**. Thanks to MAF's legendary ability to respond to medical crises, she survived the indiscriminate tribal violence that led to the gunshot wounds which necessitated urgent life-saving surgery.

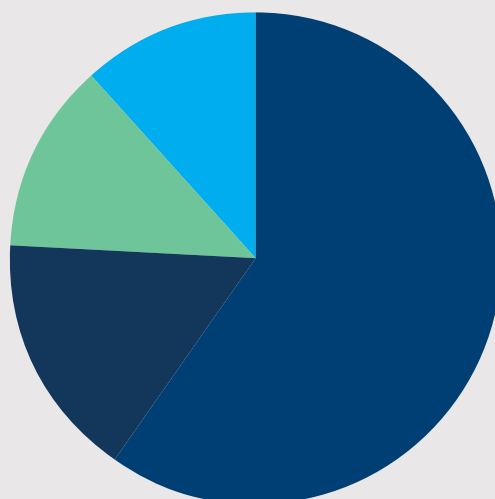
MAF UK is a member of MAF International (MAFI), an association of operational and resourcing MAF groups around the world with the same charitable objects, vision and mission. MAF UK's provision of funds and staff is passed to MAFI, which manages the overseas operations.

EXPENDITURE

£15,739,000

Flights and other services	59.6%
Cost of raising funds	16.6%
Overseas staff costs	12.3%
Infrastructure developments	11.5%

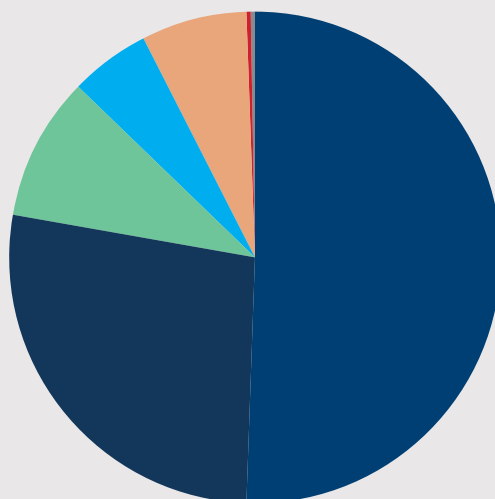
Additionally, £1,743,000 of expenditure was drawn from reserves in line with Board policy



INCOME

£13,996,000

Individuals	50.3%
Legacies	26.9%
Trusts	9.4%
Churches	5.1%
Companies	7.7%
Interest	1.1%
Other	0.30%



Gifts left to MAF in Wills help transform lives ensuring that the marginalised are no longer hidden, the vulnerable are no longer forsaken and the isolated are no longer forgotten. If you've left us a legacy, thank you so much!



To find out more about leaving a legacy to MAF, request our free Will guide 'Never Forgotten' at www.maf-uk.org/will-guide or phone Miriam Wheeler on [01303 852819](tel:01303852819).

*Where there's a Will
there's a plane*



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