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Report of Council

1 Meetings

Council met three times during the year, each of which were at Unitarian Headquarters, Essex Hall.

2 President

The Rev John A Midgley became President at the Annual Meetings at Chester College, Chester on 21 April 2001.

3 Nominations

The Council is pleased to nominate the Reverend Alan Ruston as President for 2002/2003, the Rev Austin C Fitzpatrick as Vice-President and Michael Tomlin as Honorary Treasurer. The post of Deputy Honorary Treasurer will remain vacant in view of the creation of the Fund-raising Team.

4 GA Resolutions

The Council, its departmental committees and officers have dealt appropriately with the resolutions passed at the GA Annual Meetings. The General Secretary lodged a copy of the revised Object with the Charity Commission who have duly acknowledged its acceptability. The issues surrounding the "Web Wizard" and "Youth Officer" resolutions occupied particular attention.

5 GA Theme

The two-year theme "Keeping our Chalice Alight" was adopted at the 2001 GA Annual Meetings. Council has monitored the progress of this theme, which has the intention of encouraging the younger members of our denomination.

6 Unitarian Future Vision

Council empowered the Executive Committee and the Executive Officers to continue to hold joint meetings to consider longer-range issues facing the General Assembly and its members. This does not imply a centralised strategic planning process, but does encourage forward thinking and the evolution of developmental processes.

7 Pensions for Ministers

Following the motion passed at the GA Annual Meetings 2001, empowering the Officers to negotiate that the GA becomes Guarantor of last resort to the Ministers' Pension and Insurance Fund, it was agreed that the Fund would create a draft legal agreement. Council would then seek its own legal advice on the basis of the draft document.

8 Relationship with the NSPCI

The General Secretary visited the Moderator, the Rt Rev Samuel Peden and the Clerk of Synod, the Rev Nigel Playfair in late August 2001. This established a cordial relationship with these

newly-appointed officials. The Moderator was unable to attend Council but sent an informative update report instead.

9 The Colleges

Council welcomed the appointment of the Rev Peter Hewis as full-time Chaplain Tutor and Bursar to the Manchester Academy and Harris College. Council also noted with appreciation the retirement of Rev Dr Len Smith as Principal of Unitarian College Manchester and was pleased to hear of the appointment of the Rev Ann Peart as his successor.

10 Denominational Voice on Social Issues

The procedure for the issue of statements to the news media was revised and agreed.

11 Financial Issues

The downturn of our share values and investment income were considered and discussed at various times, especially at the end of the year, following the events of 11 September 2001.

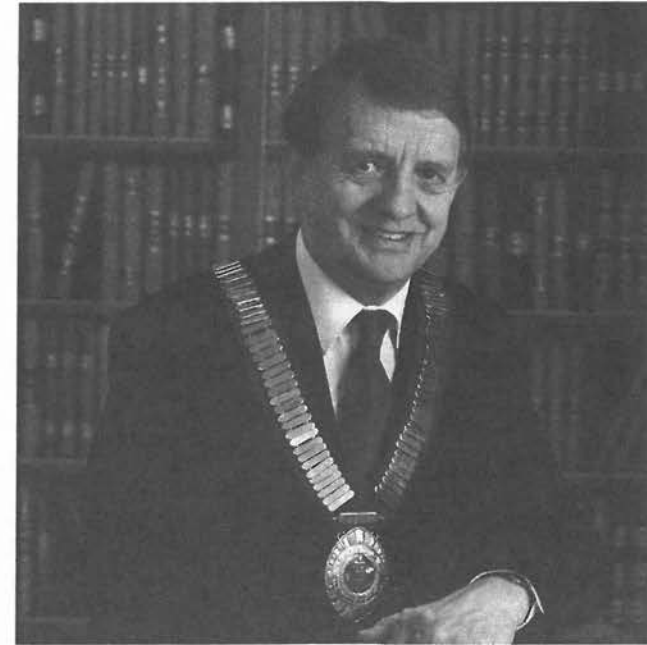
10 General

District associations, affiliated societies, panels and committees provided detailed reports of their work. The GA committees kept members fully informed of their activities and current issues. The manner in which committees serve the movement is reported in the ensuing pages of this Annual Report. Council thanks all of those who served on its committees and panels during the year.

Sadly, as we go to press, we have learned of the death of the Western Union's Council representative, Dorothy Omar.



New President Rev John Midgley receives his chain of office



Reverend John Midgley

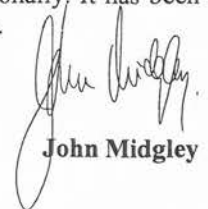
President of the General Assembly 2001-2002

I have great pleasure in presenting the 2001 Annual Report of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches. This *amazing* document provides a picture of the work of our General Assembly Council, at whose meetings it has been my privilege to serve as chairperson. Then there are the reports of the departments, committees, subcommittees, working parties and panels. It represents a vast amount of commitment and work, undertaken for the benefit all of us, by both paid staff and professional ministers as well as numerous volunteers, all of whom give so much of their time and talents, at all levels.

It will not be difficult to discern, behind the energetic hard work, the 'spirit of mutual sympathy, co-operation, tolerance and respect; the recognition of the worth and dignity of every person, the service of humanity and respect for all creation,' that are the motivating spiritual values found in our newly accepted Object of the movement we love.

I invite you to read this document carefully and gratefully.

As President for the year, I have had the responsibility of representing the GA at local, district and regional level, on State occasions and internationally. It has been both a pleasure and a privilege to do so. My thanks go to everyone.


John Midgley

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The Object of the Assembly

From the Constitution of the General Assembly as amended 19 April 2001 and approved by the Charity Commission:

"2.Object

Preamble

We, the constituent congregations, affiliated societies and individual members, uniting in a spirit of mutual sympathy, co-operation, tolerance and respect; and recognising the worth and dignity of all people and their freedom to believe as their consciences dictate; and believing that truth is best served where the mind and conscience are free, acknowledge that the Object of the Assembly is:

Object

To promote a free and inquiring religion through the worship of God and the celebration of life; the service of humanity and respect for all creation; and the upholding of the liberal Christian tradition.

To this end, the Assembly may:

Encourage and unite in fellowship bodies which uphold the religious liberty of their members, unconstrained by the imposition of creeds;

Affirm the liberal religious heritage and learn from the spiritual, cultural and intellectual insights of all humanity;

Act where necessary as the successor to the British and Foreign Unitarian Association and National Conference of Unitarian, Liberal Christian, Free Christian, Presbyterian and other Non-Subscribing or Kindred Congregations, being faithful to the spirit of their work and principles (see appendix to the constitution), providing always that this shall in no way limit the complete doctrinal freedom of the constituent churches and members of the Assembly;

Do all other such lawful things as are incidental to the attainment of the above Object."

In reference to second last clause of Object, the following is a statement of the Objects of the British and Foreign Unitarian Association, as set forth in Rule 2 of its Constitution:

The diffusion and support of the principles of Unitarian Christianity, including the formation and assistance of Congregations which do not require for themselves or their Ministers subscription to any doctrinal articles of belief; the publication and circulation of biblical, theological, scientific and literary knowledge related to Unitarian Christianity; the doing of all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

The following is a statement of the Objects of the National Conference of Unitarian, Liberal Christian, Free Christian, Presbyterian and other Non-Subscribing or Kindred Congregations, as set forth in Rule 1 of its Constitution:

To consult, and when considered advisable to take action, on matters affecting the well-being and interests of the Congregations and Societies on the Roll of the Conference, as by directing attention, suggesting plans, organising expressions of opinion, raising funds to carry out the foregoing objects.

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General Secretary: Jeffrey J Teagle

The Trustees of the General Assembly are the Members of Council, which comprises the Honorary Officers, the Elected Members, and the Co-opted Members as listed below.

COUNCIL 2000-2003

Honorary Officers

President: The Rev John Midgley
Vice-President: Alan Ruston
Treasurer: Michael Tomlin
Deputy Treasurer: -

Elected Members

East Cheshire Union of U and FC Churches Robert Fincham
East Midland Association Sir Peter Soulsby
Eastern Union of U and FC Churches The Rev Charles VanDenBroeder
London District and SE Provincial Assembly The Rev Steve Dick
Manchester District Association The Rev Ann Peart
Merseyside District Missionary Association The Rev John Keggen
Midland Union of U and FC Churches Margaret Phelan
North and East Lancashire Unitarian Mission The Rev John Allerton
Northern Unitarian Association Freda Laverick
Scottish Unitarian Association Margaret Paxton
Sheffield and District Association Gavin Mason
South East Wales The Rev Eirion Phillips
Southern Unitarian Association Anthony M Rees
South Wales The Rev Alun-Wyn Dafis
Western Union of U and FC Churches Dorothy Omar (Deceased 25/02/02)
Yorkshire Unitarian Union David Arthur
British League of U and LC Women Meryl Edgley
Ministerial Fellowship The Rev Celia Midgley
National Unitarian Fellowship Howard Hague
Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church of Ireland The Rt Rev Samuel Peden
Unitarian Youth Lorna Hill

Co-opted Members: Linda Phillips

Other Appointments:

Solicitor: Mr Godwin Swift (Shaen, Roscoe & Swift)
Auditors: Messrs Edmund Gibbs & Co
Trustee: The British and Foreign Unitarian Association

General Assembly Officers and Honorary Members

Secretaries

1928 Rev S H Mellone, MA, DSc
1928 Rev R Travers Herford, BA, DD
1929-49 Rev Mortimer Rowe, BA, DD
1949-69 Rev John Kielty, LD, DD
1969-79 Rev Brian L Golland, MA
1979-94 Roy W Smith, DHL
1994- Jeffrey J Teagle

Treasurers

1928-39 Lieut-Col S Chatfield-Clarke, DL
1939-59 Mr Ronald P Jones, MA, FRIBA
1959-70 Sir C Herbert Pollard, CBE, FCA
1970-71 Mr Albert Forrester, FCA
1971-79 Mr Arnold Graves, FCA, FCIS
1979-98 Mr Geoffrey Head, BA
1998- Mr Michael Tomlin

Deputy Treasurers

1996-98 Mr Michael Tomlin

Past Presidents

1929 Rev C J Street, MA, LLB (B&FUA)
1929 Rev Henry Gow, BA, BD (Nat Conf)
1929-31 Mrs Sydney Martineau
1931-32 Mr J Harrop White, JP
1932-34 Rev Alfred Hall, MA, DD
1934-35 Mr Ronald P Jones, MA, FRIBA
1935-36 Mr George G Armstrong
1936-37 Rev H McLachlan, MA, DD, LittD
1937-38 Mr N Bishop Harman, MA, LLD
1938-39 Rev R F Rattray, MA, PhD
1939-40 Mr J T Bibby
1940-41 Rev E Rosalind Lee, MA
1941-42 Mr P M Oliver, CBE, BA
1942-43 Rev H J Rossington, MA, BD
1943-44 Mr R H Mottram, JP, FRSL
1944-45 Mr Alfred Pilling, OBE, JP
1945-46 Rev Raymond V Holt, MA, BLitt
1946-47 Mr Harold Baily, MBE
1947-48 Rev Lawrence Redfern, MA, BD
1948-49 Prof FJM Stratton, LLD, FRS
1949-50 Rev Fred Cottier
1950-51 Mr Harold B Moore
1951-52 Rev G Randall Jones, MA, BSc, BD
1952-53 Miss Dorothy Tarrant, MA, PhD
1953-54 Rev Herbert Crabtree
1954-55 Mr Stanley R Butler, ACA
1955-56 Rev Frank A Bullock
1956-57 Mr C Herbert Pollard, CBE, FSAA
1957-58 Rev James Percival Chalk

1958-59 Rt Hon J Chuter Ede, CH, JP, DL, MP
1959-60 Rev Arthur W Vallance, BA
1960-61 Mr Arthur L Blake, OBE
1961-62 Rev J Harry Smith
1962-63 Mr Kenneth M Street, MM
1963-64 Rev Walter M Long
1964-65 Mr Stanley J Kennett, BSc, PhD
1965-66 Rev E Shirvell Price, MA
1966-67 Mr T H Hollingsworth
1967-68 Rev Fred Kenworthy, MA, BD
1968-69 Mrs Amy Howarth, MA
1969-70 Rev C Gordon Bolam, MA, BD
1970-71 Mr Arnold Graves, FCA, FCIS
1971-72 Rev H John McLachlan, MA, BD, DPhil
1972-73 Mr M Humphreys Winder, BA
1973-74 Rev D Jacob Davies, BA
1974-75 Mrs Gwyneth J M Thomas, BSc
1975-76 Rev Evan David Davies
1976-77 Mr George Morrison, MA
1977-78 Rev Dr Peter B Godfrey, BA, DD
1978-79 Mr Geoffrey Head, BA
1979-80 Rev A Hilton Birtles, JP, BA
1980-81 Dr June Bell, MA, MB, BS, PhD
1981-82 Rev Eric Wild, BA
1982-83 Mrs Eleanor Dixon
1983-84 Rev Arthur J Long, MA
1984-85 Mrs Helen M Nicholson, MBE
1985-86 Rev Sydney H Knight
1986-87 Mrs Sheila Crosskey, MB, ChB
1987-88 Rev Derek Smith
1988-89 Mr Robert HE Inkson, BSc, FSS, FIS
1989-90 Rev J Eric Jones, BA
1990-91 Mrs Eila Forrester, BA
1991-92 Rev Peter Hewis, BA
1992-93 Mrs Celia Kerr
1993-94 Rev James McClelland, MA
1994-95 Mr Michael Tomlin
1995-96 Rev Anne McClelland, BA
1996-97 Dr Jane Williams, MB, BCh, BAO
1997-98 Rev Clifford Reed, BA
1998-99 Dr Beverley Littlepage, MSc, MRCCOG, FFPHM
1999-00 Rev Keith Gilley
2000-01 Mrs Judith Crompton, JP
2001-02 Rev John Midgley, BA, BD, MA, MED

Honorary Members

Rev H John McLachlan, MA, BD, DPhil
Dr June Bell, MA, MB, BS, PhD
Mr Geoffrey Head, BA
Rev Dr Peter Godfrey, BA, DD
Rev Arthur J Long, MA

Anniversary Service Preachers

1929 Rev Alfred Hall, MA, DD
 1930 Rev H J Rossington, MA, BD
 1931 Rev Herbert McLachlan, MA, DD, LittD
 1932 Rev Herbert Barnes
 1933 Rev John C Ballantyne, MA
 1934 Rev Charles M Wright, MA
 1935 Rev Lawrence Clare
 1936 Rev Arthur S Hum, MA, DLitt
 1937 Rev Sidney Spencer, BA
 1938 Rev Raymond V Holt, MA, BLitt
 1939 Rev Arthur H Lewis
 1940 Rev W E Williams, BA
 1941 Rev Fred R Cottier
 1942 Rev Rev Leslie Belton, MA, MSc
 1943 Rev E George Lee
 1944 Rev Stanley Mossop
 1945 Rev Reginald W Wilde, MA., MSc, PhD
 1946 Rev Wallace B Travener
 1947 Rev Frank A Bullock
 1948 Rev Frederick May Elliot, MA, DD LLD
 1949 Rev G Randall Jones, MA, MSc, BD
 1950 Rev Mortimer Rowe, BA, DD
 1951 Rev Lawrence Redfern, MA, BD
 1952 Rev H G Woodford
 1953 Rev Arthur L Agnew, OBE, BA, DD
 1954 Rev Sydney P Whitehouse, MA, BLitt
 1955 Rev H Stewart Carter, MA
 1956 Rev Basil Viney
 1957 Rev Arthur W Vallance, BA
 1958 Rev W J Carter, MA
 1959 Rev Wilfred Waddington, BA, BD
 1960 Rev Dana McL Greeley, DD
 1961 Rev Phillip N Tindall, BA, BD PhD
 1962 Rev C Gordon Bolam, MA, BD
 1963 Rev A Margaret Barr, MA
 1964 Rev Fred Kenworthy, MA, DD

1965 Rev D Jacob Davies, BA
 1966 Rev John Radcliffe, BA
 1967 Rev Charles Bartlett, BA
 1968 Rev Brian L Golland, MA
 1969 Rev John Kielty, LLD, DD
 1970 Rev Harry Lismer Short, MA
 1971 Rev Eric S Price, MA
 1972 Rev Robert N West, BA, BD, DD
 1973 Rev Lancelot A Garrard, MA., BD, LLD
 1974 Rev E Basil Short, BSc
 1975 Rev A Hamilton Birtles, BA
 1976 Rev Fred M Ryde, MA
 1977 Rev Dudley E Richards, MA, BD
 1978 Rev Anne McClelland, BA
 1979 Rev Eric Wild, BA and Eileen Kielty, BA
 1980 Rev A Ben Downing, MA, BD
 1981 Rev Gabor Kereki
 1982 Rev Arthur J Long, MA
 1983 Rev Bruce Findlow, BA
 1984 Rev O Eugene Pickett, BA, BD, DD
 1985 Rev D Elwyn J Davies, MA, BD, PhD
 1986 Rev Peter B Godfrey, BA
 1987 Rt Rev William McMillan, MA
 1988 Rev William F Schulz, MA, DMin, DD
 1989 Rev Frank Walker, BA
 1990 Rev Glyn Pruce, STB, MA
 1991 Rev Andrew Hill, BA
 1992 Rev Leonard Smith, MA, PhD
 1993 Rev Denise Boyd
 1994 Rev Keith Gilley, BA, MA, BDQ
 1995 Rev Clifford Reed, BA
 1996 Rev Judith Walker-Riggs
 1997 Rev Dr John A Buehrens
 1998 Rev Dr David C Doel, MA, PhD
 1999 Rev Alec Finbow, BA
 2000 Rev Joy Croft, BA, MA, MTh
 2001 Rev Penny Johnson



Rev Penny Johnson preaching the Anniversary Sermon at Chester Cathedral

General Assembly and Essex Hall Staff

At the 2001 Annual Meetings and at Essex Hall:



Matthew Smith;
Information Officer



Neil MacPherson;
Information Assistant



Elizabeth Obe;
Administrative Assistant



Letty Bent; Cleaner with
Izzie Clarke; Essex Hall Cartaker



Jeffrey Teagle; General Secretary



Sarah Tinker; RE & Youth Officer,
Wendy Adams and
Trevor Jones; Retired RE Officer
on the occasion of Wendy's retirement



Peter Bixby; Finance Officer with
John Crosskey; Technical Officer



Ingrid Tavkar;
Social Responsibility Officer



Andrew Mason; PA with
John Clifford; Deputy Secretary and
Mr Crumbly; Finance Assistant

The following societies are affiliated to the General Assembly:

- British League of Unitarian and other Liberal Christian Women (Women's League)
- Canadian Unitarian Council - Le Conseil unitaire du Canada
- L'Église libérale protestante de Bruxelles
- European Unitarian - Universalists
- Foy Society
- National Unitarian Fellowship
- Provincial Assembly of Presbyterian and Unitarian Ministers and Congregations of Lancashire and Cheshire
- Unitarian and Free Christian Church Music Society
- Unitarian and Free Christian Peace Fellowship
- Unitarian Association of Lay Leaders
- Unitarian Historical Society
- Unitarian Holiday Conference
- Unitarian Lay Preachers' Association
- Unitarian Unitarian Society for Psychial Studies
- Unitarian Union of North East India
- Unitarian Women's Group



Margaret Phelan speaks to NUF Annual Report at Chester Meetings



Intergenerational Dancing at EUU Retreat

The seventy-third Annual Meetings of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches began on Wednesday 18 April 2001 ended on Saturday 21 April 2001 and were held in the Molloy Hall at Chester College, Chester.

The Opening Business Session began with the parade of banners, a welcome from the General Assembly President, Judith Crompton. Devotions were conducted by the Rev Beryl Allerton.

Councillor Graham Proctor, the Deputy Lord Mayor, brought the greetings of the City of Chester.

Overseas greetings were delivered by the Rev Olivia Holmes (Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations), the Rev Sandor Leta (Unitarian Church of Romania), Istvan Miko (Unitarian Church of Hungary), Dr Ladislav Pivec (Czech Unitarian Association) and Czeslaw Glowgoski, (Unitarian Church in Warsaw).

Monsignor John Divine, Churches Officer for the Northwest and Fahad Bhati, Interfaith Officer for Blackburn Council also brought greetings.

Standing Orders for the Conduct of the Annual Business Meetings were adopted and Christine Hayhurst, Roderick Ramage and Dr David Wykes were confirmed as the members of the Steering Committee. It was resolved to confer Honorary Membership of the General Assembly on the Rev. Dr Peter B Godfrey and the Rev. Dr Arthur J Long. Rebecca Richards delivered the keynote address on the theme "Keeping Our Chalice Alight".



Rebecca Richards, Keynote Speaker

At the second business session the Annual Report was presented by the General Secretary. The Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2000 were presented by the Honorary Treasurer, Michael Tomlin and Finance and Administration Chairperson, Sir Peter Soulsby. Other committee reports were presented at the remaining business session by a variety of appropriate spokespersons. The Amy Howarth Rosebowl was awarded to the Congregation of Ashton-in-Makerfield in recognition of their growth of quota-paying membership in 2000/2001.

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were carried:

1) FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches resolves that the Constitution of the General Assembly be amended as follows:

Replace the whole of Clause 2 (Objects) with the following text:

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Do all other such lawful things as are incidental to the attainment of the above Object."

2) FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches grants Honorary Membership

to the **Reverend Dr. Peter B. Godfrey** in warm and grateful recognition of his services to the General Assembly and the Unitarian movement over many years.

3) FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches grants Honorary Membership to the **Reverend Dr. Arthur J. Long** in warm and grateful recognition of his services to the General Assembly and the Unitarian movement over many years.



The President welcoming Rev Arthur Long as an Honorary Member of the General Assembly

4) FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches authorises its Officers to arrange with the Ministers' Pension and Insurance Fund for the General Assembly to act as Guarantor of last resort and to take such steps as are necessary to give effect to this decision.

5) FROM THE YORKSHIRE UNITARIAN UNION

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches, whilst welcoming the British Unitarian and Free Christian sites that have so far appeared on the World Wide Web, and whilst also greatly appreciative of the very considerable work done by volunteers, believes that the denomination could be much more extensively and comprehensively represented and asks the General Assembly Council to appoint a 'Web Wizard' for a fixed term to encourage or effect this.

6) FROM THE FOY SOCIETY

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches affirms its belief that our movement is greatly enhanced by the active involvement of Unitarians of all ages. Accordingly, and in line with the theme of 'Keeping Our Chalice Alight', we call upon the General Assembly actively to promote the

appointment of new and younger persons to all Unitarian Committees. In particular we urge that each General Assembly and District Association Committee should endeavour to have within its membership at least one person who is new to the Committee and/or under the age of 40".

7) FROM THE FOY SOCIETY

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches, in recognition of the theme of 'Keeping Our Chalice Alight', calls upon the General Assembly Council to investigate the value of funding a post of Youth Officer for a period of three years."

8) FROM THE STOCKTON-ON-TEES CONGREGATION

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches considers the operation of the refugee voucher system, in its present form, to be a degrading and humiliating experience for individual refugees, and believes that:

1. Cash should replace vouchers, and
2. Cash awards should be increased to minimum income support level

It pledges itself to inform H.M. Government of this concern, and urges its constituent organisations to inform local councillors, MPs and MSPs, and news media. It further pledges to notify other denominations and urges its constituent churches to canvass local denominations with a view to seeking support.

9) FROM TWELVE FULL MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches:

- 1) believing that ethical medical research using donated human tissue, which aims at healing and the relief of suffering, is one of the noblest expressions of human dignity, affirms its trust in the medical profession, and its support for medical research;
- 2) invites Unitarians to declare their support for organ donation by indicating their willingness to become donors themselves and to consider adding their name to the NHS Organ Donor Register.

10) FROM WESTGATE CHAPEL, WAKEFIELD

That this General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches affirms the value of education taking place in a multi-faith and non-sectarian environment. For this reason we oppose any move by Her Majesty's Government and the Scottish Executive to support any increase in the number of schools with a religious foundation.

11) FROM FIFTY-ONE FULL MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

AFFIRMING that it is a part of the object of this Assembly "to promote a free and inquiring religion through...respect for all creation"; and

NOTING that it is a principle and purpose of the Unitarian Universalist Association of North America to have "respect for the interdependent web of all existence";

THIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNITARIAN AND FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES:

1) URGES Her Majesty's Government and the European Union to exert the greatest possible pressure upon President George W. Bush to display qualities of world leadership and honour the commitment of the United States of America to the Kyoto protocols on world climate change.

2) ENCOURAGES its sister association, the Unitarian Universalist Association, to take steps to urge President Bush and the United States Senate to cooperate with the Kyoto protocols and thereby affirm that action for the health of Planet Earth is also in the interest of the United States of America.

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

1) That the **Reverend John A Midgley** be appointed President of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches for the year 2001-2002

2) That this seventy-second General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches expresses its gratitude for the services provided by the **Judith Crompton** as President during the year 2000-2001.

3) That **Alan Ruston** be appointed as Vice-President for the year 2001-2002.



President Judith Crompton opens the Chester Meetings

4) That the Thanks of the Assembly be given to **Michael J Tomlin** for his services as Honorary Treasurer, to district association and local treasurers and collectors for their help.

5) That **Michael J Tomlin** be appointed Honorary Treasurer for the year 2001-2002.

6) That General Assembly Council be empowered to undertake an open process of recruitment and selection for the position of Honorary Deputy Treasurer for the year 2001-2002 in a manner similar to that used to select the previous office-holder.

7) That **Messrs Edmund Gibbs & Co** be re-appointed as Auditors.

8) That the Report of the General Assembly Council and the Accounts of the General Assembly be received and adopted.

9) That greetings be sent to kindred churches and societies abroad.

10) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to the **Rev Peter Hewis** for conducting the Anniversary Service, to the **Reverend Penelope Johnson** for preaching the Assembly Sermon.

11) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to **Jack Day**, organist for the Anniversary Service, and to local Unitarians who arranged other music for the Meetings. 12) That the thanks of the Assembly be given to all the local Unitarians, especially from the sponsoring district, the **North and East Lancashire Unitarian Mission**, for their inestimable help in organising the Meetings.

STIPEND SCALES

The Assembly approved formally the adoption of the minimum Stipend Scales for Ministers and Lay Pastors for 2001-2002 as recommended by the General Assembly's Stipend Review Committee.



Essex Hall Lecturer, Kevin Munday and Lorna Hill, Lecture Moderator



Committee Reports

BUILDING ADVISORY PANEL

Members: The Rev David Ayton, Graham Hague, Judy Hague, Bob Millard, the Rev Eirion Phillips, Jeff Teagle and Tony Waldron.

The Panel met three times during the year and also provided a stand at the GA Annual Meetings where congregational delegates could obtain information. The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 remained a focus of attention. Bob Millard gave a most informative lecture at the GA Annual Meetings 2001 and produced a most helpful questionnaire for internal use by congregations. Several have made use of it. Copies of a Church of England publication "Widening the Eye of the Needle" were obtained for panel briefing purposes and some have been supplied to congregations who are actively involved in a disability access project.

Judy Hague reported information about launch of the Listed Places of Worship Scheme (for VAT relief on church repairs) and the English Heritage grant scheme to The Inquirer.

GA Council approved a Unitarian Millennium Fund allocation of £20,000 for buildings advisory purposes for individual congregations. The Buildings Advisory Panel has been appointed to decide upon the allocation of grants from this allocation. The first such grant was awarded to Chowbent Chapel, Atherton. Additionally, the Panel has given general and grant-obtaining advice to several congregations. Panel members have visited, when requested.

During 2002 the Panel will continue its service of disability access advice and give consideration to the new requirements of the Fire Precautions (Workplace) Regulations 1997 as amended 1999. These regulations now encompass church properties. Some Panel members, who possess specialist skills and knowledge, are often unable to attend meetings. The Panel has therefore decided to try out telephone conferencing as an alternative to meeting at Unitarian Headquarters.

Sadly, as this report went to press we heard of the death of Bob Millard, who died on 22 February 2002. He will be greatly missed.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Dorothy Hewerdine

Members: Joyce Ashworth, Sarah Atkinson, Cathal Courtney (from November 2001), Judith Crompton (from November 2001), Rev Michael Dadson (from September 2001), Joan Hill (until September 2001), Rev Margaret Kirk, Rev Lindy Latham (from November 2001), Kay Millard (until September 2001), Tony Rees, Rev Charles VanDenBroeder

Committee membership

The committee has accepted with sadness, the resignation of Kay Millard during the year. Kay has worked hard for the Development Committee and will be missed. We would like to thank Kay for her insightful commitment, and, in particular for facilitating the work of the Fellowships Initiative Group from its conception.

In order to maintain freshness and continuity, committee membership is changing in a rolling programme. Rev. Lindy Latham, Cal Courtney and Judith Crompton have agreed to join the committee as current members complete their three-year commitment during the current year.

Work in Progress includes:

- Support for Unitarian communities requiring external facilitation and support
- Representation on the Small Congregations Consultancy
- Discussions relating to the possibilities for Trialling Spiritual Centres
- Collaboration with the 2002 Essex Hall Lecturer, Thandeka, to facilitate a workshop following the lecture. This will give an opportunity to explore the relevance of the purpose and process of Covenant Groups in UK.

Fellowships Initiative Group

The Fellowships Initiative Group deserves special mention. During the year, three resource packs have been produced:

1. Working with Fellowships, Provisional Fellowships and Unrecognised Groups - a pack for Development Workers
2. Developing Fellowships - How District Associations can help
3. Developing your Fellowship, Provisional Fellowship or Group

A protocol for the use of these packs is currently being developed. Following this, information

will be circulated to appropriate groups and individuals. We are indebted to Jane Howarth for creating and producing these packs. This has been a major project requiring experience, expertise and commitment. We look forward to being pro-active in the use of the packs in the coming year.

Development Skills Training Programme (DSTP)

At the September Retreat, the committee explored the options for further DSTP training programmes. This exploration is continuing with a small group considering different formats and collaboration with other Unitarian development and training programmes.

The Development Network is continuing to provide a resource of experienced facilitators for projects and initiatives throughout the country.

Finally

The committee had a quiet summer in 2001, although much work was continuing in the background. The Retreat in September was attended by Jeff Teagle and collaboration on a number of projects was discussed. We look forward to progressing these in 2002 with renewed enthusiasm and energy.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair: Rev John Midgley (from April 2001), Judith Crompton (until April 2001)

Secretary: Jeffrey Teagle

Members: The Rev Steve Dick (from January 2002), Dorothy Omar (until January 2002), the Rev Ann Peart (until October 2001), Alan Ruston (from April 2001) and Michael Tomlin.

1 Meetings

The Executive Committee met three times, approximately two weeks before each Council Meeting.

2 The Work of the Executive Committee

The Committee heard routine reports from the President, Vice-President, Honorary Treasurer and General Secretary. Two members elected by Council provided further depth to the decision-making. The Committee monitored the progress workings of Unitarian Headquarters, including the summaries of the annual staff job review discussions. Considerable attention was paid to international affairs. Unitarian Millennium Fund grant recommendations were handed over to the Finance and Administration Committee in April 2001, following the ending of the fund-raising period at the GA Annual Meetings.

3 GA Object

Following the success of the vote for the revised Object at the GA Annual Meetings 2001, Charity Commission approval was gained.

4 Unitarian Future Vision

A special meeting with charity management consultant David Saint was held at NCVO Headquarters in October 2001. Executive Officers were present at this event. David delivered a lecture on the various forms of future planning options available to the General Assembly. This proved to be helpful in defining the level of planning that was feasible within our context.

The outcome was a set of four recommendations to Council, each of which was accepted. These were

- a) EC should accept a role to think beyond the current budgetary period;
- b) EC should continue to do this in concert with the Executive Officers;
- c) Such "thinking ahead" meetings should take place separately from routine EC meetings; and
- d) The process should start with a review of the progress of the original Vision 2001 suggestions. On this basis the Committee will move ahead with its first planning meeting during 2002.

5 Other Matters

EC was involved with following up numerous matters connected with preparations for Council and the efficient operation of Headquarters.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Sir Peter Soulsby

Secretary: Rev John Clifford

Members: Mike Tomlin (GA Hon Treas), David Arthur, Gavin Mason, Margaret Paxton, Linda Phillips, Sandra Wilson. The GA Finance Officer and General Secretary also attend.

1. Meetings

In addition to the usual meetings of the Committee, a special meeting was held at the direction of Council to consider the staffing and budget implications of the Annual Meetings resolutions relating to the Youth Officer and Web Wizard.

2. Staff Matters

Council agreed to offer **Sarah Tinker** a new five-year contract, effective at the expiry of her contract in August 2002. **Wendy Adams** retired in July 2001 with many tributes to her hard work and expertise. With a slight period of overlap,

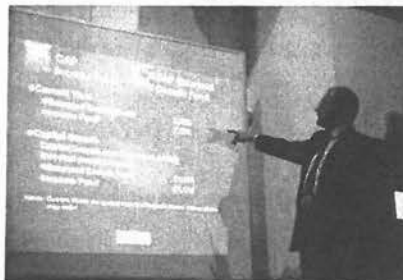
Elizabeth Obe is the new full-time administrative assistant with responsibilities for providing backup to Sarah and for general office duties.

3. Information Technology

There were no substantial changes to the office network during the year, but arrangements with our Internet Service Provider for an extra level of security have enabled us to relax our restrictions on receiving email attachments. We still prefer to receive plain text messages embodied within the email message but where attachments seem unavoidable we will accept them from a known addressee **who sends a prior notification that an attachment is to be expected.**

4. Fundraising

There was no progress during the financial year in finding a Deputy Treasurer, but subsequently a small fundraising team comprising Judith and Dennis Crompton and Rev Bob Wightman has been formed. There will be information about their plans at the Sheffield Annual Meetings. Considering the sharp downturn in the investment world and its effect on GA income and capital, serious fundraising will be necessary to provide for the expansion of work voted at the Chester Annual Meetings.



Speaker from CAF at Chester Meetings

5. Financial Accounts for the year ended 30 September 2001

a) General

This was the first year when committees had been asked to put forward their suggested budget for the coming year. Your Council accepted these estimates and confirmed a deficit budget, working on the principle that any reasonable projected deficit would be covered by an increase in value of GA investments on the stock market, as managed by the Investment Managers, Henderson Global Investors. This is based on the *total return principle* with income deficits being covered by a draw down of increase in investment values.

In fact, the total budget deficit of £114.8k became an actual deficit of £124k, an increase of more than £9k. In the previous year the actual deficit was £10k less than that budgeted so that over two years the two budgets and actual outcomes balanced each other.

Unfortunately the same could not be said of our stock market holdings. As everyone knows, the stock market values (as reflected in the FTSE100) dropped by 27% over the two years from 1 Jan 2000 to 31 December 2001 and our holdings were affected in exactly the same way. Some of the decline was due to the bursting of the dot.com bubble during 2000 and in the early part of 2001 but the tragic events of 11 September 2001 caused a major upset on the world markets and although there has been some recovery, the world stock markets seem very jittery. Henderson do not anticipate any considerable increase in valuations before the end of 2002.

Thus over the year, instead of a budgeted increase in investment values of £125k to cover the deficit, we suffered a reduction in values of £325k i.e. a downturn of £450k. There has therefore been a net reduction in investment values of £191k and a total reduction in GA funds of £236k from 1997 to 2001, which is equivalent to 15% in that period.

Finally over the past five years our total income from all sources has remained virtually static but our expenditure has increased by some £114k. As was mentioned above we had hoped to cover the increased expenditure by using some of the increase in our investments. There was instead of course a sizeable reduction in the value of the investments and so we were caught in a "double whammy". This means that we are going to have to increase income considerably and/ or reduce our expenditure. This is the stark choice we all must face. If we value our Movement and all it stands for then we must decide how we can increase our giving very considerably. **Remember that live giving was only £61,725 out of a total income of £383,498 (16%).**

b) Quota income

Each year the GA sets a target for this based on the estimated number of Unitarian Church members and adherents who pay £15 p.a. into Church funds. In 2000/2001 we had budgeted for £50.7k based on a total quota membership of 4,600, but the amount we received during the year was £45.6k indicating a drop of 500 members, but we are not sure if this means that the number of members and adherents has

actually dropped or whether Churches have reassessed the numbers they have returned, but this is a worrying trend. We would ask that all Church committees and councils review quota membership and payments, please.

c) Investment income

With the very considerable decline in interest rates, lower corporate profits and a withdrawal of the repayment of the tax deducted from corporate dividends, investment income has dropped from £137k (49% of the total) in 1997 to £87k (23%) in 2001 and this is forecast to drop again to 17% in the current year.

d) Expenditure

I would like to thank all the committees for their efforts to keep their expenditure within budgeted limits. With all the pressures of the work in hand, infrequent meetings and not always having all the information to hand, this is a commendable outcome.

6. Budget 2001/2002

The budget for this year, agreed by GA Council in July 2001, shows a deficit of £125k. Since this was adopted, further information has been received so that the budgeted deficit could now be £175k and the Executive Committee, in conjunction with the Executive Officers, are meeting to decide how we may reduce this deficit. This is not a crisis situation but is a serious matter which everyone needs to consider.

7. Investment Managers

Henderson Global Investors have acted as managers for the past year and their results have been broadly in line with the benchmark they have set themselves against. The Investment Committee has met with them twice during the year.

8. Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the General Assembly to use reserves to fund deficits arising on general income and expenditure.

9. Risk Assessment

As a result of the SORP 2000 accounting regulations, which affect all charities, the Finance & Administration Committee will be making a risk assessment of the GA workings in time for the next Annual Report.

10. Ethical Policy

A new Policy has been developed in conjunction with the B&FUA and is to be offered for discussion at their meetings.



UMF stall at Chester, third & last time



Alan Ruston, new Vice President, receives his badge



Meetings promote conversations

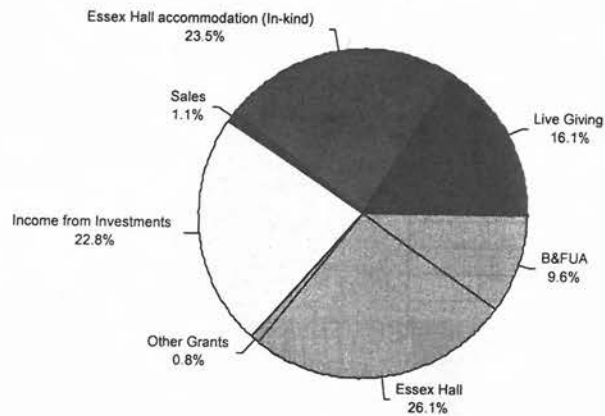
The graphs below illustrate the break-down of sources of income and major items of expenditure. It is hoped that this form of presentation will make the summary accounts clearer.

Suggestions for future graphical presentations would be welcomed by the Finance Officer.

Income and Expenditure of Unrestricted Funds for the year ended 30 September 2001

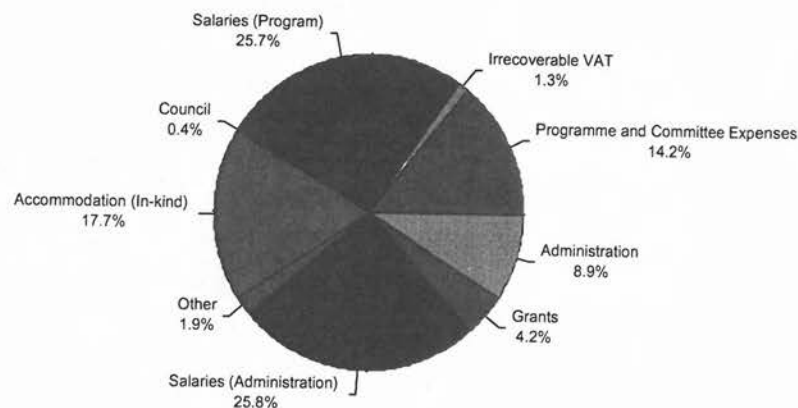
Where our income came from

(100%=£383,498)



How we spent it

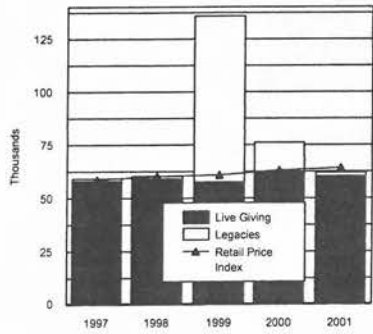
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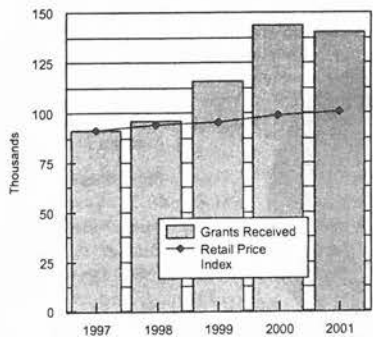
Five Year Trends



Investments and Interest



Live Giving



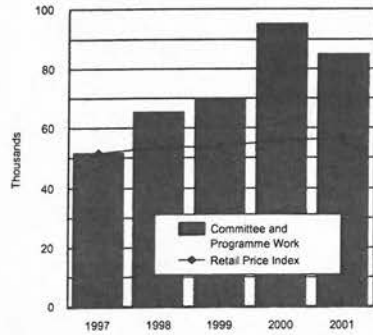
Grants Received

This graph only shows monetary grants received. Additionally, the General Assembly receives rent free

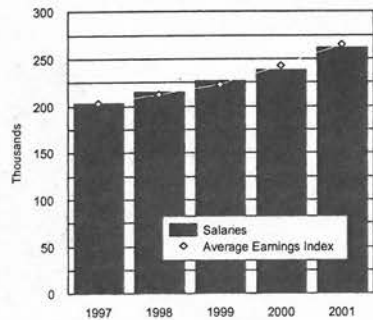
accommodation from Essex Hall. This year the value of this accommodation was £90,000.



Administration Costs



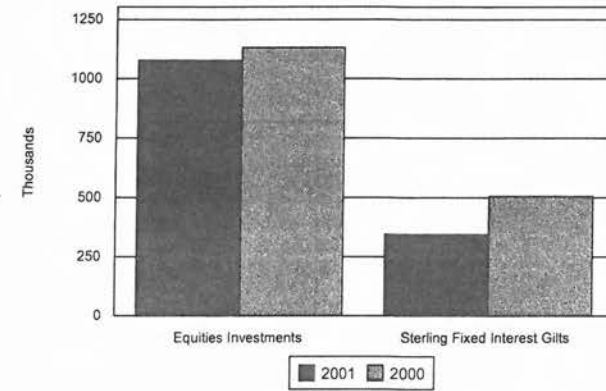
Committee and Programme Work



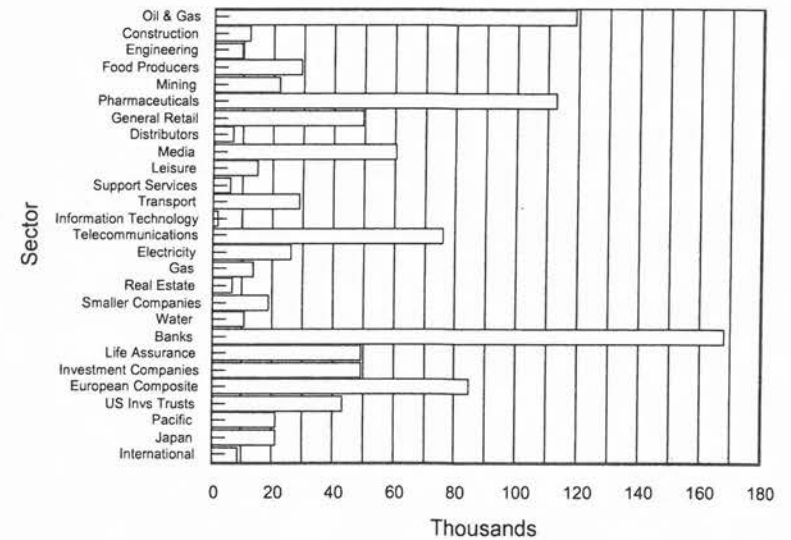
Salaries for Administration and Program Staff
(incl. Pensions, Employers NI, etc.)

Where our investments are placed

Fixed Interest/Equities Investments Split



Equities Investments



These graphs show the market value of General Assembly's Unrestricted Fund investments and the broad sectors that they fall in.

The General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches

Budget for 2001/2002 (Unrestricted Funds)

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS ONLY

Notes	Actual 2000/01 £	Budget 2000/01 £	Budget 2001/02 £	Revised Budget 2001/02 £
Incoming Resources				
Legacies	983	—	—	1000
Subscriptions / Assoc Memb %%	13,743	14,000	15,000	15,000
Congregational Contributions	45,602	50,700	51,750	46,750
Special Collections	1,423	1,500	1,500	3,000
Dividends and Interest	87,492	90,000	90,000	56,000
Donations and Gifts	5	—	—	—
British & Foreign Unitarian Assoc.	36,866	25,000	25,000	35,000
Essex Hall Trustees	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Essex Hall Trustees (in kind)	90,000	90,000	95,000	95,000
Memorial Hall Manchester	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750
Lawrence House Fund	1,500	600	600	600
Rental Income	660	800	800	800
Hymns for Living	—	—	—	1,500
Information Office Sales	2,517	4,800	4,800	4,800
Payroll Calculation Service	957	750	900	900
Total Incoming Resources	383,498	379,900	387,100	362,100
Resources Expended				
Direct Charitable Expenditure				
Grants	11,000	11,000	11,000	10,350
Other	204,544	209,100	225,213	206,288
Management and Administration	191,911	175,800	185,683	190,883
Accommodation	90,000	90,000	95,000	95,000
Total Resources Expended	497,455	485,900	516,896	502,521
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources before Transfers				
	(113,957)	(106,000)	(129,796)	(140,421)
Transfers Between Funds				
	(10,400)	(10,400)	(10,400)	(10,400)
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources for the Year				
	(124,357)	(116,400)	(140,196)	(150,821)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)				
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Investments	(4,837)	96,000	—	—
Unrealised Gains/(Losses) on Investments	(320,207)	—	125,000	—
Realised Gain on Sale of Property	10,863	20,000	—	—
Net Movement in Funds				
	(438,538)	(400)	(15,196)	(150,821)
Balances Brought Forward				
1 October year start	1,966,875	1,966,875	1,528,337	1,528,337
Balances Carried Forward				
30 September year end	£1,528,337	£1,966,475	£1,513,141	£1,377,516

The General Assembly conducted a financial review in February 2002 and created the revised budget

- 1 Legacy expected
- 2 Revises the quota membership down to 4000 at £11.25
- 3 Introduction of Fund Raising team to encourage giving
- 4 Dividend income revised downward in line with Investment Manager forecasts
- 5 Continuation of increased British and Foreign Unitarian Association grant expected
- 6 Reprint of Hymns for Living now available
- 7 Revision of departmental and administration expenditure following consultations and review on 21 February 2002
- 8 Uncertainty over market growth in foreseeable future

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Budget for 2001/2002 (Continued)

DIRECT CHARITABLE GIVING

Inquirer Publishing

Actual 2000/01	Budget 2000/01	Budget 2001/02	Revised Budget 2001/02
11,000	11,000	11,000	10,350
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES			
General Assembly Council			
1,503	3,750	3,900	2,000
Grants to Annual Meetings			
—	—	—	0
Building Advisory Panel			
453	—	250	250
Development Committee			
2,043	4,750	4,750	3,300
Executive Committee			
936	900	900	900
Finance & Administration Committee			
1,010	800	800	800
General Purposes Committee			
2,595	4,000	3,600	2,900
a) Annual Meetings (net)			
3,720	—	—	0
b) IARF Work			
3,900	3,900	4,000	2,000
c) ICUU Work			
1,200	1,200	1,500	1,500
Ecumenical SubCommittee			
347	500	600	450
Interfaith SubCommittee			
763	1,200	1,350	500
Information Committee			
21,876	22,000	19,400	13,750
Lay Persons' Summer School			
919	1,400	1,400	400
Lay Training Committee			
1,850	1,200	1,500	1,500
Ministry Committee			
4,106	5,100	5,100	5,100
Interview SubCommittee			
2,624	1,800	1,600	1,600
Penal Affairs Panel			
251	700	950	850
Publications Panel			
871	1,000	1,000	750
Religious Education Committee			
9,757	10,500	5,200	4,950
Youth Committee			
—	—	4,900	4,650
Social Responsibility Committee			
7,036	7,000	4,980	4,470
Sexual Orientation Equality Working Group			
729	950	2,750	950
Unitarian Vision/Forward Planning			
138	—	2,000	1,500
Welsh Committee			
4,219	4,000	4,000	3,335
Worship Committee			
1,138	1,450	2,000	1,400
General Expenses Apportioned to Programme Work			
—	—	7,800	7,500
Staff Salaries due to programme work			
130,560	131,000	138,983	138,983
Total Departmental Expenditure	204,544	209,100	206,288
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION			
Salaries, Pensions, etc			
130,923	131,000	138,983	138,983
Ex Gratia Payment			
2,910	—	—	0
Officer's Travel and Expenses			
6,534	5,000	5,000	4,000
Office Expenses			
22,278	22,000	23,500	22,500
Staff Training			
1,981	1,200	1,000	1,000
Audit and Accountancy Fees			
9,560	6,900	7,000	7,700
Professional Fees			
8,845	1,000	1,500	8,000
Insurance (Including Third Party Risks)			
2,362	900	900	900
Ministers Houses – repairs			
23	800	800	800
Irrecoverable VAT			
6,495	7,000	7,000	7,000
Subtotal	191,911	175,800	185,683
Accommodation			
90,000	90,000	95,000	95,000
Total Administration Expenditure	281,911	265,800	285,883
Total Resources Expended before transfers			
£497,455	£485,900	£516,896	£502,521
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS			
Ministerial Students Fund Grant			
10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
General Purposes Grant to India Fund			
400	400	400	400
Total Unrestricted Fund Transfers out	£10,400	£10,400	£10,400

Report on the expenses of holding the 2001 Annual Meetings

INCOME

Accommodation and Meals		
Participants	40,228	
GA staff not on conference fee	2,141	
Youth grants towards costs	<u>757</u>	
		43,126
Conference Fees		13,570
For IARF SSN (Donate-One-Meal)		662
Lawrence House (general grant)		500
Grant (NELUM)		700
Group Registrations		247
Sundry Donations		105
Sales of Essex Hall Lecture		<u>136</u>
Total Income		59,045

EXPENDITURE

Accommodation and Meals		
Participants	43,811	
Staff, Guests, Workers (overleaf)	<u>6,590</u>	
		50,401
To IARF SSN		662
Essex Hall Lecture printing		
From Conference fee sheet (overleaf)		
Travel	2,285	
Printing	2,804	
Fees	3,431	
Postage	1,265	
Sundry	<u>417</u>	
		<u>10,202</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>61,265</u>
Excess of expenditure over income transferred from GP budget		<u>2,220</u>

Report on the expenses of holding the 2001 Annual Meetings

ACCOMMODATION

Guests	1,081	
Students MCO	396	
Students UCM	535	
Zette Editor	136	
Retired Ministers	2,442	
Staff (not dept)	851	
Youth Programme	344	
Essex Hall Lecturer	45	
President + Spouse	458	
Vice-President + Spouse	<u>302</u>	
		6,590

TRAVEL

Guests	1,008	
Retired Ministers	32	
Staff	598	
Essex Hall Lecturer	48	
Youth Leaders	362	
Van Petrol & Expenses	<u>237</u>	
		2,285

PRINTING

Handbook	343	
Card/Badges	202	
Photocopying/Duplicating	1,683	
Inquirer	<u>576</u>	
		2,804

FEES

Essex Hall Lecture	150	
Organist	50	
Audio/Visual	1,412	
Anniversary Service	230	
Youth Honoraria & Expenses	963	
Floral	55	
City Bus Hire	300	
RAC for Signs	<u>271</u>	
		3,431

POSTAGE

Sendout		1,265
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SUNDRY

Pre-AGM Expenses	309	
Contingency	<u>108</u>	
		417

TOTAL

16,792

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Chair: David Arthur

Secretary: Rev John Clifford

Members: Meryl Edgley, Martin Gienke, Rev John Keggen, Dorothy Omar (Deceased 25/02/02), Rev Andrew Parker. The General Secretary also attends this Committee.

1. Annual Meetings 2001

The Meetings were held at University College, Chester from 18 to 21 April 2001.

Rev Beryl Allerton, minister at Bolton Chorlton and Whitefield, conducted the Opening Devotions. The Anniversary Service was held in Chester Cathedral, conducted by Rev Peter Hewis with Rev Penny Johnson preaching the Anniversary Sermon. The new President, Rev John Midgley, conducted the Closing Devotions. The theme of the Meetings was "Keeping Our Chalice Alight" and had a particular emphasis on the importance of involving young adults in our activities and leadership. Rebecca Richards gave the Keynote Address. The Essex Hall Lecture was given by Kevin Munday, Vice-Chair of the British Youth Council. In support of the theme a system of age-related subsidies for young adult participants and representatives encouraged a larger than average attendance of those under 30.

The Donate-One-Meal programme raised £662.39 for the social service work of the International Association for Religious Freedom.

2. International Association for Religious Freedom and other inter-faith contacts.

The GA is represented on the IARF Council by Rev Ann McClelland. The GA President, Rev John Midgley, attended the national Remembrance Sunday Ceremony at the Cenotaph, this event now including a much wider range of religious representatives than formerly. The Interfaith Subcommittee was active in helping to organise a 3-day conference at the University of Leicester in July 2001 on "Multifaith England, what future?" The timeliness of the conference, shortly after a series of inter-ethnic disturbances in northern cities was attested to by a participation of over 100.

The aftermath of the terrorist attacks in the USA on 11 September 2001 included some attacks on Muslims (and members of other faiths) in Britain. Several Unitarian congrega-

tions and individuals responded by taking public steps to affirm solidarity with members of other faiths.

3. International Council of Unitarians and Universalists and other international Unitarian contacts.

The GA was represented at the May 2001 Council in Montreal by Rev Cliff Reed and Christine Hayhurst. Rev John Clifford attended as the Convenor of the Nominating Committee and Rev Richard Boeke as the then-Secretary. Cliff Reed was re-elected to the Executive Committee.

Following the ICUU meetings, John Clifford attended the Canadian Unitarian Council Annual Meetings, at which the Canadians agreed to undertake responsibility for most centralised services provided to Canadian congregations from July 2002. This will involve significant restructuring within the UUA and the CUC.



Some banners at the CUC Annual Meetings

The GA Vice President, Alan Ruston, and his wife, Rosemary, attended the UUA General Assembly in Cleveland, Ohio in June 2001.

Judith Crompton attended the Annual Conference of the Unitarian Union of North East India in February 2001, during her Presidency of the GA.

ICUU ran a very successful international Symposium at Manchester Academy and Harris College, Oxford in July 2001. British participation in the organisation and content was high.

The GA was represented at the German Unitarian Biennial Meetings by John Clifford.

Contact with Continental Unitarian bodies, the UUA, and Indian Unitarians was maintained by many individual British Unitarians during the year.

During the year, a UK Partner Church Network was set up to foster direct linkages between British and Overseas congregations.

4. Contacts with Christian bodies

During the year 2000-2001 the Ecumenical Subcommittee conducted a survey of Unitarian ecumenical contacts. The Convenor, Alan Ruston, will publish a report in the Inquirer before the 2002 Annual Meetings. The CTBI responded in a friendly tone to our recent contacts but report that institutional developments involving Unitarians would require a significant change in their procedures. This does not seem likely for some time.

5. Charities Acts - Registration

The Churches Main Committee has been hosting consultative meetings between denominational bodies and the Home Office on the new regulations for "recognised" bodies. Another such consultation is scheduled for March 2002. Meantime the temporary regulations permitting GA congregations who forward Annual Accounts and Report to Essex Hall to not register separately remain in force.

6. Vice-Presidential nomination

As in previous years, suggestions were invited from congregations (to be submitted via Districts). Council accepted the Committee's recommendation that Rev Austin Fitzpatrick be nominated for Vice President at the 2002 Annual Meetings.

7. Constitutional Matters

As reported earlier in this Annual Report, the 2001 Annual Meetings approved the proposed amendment to the Objects Clause of the GA Constitution. This was reported to the Charity Commission and their acknowledgement of the change has been received. Copies of the revised Constitution were circulated to all congregations, districts, and church leaders during the year.

HYMN BOOK WORKING GROUP

Secretary: Rev Andrew Hill

Members: Rev Andrew Brown, David Dawson, Rev Arthur Long, Alan Myerscough, Peter Sampson, Kate Taylor.

1. The members of the Council's working group are listed above. The group also has a short list of others whom it may call upon for special purposes.
2. In March the group was awarded a £7,000 grant by the Millennium Fund for the purchase of computer software and hardware.

3. Since November, all members of the group have been equipped with licensed copies of the Sibelius music software for use on their own computers and since then have been learning how to use it and how to send Sibelius files to one another. We are also in the process of purchasing a computer to hold a central archive of old and new hymn tunes and hymn texts to keep centrally, probably at Cross Street Chapel.

4. From 2003 onwards we will be requesting slots at GA meetings and elsewhere for hymn and music workshops. In order to give the group an opportunity of exploring the new technology, and in order for congregations to discover what the future is in terms of Unitarian church music, we plan next year to launch a pilot CD-Rom of the words and music of up to 50 old and new hymn texts and tunes, together with midi-versions of the music.

5. The group is deliberately keeping its options open, but it is highly likely that there will be a printed hymn book of some sort. In any case, we expect the project to be completed by 2010 at the very latest when the red hymn books will be 19 years old and the green books 25 - twenty five years being regarded as about the normal life of a hymn book.

INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Wilna Roberts

Secretary: Matthew Smith

Assistant: Neil Macpherson

Members: Dennis Crompton, Howard Hague, Malcolm Sadler, Frances Teagle, Rev Robert Wightman.

1. Committee

The Committee held two meetings, in January and October, both at Essex Hall.

2. Grants

The following publicity grants were made during the year: £130 to Park Lane Chapel, Wigan for a notice board; £100 to the Wessex Area Unitarian Ministry for press advertising; £300 to Belper towards the cost of advertising a series of Spring events at the chapel; £130 to Eastern Union towards the cost of a promotional leaflet for the District; £250 to Hull towards the cost of erecting new notice boards.

3. Unitarian Communications Co-ordinators Network (UCCN)

The second UCCN Weekend took place at Hucklow from 16-18 February and was attended by fifteen people from as far apart as Bath and Glasgow. Topics covered included use of email, "looking for a media angle", development of church webpages and improving co-operation regarding public relations work across different levels of the movement. The UCCN-L email discussion list remained active throughout the year.

4. Publications

- The Information Officer handled the publication of the Essex Hall Lecture for 2001, *Participation — How do you spell that?* by Kevin Munday. Copies are still available.
- A new leaflet was produced on our movement's history, titled *Unitarianism ... the continuing story*, with text by Alan Ruston.
- Certain of our existing leaflets were reprinted as stocks had run out.
- The Information Officer collaborated on the production of *Pathways 2001*, our listing of forthcoming events, and on *Pathways Update*, published in the autumn of 2001.

5. Advertising and response to enquiries

Two hundred and forty-two enquiries were received in response to advertisements placed as part of our national and regional advertising campaign during the year. Adverts included "headliners" inside London buses. Although booked for only a month, many of these ads remained in place many months after the end of the paid period. Publications in which advertisements appeared were *Amnesty* magazine, *Third Age News* (magazine of The University of the Third Age), *Sesame* (magazine of the Open University), *Positive News* and *The Big Issue* (in selected regions). The Information Office also dealt with a wide range of general enquiries, an increasing proportion being received through the medium of email.

6. Officer's visits

The Information Officer led a workshop discussion with members of Derby congregation and was a workshop leader at a Cotswold Group event at our Cheltenham church in June. He also led a session on publicity at the NELUM Lay Training Conference at Whalley Abbey. He conducted worship for our Belper and Oxford congregations.

7. Social responsibility media consultancy project

The Information Officer has continued to work

closely alongside Ingrid Tavkar and Wayne Brittenden. There has been some success with letters to the national broadsheet press on issues such as gay rights and GA opposition to an expansion in the number of state-funded faith schools. Wayne has provided useful public relations advice on numerous matters.

8. Video project



Filming at the Annual Meetings

Filming took place between December 2000 and July 2001 under the direction of Martin Gienke. Locations were Whitefield, Macclesfield, Glasgow, Cambridge, Cardiff and the GA Meetings in Chester. Martin then began work on editing, with advice from members of the Video Working Group; they participated in an evaluation exercise - showing a trial edit version of the videotape to enquirers and acquaintances roughly matching our agreed target audience and then obtaining feedback. Martin produced a report based on the responses received and appropriate adjustments were made to the content, the intention being to launch the video in the early part of 2002.

9. World Wide Web & Web Wizard

A new look for the GA website (www.unitarian.org.uk) was unveiled early in 2001, designed by Sophie Dixon-Box. This offers more attractive presentation and easier navigation around the site. Following the change, Tony Burdett continued to keep the GA website up-to-date.

Further congregations launched webpages as part of the Department's free congregational website scheme, with help from regional volunteers Jane Blackall, Tony Burdett, Hugh Martin, Alex Speed, Sandra Stewart and Frances Teagle and Howard Wilkins. Simplified web addresses for sites in the scheme were introduced.

Following the passing of the GA resolution calling for the hiring of a denominational "Web Wizard", the Committee took steps to secure funding from the Unitarian Millennium Fund in order to be able to engage the services of a temporary part-time contractor, with the hope that such a person could begin work early in 2002.

10. GA Annual Meetings



Alan Curren served as press officer with John Hewerdine working as GA photographer - a well-established duo. A number of articles, some with photographs, appeared in local press around the country as a result. John Hewerdine's pictures also featured in *The Inquirer*.



Once again, the Rev. Daphne Roberts took charge of the GA bookstall with assistance from husband, John, and Neil Macpherson. Committee members spoke on aspects of the Department's work for our GA slot.

11. Electronic Communications Working Group

The Committee decided to establish this body (comprising Kate Taylor, Frances Teagle and Howard Wilkins) primarily to make recommendations on policy for the creation and maintenance of GA-sponsored email discussion lists, and to provide guidance on best practice for group decision-making by email. The Group reported it would be ready to make an interim report on how to proceed in the early part of 2002.

12. Travelling Display

The Unitarian travelling exhibition boards were used by our congregations in Padiham, Lincoln, Norwich, Dover and Doncaster.

13. G.A. Mail Order Service

Sales of books from the Information Department were boosted by the increasing frequency of publications from the Publications Panel and Worship Committee. Neil Macpherson is chiefly responsible for handling orders and sales.

14. Marketing our congregations as spiritual resource centres

The Information Officer wrote to District Associations with an invitation to lead discussion sessions on the theme of spirituality and self-development days/weekends. This has resulted in a couple of speaking engagements for 2002. This initiative has now been handed over to the Development Committee.

15. Media

The Rev. Bob Wightman visited a number of regional ITV stations to discuss the possibility of a Unitarian service of worship being broadcast. These visits included a meeting with a senior producer of religious programmes for Granada Television.

The Information Officer wrote to Alan Bookbinder on his appointment as Head of Religion and Ethics for the BBC. Mr Bookbinder agreed in principle to a meeting with Unitarian representatives once he had had a little time to get established in his new job.

16. Officer's other duties

The Information Officer continues to serve as an *ex officio* member of the GA Publications Panel, but resigned as a director on the Board of *The Inquirer* owing to pressure of work. He continued to serve on the Fellowships Initiative Group (FIG) and on the GA Interfaith Sub-

Committee, the latter position linking in with his role as one of the trustees of the International Interfaith Centre (IIC) in Oxford.

17. Congregational Survey 2000

Our congregational survey is currently conducted every two years. Forms were sent out during 2001 for the period January-December 2000. The number of replies received from congregations and recognised fellowships was 142 out of a possible 182 — a response rate of 78%. The total number of quota members reported for the 142 member groups was 3,944 adults. This gives an average quota membership per congregation of 27.77 persons (29.37 in 1998, 30.11 in 1996). Unfortunately, the downward trend is clear. On a more positive note, forty-three congregations indicated some net growth in membership during 2000.

It is possible to make estimates as to the quota membership of congregations that did not reply (e.g. by looking at quota payments), thus enabling us to reach an approximate figure for total quota membership of the movement in Great Britain. The estimate for 2000 is 5,230 (5,430 in 1998; 5,480 in 1996).

It should be mentioned that some congregations' quota payments to the General Assembly never match their own estimates of quota membership. There are also a few congregations which have indicated a total membership figure much larger than their reported quota membership. The total, from those congregations which replied, for those deemed to be full church members at local level - though not necessarily also quota members - was 4,461. This gives an average full membership per congregation of 31.42 (33.58 in 1998, 34.80 in 1996). If we add estimates for those congregations which did not reply, we get an estimated total congregational membership in Great Britain of 5,860 adults (6,230 in 1998 and 6,334 in 1996). *[N.B. The above figures do not, of course, include membership figures for either affiliated societies (including the National Unitarian Fellowship) or local groups/new fellowships currently without recognised status within the Assembly.]*

LAY TRAINING COMMITTEE

Chair: Hilda Dumbleton

Secretary: Dr Don Kerr

Members: Mary Barratt, John Harley, Jess Hoskins, Richard Lovis, Dorothy Omar (until February 2002), Sarah Tinker, Geoffrey Waywell, Howard Wilkins. GA General Secretary and Honorary Officers (ex officio).

This Committee has met three times during the year, in May, September and January.

1. Course in Lay Preaching and the Conduct of Worship

Course Coordinator: Hilda Dumbleton

Registrar: Don Kerr

The committee met with the course tutors and two Lay Preachers who had completed this course, Arthur Brown and Neil Fisher. It was concluded that the academic modules run by the three tutors worked well but that there were some problems with the administration of the course and it was proving difficult to organise the residential weekends. The administration difficulties experienced by the Coordinator and Registrar are already ameliorated and hopefully will be resolved soon. The committee normally expects to run one residential weekend each year and each student is required to attend two before they complete the course. Due to increasing demands on the Nightingale Centre, Luther King House, and other such venues, and the difficulty in estimating (more than a year ahead) how many students would attend, there has been a two-year gap in the courses. It is now accepted that the courses must be run even if they do not "break even" and deficits will be minimised.

This meeting proved to be extremely useful and it is intended that further such meetings will be held.

2. Unitarian Laypersons' Summer School

The 2001 School had to be cancelled because of a shortage of applicants and it has been decided that a School will not be held in 2002.

The committee appreciates the efforts that the staff put into planning and the disappointment they experience when plans have to be abandoned.

3. "Taking the Service"

Another course on this theme will be held in the Autumn of 2002. It will again be run by Richard

Lovis and Peter Sampson at Luther King House, Manchester. Attempts were made to organise this course further south, but that did not prove possible.

4. The committee has always felt at some disadvantage in not having an appointed link to Essex Hall Staff and we are grateful to Sarah Tinker for attending our meetings and giving us a great deal of help over and above her "Job Description" duties. In particular she has been the driving force behind re-organising the CLPCW Residential Weekends.

A perennial subject of discussion at meetings is the desirability of a "Training Officer" to coordinate all the denomination's courses but we are well aware of the financial problems that this would raise.

MINISTRY COMMITTEE

Chair: Rev Eric Jones

Secretary: Jeff Teagle

Members: The Rev John Allerton, the Rev Peter Hewis, Celia Kerr (until January 2002), Julianne Morgan, the Rev Ann Peart, Margaret Phelan, the Rev Dr Leonard Smith (until January 2002), and Dr David Wykes. GA Honorary Officers also regularly exercised their right to attend.

1 Meetings

The Committee met three times during the year and the Interview Subcommittee also met twice. The Forum for the Co-ordination of Theological Education met once.

2 Roll of Ministers and Lay Pastors

Admissions to the Roll were:

July 2001:

- The Rev Jane C Barton (Minister) (formerly Eisenhauer)
- The Rev Feargus M O'Connor (Minister)
- The Rev Kathleen M Packer (Minister)
- The Rev John Priest (Minister)
- The Rev Dr Raymond Walder (Minister)

February 2002:

- The Rev Mark Allstrom (Minister)
- The Rev Dr J B (Hans) leGrand (Minister)
- The Rev Gordon R Oliver (Minister).

Deaths

The following ministers have died since the last Annual Report:

The Rev Roy John (15 March 2001), the Rev Olive Joan Evans (4 April 2001), the Rev Donald Mills (12 September 2001), the Rev

William Harold Mackrell (16 November 2001) and the Rev John Unsworth (26 January 2002). The deaths of the Revs John and Evans were recognised at the 2001 Anniversary Service.

We received the news of their passing with deep regret. Each will be remembered with appreciation and affection by the movement and by the congregations that they served with great devotion and distinction.

4 Retirement

Since the last Annual Meetings the Reverends Anne Latham, Art Lester and Dr Len Smith have retired. The Committee and Council thank them for their long and dedicated service to the movement.

5 Training for Ministry

Manchester College and Harris Academy, Oxford: Much to the delight of the Unitarian community, the Rev Peter Hewis was appointed as full-time Chaplain Tutor as from September 2001. Peter has previously served as Tutor whilst also performing a full-time ministry at Hinckley. Jane Barton (Eisenhauer), Feargus O'Connor, Kathy Packer and John Priest completed their respective college requirements in June 2001. Each of them continued with further academic studies, one on a voluntary basis and three as required by the Interview Subcommittee. Jane continued with her existing ministries at Brighton and Worthing; Feargus and John commenced ministries within the London district; Michael Jarrett as an occasional student as a voluntary part of his training to qualify on the GA Roll of Lay Leaders. Anne Braithwaite commenced her second year. Donald Phillips, Simon Ramsay and Christopher Wilson commenced their first year of ministry training.

Unitarian College Manchester: Dr Raymond Walder completed his studies in June 2001 and then commenced as minister at Blackpool. June Pettitt continued into her second year. Leslie McKeown attended as an occasional student as a voluntary part of her training to qualify on the GA Roll of Lay Leaders. The Rev Dr Len Smith retired as Principal at the end of January 2002 and the Rev Ann Peart was appointed to succeed him. Five ministry students are scheduled to commence studies at UCM during Autumn 2002. Extensive use is planned of the courses available within Luther King House from the Partnership for Theological Education Manchester (PTeM).

Overseas Students: Gordon Oliver from Cape Town South Africa completed his academic requirements within the University of South Africa. He has returned to MCO for his final studies and will be recognised at the 2002 Annual Meetings. The congregation of Cape Town have decided to appoint him as minister. Hans Le Grand from Holland completed his distance learning requirements and will continue his non-stipendiary role within European Unitarian Universalist fellowships. The Rev Johanna Boeke provided an invaluable service as mentor and arranger of his UK preaching schedule. Both colleges and the Interview Subcommittee co-operated in the above distance learning arrangements. The majority of the work was however undertaken by Dr Len Smith who deserves much credit for the results.

The Rev Mark Allstrom, an experienced UUA minister, qualified for GA Roll entry under the supervision of the Rev Allen Kirby and whilst serving the GA member congregation of Adelaide, South Australia.

6 Welsh Training

The Welsh Department will shortly put its Pastoral Training Syllabus into use for a newly-accepted ministerial student, Wyn Thomas.

7 Ministerial Fellowship

Two meetings were held between the President and Vice-President of the Fellowship and the Ministry Committee Chairperson and the General Secretary. These half-yearly meetings serve to ensure good communication and a worthwhile exchange of viewpoints.

8 Forum for Training in Ministry

The sixth meeting took place at Unitarian College Manchester in May 2001. Eight recommendations were reported to the Ministry Committee. The choice of Luther King House as a venue enabled Forum attendees to meet PTEM senior staff and to appreciate the considerable changes that have taken place at this ecumenical training establishment.

9 Review and Support Panel

The Panel was able to recruit one extra member. It did not provide any support services during the year. On two occasions the offer of the Panel's services was declined. The Ministry Committee considered several individual cases of concern involving congregations and ministers. Guidelines III "A Code of Practice for Congregations and their Leaders" proved to be a valuable source of practical reference.



Nightingale Stall at Chester Meetings

THE NIGHTINGALE CENTRE

Chair: Jen Atkinson

Secretary: Michael Tracey

Financial Secretary: Martin West

Members: David Dawson, David Copley, Richard Kirkwood, Linda Phillips, Rev Gerald Whittaker, Neville Kenyon.

GA Representative: Freda Laverick

Co-opted Members: Frank Rothwell, Richard Crompton.

GA Treasurer: Mike Tomlin (ex officio)

Minutes Sec: Marion Baker (non-voting)

Hon Solicitor: Andrew Cooper (non-voting)

Financial Review

It has been a challenging year for the Centre as a result of the foot and mouth outbreak. Footpaths were closed for four months and whilst our manager, Liz Shaw, encouraged many groups still to come and adapt their programmes, some groups, particularly those based on outdoor activities, cancelled. However, with a sound financial structure in place and some careful management, we ended the financial year with a net surplus of £15,639.

Although the trading account shows a loss of £3,816 the rent received from the letting of Barleycrofts of £10,275 and donations and other income of £9,180 has resulted in the positive outcome for the year.

Development of the Centre

We are grateful to the Unitarian Millennium Fund for their grant to cover the cost of the feasibility study to consider the further development of the Centre to meet future needs. The process is still continuing but we already have a clearer insight as to how we can most effectively achieve better access for disabled and less mobile elderly guests, more en suite

twin bed and family rooms and an upgraded modern Social Hall facility.

In addition to this proposed major development the Management Committee is committed to an ongoing programme of enhancing the facilities of the Centre. There is a rolling programme of upgrading the bedding and of general redecoration. New locks have been fitted throughout the house so that all bedroom keys now also open the two outside doors. The decision to provide towels has been greatly appreciated by all our guests. The refurbishment of the Dining Room is scheduled for the spring of 2002.

Manager and Staff

Liz Shaw was appointed as manager in November 2000 and has demonstrated that she has the skills and enthusiasm to help further develop the success of the Centre. She leads a team of hard-working staff and it is to their credit to note the many comments of appreciation from guests throughout the year.

Play Equipment

Much committee time is spent on the question of maintaining and improving the provision of play equipment. There are difficult decisions to be made in striving to balance the recreational benefits of play equipment with the costs involved in meeting the ever-increasing guideline requirements with regard to safety.

Front of House

The committee has been sensitive to the views of villagers who wish the conifers at the front of the house to be removed. Permission has been granted for the non-indigenous conifers to be taken down. The two Scots Pines will remain. We will also be planning some tree planting that will give a brighter aspect to the front of Nightingale.

Trustee Indemnity Insurance

There is a continuing concern in the committee over trustee indemnity insurance. We are awaiting an authoritative ruling from GA Council on this matter.

Barleycrofts

Barleycrofts is split into three letting units, namely a three-bedroom house, a two-bedroom cottage and a one-bedroom cottage. Barleycrofts house is let to the YHA on a five-year lease and this has proved to be a good tenancy for the Centre. The letting of the two cottages has not been so successful. We are currently in the process of investigating the way forward with

regard to the cottages with the aim of achieving a good level of income without an undue management burden.

Open Day

In June we held our annual Open Day and we are grateful to everyone who contributed to the fun, fellowship and financial success of the day. The amount raised was £1,539 and we thank Freda Laverick for her efforts in organising the event in recent years. Freda has indicated that she would like to step down and the event this year will be organised by Dave Copley and Liz Shaw.

PENAL AFFAIRS PANEL

Chair: Geoffrey Head

Secretary: Jane Howarth

Members: Bruce Chilton, Jane Howarth, Rev Ann Latham, Liz Marshall, Kate Taylor



Panel Presentation at Chester Meetings

1. Activities

The panel met twice during the year. The work of the Panel breaks down into three main areas.

a) **Information** in the form of briefing papers, responses in the denominational and national press on issues that arise from time to time, and presence at Annual Meetings of the General Assembly. Two briefing papers have been in production during the period covered by this report, one of which should be available at the Annual Meetings in 2002. There have been articles and letters in *The Inquirer* on the subject of sentencing women, and in *The Inquirer* and the national press on the outcry following the release on license of the young men who, as children, killed Jamie Bulger. The Panel's slot at the Annual Meetings in 2001 gave an opportunity for exchange between those present on the work

of the Panel and a leaflet setting out the Panel's recent activities was distributed there and on the stall.

b) Unitarian presence by members of the Panel and others acting on their behalf: at a conference to explore the proposed legislation allowing detention without trial of people deemed to have Serious Dangerous Personality Disorder; at a meeting to share views on the government's Sentencing Review with John Halliday, civil servant heading the review; at the *Women in Prison Conference* in Leeds; at a meeting on Women in Prison called by the Human Values in Healthcare Forum; at a Home Office seminar on women in prison held at Askham Grange; and at meetings on Social Exclusion and on Community Chaplaincy (our thanks to Ron Farquhar). A response to the Sentencing Review could not be approved by the panel as rail disruption caused cancellation of a meeting, so the response was submitted on an individual basis. Bruce Chilton reported to the Panel on a conference on suicide in prison.

c) Churches' Criminal Justice Forum We are glad to report on significant developments in ecumenical working, and in expanding links with people from other faiths who are involved in some way in penal affairs. As reported last year, the Panel was active in the Ecumenical Women in Prison Group (EWPG), the working party that grew out of co-operation during drafting of the Catholic Agency for Social Concern's report *'Women in Prison'*. Following a review of the roles of EWPG that took place at Essex Hall in January, an application was made to Churches Together in Britain and Ireland for the EWPG to become the Churches' Criminal Justice Forum, an accepted network. As existing members of the EWPG Unitarians have been accepted as full members of CCJF.

The objectives of CCJF include a sharing of information and concerns among the members; looking at ways of increasing awareness and understanding of criminal justice issues in congregations; providing responses to government or government agencies that are informed by knowledge and Christian perspectives; supporting measures that counter social exclusion; supporting those working with offenders; and developing dialogue with representatives of non-Christian faiths with regard to these matters. Funding of the work for two years comes from three charities: the Church of England, from residual funds it

administers on behalf of the National Council for Voluntary Service, the Servites (Catholic), and the Esmé Fairbairn Foundation. The objects and the value base of CCJF are available from the Panel.

Bruce Chilton has represented the Panel at meetings and been involved in a working group. Jane Howarth has represented the Panel at meetings, drafted the statement of values, and taken lead responsibility for achieving the objective of making contacts with people from other faiths. The first multi-faith meeting was held at Essex Hall in July, attended by prison chaplains and visiting prison ministers from the Hindu, Jewish, and Sikh faiths, as well as by the Muslim Advisor to the Prison Service, Maqsood Ahmed, who had previously requested a meeting with the General Secretary to which Panel members were invited. The multi-faith meeting demonstrated the value of opportunities for people to share concerns and discuss issues relevant both to their professional and religious lives.

2. Results

Playing an active part in CCJF has brought considerable benefits in the sense of opportunities to take part in events, to engage in dialogue from a Unitarian perspective, and to further work which we regard as important and worthwhile in the area of developing good working relations between people of different faiths in a key area, criminal justice. As was said last year, we are grateful to Council for its continuing support for this aspect of the panel's work.

PUBLICATIONS PANEL

Convenor: Kate Taylor

Members: George Chryssides, Judy Hague (from April 2001), Kay Millard, Catherine Robinson, Matthew Smith (ex officio).

The Panel met four times during 2000-2001

We published no new volumes during this period but members were very actively engaged in the commissioning, editing or copy-editing future publications (or simply resolving the vital question of a title!) Our principal focus was on 'The Way Ahead', the collection of essays by fifteen Unitarians on aspects of the future of the denomination, which was ultimately titled 'Prospects for the Unitarian Movement'. Work continued on 'Unitarian Perspectives on Contemporary Social Issues' and on a collection

of prayers and short poems both scheduled for publication in 2002.

Looking further ahead, we embarked on discussions with the Worship Committee on compiling a book of occasional liturgies, which might, we anticipate, have material for special occasions such as Chapel anniversaries, Mothering Sunday, Remembrance Day or World AIDS Day, or for unusual services such as one celebrating animals. We also began to plan an anthology of short essays on personal spiritual practice.

We kept an eye on the (merrily diminishing) stock of our hardy perennials, 'Celebrating Life' and 'Hymns for Living' and renegotiated copyright permissions for the latter in anticipation of ordering a further reprint.

Not all our work bears fruit and in the past year as in others we have rejected some proposals and also read and rejected some manuscripts.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Coordinator: Sarah Tinker

Assistant: Elizabeth Obe

RE COMMITTEE

Chair: Sheila Jones

Members: Glenys Baird (until 2001), Margaret Hamer, Rev Jo Lane, Stephanie Ramage (until 2001), Michael Tracey, Michaela von Britzke, Roy Wain.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Chair: Rebecca Richards

Members: Timothy Baker (until September 2001), Heather Foster, Rev Chris Goacher (until January 2001), Lorna Hill, Freda Laverick, Joan Partington, Michael Tracey, Richard Whitham, Andrew Mason (Minutes)

1. The RE & Youth Department

bade farewell to Wendy Adams in July, who had worked so efficiently for the department for twenty two years. Wendy was given a truly warm send off at a number of denominational events. In April we were joined by Elizabeth Obe, who works for REYD for two days a week and whose other role is general administrative assistant at Essex Hall. Elizabeth's cheery manner has quickly helped her to get to know many people within the denomination.



Lorna Hill presenting Youth Ctee report

Sarah Tinker continues to work mainly from home in Sheffield with regular visits to Essex Hall and to congregations, District Associations and groups around the country.

1.1 'Safety First' – Code of Practice on Child Protection

Our Code of Practice on Child Protection, entitled, 'Safety First' is now well established within the denomination. It is pleasing to note how many congregations have formally adopted their own child protection policy statement and appointed Child Protection Co-ordinators, as recommended by The Home Office. 'Safety First' includes a standard procedure for taking on volunteers and paid staff who may in any way be in contact with children. It is strongly recommended that all congregations follow such a process. An important development in the coming year will be the launch of the Criminal Records Bureau, which will allow voluntary organisations to access police records for people working with children. REYD will be contacting congregations, as soon as the Bureau's services are available, to explain the necessary procedures. It is important to remember that police checks are only one way in which we can protect the children in our care and that proper supervision of staff and introducing good child-care practices are still essential.



RE Report to Annual Meetings

A training session on child protection was run for the YUU at Bradford Broadway. REYD advises that everybody involved with children should receive training in child protection and the Officer will gladly discuss the most suitable training possibilities in your area.

1.2 Unitarian Chalice Award Scheme

The Unitarian Chalice Award Scheme is a simple yet lively curriculum programme for children in Unitarian & Free Christian groups and congregations. Launched at last year's Annual Meetings, this modular scheme has been well received by children and their leaders alike and we are pleased that over 50 leaders have registered for it. A useful training weekend was held at Hucklow in the autumn for leaders. Copies of the Peace Educators' Handbook, designed in conjunction with the Unitarian Peace Fellowship to support the Peace Education Module, have sold well both within and outside our denomination. It is also pleasing to note that the Welsh Department have arranged to translate the scheme into Welsh.

2. Religious Education Committee

The RE Committee met three times during the year, including a most useful residential meeting to consider future plans.

2.1 RE Summer School 2001

Last year's RE Summer School was a delightful and inspiring week of training and recharging of batteries. The 10 children were the largest number we have had attending and they added a great deal to the week, not least of which was the delight of their modern Christmas Story. The Rev. Simon John Barlow gave a most scholarly and entertaining series of theme talks on 'A Christmas Canvas' and participants were kept busy in their morning workshops which this year featured an intergenerational course, one on rites of passage and one on the contribution world faiths have made to our culture. With candle lit walks to the Old Chapel for evening epilogues, an evening of Dances of Universal Peace and a variety of art and craft activities, the week was considered a great success by participants and staff alike. Once again it is pleasing to note that about half of the participants were new to national events of this kind.

2.2 RE Summer School 2002

Booking forms are now available for this year's Summer School, which is to be held at the Nightingale Centre from the 17th to 25th August.

We are delighted to have as our theme speaker this year the Rev. Dr. Nancy Crumbine, a UUA Minister and Professor at Dartmouth College in Vermont. Nancy will be speaking about the links between religion and education with a particular reference to our GA Theme for 2001-3, 'Keeping Our Chalice Alight'. Our daily workshop sessions will include sessions on meditation practice, Celtic Spirituality and a specially designed programme for young people. The RE Committee would like to encourage all congregations and District Associations to consider sponsoring one of their members to attend RE Summer School who can then bring back new ideas for future religious education developments.

2.3 District Religious Education Co-ordinators
Religious Education Co-ordinators, (RECs) working voluntarily for District Associations, have organised a variety of projects during the last year and deserve our thanks for their efforts. Some have given talks on the Chalice Award and adult RE programmes, run assorted workshops from first aid to story-telling, organised interesting events such as a children's district service, sent out a newsletter, arranged loans of RE materials and assisted people in attending national training events for the first time. RECs provide a most useful link between our national and local educational settings. A number of District Associations have now formed Religious Education Working Parties, or similarly named groups, to support educational activities in their area and REYD would recommend such a move to all Districts as a way of encouraging the development of educational activities for both adults and children.

2.4 Adult RE Programmes

Work progresses on a project to create new adult religious education programmes for use in British congregations and the Officer has formed useful links with other denominations' Training Officers via The Partnership for Theological Training in Manchester.

2.5 Autumn Training Weekend

The Autumn Training Weekend is held each year at Great Hucklow. The 2000 weekend was based on a theme of 'Spring' and brought participants from home and abroad to try out a wide range of activities linking education and worship. The 2001 weekend was on the Chalice Award and the 2002 weekend will be an ecumenical training in Alternatives to Violence and peace education.

3. Youth Committee

The Youth Committee met twice during the year and held a most useful review day to consider the future development of our National Youth Programme, particularly in the light of our two-year General Assembly theme of 'Keeping Our Chalice Alight'.

3.1 Proposed Youth Officer Post

The Youth Committee was gratified by the unanimous vote in favour of FOY's Resolution at last year's Annual Meetings that we "investigate the value of funding a post of Youth Officer for a period of three years". The Committee has done much work on this proposal during the past year and encourages the denomination to think positively about ways to achieve this. It is apparent from around the country that the more energy and enthusiasm that is put into youth activities, the more young people join in. The Committee believes that by investing in young people we also invest in the future of our denomination.



Sarah Warhurst & Jenny Rowland waiting to speak to the FOY motion

3.2 National Youth Programme

The Youth Committee is responsible for a programme of events which are organised for young people, at present mostly at Great Hucklow, for three different age groups: Juniors (7-11), Inters (11-14) and Seniors (14-18). These have all been well subscribed with a pleasing increase in the numbers attending Inter Weekends. As always our grateful thanks go to the loyal and hardworking leaders of all these events, who generously give their time and energy to ensure that young Unitarians & Free Christians have a unique experience of being together. Our dedicated leaders make our National Youth Programme (NYP) possible.

Youth Committee continues to review our NYP provision and is proposing to create a 'Bridging Weekend' to cater for children moving between Juniors and Inter Weekends with the aim of



Painting at Jr Weekend, Oct 2001
keeping more members of this age group actively involved with our denomination.

3.3 YUC Week

Over the last few years, there has been a reduction in the numbers of young people attending our Young Unitarians Conference held each August at Great Hucklow. This mirrors the lower numbers attending Senior Weekends and is an indication that we need to keep in touch with this age group more closely as a denomination. The thirteen young people who did attend last year's YUC Week reported on an excellent week and it was particularly gratifying to be able to support two teenagers from the Czech Republic in attending. One high spot of the week was Initiative Day which took place in pouring rain and showed what initiative our young people have in creating rainwear from black bin liners!

Plans are progressing well for YUC Week 2002, which is to be held from August 3rd to 10th and has a theme of 'Live, Love, Laugh and Be Happy'. Youth Committee would be grateful if congregations and District Associations could let young people know about this week, particularly those who may no longer be attending our chapels but who might welcome keeping in touch with Unitarianism through an event of this kind.

Freda Laverick has put an enormous amount of time and enthusiasm into Unitarian youth activities over the past years and we would like to take this opportunity to recognise the

marvellous contribution she has made. It is greatly appreciated. Many of our young adults speak warmly of the time they have spent on activities organised by Freda. Thank you Freda.

18+ Group

The 18+ group have spent two successful weekends together during the year, the first at Scarnborough, with thanks for the congregation's hospitality there. The group returned to Flagg for its autumn weekend. It is pleasing to report that every 18+ Weekend has had at least one new person attending, often people who are new to national events of this kind. 18+ members continue to show their commitment to denominational life by getting involved at the Annual Meetings and other such events.

3.4 18-35 Weekend

A residential weekend for 18 to 35 year olds was held at Hucklow in the spring and brought together an interesting mixture of old and new faces. It is hoped to make this an annual event as a way of keeping in touch with young adults.

4. Denominational Involvement

During the last year the Officer has co-lead a day at workshop on 'Life as a Spiritual Journey' at York, run a 'Building Your Own Christmas' course for Sheffield District and has been actively involved with the work of the Sexual Orientation Equality Group and the Lay Training Committee. For the latter she led several review sessions on lay training provision. She facilitated RE workshops for the Cotswold's Group's Day of Review and Renewal and attended the World Congress of Faiths Conference on Multi-Faith Britain and led a session there. She visited the Padiham congregation to meet children, leaders and parents and led worship at Fulwood, Great Hucklow, Stannington and Wakefield. She spoke and led worship at the Eastern Union's AGM.

The Officer continued to receive valuable monthly supervision from a consultant and occasional IT training, updated her first aid qualification and attended the 'Soul in Education' conference at Findhorn.

The Officer is available to visit both District Associations and congregations and to offer REYD's assistance in promoting RE and youth activities. She is also happy to give talks, facilitate workshops or provide training sessions for all Unitarian & Free Christian groups and to advise on suitable RE materials, some of which can be bought or borrowed from REYD.

OFFICE OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Chair: Rev Ann Peart (until Oct 2001) Rev Charles VanDenBroeder (from Oct 2001)

Secretary: Ingrid Tavkar

Members: Rev Eric Jones; Jean Mason; Anthony Rees; Rev Charles VanDenBroeder; Chris Wilson (until May 2001); Steven Williams.

1 Meetings

The Committee met twice during the financial year 2000-2001. Both meetings took place at Essex Hall.

2 Mission Statement

"The Office of Social Responsibility aims to: **PROMOTE** social action and concern within the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches. **INVOLVE** individuals and groups of members throughout the denomination by the process of education and awareness-raising to take up the challenge of direct social action. **EQUIP** local churches and district associations by whatever means available to become actively involved in matters of social concern. **SHARE** with other denominations and charities our concern with social issues and our own experience and knowledge in various fields."

3 Denominational Involvement

Media Project

The Committee would like to thank the UMF Appeal Committee and GA Council for continuing to fund this exciting project. We continue our work with Wayne Brittenden. Wayne is an award-winning foreign correspondent, also producing documentaries for the BBC and his own company *Pace News*. As such, his perspectives from the outside looking into Unitarianism have been influential in the launch, style and content of *Counterpoint*, and a variety of initiatives feeding a Unitarian perspective into running news stories. His office monitors all relevant media daily on our behalf, notifying us of potential opportunities. He has developed guidelines to creatively counter various unhelpful public misconceptions about us.

At local level, Wayne has visited some congregations, suggesting new ways of raising their profile. He has also led a session on mass communication for students at Manchester Academy and Harris College and given personal interview training to several of our prominent office holders.

GA Theme "Human Values in a Genetic Age": During 2001, we sponsored road show events in York, Cefn Coed, Cheltenham, Padiham, Ipswich and Dunblane, pursuing the GA theme 'Human Values in a Genetic Age'. We were asking what part the government and its agencies, the scientists, bio-tech companies and civil society should play in determining the future course of genetic engineering and the scope of its application. In Cheltenham 'local Unitarians put GM Food on trial'. This is what R Slayer had to say about this gathering: "As an outsider and religious sceptic attending a symposium on GM foods, organised by a Unitarian minister, on Unitarian territory, I might have assumed it to be a simple ruse to create an opportunity for proselytising. But I didn't. On the contrary, previous encounters with Unitarians had already predisposed me to expect an open, balanced, objective search for knowledge and understanding."

Men and Violence: In January 2001, we organised a day seminar on the theme of 'men and violence'. The speaker, Nicklas Keleman, had travelled especially from his home in Stockholm to present a workshop. Nicklas's message was that men need to find alternatives to the traditional male role model if the appalling levels of violence in the world are to be effectively addressed. His cultural comparisons and insights provided a lively and thought-provoking event.

Asylum Seekers: Some one hundred Unitarians wrote to their MPs and MSPs expressing their concern about the asylum seekers' voucher scheme, asking for 'the voucher scheme to be replaced with cash awards equal to the minimum income support level'. Several MPs responded to the concerns of their constituents. Many Unitarians also challenged supermarkets involved in the scheme to reconsider their participation and opt out. Congregations, such as those at Stockton, Norwich, Gloucester, Manchester and Oxford, have been involved in reaching out to local refugee groups, offering practical help and giving material and monetary support.

Social Responsibility at local level: Many congregations and fellowships are actively involved in social justice action by marking *Homelessness Sunday*, *Racial Justice Sunday*, *Unemployment Sunday*, *Human Rights Day*, *World AIDS Day* and *One World Week*, by supporting campaigns such as *Jubilee Debt*

Campaign, Trade Justice Campaign, Fair Trade Fortnight; and by offering practical help and giving material and monetary support to local causes. Individual Unitarians put their 'faith into action' by supporting voluntary agencies and various campaigns; giving some of their time and energy to good causes; and working to create a more just and peaceful society



Norwich: Katie & Jo enjoy a fairtrade banana

The Officer was involved in several denominational events at all levels, giving talks and leading workshops and seminars. The Officer also led services at Oxford, Golders Green, Rosslyn Hill Chapel, Kensington, Harrogate and at the ScUA AGM in Dunblane.

We continue to work with the Information Department, REYD, the Unitarian Peace Fellowship, the Penal Affairs Panel, the Ecumenical Relations Sub-Committee, and the Unitarian Women's Group.

We have promoted a great deal of social action within our movement. Many individuals, congregations and fellowships have become involved in various contemporary social justice issues and have acted on the GA Theme "Human Values in a Genetic Age", and on GA Resolutions focusing on issues of Asylum Seekers, Faith-based Schools, Organ

Donation, and the Kyoto Protocol. The quarterly SR News letter and a monthly SR column in *The Inquirer* have become regular features of our work. "**Counterpoint**", the occasional SR newspaper, was launched in December 2001, and positive feedback has been received from new enquirers, NGOs, MPs, and people at the fringe of Unitarianism. Further issues will appear in 2002.

4 Ecumenical Involvement

Churches Together in Britain & Ireland (CTBI): We continue to attend *Church and Society Forum* meetings and to represent a Unitarian perspective. In June 2001, the Rev Eric Jones attended the meeting in Cardiff and his comments were: "*This was a fairly new experience for me as we Unitarians do not have much opportunity to be part of an inter denominational group. We are pleased though, that Ingrid Tavkar is part of the Church and Society Forum and I personally benefited from being present for the two days of the Forum*".

One World Week (OWW): The Officer attends the OWW General Purpose Committee meetings and since November 2000, she has served on the OWW Staffing and Finance Subcommittee.

We would like to thank all those individuals, congregations and districts that gave time and money to promote One World Week 2000 and 2001.

Churches World Development Network (CWDN): The Officer acts as Secretary to this network; she attends quarterly meetings, and we offer Essex Hall as a venue for some of these meetings.

CWDN organised the *Ecumenical Consultation on World Development 2001* - a three day Conference. The year's theme was "*Tell the World!*" - Wynne Simister, Marian Nuttall and Ingrid Tavkar attended this event - three Unitarians amongst many Anglicans, Methodists, URCs and Catholics.

Churches National Housing Coalition (CNHC): We are members of this Coalition and Rosemary Ruston attended the CNHC AGM in November 2000. We support CNHC's work by raising awareness about issues of homelessness and by encouraging our congregations to participate in the annual *Homelessness Sunday*.

CTBI Racial Justice Network: This network organises the annual *Racial Justice Sunday* and

several of our congregations mark this event with a special service and/or a retiring collection.

Church Action on Poverty (CAP): We support CAP by affiliation and participate in their campaigns, which focus on poverty in the UK. The SR slot at the Annual Meetings 2002 will focus on CAP's current campaign "*Debt on our Doorstep*".

Jubilee 2000 Coalition: "*The World Will Never Be The Same Again!*" was the title of the last event of the Coalition, which took place on Saturday, 2 December 2000. Several Unitarians participated in the vigil.

Jubilee Debt Campaign: This was launched in March 2001 as a successor organization to Jubilee 2000 UK. It seeks to mobilize the same coalition of regional and local groups and national organizations to campaign for Third World debt cancellation. We are members of this movement.

Network of Christian Peace Organisations (NCPO): We are affiliated to this network. Jessamine Hoskins represents Unitarians at these meetings and the Committee would like to thank Jessamine for her valuable contribution to the work of the department.

London Ecumenical AIDS Forum (LEAF): We continue to support LEAF and the Officer attends meetings and workshops.

We have continued to raise the Unitarian profile in ecumenical circles; we have offered our moral and financial support to various ecumenical bodies; one of our contributions to ecumenism is to offer a cost-free venue for meetings at Essex Hall, and this is very much appreciated. We have promoted and shared in campaigns organised by CAP, CNHC, Christian Aid, CAFOD, Jubilee Debt Campaign, Trade Justice Movement and Tearfund.

5 Secular Involvement

We aim to provide high profile representation on and involvement with all secular organisations to which the GA and the Office of Social Responsibility are affiliated. We continue to forge and develop links with a wide range of varied voluntary and campaigning bodies eg: Amnesty International; Campaign Against the Arms Trade; Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament; Development Education Association; Friends of the Earth; Greenpeace; Liberty; National Assembly Against Racism; New

Economic Foundation; United Nations Association-UK; UNICEF; World Development Movement; Womankind Worldwide; World Society for the Protection of Animals and others.

We have raised the Unitarian profile in secular circles and have continued to support the campaigns of various agencies. We have promoted and shared in campaigns organised by WDM, UNA-UK and UNICEF.

6 Voluntary Work

We are delighted to report that Rosemary Ruston continues to work one day a week for the Office of Social Responsibility on a voluntary basis. We thank Rosemary for her valuable contribution to the work of the department.

7 Future Work

Annual Meetings 2002: facilitate a workshop focusing on "*Debt on Our Doorstep*".

GA Motions 2002: offer help where and when needed in formulating GA motions on social justice issues by providing relevant information, background papers and resource packs.

GA Resolutions 2002: promote follow-up action of any GA Resolutions on social justice issues.

SR Day Seminars 2002: help organise and/or facilitate events at district level.

One World Week 2002: promote this event by offering to run workshops and/or seminars, give talks and/or lead services on this year's theme "*One World Into Action!*"

Ecumenical Consultation On World Development 2002: encourage those Unitarians who have an interest in world development issue to attend this event, since we truly believe that working on social justice issues is one way we can work together ecumenically.

Jubilee Debt Campaign: support this campaign and try to encourage Unitarians to participate in any organised action.

SR Network: continue with our efforts to expand the denominational SR network by offering to facilitate discussions, workshops and seminars on contemporary social justice issues; by offering our support to existing SR committees and working groups; and by enthusing and encouraging those individuals who have time and energy to support our work.

Counterpoint: We have secured funding for 3 further issues: March, June and September 2002

We continue to work on the basis of our "**Mission Statement**" by raising awareness about contemporary social justice issues, and by trying to increase participation in social action to strengthen the Unitarian social witness in society.

Sexual Orientation Equality Group

Members: Rev Jeff Gould; Rev Ann Peart (resigned December 2001); Linda Phillips; Sarah Tinker; Rev Charles VanDenBroeder

The group has worked hard during the past year to fulfil the requirements of the GA Resolution on discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation passed at 2000 Annual Meetings, meeting in June, August, October and February. Full use has also been made of electronic communication in order to reduce meeting costs.

Group members have run pilot workshops for the Unitarian Women's Group, Essex Church Kensington and one hosted by The Salisbury Fellowship, with the aim of developing a set of exercises that can be used by others once SOEG's work is completed. The group has also developed a resource / information card during the year.

Having had a need reported to the group for current information to be available at Essex Hall on celebrants and venues for gay and lesbian blessings, SOEG developed a possible mechanism for information gathering and this has now been passed on to the Information Department. SOEG members have continued to network with similar groups within other UK denominations and within the UUA.

The group is presently involved in gathering materials for a resource pack, which will include a checklist for congregations and groups on welcoming gays and lesbians into their communities.

SOEG members may be available to facilitate further workshops for District Associations and congregations during the coming year.

SUSTENTATION FUND

Chair: Michael Tomlin

Secretary: Alfred Fletcher

Treasurer: Sandy Ellis

Members: The General Secretary and GA Honorary Officers, Rev Steve Dick, Theresa Taylor, Geoffrey Head, Rev John Allerton (co-opted), Patricia Birtles (co-opted).

1. Objects of the Fund

The objects of the Fund shall be to aid in the maintenance of faithful and efficient Ministers serving congregations affiliated to the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches.

2. The Committee

The Trustees are appointed by the Council of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches on a triennial basis, to manage the trust as a Departmental Committee of the General Assembly. The Custodian Trustee is the British and Foreign Unitarian Association (Incorporated).

3. Administration of Grants

Application forms for grants are available from the Secretary for each District Association. The Trustees meet in June or July each year to consider applications for grants for the year commencing the first of October following. The grants are then paid in quarterly instalments.

4. Meetings

The Trustees met once during the year on 24th July. The Officers administering the grants maintained a close liaison amongst themselves throughout the year.

5. Annual Accounts

The Accounts for the year ended 30th September 2001 showed an operating deficit of £6,873 (2000: £797). After a net investment loss from disposals of £3,328 (2000: £18,636) and a year-end market revaluation loss of £77,612 (2000: £7,046), there was an overall loss of £89,837 (2000: £26,479) for the year. The large loss on the investments was due to the collapse of the market in the wake of the terrorist attack in America just three weeks before the year-end.

6. Investments

The investments are managed by Henderson Global Investors Ltd. They are held in the name of Henderson Nominees Ltd of 3 Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA, on behalf of the Trustees. The investment policy is to maximise

the total return from a portfolio managed to produce a balance between income and growth, measured in performance terms against the WM2000 (excluding property) benchmark. It may be necessary, from time to time, to supplement income by withdrawals from Capital growth. The investments were valued as at 30th September 2001 by Henderson Investors Ltd.

7. Grants

Applications for grant-aid towards the payment of stipends were received for the support of 25 Ministries, of which 6 were new applications. Of these 25 applications, 3 were withdrawn. Of the 22 awards made, 1 was never taken up due to the non-appointment of the Minister.

FUND FOR LAY PASTORS AND APPROVED LAY LEADERS

Secretary: Alfred Fletcher

1. Four applications for grant aid were received. All were successful. However each grant had to be smaller than in the previous year as the income available for distribution was less.

2. The Committee is severely restricted in its ability to give grants by the limited amount of income available. Any increase in income is dependent upon an increase in the capital of the Fund and for this the Fund is reliant on donations.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: Rev Celia Midgley

Secretary: Rev Andrew Brown

Members: Rosemary Arthur, Rev Joy Croft, Barry Gaskell, Martin Gienke, Beverley Littlepage, and the GA President, Vice-President and Treasurer.

From the start of the three-year term, the committee has been under-strength, for a variety of reasons. Nevertheless, meetings have been creative and vigorous, with positive results.

Rosemary Arthur's *'The Shores of Darkness'*, launched at the 2001 Annual Meetings, is a beautiful production. Though few congregations have evening services nowadays, this booklet of prayers for the coming of night is a valuable resource for meditation groups and for private worship. It has been well received. The Worship Workshop at the Chester Meetings, led by Rosemary, presented some of the material in the booklet.

During the year it was agreed that more time was needed for work on the next Meditation Manual, *'Waiting to be Discovered'*, being compiled by Joy Croft and Jopie Boeke. The scheduled date for publication is March 2003.

As well as organising the Worship Workshop, the committee also arranged the Quiet Room, the early morning worship and brief reflections before the main business sessions. We were grateful to Jo-Ann Lane, Frank Walker and Bon Wightman for leading the worship. Mindful of the GA theme 'Keeping Our Chalice Afloat', we were pleased to invite young people to participate in leading the pre-business reflections. John Midgley prepared the Quiet Room, with the theme 'Sources of the Spirit'.

Four Inquirer columns were contributed during the year by committee members. Some dealt with the theoretical aspects of worship, whilst others included material which might be used in services of worship.

It took some time for the committee to grasp the nettle of 'Web worship', but attention turned to this challenge toward the end of the year. Plans are forming.

The committee is grateful to Martin Gienke for his able management of our finances. Members are also grateful to GA Officers for their support.

Y GYFADRAN UNDOIDAID UNITARIAN WELSH DEPARTMENT

Chair: Rev Eirion Phillips

Secretary: Rev Eric Jones

Members: Rev Eirion Phillips and Rev Alun Wyn Dafis (from Council); Wenna Thomas and Elaine Davis (from South Wales District); Humphrey Evans and Ken Morgan (from S. East Wales District); Mattie Evans, Anne Jones and Megan Jones (co-opted), together with District Presidents Lis Dyson Jones and Rev Cen Llwyd

1. RURAL CONCERNS:

Unitarians were invited to attend a meeting in Cardiff to discuss the economic and cultural crisis in rural areas. We were represented by Ann Rhys Dafis from Ciliau Aeron and Win John of Cardiff. Ann was chosen as one of five representatives to represent the Forum in a meeting with the Culture Secretary at the Welsh Assembly.

2. HISTORY OF CWMWRDU:

This year is the 40th Anniversary of Cwmwrdu, the hostel for young people in Carmarthenshire. A history of the formation of the hostel and of the former chapel has been written by Robert Davies and the Department has published the booklet which is currently for sale.

3. PRESIDENT'S VISIT:

John Midgley visited Wales on Feb. 16th and 17th and attended a Dinner at Talgarreg and conducted Services at Gellionnen and at Cefncoed. His message was much appreciated.

4. THOUGHTS FOR PEACE:

Unitarians were asked to participate in a 'Thoughts for Peace' Page in the Welsh magazine *Golwg*. The Unitarian words were written by Rev Cen Llwyd and placed in a very prominent position alongside the message from the Archbishop of Wales.

5. EISTEDDFOD AT ST DAVIDS IN 2002:

It was agreed that the Department invest in some crockery and a boiler for future occasions rather than borrow from a particular congregation. Agreed that we will have a presence at St David's in 2002 and plans are being made for the theme of the tent and to ensure there are enough helpers for the eight days of the event. St David's is a long way from any of our Unitarian Congregations.

6. SWEAT SHIRTS AND T SHIRTS:

A logo has been designed by Dewi Bowen from Cefncoed so that it can be placed on T Shirts and Sweat Shirts and sold. A simplified logo will be used and it is hoped that the T Shirts will be on sale soon.

7. CHRISTIAN AID:

Anne Jones and Ken Morgan will represent the Denomination on the Welsh Committee of Christian Aid.

8. STUDENT IN TRAINING:

We are pleased to welcome Wyn Thomas, a 19 year-old Welsh-speaking student from Panty-defaid as a candidate training for the Unitarian Ministry. Wyn will commence official training in September 2002 with a Theological Degree Course at Lampeter University.

9. FUTURE MEETINGS

are planned for Llandysul and Aberdare

Congregational Contributions

1 October 2000 to 30 September 2001

All collections and donations received are included in the one total against each church. Amounts are shown as at 30/09/01. Contributions received after that date will be shown in the annual report for 2002.

England			
Ainsworth	292.50	Dean Row	888.75
Altrincham	562.50	Denton	215.00
Ashton-in-Makerfield	562.50	Derby	90.00
Astley	22.50	Ditchling	202.50
Atherton	1046.30	Doncaster	258.75
Banbury	112.50	Douglas	67.50
Bath	67.50	Dover	90.00
Bedfield	33.75	Dudley	67.50
Belper	180.00	Dukinfield	650.00
Billingshurst	157.50	Eccles	843.75
Birmingham Edgbaston (Five Ways)	782.00	Enfield	101.25
Blackpool	33.75	Evesham	326.25
Bolton Bank Street	675.00	Framlingham	90.00
Bolton Chorley New Road	202.50	Gloucester	90.00
Bolton Egerton	337.50	Godalming	292.50
Bolton Halliwell Road	315.00	Great Hucklow	123.75
Boston	180.00	Great Yarmouth	90.00
Bournemouth	281.25	Hale Barns	472.50
Bradford Broadway Avenue	135.00	Hastings	168.75
Bradford Russell Street	135.00	Hinckley	461.25
Bridgwater	56.25	Hindley	168.75
Bridport	112.50	Horsham	303.75
Brighton	461.25	Horwich	90.00
Bristol Brunswick Square	382.50	Hull	473.00
Bristol Frenchay	236.25	Hyde	30.00
Bury	911.25	Hyde Flowery Field	400.00
Bury St Edmunds	168.75	Hyde Gee Cross	150.00
Cambridge	663.75	Ipswich	472.50
Chatham	78.75	Kendal	360.00
Chelmsford	101.25	Kidderminster	303.75
Cheltenham	90.00	Kingswood	348.75
Chester	112.50	Knutsford	731.25
Chesterfield	-	Lancaster	202.50
Chorley	326.25	Leeds	393.75
Coseley	101.25	Leicester	337.50
Coventry	90.00	Lewes	135.00
Cradley	281.25	Lincoln	157.50
Crewkerne	202.50	Liverpool Gateacre	258.75
Croydon	450.00	Liverpool Sefton Park	450.00
Cullompton	110.00	Liverpool Toxteth	90.00
		London Bethnal Green	33.75
		London Brixton	236.25
		London Golders Green	495.00
		London Hampstead	832.50
		London Islington	281.25
		London Kensington	900.00
		London Lewisham	146.25
		London Newington Green	56.25

London Stratford	135.00	Southend-on-Sea	45.00
Loughborough	33.75	Southport	180.00
Lytham St Annes	528.75	St Helens	-
Macclesfield	451.00	Stalybridge	157.50
Maidstone	96.75	Stockport	84.00
Manchester Chorlton-cum-Hardy	202.50	Stockton-on-Tees	382.50
Manchester Cross Street	562.50	Stourbridge	101.25
Manchester Dob Lane	191.25	Styal	450.00
Manchester Gorton	292.50	Taunton	191.25
Mansfield	607.50	Tenterden	78.75
Mossley	123.75	Torquay	123.75
New Mill	123.75	Trowbridge	483.75
Newcastle	292.50	Urmston	270.00
Newcastle upon Tyne	519.50	Wakefield	157.50
Newchurch	112.50	Walsall	78.75
Newport	180.00	Warrington	168.75
Northampton	112.50	Warwick	270.00
Northiam	-	Watford	101.25
Norwich	551.25	West Kirby	247.50
Nottingham	-	Whitby	67.50
Oldbury	135.00	Whitefield	787.50
Oldham	213.75	Wolverhampton	67.50
Oxford	472.50	Woodhall Spa	22.50
Padiham	562.50	Worthing	213.75
Plymouth	247.50	York	348.75
Portsmouth	562.50		
Pudsey	202.50	SE Wales	
Rawtenstall	90.00	Aberdare	405.00
Reading	25.00	Cardiff West Grove	393.75
Richmond	573.75	Cefn Coed y Cymer	337.50
Rivington	292.50	Nottage	202.50
Rochdale	686.25	Swansea	258.75
Scarborough	105.00	Trebanos	360.00
Sevenoaks	348.75	Wick	56.25
Sheffield Fulwood	596.25		
Sheffield Norfolk Street	652.50	Scotland	
Sheffield Stannington	281.25	Aberdeen	585.00
Shelf	135.00	Dundee	641.25
Shrewsbury	135.00	Edinburgh	1207.50
Sidmouth	135.00	Glasgow	483.75
Southampton	281.25		

Associate Members

In accordance with rule 4 of the Constitution of the General Assembly the following persons, having contributed not less than £25 each to the funds of the Assembly in the financial year 2001 are Associate Members of the General Assembly. Names of Honorary Members and Full Members who have subscribed not less than £25 during the financial year each are also listed.

*Indicates that subscriptions are paid by gift aid or other tax efficient means enabling the General Assembly to recover income tax in addition. Further details are available from Essex Hall.

*Adams Mrs WJ	*Coldwell Mr AH	*Griffin Mrs TJ
*Adkinson Miss EB	*Crilly Mr S	*Hague Mr H (Full Member)
Anderson Mrs EC	*Crompton Mrs J (Full Member)	*Hague Mrs G
*Archer Mrs DM	*Crompton Mr D	*Hamer Mrs M
*Attfield Prof R	*Crosskey Mr JM	*Hankinson Mrs AS
*Aylmer Mrs V	*Crosskey Dr KSM	*Hartas-Jackson Miss B
*Ball Mr V	*Cusack Miss OK	*Haughton Mr B
*Barber Mr JM	*Davies Mr GG	*Haughton Mrs M
*Barton Mr JL	*Dawson Mr DW	*Hayhurst Ms CA
*Barwick Mrs s	*Dawson Mrs C	*Head Mr G (Hon Member)
*Bateman Mr S	*Denby Mr RN	*Healey Miss R
*Bell Dr JD (Hon Member)	*Dixon Mrs EM (Full Member)	*Hewerdine Mr AJ
*Birtles Rev EH (Full Member)	*Doel Rev D	*Hewerdine Mrs J
Blake Mrs C	*Don Mrs E	*Hewis Rev P (Full Member)
*Bointon Mrs E	*Dumpleton Mrs HM	*Hewis Mrs H
Bowes Rev J (Full Member)	*Edwards Mrs A	*Hill Rev AM (Full Member)
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*Kern Mrs MP	*Pearson Mrs S	*Speed Mr AM
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	*Percy Miss A	*Taylor Mrs TM
*Kerr Mrs C (Full Member)	*Phelan Mrs M (Full Member)	*Teagle Mr JJ
*King Ms L	*Phillips Mrs L (Full Member)	*Teagle Mrs S
Kirk Mrs A	*Phillips Mr D	*Thompson Miss C
*Knopf Mrs B	*Posselt Mrs AP	*Thompson Miss J
*Knopf Rev J (Full Member)	*Potts Mr AE	*Tomlin Mrs JR
*Latham Rev AY (Full Member)	*Reed Rev CM (Full Member)	*Tomlin Mr MJ
*Latham Rev A (Full Member)	*Reed Mrs P	*Tracey Mr M
*Laycock Mrs BA	*Richards Mr JCT	*Uprichard Mrs EM
*Long Rev A (Hon Member)	*Richards Dr WJ	*Usher Rev G (Full Member)
*Maguire Mr LJ	*Richards Mrs R	*Walker Rev F (Full Member)
*Mason Mr GH (Full Member)	*Roberts Rev D (Full Member)	*Ward Mr WH
Mason Mrs J	*Roberts Rev J (Full Member)	*Warhurst Mr DE
*Mason Mr JI	*Roberts Mrs WM	*Warhurst Mrs H
*McCormick Rev A (Full Member)	*Roberts Dr J	*Warhurst Ms S
*McCrohan Mr EM	*Rowland Ms J	*Watkins Mr KJ
*McLachlan Rev Dr HJ (Hon Member)	*Ruston Mr AR (Full Member)	*Watkins Mr TL
*Midgley Rev CA (Full Member)	*Ruston Mrs R	*Whitham Mr P
*Midgley Rev J (Full Member)	*Sampson Mr PW	*Whitham Mrs M
*Millard Mrs K	*Sanders Dr N	*Wilkins Mr H
Milne Mrs S	*Saville Dr S	*Williams Dr DJ
*Monk Rev D (Full Member)	*Scott Mr JA	*Williams Prof D
*Needham Mrs Ann Norman Mr JAH	*Scragg Mr TW	*Wilson Mr C
*O'Brien Mrs E	*Shaw Mr DW	*Wilson Mrs S
*Omar Mr B	*Shaw Mrs EA	*Wilson Mrs N (dec'd)
*Omar Mrs D (dec'd)	Short Mrs A	*Winder Mrs JR
*Packer Mr GW	Silk Rev PA (Full Member)	*Woolven Mr S
*Packer Mrs V	Silk Mrs J	*Woolven Mrs C
*Partington Mr C	*Simmons Mrs J	*Wykes Dr DL
*Partington Mrs J	*Simmons Mr G	*Wylie Mr H
*Paxton Mrs M (Full Member)	*Sinclair Mr M	*Wylie Mrs J
	*Smith Mrs B	
	*Smith Mr G	
	*Smith Sir Cyril	
	Smith DM Mrs	
	*Smith Dr RW	
	*Smith Mrs C	

Contributions from District Associations and Other Societies

The following subscriptions and donations were received between 01/10/2000 and 30/09/2001

British League of Unitarian Women	50.00
East Cheshire Union	300.00
East Midland Unitarian Association	75.00
FOY Society	50.00
Liverpool District Women's League	10.00
London District Provincial Assembly	500.00
Manchester District Association	600.00
Merseyside District Missionary Association	500.00
Midland Union	500.00
National Unitarian Fellowship	92.50
Newcastle upon Tyne Women's League	25.00
North East Lancashire Unitarian Mission	225.00
Scottish Unitarian Association	318.36
Sheffield & District Unitarian Association	100.00
Unitarian Society Psychical Studies	25.00

Trusts

Diss Unitarian Chapel Trust	50.00
Hapton Chapel Trust	25.00
Memorial Hall Trustees	1750.00
Sir CC Grundy Deceased	134.75

Overseas Congregational Contribution

Auckland Unitarian Church	100.00
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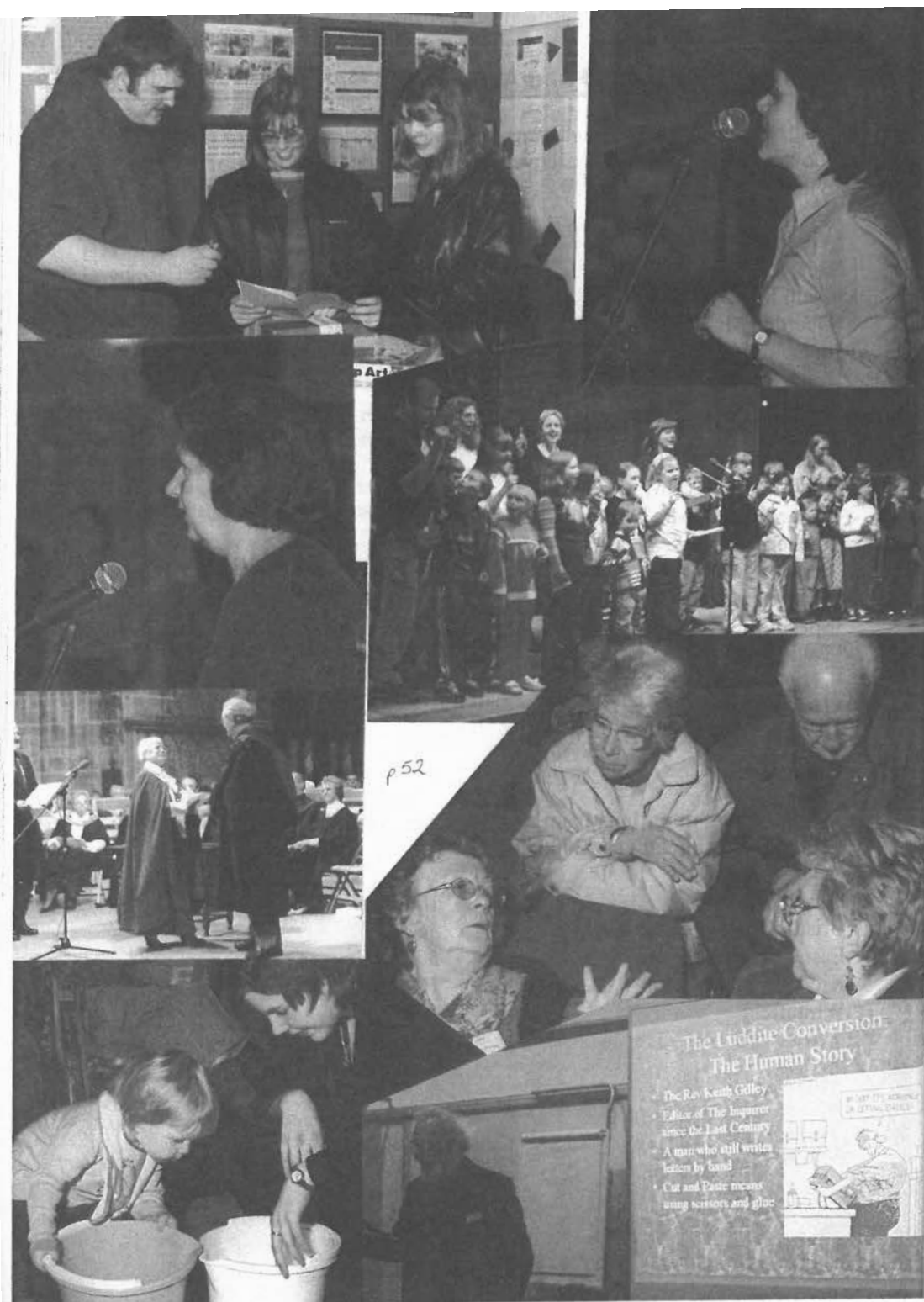
Unitarian Millennium Fund Appeal

Donations were received during the financial year 2000/2001 from the following. An '*' denotes a covenant, gift aid or other form of tax-efficient giving.

*Adkinson Miss EB
*Bushrod Miss E
*Cann Mr HA
*Duerden Mr NH
*Inkson Mr RHE & Mrs J
*Isaac Mr RB
*Knopf Ms B
*Latham Mr R
*McLachlan Rev HJ
*Moorhouse Ms RM
*Omar Mr B & Mrs D (dec'd)
*Packer George & Vera
*Parsons Mrs AH
*Peart Rev A
*Speed Mr AMM & Mrs IM
*Taylor Mrs G
*Thompson Miss C
*Thompson Miss J
*Tomlin Mr M

The following donations from congregations and districts were received during the financial year 2000/2001.

Altrincham	100.00
Bristol Brunswick Square	36.50
East Cheshire Union	500.00
Kidderminster	100.00
Whitefield	100.00



Accounts of
**The General Assembly
of Unitarian and Free
Christian Churches**

for the year ended 30 September 2001

Registered Charity No: 250788

COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PREPARING THE ACCOUNTS

The Council is obliged to prepare accounts for each financial year.

The accounts must give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the General Assembly at the end of the financial year, and of its incoming resources and resources expended. The Council is also responsible for the adoption of suitable accounting policies, and their consistent use in the accounts, supported where necessary by reasonable and prudent judgment.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) as issued by the Charity Commission on behalf of the Accounting Standards Board. Readers of this report are advised to read the Charity Commission publication "Accounting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice" (October 1995 edition).

The Council confirm that the above requirements have been complied with in the accounts.

In addition, the Council is responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the General Assembly and to prevent and detect fraud or any other irregularities.

We have audited the accounts on pages 56 to 64 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective Responsibilities of the Council and Auditors

As described on page 54, the Council is responsible, as trustees, for the preparation of financial statements.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you. We have been appointed as auditors under section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 44 of that Act.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the Council in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the General Assembly's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the General Assembly as at 30 September 2001 and of the incoming resources and application of resources in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993.

EDMUND GIBBS

Chartered Certified Accountants

Registered Auditors

Kingsgate
4610 Cascade Way
Oxford Business Park South
OXFORD
OX4 2SU

The General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 30 September 2001

NOTE	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2001 £	Total Funds 2000 £
Incoming Resources						
Legacies	983	—	—	—	983	12,792
Associate Memberships (Subscription)	13,743	—	—	—	13,743	12,506
Congregational Contribution (Quota)	45,602	—	—	—	45,602	49,352
Special Collections	1,423	—	—	—	1,423	1,278
Dividends and Interest	87,492	9,202	24,073	—	120,767	169,284
Donations and Gifts	5	14,643	6,822	30	21,500	60,649
British & Foreign Unitarian Assoc.	36,866	—	—	—	36,866	31,388
Essex Hall Trustees (Grant)	100,000	—	—	—	100,000	110,000
Essex Hall Trustees (In kind)	90,000	—	—	—	90,000	90,000
Memorial Hall Manchester	1,750	250	1,200	—	3,200	1,750
Lawrence House Fund	1,500	—	—	—	1,500	500
Rental Income	660	—	—	—	660	21
Hymns for Living	—	—	—	—	—	613
Information Office Sales	2,517	—	—	—	2,517	1,616
Payroll Calculation Service	957	—	—	—	957	848
Publication Panel Sales	—	2,615	—	—	2,615	4,739
Capital transferred from B&FUA	—	24,189	9,936	—	34,125	—
OMHB Investments at market value	—	—	10,591	—	10,591	—
Total Incoming Resources	383,498	50,899	52,622	30	487,049	547,336
Resources Expended						
Direct Charitable Expenditure						
Grants	11,000	68,304	49,450	—	128,754	130,727
Other	204,544	7,134	1,248	—	212,926	214,195
Management and Administration	191,911	350	1,209	3,233	196,703	173,861
Accommodation	90,000	—	—	—	90,000	90,000
Total Resources Expended	497,455	75,788	51,907	3,233	628,383	608,783
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources before Transfers						
	(113,957)	(24,889)	715	(3,203)	(141,334)	(61,447)
Transfers Between Funds						
	(10,400)	400	10,000	—	—	—
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources for the Year						
	(124,357)	(24,489)	10,715	(3,203)	(141,334)	(61,447)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)						
Realised Gains/(Losses) on						
Investments	(4,837)	—	197	(2,397)	(7,037)	(34,345)
Unrealised Gains/(Losses) on						
Investments	(320,207)	(26,537)	(6,425)	(85,571)	(438,740)	585
Realised Gains on Sale of Property	10,863	—	—	—	10,863	—
OMHB Investment Sale	—	—	—	—	—	25,301
Net Movement in Funds	(438,538)	(51,026)	4,487	(91,171)	(576,248)	(69,906)
Balances Brought Forward						
1 October 2000	1,966,875	307,511	133,162	633,191	3,040,739	3,110,645
Balances Carried Forward						
30 September 2001	1,528,337	256,485	137,649	542,020	2,464,491	£3,040,739

The notes on pages 58 to 64 form part of these accounts.

The General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches

Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2001

NOTE	2001 £	2000 £
Fixed Assets		
Cost of share in Freehold and Leasehold Properties held jointly	65,552	85,274
Land	19,600	19,600
Freehold Ground Rent	1,750	1,750
Investments (at Market Value)	6 2,012,664	2,326,220
Equipment	7 9,360	15,700
	2,108,926	2,448,544
Loan to Unitarian Holiday Centre	13 45,000	45,000
Current Assets		
Sundry Stocks	14,941	14,715
British & Foreign Unitarian Association (Inc)	38,792	36,959
Other Debtors and Prepayments	46,835	44,624
COIF Account (Unitarian Millennium Fund)	85,456	81,059
COIF Account (General Fund)	3,246	276,030
Bank Current Accounts	32,133	22,839
Short Term Deposit	140,703	108,860
Petty Cash	136	100
	362,242	585,186
	2,516,168	3,078,730
Less Liabilities and Provisions		
Provision Towards Cost of Hymn Book	540	815
Amounts Received or Reserved for Specific Purposes	9,612	6,886
Sundry Creditors	41,525	30,290
	51,677	37,991
Net Assets	£2,464,491	£3,040,739
Capital Funds		
Endowments	9 542,020	633,191
Income Funds		
Restricted Funds	10 137,649	133,162
Unrestricted Funds		
Designated Funds	11 256,485	307,511
Other Charitable Funds	1,528,337	1,966,875
	£2,464,491	£3,040,739

Approved by the General Assembly Council meeting on 9 February 2002, and signed on its behalf by:

Michael Tomlin, Honorary Treasurer

Jeffrey J Teagle, General Secretary

The notes on pages 58 to 64 form part of these accounts.

The General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2001

1. Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value, in accordance with applicable accounting standards and in accordance with the Charities Act 1993 and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

Properties are shown at cost since these are not investment properties.

Both Realised and Unrealised Gains are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities in line with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

2. Direct Charitable Expenditure - Grants

Except for a grant to the Inquirer of £11,000 from unrestricted funds, details of grants are shown in note 4 and on pages 65 to 69 under Special Funds.

3. Direct Charitable Expenditure - Other

Details are shown in note 8 and on pages 65 to 69 under Special Funds.

4. Transfers Between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £
Ministerial Students Fund Grant	(10,000)	—	10,000	—
General Purposes Grant to India Fund	(400)	400	—	—
	<u>£(10,400)</u>	<u>£400</u>	<u>£10,000</u>	<u>—</u>

5. Intangible Income

The General Assembly receives accommodation and services free of charge from Essex Hall Trustees to an estimated value of £90,000 per annum, which would have to be paid for if not provided free.

6. Fixed Asset Investments

	2001 £	2000 £
Quoted Investments		
Market Value at 1 October 2000	2,326,220	2,615,999
Less: Disposals at Opening Book Value	(412,235)	(1,029,694)
Add: Acquisitions at Cost	526,828	739,329
Investments Introduced at Valuation	10,591	—
Net Gains on Revaluation at 30 September 2001	(438,740)	586
Market Value at 30 September 2001	<u>£2,012,664</u>	<u>£2,326,220</u>
Historical Cost as at 30 September 2001	<u>£2,098,646</u>	<u>£1,929,892</u>

7. Equipment

	£
Net Book Value as at 1 October 2000	15,700
Additions	3,382
Depreciation Charge for Year	(9,722)
Net Book Value as at 30 September 2001	<u>£9,360</u>

The General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2001 (continued)

8. Management and Administration of the Charity - Unrestricted Funds Only

	Income	Expenditure	Total 2001	Total 2000
DIRECT CHARITABLE GRANTS				
Inquirer Publishing	—	11,000	11,000	13,000
DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES				
General Assembly Council	1,569	3,525	1,956	3,057
Grants to Annual Meetings	—	—	—	20,000
Development Committee	405	2,448	2,043	3,040
Executive Committee	1,300	2,236	936	317
Finance & Administration Committee	7	1,017	1,010	1,263
General Purposes Committee				
a) Committee and General Expenses	410	3,342	2,932	2,316
b) Overseas (see also note 4)	—	773	773	1,326
c) Annual Meetings (net)	60,640	64,360	3,720	2,771
d) IARF Work	—	3,900	3,900	3,750
e) ICUU	—	1,200	1,200	1,000
Information Committee	7,341	29,217	21,876	10,583
Lay Persons' Summer School	415	1,334	919	2,403
Lay Training Committee	1,118	2,968	1,850	1,015
Ministry Committee	1,356	8,086	6,730	4,264
Publications Panel	—	871	871	612
Penal Affairs Panel	—	251	251	716
REYD (inc. Jr W/E Support)	19,498	29,255	9,757	10,930
Social Responsibility Committee	482	7,518	7,036	7,002
Equality Working Group	—	729	729	—
Vision 2001/Forward Planning	—	138	138	679
Welsh Committee	—	4,219	4,219	3,832
Worship Committee	—	1,138	1,138	1,388
Staff Salaries due to programme work	6,088	136,648	130,560	118,985
	<u>100,629</u>	<u>305,173</u>	<u>204,544</u>	<u>201,249</u>
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION				
Salaries, Pensions, etc.	6,105	137,028	130,923	118,985
Ex Gratia Payment	—	2,910	2,910	—
Officer's Travel and Expenses	2,429	8,963	6,534	3,550
Office Expenses (postage, telephone, annual report, Stationery and printing, canteen and cleaning)	7,028	29,306	22,278	22,189
Staff Training	—	1,981	1,981	3,336
Audit Fees	—	6,900	6,900	6,480
Accountancy Fees	—	2,660	2,660	—
Insurance (Including Third Party Risks)	2,028	4,390	2,362	1,434
Portfolio Management Fees	—	8,845	8,845	3,845
Ministers Houses - repairs	—	23	23	—
Irrecoverable VAT	8,804	15,299	6,495	11,053
	<u>26,394</u>	<u>218,305</u>	<u>191,911</u>	<u>170,872</u>
Accommodation (see also note 5)	—	90,000	90,000	90,000
	<u>127,023</u>	<u>624,478</u>	<u>497,455</u>	<u>£475,121</u>

9. Endowments

	Movement in Funds			
	Balance 1 Oct 2000	Incoming Resources	Expenditure Gains/(Losses) And Transfers	Balance 30 Sep 2001
	£	£	£	£
James Speed Capital Account	620,203	—	(91,103)	529,100
Millennium Endowment Fund	12,988	30	(98)	12,920
	<u>£633,191</u>	<u>£30</u>	<u>£(91,201)</u>	<u>£542,020</u>

The General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2001 (continued)

10. Restricted Funds

	Movement in Funds			Balance 30 Sep 2001
	Balance 1 Oct 2000	Incoming Resources	Expenditure Gains/(Losses) and Transfers	
	£	£	£	£
Lewis Edwards Memorial Fund				
- Capital Account	—	2,205	(244)	1,961
- Income Account	—	45	(45)	—
Arnold Graves Trust				
- Capital Account	—	7,731	(854)	6,877
- Income Account	—	158	(158)	—
Kharang Rural Centre				
- Capital Account	3,124	—	—	3,124
- Income Account	155	166	(150)	171
Lay Pastors				
- Capital Account	20,600	—	—	20,600
- Income Account	2,044	1,599	(1,000)	2,643
Ministerial Students Fund	15,022	17,372	(16,631)	15,763
Old Meeting House Birmingham				
- Capital Account	—	42,359	(3,298)	39,061
- Income Account	34,465	791	(31,571)	3,685
James Speed Trust	33,689	20,706	(32,569)	21,826
Sunday School Assoc.				
- Capital Account	19,338	—	(2,138)	17,200
- Income Account	—	395	(395)	—
Humphries Winder Legacy				
- Capital Account	4,000	—	—	4,000
- Income Account	725	213	(200)	738
World Development Education Appeal	—	650	(650)	—
	£133,162	£94,390	£(89,903)	£137,649

11. Designated Funds

	Movement in Funds			Balance 30 Sep 2001
	Balance 1 Oct 2000	Incoming Resources	Expenditure Gains/(Losses) and Transfers	
	£	£	£	£
Animal Welfare				
- Capital Account	—	3,576	(395)	3,181
- Income Account	986	73	(24)	1,035
Buildings Advisory Panel	174	—	—	174
Central Postal Mission				
- Capital Account	—	9,271	(1,025)	8,246
- Income Account	—	190	(190)	—
EU Romania Fund	4,976	3,676	(7,051)	1,601
Fund for Growth and Development	55	—	—	55
India Fund				
- Capital Account	—	10,151	(1,122)	9,029
- Income Account	4,890	7,519	(3,357)	9,052
Lay Training Publications	108	—	(30)	78
Publications Panel	2,807	2,615	(1,542)	3,880
RE HWFairay Bequest	—	2,434	(2,722)	(288)
Small Congregations Consultancy	—	1,704	(1,704)	—
Union for Social Service Fund				
- Capital Account	—	1,191	(132)	1,059
- Income Account	—	24	(24)	—
Unitarian Development Fund	5,766	293	(348)	5,711
Unitarian Millennium Fund	287,749	8,582	(82,659)	213,672
	£307,511	£51,299	£(102,325)	£256,485

The General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches
Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2001 (continued)

12. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Tangible Fixed Assets	Investments	Net Current Assets	Total
	£	£	£	£
Endowment Funds	—	479,674	62,346	542,020
Restricted Funds	—	34,152	103,497	137,649
Designated Funds	—	74,112	182,373	256,485
Other Charitable Funds	96,262	1,424,726	7,349	1,528,337
	£96,262	£2,012,664	£355,565	£2,464,491

13. Loans

The loan to the Management Committee of the Unitarian Holiday and Conference Centre was made to enable development of the Centre and annual interest is paid, based on current money market rates.

14. Staff Costs and Trustees Remuneration

	2001	2000
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	232,176	213,703
Social Security Costs	22,063	20,465
Pension Costs	16,527	14,566
Ex-gratia payments	2,910	—
	£273,676	£248,734

Council decided to make an ex-gratia payment to a former employee in gratitude of unusually long and dedicated service.

No employee earned more than £50,000 per annum (2000 – nil).

The trustees neither received nor waived any emoluments during the year (2000 - nil).

Travel and subsistence expenses totaling £6,052 were reimbursed to 20 trustees (2000: 17 trustees totaling £5,255).

15. Pensions

The General Assembly operates a defined contribution scheme for all eligible employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the funds and amounted to £16,527 (2000 - £14,566). The amount due for payment at the year end was £2,386 (£1,910).

The General Assembly Of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches

Listed Investments And Unrealised Gains

Holdings	Investments	Book Cost	Market Value 2000 &/or cost of additions	Unrealised Gain/(Loss)	Market Value 2001
General Fund					
Fixed Interest Investments					
10,000	Bradford & Bingley 11 5/8% Perp Subord Bonds	16,994	15,212	811	16,023
50,000	Bradford & Bingley 13% Perp Subord Bonds	85,385	84,056	3,070	87,126
70,000	Bristol & West 13.375% Unscr'd Pep Sub Bds	115,618	121,457	7,982	129,439
100,000	Halifax 8.75% Perp Subord Bds	115,321	110,005	3,815	113,820
		333,318	330,730	15,678	346,408
Equities					
900	Astra Zeneca Goup US\$0.25 Ordinary Shares	11,734	31,194	(2,709)	28,485
6,500	Avis Europe plc 1p Ordinary Shares	10,595	10,595	(3,234)	7,361
2,400	BAA plc £1 Ordinary Shares	14,250	14,250	(1,290)	12,960
2,800	Barclays plc £1 Ordinary Shares	20,758	52,416	(28)	52,388
7,600	BG plc 10p Ordinary Shares	19,741	19,741	190	19,931
4,000	BHP Billiton US\$0.50 Ordinary Shares	11,180	9,670	1,520	11,190
2,625	Boots Co plc 25p Ordinary Shares	12,471	13,440	2,940	16,380
5,000	BP plc US\$0.25 Ordinary Shares	31,438	30,100	(2,000)	28,100
4,940	British Telecommunications plc 25p Ordinary Shares	19,644	30,438	(13,642)	16,796
1,350	BSkyB plc 50p Ordinary Shares	14,958	14,958	(6,986)	7,972
5,000	Cable & Wireless 25p Ordinary Shares	38,821	46,669	(32,656)	14,013
6,546	Cadbury Schweppes plc 12.5p Ordinary Shares	8,408	26,184	2,717	28,901
6,250	Centrica plc 5 5/9p Ordinary Shares	15,063	15,063	(1,750)	13,313
1,687	CGNU plc 25p Ordinary Shares	3,425	16,195	(2,033)	14,162
1,900	Compass Group plc 10p Ordinary Shares	7,130	8,661	355	9,016
2,850	Edinburgh US Tracker Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	20,333	20,685	(3,955)	16,730
1,600	Electro Components plc 10p Ordinary Shares	10,368	10,368	(3,824)	6,544
6,600	FKI 10p Ordinary Shares	14,900	11,616	(2,227)	9,389
2,525	Fleming American Investment 25p Ordinary Shares	20,653	22,361	(5,292)	17,069
10,000	Fleming Mercantile IT 25p Ordinary Shares	61,950	63,000	(13,850)	49,150
4,388	GlaxoSmithkline plc 25p Ordinary Shares	44,366	89,723	(5,473)	84,250
2,500	Hanson £2 Ordinary Shares	12,075	9,425	2,469	11,894
3,800	Hays plc 1p Ordinary Shares	13,072	13,072	(7,258)	5,814
3,000	HBOS 25p Ordinary Shares	20,880	20,880	1,140	22,020
3,365	Henderson European Capital Fund I	50,169	50,169	(12,683)	37,486
8,500	Henderson European Fund I	48,335	44,566	(13,609)	30,957
2,500	Henderson Global Technology Fund I	36,153	33,724	(25,206)	8,518
2,000	Henderson North American Fund I	15,869	14,578	(5,406)	9,172
10,500	Henderson Pacific Growth Fund I	31,084	28,151	(7,077)	21,074
12,155.84	Henderson UK Smaller Companies Fund I	44,544	48,149	(29,478)	18,671
5,100	HSBC Holdings US\$0.50 Ordinary Shares	33,769	49,062	(12,495)	36,567
500	Inquirer Publishing Co Ltd £2 Ordinary Shares	1,000	1,000	—	1,000
4,700	JP Morgan Fleming Japan Growth Fund	15,745	16,161	(6,636)	9,525
2,272	Kingfisher 13.75p Ordinary Shares	13,350	10,182	(3,139)	7,043
2,300	Lloyds TSB Group 25p Ordinary Shares	21,512	14,513	437	14,950
	Balances Carried Forward	1,103,061	1,241,689	(196,490)	1,045,199

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Listed Investments And Unrealised Gains (Continued)

Holdings	Investments	Book Cost	Market Value 2000 &/or cost of additions	Unrealised Gain/(Loss)	Market Value 2001
	Balances Brought Forward	1,103,061	1,241,689	(196,490)	1,045,199
1,000	M&G Charifund Units	1,903	10,748	(384)	10,364
15,000	Martin Currie Japan Investment Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	17,925	19,725	(8,325)	11,400
1,000	National Express Group 5p Ordinary Shares	9,230	9,230	(910)	8,320
2,900	Next plc 10p Ordinary Shares	21,520	20,895	5,060	25,955
1,000	Pearson plc 25p Ordinary Shares	17,490	17,490	(10,200)	7,290
5,000	Prudential Corporation 5p Ordinary Shares	17,434	46,150	(11,150)	35,000
2,600	Reed International plc 12.5p Ordinary Shares	16,796	16,796	(2,197)	14,599
2,000	Reuters 25p Ordinary Shares	24,510	23,630	(11,650)	11,980
1,000	Rio Tinto 10p Ordinary Shares	12,250	9,810	890	10,700
2,000	Royal Bank of Scotland Goup plc 25p Ordinary Shares	32,540	32,540	(2,580)	29,960
4,000	Scottish and Southern Energy 50p Ordinary Shares	24,360	24,360	1,560	25,920
13,890	Shell Transport & Trading Co plc 25p Ordinary Shares	28,554	76,534	(5,695)	70,839
2,000	Slough Estates 25p Ordinary Shares	7,500	7,500	(800)	6,700
2,000	Spirent £3.33 Ordinary Shares	6,200	6,200	(4,265)	1,935
1,850	Standard Chartered US\$0.50 Ordinary Shares	19,962	19,962	(7,484)	12,478
4,000	Taylor Nelson Sofres plc 5p Ordinary Shares	10,140	10,140	(3,520)	6,620
10,000	TR European Growth Trust 12.5p Ordinary Shares	47,250	42,350	(26,200)	16,150
1,700	United Utilities £1 Ordinary Shares	14,753	11,679	(918)	10,761
30,000	Vodafone Group US\$0.10 Ordinary Shares	79,698	70,975	(25,975)	45,000
1,200	Whitbread plc 50p Ordinary Shares	7,090	7,090	(1,414)	5,676
2,400	WPP Group 10p Ordinary Shares	22,932	19,440	(7,560)	11,880
	General Fund Totals	1,543,098	1,744,933	(320,207)	1,424,726
Speed Trust Fund					
Fixed Interest Investments					
20,075.41	8% Treasury Stock 2009	20,035	23,809	340	24,149
19,000	10% Treasury Stock 2003	18,953	21,232	(228)	21,004
9,900	HBOS 9 1/4% Non-cum Prf Shares	14,895	12,449	842	13,291
11,500	National Westminster Bank plc 9% 'A' Non-cum Pref. Shares of £1	13,108	13,714	862	14,576
32,000	Tesco 5.125% Notes 2009	30,727	30,122	1,753	31,875
		97,718	101,326	3,569	104,895
Equities					
1,600	Barclays £1 Ordinary Shares	11,924	29,952	(16)	29,936
2,340	British Telecommunications plc 25p Ordinary Shares	9,482	14,418	(6,462)	7,956
1,580	Cable and Wireless plc 25p Ordinary Shares	13,515	15,247	(10,819)	4,428
1,850	CGNU plc 25p Ordinary Shares	11,004	17,760	(2,229)	15,531
740	Edinburgh US Tracker Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	5,197	5,268	(924)	4,344
800	Fleming American Inv 25p Ordinary Shares	6,540	7,070	(1,662)	5,408
2,600	Fleming Mercantile IT 25p Ordinary Shares	14,352	16,380	(3,601)	12,779
1,650	GlaxoSmithkline plc 25p Ordinary Shares	15,119	33,792	(2,112)	31,680
1,120	Henderson European Capital Growth Fund I	16,261	16,261	(3,784)	12,477
840	Henderson Global Technology Fund I	12,534	11,562	(8,700)	2,862
1,000	Henderson North American Fund I	7,936	7,289	(2,703)	4,586
3,500	Henderson Pacific Capital Growth Fund I	8,513	8,513	(1,488)	7,025
	Balances Carried Forward	230,095	284,838	(40,931)	243,907

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Listed Investments And Unrealised Gains (Continued)

Holdings	Investments	Book Cost	Market Value 2000 &/or cost of additions	Unrealised Gain/(Loss)	Market Value 2001
	Balances Brought Forward	230,095	284,838	(40,931)	243,907
2,300	HSBC Holdings US\$0.50 Ordinary Shares	15,275	22,126	(5,635)	16,491
1,000	Law Debenture Corp 25p Ordinary Shares	9,461	11,335	(835)	10,500
5,000	Martin Currie European Investment Trust 50p Ordinary Shares	16,150	15,200	(6,750)	8,450
5,000	Martin Currie Japan Investment Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	5,975	6,575	(2,775)	3,800
2,100	Next plc 10p Ordinary Shares	15,618	15,131	3,664	18,795
700	Pearson plc 25p Ordinary Shares	8,776	13,153	(8,050)	5,103
2,600	Prudential Corporation plc 5p Ordinary Shares	8,258	23,998	(5,798)	18,200
1,400	Royal Bank of Scotland 25p Ordinary Shares	21,427	21,427	(455)	20,972
2,500	Scottish and Southern Energy plc 50p Ordinary Shares	6,482	13,800	2,400	16,200
2,700	Scottish Power 50p Ordinary Shares	14,825	14,175	(3,132)	11,043
7,780	Shell Transport & Trading Co plc 25p Ordinary Shares	14,802	42,868	(3,190)	39,678
5,000	Tesco 5p Ordinary Shares	4,817	12,425	375	12,800
4,100	TR European Growth Trust 12.5p Ordinary Shares	17,466	17,364	(10,742)	6,622
4,500	Unilever plc 1.4p Ordinary Shares	15,073	19,710	3,533	23,243
4,000	Vodafone Group US\$0.10 Ordinary Shares	11,990	10,100	(4,100)	6,000
1,000	WPP Group 10p Ordinary Shares	9,460	8,100	(3,150)	4,950
James Speed Trust Totals		425,950	552,325	(85,571)	466,754
Millennium Fund					
4,420	City of London 25p Ordinary Shares	10,935	10,188	(1,105)	9,083
2,200	Edinburgh Worldwide 5p Ordinary Shares	5,610	5,995	(2,359)	3,636
7,400	Fidelity Investment Services Fidelity Euro Opps	8,843	14,504	(5,380)	9,124
1,000	Fleming Mercantile IT 25p Ordinary Shares	5,520	6,300	(1,385)	4,915
6,325	Gerrard UK Smaller Companies Fund	8,935	16,530	(7,213)	9,317
1,000	Law Debenture Corp 25p Ordinary Shares	9,461	11,335	(835)	10,500
1,047	Merrill Lynch European Growth Fund Trust	3,467	7,520	(2,024)	5,496
800	Merrill Lynch UK Inv Trust 50p Ordinary Shares	9,029	8,352	(2,596)	5,756
2,570	Schroder Unit Trusts Retail US Sm Cos Fd Inc	8,887	14,729	(966)	13,763
Millennium Fund Totals		70,687	95,453	(23,863)	71,590
Sundry Designated (45.24%) and Restricted Funds (54.76%), inc Sunday School Association					
6,800	6.25% Treasury Stock 2010	7,957	7,503	98	7,601
8,600	City of London plc 25p Ordinary Shares	20,920	20,920	(3,247)	17,673
870	Fleming Mercantile IT 25p Ordinary Shares	5,246	5,246	(970)	4,276
1,325	Witan Investment Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	6,373	6,373	(1,792)	4,581
Sundry Funds Totals		40,496	40,042	(5,911)	34,131
Old Meeting House Birmingham					
2,300	5.5% Treasury Stock 2008/12	2,451	2,317	76	2,393
1,955.43	8% Treasury Stock 2009	1,947	2,317	35	2,352
3,100	Witan Investment Trust 25p Ordinary Shares	14,017	14,017	(3,299)	10,718
Old Meeting House Birmingham Totals		18,415	18,651	(3,188)	15,463
Grand Total (per Balance Sheet)		2,098,646	2,451,404	(438,740)	2,012,664

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SPECIAL FUNDS

Receipts and payments for the year ended 30 September 2001

Key: [U(D)] - Unrestricted (Designated by GA)

[R] - Restricted (Conditions attached by the Donor(s))

[E] - Endowment (Capital of the fund may not be expended)

1.	Animal Welfare Capital Account- [U(D)]		£		£
	Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	3,576	Unrealised Loss		395
			Balance 30 September 2001		3,181
		<u>3,576</u>			<u>3,576</u>
2.	Animal Welfare Income Account- [U(D)]				
	Balance 1 October 2000	986	Expenses		24
	Dividends & Interest	73	Balance 30 September 2001		1,035
		<u>1,059</u>			<u>1,059</u>
3.	Buildings Advisory Panel - [U(D)]				
	Balance 1 October 2000	174	Balance 30 September 2001		174
		<u>174</u>			<u>174</u>
4.	Central Postal Mission Fund Capital Account - [U(D)]				
	Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	9,271	Unrealised Loss		1,025
			Balance 30 September 2001		8,246
		<u>9,271</u>			<u>9,271</u>
5.	Central Postal Mission Fund Income Account - [U(D)]				
	Dividends & Interest	190	GA Information Department		190
		<u>190</u>			<u>190</u>
6.	Lewis Memorial Fund Capital Account - [R]				
	Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	2,205	Unrealised Loss		244
			Balance 30 September 2001		1,961
		<u>2,205</u>			<u>2,205</u>
7.	Lewis Memorial Fund Income Account - [R]				
	Dividends & Interest	45	GA Subscriptions		45
		<u>45</u>			<u>45</u>

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8. Development Fund - [U(D)]

Balance 1 October 2000	5,766	Fellowships Initiative	348
Donations (inc. tax on covenants)	293	Balance 30 September 2001	5,711
	6,059		6,059

9. HW Fairey Specific Bequest - [U(D)]

Income from B&FUA	2,434	Grants for young persons - IRF	400
		Grants for activities	2,322
		Balance 30 September 2001	(288)
	2,434		2,434

10. Fund for Growth & Development Projects - [U(D)]

Balance 1 October 2000	55	Balance 30 September 2001	55
	55		55

11. Arnold Graves Trust Capital Account - [R]

Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	7,731	Unrealised Loss	854
		Balance 30 September 2001	6,877
	7,731		7,731

12. Arnold Graves Trust Income Account - [R]

Dividends & Interest	158	GA Subscriptions	158
	158		158

13. India Fund Capital Account - [U(D)]

Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	10,151	Unrealised Loss	1,122
		Balance 30 September 2001	9,029
	10,151		10,151

14. India Fund - [U(D)]

Balance 1 October 2000	4,890		
Donations to Villages Education	571		
General Assembly Grant (GP)	400	Bank Charges	112
Interest	646	ICUC Grant	500
Flood Relief	3,197	Grants to Madras	250
Womens League Contributions	805	Mawkisiyem School	1,000
Other Donations	650	Kharang Rural Centre	350
Memorial Hall Trustees	250	UUNEI - Flood Relief	1,145
Abbey School - Reading	1,000	Balance 30 September 2001	9,052
	12,409		12,409

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15. Kharang Rural Centre - Capital Account - [R]

Balance 1 October 2000	3,124	Balance 30 September 2001	3,124
	3,124		3,124

16. Kharang Rural Centre Fund - Income Account - [R]

Balance 1 October 2000	155	Kharang Rural Centre	150
Interest	166	Balance 30 September 2001	171
	321		321

17. Lay Pastors Capital Account (Benton Fund)- [R]

Balance 1 October 2000	20,600	Balance 30 September 2001	20,600
	20,600		20,600

18. Lay Pastors Income Account - [R]

Balance 1 October 2000	2,044		
Donations	503	Grants	1,000
Interest	1,096	Balance 30 September 2001	2,643
	3,643		3,643

19. Lay Training Publications - [U(D)]

Balance 1 October 2000	108	Expenses	30
		Balance 30 September 2001	78
	108		108

20. Unitarian Millennium Fund- [U(D)]

Balance 1 October 2000	287,749	Unrealised Loss	23,863
Dividends & Interest (Gross)	5,542	Portfolio Management Fees	350
Donations - Other	3,040	Expenses	838
		Grants	57,608
		Balance 30 September 2001	213,672
	296,331		296,331

21. Unitarian Millennium Fund - Endowment Fund - [E]

Balance 1 October 2000	12,988	Unrealised Loss	98
Endowment Donations	30	Balance 30 September 2001	12,920
	13,018		13,018

22. Ministerial Students' Fund - [R]

Balance 1 October 2000	15,022		
Contributions	6,172		
General Assembly Grant	10,000	Grants & Expenses	16,631
Memorial Hall Trustees	1,200	Balance 30 September 2001	15,763
	32,394		32,394

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23. Old Meeting House Birmingham Fund Capital Account - [R]			
Investments introduced at market value	10,591	Unrealised Loss	3189
Capital Transferred from Income Account	31,571	Portfolio Management	109
Realised Gain	197	Balance 30 September 2001	39,061
	42,359		42,359
24. Old Meeting House Birmingham Fund Income Account - [R]			
Balance 1 October 2000	34,465	Capital for Reinvestment	31,571
Dividends and Interest	791	Balance 30 September 2001	3,685
	35,256		35,256
25. Publications Panel - [U(D)]			
Balance 1 October 2000	2,807	Cost of Sales	1,542
Income from sales	2,615	Balance 30 September 2001	3,880
	5,422		5,422
26. EU Romania Fund - [U(D)]			
Balance 1 October 2000	4,976	Grants & Expenses	7,051
Donations	3,676	Balance 30 September 2001	1,601
	8,652		8,652
27. Small Congregations Consultancy - [U(D)]			
Unitarian Millennium Fund Grant	1,704	Committee Expenses	1,704
	1,704		1,704
28. James Speed Trust - Income Account - [R]			
Balance 1 October 2000	33,689	Payments	31,469
Dividends & Interest (Gross)	20,706	Administration Fee	1,100
	54,395	Balance 30 September 2001	21,826
	54,395		54,395
29. James Speed Trust - Capital Account - [E]			
Balance 1 October 2000	620,203	Realised Loss	2,397
		Unrealised Loss	85,571
		Portfolio Management Fees	3,135
		Balance 30 September 2001	529,100
	620,203		620,203
30. Sunday School Association - Capital Account - [R]			
Balance 1 October 2000	19,338	Unrealised Loss	2,138
		Balance 30 September 2001	17,200
	19,338		19,338

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31. Sunday School Association Fund - Income Account - [R]			
Investment Income (Gross)	395	GA Religious Education and Youth Department	395
	395		395
32. Union for Social Service Fund Capital Account - [U(D)]			
Capital Withdrawn from B&FUA	1,191	Unrealised Loss	132
		Balance 30 September 2001	1,059
	1,191		1,191
33. Union for Social Service Fund Income Account - [U(D)]			
Dividends & Interest	24	GA Subscriptions	24
	24		24
34. Humphries Winder Legacy Capital Account - [R]			
Balance 1 October 2000	4,000	Balance 30 September 2001	4,000
	4,000		4,000
35. Humphries Winder Legacy Income Account - [R]			
Balance 1 October 2000	725	Grant	200
Interest	213	Balance 30 September 2001	738
	938		938
36. Unitarian World Development Education Appeal Fund - [R]			
Contributions	430		
Office of Social Responsibility	220	One World Week Programme	650
	650		650

**The Unitarian Convalescent and
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Trading As

The Nightingale centre

Financial Statements

**For The Year ended
30th September 2001**

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

Committee Responsibilities for Preparing the Financial Statements

The Committee is obliged to prepare financial statements for each financial year.

The financial statements must give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Centre at the end of the financial year and of the excess of receipts over payments for the year. The Committee is responsible for the adoption of suitable accounting policies, and their consistent use in the financial statements, supported where necessary by reasonable and prudent judgement.

The Committee confirms that the above requirements have been complied with in the financial statements.

In addition, the Committee is responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the Centre and to prevent and detect fraud or any other irregularities.

Auditor's Report to the Members of

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

We have audited the Accounts on Pages 73 to 78 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 78.

Respective responsibilities of the Committee and Auditors

As described on page 19 the Committee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you. We have been appointed as auditors under Section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and report in accordance with regulations made under Section 44 of that Act.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Centre's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Centre as at 30th September 2001 and its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993.

EDMUND GIBBS
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
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The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended
30th September 2001

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Designated</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2001</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2000</u>
<u>Income and expenditure</u>				
<u>Incoming Resources</u>				
Charges	130,392	—	130,392	136,122
Rents Receivable	11,263	—	11,263	12,312
Donations	9,196	—	9,196	9,355
Investment Income	9,058	—	9,058	7,775
Grants	415	—	415	415
Other Income	570	—	570	759
Total Incoming Resources	160,894	—	160,894	166,738
<u>Resources expended</u>				
Direct Charitable Expenditure	116,046	—	116,046	118,187
Management and Administration of the charity	28,968	—	28,968	26,250
Fundraising and Publicity	225	—	225	84
Total Resources Expended	145,239	—	145,239	144,521
<u>Net Incoming Resources</u>				
<u>For The Year</u>				
	15,655	—	15,655	22,217
Other Recognised Gains and losses	—	—	—	—
Unrealised Gains/(Losses) on Investments	(16)	—	(16)	180
Unrealised Gains on Freehold Property	—	—	—	—
	<u>15,639</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>15,639</u>	<u>22,397</u>
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>				
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st October 2000	136,485	1,644,313	1,780,798	1,758,401
Fund Balances carried forward at 30th September 2001	<u>152,124</u>	<u>1,644,313</u>	<u>1,796,437</u>	<u>1,780,798</u>

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

Balance Sheet at 30th September 2001

<u>2000</u>		£	£
	Capital Account - Designated Funds		
1,411,647	Buildings at Valuation	1,411,647	
11,007	Greta Broadhead Bequest	11,007	
2,714	Special Appeal	2,714	
1,819	Barleycrofts Appeal	1,819	
7,535	Bedding Appeal	7,535	
3,528	Barleycrofts Roof Appeal	3,528	
740	Recoupment Order	740	
205,323	Hibbert Houses Building Grant	<u>205,323</u>	
1,644,313			1,644,313
	General Account - Unrestricted Funds		
114,088	Balance at 1st October 2000	136,485	
22,397	Surplus for the Year	<u>15,639</u>	
136,485			152,124
			<u>1,796,437</u>
<u>1,780,798</u>			

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Balance Sheet at 30th September 2001 (Continued)

<u>2000</u>		£	£	£	£
	Represented by:-				
	Fixed Assets (Notes 3 & 4)	Balance b/f	Additions	Depre/n	Balance c/f
1411647	Buildings	1,411,647			1,411,647
244,639	Building Improvements	244,639	0	8,715	235,924
1,656,286		1,656,286	0	8,715	1,647,571
17,859	Furniture and Equipment	17,859	826	3,297	15,390
1,674,145		<u>1,674,145</u>	<u>826</u>	<u>12,012</u>	1,662,961
2,468	Investment (Note 5)				2,452
2,907	Stock				4,665
4,702	Debtors and Prepaid Expenditure				8,377
267	Bank Deposit Account				103
166,537	Bank Current Account (Interest Bearing)				184,045
78	Cash in Hand				<u>200</u>
166,882					184,348
1,851,104					<u>1,862,803</u>
25,306	Less:- Creditors				21,366
1,825,798					<u>1,841,437</u>
45,000	Less:- Loan - General Assembly				45,000
<u>1,780,798</u>					<u>1,796,437</u>

Chairman J M Atkinson

Financial Secretary M G West

Approved by the Management Committee on 8th December 2001

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended
30th September 2001**

<u>2000</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
132,343	Charges to Residents (Including self-catering)	126,163		
3,779	Charges to Day Visitors	4,229		
<u>136,122</u>			<u>130,392</u>	
(217)	Shop Profit/(Loss)	276		
623	Rents	988		
719	Other Income	518		
1,125			1,782	
415	Grants for Woodland preservation		415	
<u>137,662</u>	Trading Income		<u>132,589</u>	
72,632	Salaries, Wages, Pension and NIC		72,807	
127	Staff Travelling		942	
14,315	Repairs and Maintenance		11,754	
6,142	Heat, Light, Power and Water Rates		6,388	
23,259	Food Consumption		22,759	
2,222	Non Food Supplies		3,828	
3,140	Laundry		3,630	
3,031	Insurance		3,260	
740	Telephones		1,067	
625	Printing and Stationery		1,111	
1,213	Advertising for Manager		0	
84	Advertising		225	
242	Postages		192	
1,530	Committee Expenses		2,484	
575	Audit Fee		650	
0	Sundries		355	
2,025	Interest payable	2,000		
(7,775)	Less Interest Receivable	(9,058)	(7,058)	
12,362	Depreciation		12,011	
<u>136,489</u>	Trading Expenditure		<u>136,405</u>	
<u>1,173</u>	Trading (Loss)/Profit carried forward		<u>(3,816)</u>	

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

**Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended
30th September 2001 (Continued)**

<u>2000</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
1,173	Trading (Loss)/Profit brought forward		(3,816)
11,689	Rents Receivable - Barleycrofts Property		10,275
<u>12,862</u>			<u>6,459</u>
	Donations		
1,250	Memorial Hall Trustees	1,750	
216	Torr House Trustees	61	
1,000	North Lancs Group	1,000	
200	Manchester District Association	200	
1,533	Money raised at the Open day	1,539	
4,221	Friends of Hucklow	3,987	
200	L.D.P.A.	200	
100	Midland Union	100	
400	East Cheshire Union	200	
235	Other Donations	159	
<u>9,355</u>			<u>9,196</u>
180	Unrealised (Losses)/Gains on Investments		(16)
<u>22,397</u>	Net Surplus for the Year carried to the Balance Sheet		<u>15,639</u>

The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre at Great Hucklow

Notes to the Financial Statements - 30th September 2001

1 The Land and Buildings comprised in the Charities called The Unitarian Convalescent and Holiday Centre are vested in the British and Foreign Unitarian Association (Incorporated) as Custodian Trustee. The Convalescent and Holiday Centre was valued at 30th September 1999 for insurance purposes at £1,265,000 and the Barleycroft Building was valued at 30th September 1999 for insurance purposes at £400,000. For the purpose of capitalising the Land and Buildings the value of the Net Building Improvements amounting to £253,353 at 30th September 1999 has been deducted from the valuation to arrive at a net valuation of the Land and Buildings of £1,411,647.

2 Income received for Appeal funds is not reflected within the Income and Expenditure Account but taken directly to the Fund to which it relates. When Appeal Funds are closed they are transferred to the Capital Account

3 **Accounting Policy**

Building improvement works are capitalised. Elements of improvement works not having a lasting value (e.g. decorations) are fully depreciated in the initial year.

4 **Depreciation Policy**

Maximum forty years for building improvements and twenty five years for furniture and equipment.
Freehold Property is not depreciated as, in the opinion of the Committee, the property is not worth less than its book value and, therefore, any depreciation would be immaterial.

5 **Investments**

The investments consist of 25 Charifund Accumulation Units and 13.16 COIF Charities Investment Fund Units.

<u>Charifund Accumulation Units</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
Market Value 1st October 2000	1,677	1,549
Net unrealised investment gains	32	128
Market Value 30th September 2001	<u>1,709</u>	<u>1,677</u>
Historical Cost as at 30th September 2001	<u>684</u>	<u>684</u>

<u>COIF Charities Investment Fund Units</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
Market Value at 30th June 2000	791	739
Net unrealised investment gains	(48)	52
Market Value 30th June 2001	<u>743</u>	<u>791</u>
Historical Cost as at 30th September 2001	<u>740</u>	<u>740</u>

The Sustentation Fund
for the Augmentation of Ministers' Stipends
Registered Charity No.235449
Founded 1883

Annual Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30th SEPTEMBER, 2001

Committee of Trustees

Officers of the General Assembly (Ex Officio)

John Midgley, President

Alan Ruston, Vice-President

Michael Tomlin, Honorary Treasurer, Chair of the Committee

Jeffrey Teagle, General Secretary

Members of Council appointed by the Council of the General Assembly:

Stephen Dick

Theresa Taylor

Geoffrey Head

Non-Members of Council co-opted by the Council of the General Assembly:

John Allerton

Patricia Birtles

Officers of the Fund appointed by the Committee

Alfred Fletcher, Honorary Secretary

16, Millfield Lane, Nether Poppleton, York YO2 6HR

Alexander Ellis, Honorary Treasurer

The Hermitage, Sale Green, Nr, Droitwich, Worcs WR9 7LN

Custodian Trustee

The British & Foreign Unitarian Association (Incorporated)

Essex Hall, 1-6, Essex Street, London WC2R 3HY

Auditor

Kenneth Strange B.Sc., F.C.C.A.

10, Ravenscroft Drive Droitwich, Worcs WR9 7AP

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc, 5, Victoria Square, Droitwich, Worcs WR9 8DF

Investment Managers

Henderson Investors Ltd., 3, Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA

Essex Hall, 1-6, Essex Street, London WC2R 3HY

Report of the Trustees

1. Objects of the Fund

The objects of the Fund shall be to aid in the maintenance of faithful and efficient Ministers serving congregations affiliated to the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches.

2. The Committee

The Trustees are appointed by the Council of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches on a triennial basis, to manage the trust as a Departmental Committee of the General Assembly. The Custodian Trustee is the British & Foreign Unitarian Association (Incorporated).

3. Administration of Grants

Application forms for grants are available from the Secretary for each District Association. The Trustees meet in June or July each year to consider applications for grants for the year commencing the first of October following. The grants are then paid in quarterly instalments.

4. Meetings

The Trustees met once during the year on 24th July. The Officers administering the grants maintained a close liaison amongst themselves throughout the year.

5. Annual Accounts

The Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 2001, showed an operating deficit of £6,873 (2000:£797). After a net investment loss from disposals of £3,328 (2000:£18,636) and a year end market revaluation loss of £77,612 (2000:£7,046), there was an overall loss of £89,837 (2000: £26,480) for the year. The large loss on the investments was due to the collapse of the market in the wake of the terrorist attack in America just three weeks before the year end.

6. Investments

The investments are managed by Henderson Global Investors Ltd. They are held in the name of Henderson Nominees Ltd of 3, Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA, on behalf of the Trustees. The investment policy is to maximise the total return from a portfolio managed to produce a balance between income and growth, measured in performance terms against the WM2000 (excluding property) benchmark. It may be necessary from time to time, to supplement income by withdrawals from Capital growth. They were valued as at 30th. September, 2001, by Henderson Investors Ltd.,

7. Grants

Applications for grant-aid towards the payment of stipends were received for the support of 25 Ministries, of which 6 were new applications. Of these 25 applications, 3 were withdrawn. Of the 22 awards made, 1 was never taken up due to the non-appointment of the Minister.

2nd November, 2001


Michael Tomlin
Chair

SUSTENTATION FUND Registered Charity No.235449

BALANCE SHEET

30th September 2001

2000 £	ASSETS	£	2001 £
425,193	Investments at Market Valuation Cost as at 30th Sept.2001:£383,729 (30th Sept.2000:£381,135)		350,781
	Cash at Bank		
1,354	Current Account	1,293	
14,690	Deposit Account	8,248	
30,412	Investment Managers Client A/c	21,739	
46,456			31,280
254	Income Tax Recoverable	262	
1,239	Dividends Received after Year End	982	
1,493			1,244
473,141			383,305
	Less LIABILITIES		
370	Sundry Creditors		370
472,771			382,935
	REPRESENTED BY:		
	Sustentation Fund		
499,251	Balance as at Start of Year		472,771
(26,480)	Increase/(Decrease) in the Value of the Fund		(89,837)
472,771	Balance as at End of Year		382,935

Note 1 The Trustees of the Sustentation Fund are The British and Foreign Unitarian Association Incorporated whose Registered Office is at Essex Hall, 1-6 Essex Street, London WC2R 3HY. The Fund is managed on behalf of the British and Foreign Unitarian Association Incorporated by a Committee appointed by the General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches at the same address, for the purpose of making grants to assist member congregations of the General Assembly to meet the cost of employing their Ministers.

Note 2 For greater ease of reading, the figures in these Accounts are shown in round pounds. In places, this may suggest that they do not "add-up". This is due solely to the rounding. There are no discrepancies in the Books of Account.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the Trust, for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities, and for preparing annual financial statements which both accord with the accounting records, and which comply with both the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting by Charities and the relevant governing document, and which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Trust. To the best of our knowledge and belief, these obligations have been met, and accordingly these Accounts are hereby approved on behalf of the Trustees by the following Officers of the Sustentation Fund Committee.


M.J. Tomlin
Chair

2nd. November, 2001


A.H. Ellis
Hon. Treasurer

SUSTENTATION FUND Registered Charity No.235449

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 30th September 2001

2000 £		2001 £
	TOTAL RESOURCES ARISING IN THE YEAR	
26,961	Bank Interest & Income from Investments (Gross)	19,854
1,740	Donations	2,834
<u>28,701</u>		<u>22,688</u>
	Less EXPENDITURE	
26,300	Grants	27,750
	Administration Expenses	
500	Secretarial Honorarium	500
500	Treasurer's Honorarium	500
589	Travelling Expenses	381
0	Printing & Stationery	0
0	Telephone & Postage	50
25	Bank Charges	61
320	Audit Fee	320
<u>1,934</u>		<u>1,811</u>
<u>28,234</u>		<u>29,561</u>
<u>466</u>	REVENUE (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	<u>(6,873)</u>
	INVESTMENT DISPOSALS & REVALUATION	
(18,636)	Net Gain/(Loss) on Sale of Investments	(3,328)
(7,046)	Unrealised Gain/(Loss) on Revaluation of Investments	(77,612)
(1,264)	Investment Management Fees	(2,023)
<u>(26,946)</u>		<u>(82,964)</u>
<u>(26,480)</u>	TOTAL INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN THE VALUE OF THE FUND	<u>(89,837)</u>

SUSTENTATION FUND Registered Charity No.235449

INVESTMENTS

30th September 2001

2000 Market Valn £		Original Cost £	Revaln Gain B/F £	Revaln Gain This Yr £	Market Valn £
	Narrower Range				
	Loss on Investments sold during the Year	-	348	(348)	-
58,704	£10,000 Britannia 13% PIBS	14,660	2,066	1,060	17,786
16,726	£10,000 NatWest.Bk 9.00% Non.Cum.PrefA'£1	10,247	1,678	750	12,675
11,925	£15,000 Northern Rock 12.5/8% PSNTS	26,342	(2,830)	2,371	25,883
23,512	£20,000 Treasury 6.25% 2010	23,202	(1,135)	290	22,357
22,067					
<u>132,934</u>		<u>74,452</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>4,123</u>	<u>78,701</u>
	Wider Range				
	Loss on Investments sold during the Year	-	2,980	(2,980)	-
20,001	700 BAA Ord £1	4,141	0	(361)	3,780
0	500 Barclays Bank Ord £1	3,056	6,304	(5)	9,355
9,360	500 Berkeley Group Ord 25p	4,020	0	(1,095)	2,925
0	1,500 BP Ord US\$0.25	9,390	0	(960)	8,430
10,665	1,950 British Telecom Ord.25p	14,711	(2,696)	(5,385)	6,630
11,580	1,200 Cable & Wireless Ord.25p	14,169	(2,589)	(8,217)	3,363
0	2,000 Centrica Ord 5.5/8p	4,860	0	(600)	4,260
11,040	1,150 CGNU Ord.25p	2,157	8,883	(1,386)	9,654
3,753	1,000 Compass Gp.Ord 10p	3,753	0	992	4,745
6,439	825 Edinburgh Tracker Ord 25p	6,377	62	(1,566)	4,843
0	520 Fleming American Inv.Ord 25p	4,124	0	(609)	3,515
18,900	3,000 Fleming Mercantile IT Ord 25p	19,260	(360)	(4,155)	14,745
21,236	1,039 Glaxo Smith Kline Ord.6.25p	12,684	8,552	(1,287)	19,949
0	1,000 Hanson Ord £2	4,385	0	373	4,758
0	850 HBOS	5,908	0	332	6,239
0	830 Henderson Euro Cap Gth Fd 'I'	12,186	0	(2,940)	9,246
5,780	620 Henderson Global Tech.Fd 'I'	9,079	(648)	(6,318)	2,112
3,645	500 Henderson Nth American Fd	3,967	(322)	(1,352)	2,293
4,328	2,600 Henderson Pacific Cap.Gth Fd	7,429	(602)	(1,609)	5,218
13,467	1,400 HSBC Ord.75p	9,403	4,064	(3,429)	10,038
3,782	1,100 J.P.Morgan Fleming Fd	3,685	97	(1,553)	2,229
0	909 Kingfisher Ord 13.75p	4,573	0	(1,755)	2,818
10,202	900 Law Debenture Corporation Ord.25p	8,487	1,715	(752)	9,450
7,572	1,200 Lloyds TSB Ord.25p	10,159	(2,587)	228	7,800
12,160	4,000 Martin Currie European Ord 5p	12,920	(760)	(5,400)	6,760
5,128	3,900 Martin Currie Japan Ord 25p	4,953	175	(2,164)	2,964
0	400 Pearson Ord 25p	6,996	0	(4,080)	2,916
19,845	2,150 Prudential Corporation 5p	7,661	12,184	(4,795)	15,050
6,410	500 Reuters Ord.25p	6,835	(425)	(3,415)	2,995
4,905	500 Rio Tinto Ord.10p	5,465	(560)	445	5,350
0	700 Royal Bank of Scotland	11,295	0	(809)	10,486
4,725	900 Scottish Power Ord.50p	4,964	(239)	(1,044)	3,681
24,134	4,380 Shell Tpt.& Trading Ord.25p	8,698	15,436	(1,796)	22,338
14,761	5,940 Tesco Ord.5p	10,453	4,308	445	15,206
11,435	2,700 TR European Growth Trust Ord 12.5p	11,502	(67)	(7,074)	4,361
7,901	1,150 United Utilities Ord.£1	9,754	(1,853)	(621)	7,280
12,625	5,000 Vodafone Airtouch Ord US\$0.10	14,450	(1,825)	(5,125)	7,500
0	600 Whitbread Ord 25p	3,530	0	(692)	2,838
6,480	800 WPP Group Ord.10p	7,840	(1,360)	(2,520)	3,960
<u>292,259</u>		<u>309,277</u>	<u>47,866</u>	<u>(85,063)</u>	<u>272,080</u>
<u>425,193</u>		<u>383,729</u>	<u>47,992</u>	<u>(80,940)</u>	<u>350,781</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

I have audited the attached accounts of the Sustentation Fund.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Auditor

As described above, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is my responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on my audit, on those accounts and to report my opinion to you.

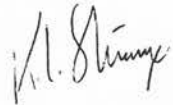
Basis of Opinion

I have conducted my audit according to the Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures made by the Trustees in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the Trustees in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the Sustentation Fund, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary in order to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the accounts.

Opinion

In my opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Sustentation Fund as at 30th September,2001 and of the Statement of Financial Activities for the year then ended.



Kenneth Strange, B.Sc.,F.C.C.A.
Chartered Certified Accountant and Registered Auditor
10, Ravenscroft Road,
Droitwich, Worcs WR9 7AP
2nd November,2001

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION INC

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

Registered in England
Company Registration No: 141130
Registered as a Charity No: 255205

Company Number: 141130

The members of the Executive Committee during the year were:-

Alan R Ruston (Chairman)
Geoffrey Head (Honorary Treasurer)
Jeffrey J Teagle (Secretary)
John C Clifford (Deputy Secretary)
Peter B Godfrey
Miles Howarth
James McClelland
Neil Sanders
Matthew Smith
Jane Williams
David L Wykes

The Company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The principal activities of the Company consist of (1) the holding of investments and the application of income therefrom for the benefit of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches and (2) acting as trustee of funds for religious purposes. The total incoming resources of the Company for the year, particulars of which are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities, amounted to £167,471, (£122,916 dividends and interest, £3,841 capital introduced to designated funds and £40,714 legacies). After satisfaction of the amounts due to the subsidiary funds charging expenses, the net balance payable to the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches was £36,866.

1. Annual Meeting

The 87th Ordinary Meeting of the Association was held on 7 February 2001 at Essex Hall, London. The annual report and accounts were adopted and the Officers and Executive Committee members were elected.

2. Register of Members

The Register of Members remained at 48 names, no new members having been elected and none having resigned or died.

3. Executive Committee

The honorary officers and committee members were re-elected.

4. Investment Policy Statement

The Association seeks to maximise the total return from a portfolio managed to produce a balance between income and growth, measured in performance terms against WM Charities Universe Funds (excluding property) benchmark. The Association will draw down income, to be supplemented from time to time by withdrawals from capital.

No investment will be made into companies predominantly involved in the production of tobacco or alcohol products, or armaments.

5. Finance

A straight comparison between the accounts for the year ending 30 September 2001 and the previous year is not entirely helpful owing to two major factors:

- i) the divestment of nineteen funds to local trustees and the General Assembly in compliance with the requirements of financial legislation
- ii) the appointment of Henderson Investors (as indicated in our previous Annual Report) and consequential changes in emphasis from income to growth orientated investments in our portfolio.

Total incoming resources decreased by 16% in the year. This mostly arises from the decrease in income following the withdrawal of capital amounting to £671,244 from nineteen funds divested.

The cost of portfolio management rose from £8,143 to £13,910. The increase is attributed to the fact that Henderson Investors were only appointed for part of the previous year and the full effect has been experienced in the current year.

In all, there was a significant decline in investment values with a net decrease £435,086 during the year, owing to fears of an impending global economic turndown. This was exacerbated in the last month of the accounting year by the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington and their repercussions.

The performance of our Fund Managers is kept under scrutiny by the Unitarian Joint Investment Panel at regular meetings with them. In particular, comparisons with the

agreed Benchmark (WM Charities Universe for funds constrained by income excluding property) are monitored. In the financial year the value of our portfolio declined by 14% against the Benchmark decline of 14.8% (the FTSE All Share Index declined by 20.8%). Future returns will depend to a material extent on the progress of the global economy. Market values are likely to remain volatile, but the income requirements of the designated funds will remain a prime concern.

Our Fund Managers are under instruction to pursue an ethical policy avoiding investments in companies with significant involvement in armaments, alcohol, tobacco and gambling. Together with the General Assembly we have under consideration a somewhat wider policy to meet other denominational concerns.

6. Auditors

Messrs Edmund Gibbs of Oxford were re-appointed the Association's auditors during the year and a resolution for their re-appointment for the forthcoming year will be proposed at the ordinary general meeting in February 2002.

7. Business Transacted

The Secretary and Deputy Secretary have continued to deal with trusteeship, finance and legal issues. The exercise to return funds to trusts where the Association is not the sole Managing Trustee has been substantially progressed. A new exercise has been commenced to reduce the number of small trusts within the investment portfolio. In these cases the beneficiary trusts are being approached to see if they are willing to accept the transfer of the capital. Where they agree, the Charity Commission will then be asked to approve the transfers.

8. Designated Funds

Grants were made from the Lawrence House Fund in respect of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches and its Religious Education and Youth Department, and to young people attending the General Assembly's Annual Meetings and the International Religious Fellowship.

Benevolent grants were made to selected ministers from the Bicentenary Fund and the Bickerton Fund. Educational grants were

made from the Wood Trust. Educational grants were also made from the Enfield Dowson and Harwood Funds.

Other income was disbursed appropriately in accordance with the relevant schemes or on the authority of the Executive Committee.

9. McQuaker Fund

The Fund's net income was paid to the Scottish Unitarian Association for disposal at its discretion.

10. Executive Committee's responsibilities for preparing the Accounts.

The executive committee is obliged under company law to prepare accounts for each financial year.

The accounts of which the form and content is prescribed by the Companies Act 1985 must give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association at the end of the financial year, and of the surplus for the year. The executive committee is also responsible for the adoption of suitable accounting policies and controls, and their consistent use in the accounts, supported where necessary by reasonable and prudent judgment. The committee has ensured that the accounts have been maintained and presented to the requirements of the Charity Commissioners current Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting by charities (SORP). The executive committee confirms that the above requirements have been complied with in the accounts. The committee has taken note of the revised standards contained in SORP 2000, due for implementation next year, and have substantially incorporated these standards into this year's accounts.

In addition, the executive committee is responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the Association and to prevent and detect fraud or any other irregularities.

By Order of the Executive Committee.

Alan Ruston (Chairman)

BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)
(Incorporated as a Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN
UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)

We have audited the accounts on pages 89 to 96.

Respective Responsibilities of the Executive Committee and Auditors

As described on page 87, the Association's Executive Committee are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the executive committee in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Association's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 30th September 2001 and of its incoming resources and application of resources in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

EDMUND GIBBS

Chartered Certified Accountants

Registered Auditors

Kingsgate
4610 Cascade Way
Oxford Business Park South
OXFORD
OX4 2SU

BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)
(Incorporated as a Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

Note	General Fund £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2001 £	Total Funds 2000 £
Income and Expenditure				
Incoming Resources				
	5,240	17,974	23,214	17,053
	22,505	77,197	99,702	180,825
5		3,000	3,000	2,997
5	40,714	—	40,714	—
	<u>68,459</u>	<u>98,171</u>	<u>166,630</u>	<u>200,875</u>
Resources Expended				
	—	671,244	671,244	—
	3,524	10,386	13,910	8,143
	—	119,843	119,843	158,621
	3,600	—	3,600	7,735
	3,500	—	3,500	4,112
	36,866	—	36,866	31,388
	<u>47,490</u>	<u>801,473</u>	<u>848,963</u>	<u>209,999</u>
	20,969	(703,302)	(682,333)	(9,124)
6	6,487	(6,487)	—	—
	27,456	(709,789)	(682,333)	(9,124)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)				
Gains/(losses) on Investments				
4	2,646	7,796	10,442	(58,810)
4	(112,884)	(332,644)	(445,528)	(12,136)
	(82,782)	(1,034,637)	(1,117,419)	(80,070)
Net Movement in Funds				
	638,652	2,553,213	3,191,865	3,271,935
Balances carried forward at 30 September 2001				
	<u>555,870</u>	<u>1,518,576</u>	<u>2,074,446</u>	<u>3,191,865</u>

The notes on pages 92 to 94 form part of these accounts.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)
(Incorporated as a Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

	2001	2000
Income from Continuing Operations	163,630	197,878
Capital Introduced to Funds	3,000	2,997
Total Income of Continuing Operations	<u>166,630</u>	<u>200,875</u>
Expenditure from Continuing Operations	177,719	209,999
Repayment of Capital to Managing Trustees	671,244	—
Total Expenditure	<u>848,963</u>	<u>209,999</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure) for Year before Asset Disposals	(682,333)	(9,124)
Realised Gains/(Losses) on disposal of Investments	10,442	(58,810)
Net Income/(Expenditure) for the Year	<u>(671,891)</u>	<u>(67,934)</u>

Total income comprises £68,459 for the General Fund and £98,171 for Designated Funds. An analysis of income by source is provided on the Statement of Financial Activities.

An analysis of expenditure is provided on the Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes on pages 92 to 94 form part of these accounts.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2001

	£	2001 £	£	2000 £
Fixed Assets				
Chief Rents at Valuation (secured on properties)	1,932		1,932	
Listed Investments (note 4)	1,939,385		2,861,785	
		<u>1,941,317</u>		<u>2,863,717</u>
Current Assets				
Income Tax Recoverable	8,066		31,409	
Other Debtors	—		195	
Short Term Deposit	138,913		160,191	
COIF Account	121,421		234,949	
Cash at Bank	22,937		20,263	
	<u>291,337</u>		<u>447,007</u>	
Creditors Amounts falling due within one year				
Sundry Creditors	99,069		27,977	
General Assembly	38,792		36,959	
Designated Funds Balances	20,347		53,923	
	<u>158,208</u>		<u>118,859</u>	
Net Current Assets		<u>133,129</u>		<u>328,148</u>
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		<u>2,074,446</u>		<u>3,191,865</u>
Capital and Reserves				
Accumulated Funds - General Fund		555,870		638,652
(note 5) - Designated Funds		1,518,576		2,553,213
		<u>2,074,446</u>		<u>3,191,865</u>

Approved by the Executive Committee on 12 December 2001 and signed on its behalf by:

Geoffrey Head, Honorary Treasurer Jeffrey Teagle, Secretary

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Company Registration No: 141130
Registered as a Charity No: 255205

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value, in accordance with applicable accounting standards and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

(b) Allocation of Income

Income comprising interest, dividends (gross) and rents is allocated to Designated Funds in due proportion to each Fund's capital share of the Accumulated Fund less an administration charge of 5%.

(c) Both Realised and Unrealised Gains are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities in line with the Charities SORP. Whereas, the Unrealised Gains are not shown on the Summary Income and Expenditure Account in line with Financial Reporting Standard 3.

2. Company Status

The Company is registered as a Charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

3. Properties

The Company holds, as a Trustee, Freehold and Leasehold Properties and Investments.

4. Listed Investments

	2001	2000
	£	£
Market value 1 October 2000	2,861,785	3,021,471
Additions	150,542	1,027,006
Disposals	(637,856)	(1,115,746)
Realised gains/(losses)	10,442	(58,810)
Net Unrealised investment gains/(losses)	<u>(445,528)</u>	<u>(12,136)</u>
Market Value 30 September 2001	<u>1,939,385</u>	<u>2,861,785</u>
Historical cost as at 30 September 2001	<u>2,058,401</u>	<u>2,406,095</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

5. Accumulated Funds

	General Fund	Designated Funds
	£	£
1 October 2000	638,652	2,553,213
Deficit on Investments	(110,239)	(324,848)
Capital reallocated to distributions	(10,574)	(31,158)
Portfolio Management Fee charged to Capital	(3,524)	(10,386)
HW Fairey Bequest	34,589	—
WM Munday Bequest	6,125	—
Dr Greaves Bequest	841	—
Animal Welfare Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(3,577)
Arnold Graves (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(7,731)
Central Postal Mission (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(9,271)
India Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(10,151)
Lewis Edwards Memorial Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(2,205)
Union for Social Service Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(1,191)
Blackpool North Shore Church Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(67,626)
Bridgewater Chapel Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(21,302)
Colne Unitarian Church Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(24,953)
Ditchling Free Christian Church and JT Bibby Funds (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(719)
Doncaster Mabel Campbell Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(47,061)
Doncaster Manse Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(54,094)
Margaret Dickin Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(2,205)
William Morris Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(38,527)
Scarborough Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(129,645)
Tenterden Manse Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(125,548)
Wareham Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(8,823)
Worthing Fund (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(22,116)
Cirencester (Capital Withdrawn)	—	(94,502)
Welsh Unitarian Ministers Education Social Fund (Extra Capital)	—	3,000
	<u>555,870</u>	<u>1,518,576</u>

6. Transfers made from the Designated Funds to the General Fund

	2001	2000
	£	£
Administration charge to Designated Funds (5% of income allocated)	5,646	8,397
Income due to Dr Greaves Bequest Fund payable to the general purposes of the British and Foreign Unitarian Association	841	924
Total Transfers	<u>6,487</u>	<u>9,321</u>

BRITISH AND FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)*(Incorporated as a Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)*NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

7. Liability of Members

In the event of the Association being wound up during the period of membership or within one year afterwards, every member undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Association an amount not exceeding one pound for the payment of debts contracted up to the date of cessation of membership together with the costs of winding up.

The number of members at 30 September 2001 was 48 (2000: 48).

8. Trustee's Remuneration

The trustees neither received nor waived any emoluments during the year (2000: £Nil).

Travel and subsistence expenses totaling £340 were reimbursed to 6 trustees (2000: 6 trustees totaling £830).

THE BRITISH & FOREIGN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION (INCORPORATED)*(Incorporated as a Company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)*

LISTED INVESTMENTS AND UNREALISED GAINS (including designated fund investments)

Holding	Investment	Book Cost	Market Value 2000 and or cost of additions	Unrealised Gain/(Loss)	Market Value 2001
Fixed Interest Investments					
145,208	10.00 % Treasury Stock 2003	144,640	162,267	(1,743)	160,524
100,000	Bradford and Bingley 13% Perp Subord Bonds	170,552	168,111	6,140	174,251
23,000	Bristol & West 13.375% Unsecured Perp Subord Bonds	34,084	39,908	2,622	42,530
50,000	Halifax 8.75% Perp Subord	57,103	55,002	1,909	56,911
		406,379	425,288	8,928	434,216
Equities					
750	Astra Zeneca plc US\$0.25 Ord Shares	11,183	25,995	(2,257)	23,738
3,400	BAA plc £1 Ord Shares	20,111	20,111	(1,751)	18,360
3,770	Barclays plc £1 Ord Shares	32,838	70,574	(37)	70,537
7,000	BHP Billiton plc US\$0.50 Ord Shares	19,565	16,923	2,660	19,583
7,500	BP plc US \$0.25 Ord Shares	42,358	45,150	(3,000)	42,150
9,100	British Telecommunications plc 25p Ord Shares	51,071	56,070	(25,130)	30,940
4,803	Cable & Wireless plc 25p Ord Shares	34,497	46,349	(32,889)	13,460
6,394	Cadbury Schweppes plc 12.5p Ord Shares	8,735	25,576	2,654	28,230
3,966	CNGU plc 25p Ord Shares	16,532	38,074	(4,779)	33,295
2,200	Compass Group plc 10 Ord Shares	8,235	10,029	410	10,439
4,200	Edinburgh US Tracker Trust plc 25p Ord Shares	30,184	30,760	(6,106)	24,654
5,000	M&G Charifund Income Units	15,724	53,738	(1,917)	51,821
10,000	FKI plc 10p Ord Shares	22,575	17,600	(3,375)	14,225
3,120	Fleming American Investment Trust plc 25p Ord Shares	25,484	27,497	(6,406)	21,091
15,000	Fleming Mercantile Investment Trust plc 25p Ord Shares	91,725	94,500	(20,775)	73,725
6,870	GlaxoSmithKline plc 25p Ord Shares	85,693	140,312	(8,408)	131,904
5,000	Hanson plc £2 Ord Shares	24,150	18,850	4,938	23,788
13,500	Henderson Emerging Markets Fund 'I'	12,186	12,186	(2,486)	9,700
4,300	Henderson European Capital Growth Fund 'I'	64,787	64,787	(16,885)	47,902
10,600	Henderson European Fund 'I'	60,277	55,576	(16,971)	38,605
4,000	Henderson Global Technology Fund 'I'	58,247	54,199	(40,571)	13,628
3,000	Henderson North American Fund 'I'	23,804	21,867	(8,109)	13,758
	Balances Carried Forward	1,166,340	1,372,011	(182,262)	1,189,749

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 LISTED INVESTMENTS AND UNREALISED GAINS (including designated fund investments)
 (Continued)

Holding	Investment	Book Cost	Market Value 2000 and or cost of additions	Unrealised Gain/(Loss)	Market Value 2001
	Balances Brought Forward	1,166,340	1,372,011	(182,262)	1,189,749
10,400	Henderson Pacific Capital Growth Fund 'I'	32,225	28,873	(8,000)	20,873
24,311.68	Henderson UK Smaller Companies Fund 'I'	89,088	96,299	(58,956)	37,343
11,022	HSBC Holdings plc US \$0.50 Ord Shares	63,048	106,032	(27,004)	79,028
1,818	Kingfisher plc 13.75p Ord Shares	10,680	8,146	(2,510)	5,636
2,550	Law Debenture Corporation plc 25p Ord Shares	18,608	28,904	(2,129)	26,775
8,789	Lloyds TSB Group plc 25p Ord Shares	70,364	55,459	1,670	57,129
16,300	Martin Currie Japan Investment Trust plc 25p Ord Shares	19,479	21,435	(9,047)	12,388
2,500	Next plc 10p Ord Shares	18,286	18,013	4,362	22,375
5,400	Prudential plc 5p Ord Shares	21,843	49,842	(12,042)	37,800
2,500	Reuters Group plc 25p Ord Shares	34,250	32,050	(17,075)	14,975
1,700	Rio Tinto plc 10p Ord Shares (Regd)	20,825	16,677	1,513	18,190
1,250	Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc 25p Ord Shares	10,886	17,850	875	18,725
1,250	Royal Bank of Scotland 1p Additional Value Shares	873	1,016	128	1,144
7,200	JP Morgan Fleming Japan Growth Fund	24,120	24,757	(10,166)	14,591
11,400	Scottish Power plc 50p Ord Shares	63,519	59,850	(13,224)	46,626
24,150	Shell Transport & Trading Co plc 25p Ord Shares (Regd)	56,937	133,067	(9,902)	123,165
15,000	Tesco plc 5p Ord Shares	19,284	37,274	1,126	38,400
18,400	TR European Growth Trust plc 12.5p Ord Shares	87,107	77,924	(48,208)	29,716
3,642	Unilever plc 1.4p Ord Shares	9,010	15,952	2,859	18,811
7,290	United Utilities plc £1 Ord Shares	62,296	50,082	(3,936)	46,146
40,000	Vodafone Group plc USS0.10 Ord Shares	121,113	101,000	(41,000)	60,000
4,000	WPP Group plc 10p Ord Shares	38,220	32,400	(12,600)	19,800
		<u>2,058,401</u>	<u>2,384,913</u>	<u>(445,528)</u>	<u>1,939,385</u>

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DESIGNATED FUNDS

Receipts and payments for the year ended 30 September 2001

Abbreviations after fund titles:

P - Permanent endowment. Capital must not be expended.

E - Capital may be expended on terms laid down by scheme or trust.

Figure in square brackets represents the adjusted market value of the fund at 30 September 2001.

1 Banbury Unitarian Chapel Charities (P)

Charity Commission Scheme CD (T1) 93,808; 27 August 1992. Area of benefit: Oxfordshire and other counties served by the Midland Union for Unitarian and Free Christian Churches.

(a) The Chapel Charity		[£65,488.84]	
Balance 1 October 2000	18	Midland Union	4,645
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>4,635</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>8</u>
	4,653		4,653
(b) The Relief in Need Charity		[£3,803.60]	
Balance 1 October 2000	5	Midland Union	265
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>269</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>9</u>
	274		274
2 Philip Barker Chapel Fund (Nantwich) (P)		[£11,635.48]	
No. 254539. Maintenance of Services and Chapels in Crewe and Newcastle under Lyme.			
Balance 1 October 2000	4	East Cheshire Union	812
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>824</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>16</u>
	828		828
3 Bath Fund (Trim Street)		[£58,309.87]	
Reg No. 234792			
Balance 1 October 2000	(4)	Western Union	4,122
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>4,127</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>1</u>
	4,123		4,123
4 Bayly Fund (P)		[£232.52]	
Distribution of Unitarian Pamphlets			
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>17</u>	Western Union	<u>17</u>
5 Bicentenary Fund		[£718.73]	
Established 1862. Grants to Ministers.			
Balance 1 October 2000	12	Grants to Ministers	50
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>50</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>12</u>
	62		62

6 Bickerton Fund		[£24,744.47]	
Charity Registration Number 269,137, registered 1975. Benevolent Grants to Selected Ministers.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(11)	Grants to Ministers	1,600
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,751</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>140</u>
	<u>1,740</u>		<u>1,740</u>
7 Blackpool North Shore Church Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	15		
Allocation of Interest	<u>845</u>	Trustees of North Shore	<u>860</u>
	<u>860</u>		<u>860</u>
8 Bowie Fund (Cambridge) (P)		[£20,359.53]	
Maintenance of Ministry			
Balance 1 October 2000	(2)	Unitarian Church Cambridge	1,438
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,441</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>1</u>
	<u>1,439</u>		<u>1,439</u>
9 Bowring Fund (Moretonhampstead) (P)		[£1,120.98]	
Upkeep of Graveyard and General Purposes			
Balance 1 October 2000	2		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>80</u>	Cross Chapel - Moretonhampstead	<u>82</u>
	<u>82</u>		<u>82</u>
10 Bridgewater Chapel Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	11		
Allocation of Interest	<u>266</u>	Christ Church Unitarian - Bridgewater	<u>277</u>
	<u>277</u>		<u>277</u>
11 Carlisle Unitarian Church Fund		[£21,005.21]	
Grants to Churches in Northern Unitarian Association			
Balance 1 October 2000	2	Northern Unitarian Association	1,490
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,487</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>(1)</u>
	<u>1489</u>		<u>1489</u>
12 Carmarthen Fund		[£52,678.27]	
Proceeds from sale of church property			
Balance 1 October 2000	8,224	Carmarthen	8,224
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>3,729</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>3,729</u>
	<u>11,953</u>		<u>11,953</u>
13 Chamberlain Fund (Islington) (P)		[£1,367.48]	
No. 252991. Maintenance of Fabric and Support of Sunday School			
Balance 1 October 2000	(14)		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>97</u>	Unity Church - Islington	<u>83</u>
	<u>83</u>		<u>83</u>
14 Chamberlain Fund (Southampton) (P)		[£1,677.42]	
Maintenance of Worship			
Balance 1 October 2000	(15)	Unitarian Church - Southampton	100
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>118</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>3</u>
	<u>103</u>		<u>103</u>
15 Cirencester Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	

Proceeds from sale of church property.			
Balance 1 October 2000	33,205		
Allocation of Interest	<u>3,831</u>	Cirencester	<u>37,036</u>
	<u>37,036</u>		<u>37,036</u>
16 Colne Unitarian Church Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(709)		
Allocation of Interest	<u>303</u>	Deducted from repayment of Capital	<u>(406)</u>
	<u>(406)</u>		<u>(406)</u>
17 Congleton Unitarian Church Fund		[£23,027.29]	
Proceeds from sale of church in 1977. Income distributed between Knutsford, Macclesfield and Newcastle Churches.			
Balance 1 October 2000	42	Knutsford Unitarian Chapel	552
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,630</u>	Macclesfield Unitarian Chapel	<u>552</u>
	<u>1,672</u>	Newcastle (Staffs) OMH	<u>552</u>
		Balance 30 September 2001	<u>16</u>
			<u>1,672</u>
18 T B Craig Fund		[£23,653.95]	
Balance 1 October 2000	5	Distribution	150
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,675</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>1,530</u>
	<u>1,680</u>		<u>1,680</u>
19 Crediton Fund		[£4,491.59]	
Balance 1 October 2000	4		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>318</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>322</u>
	<u>322</u>		<u>322</u>
20 Croft Unitarian Chapel Fund		[£1,513.23]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(102)		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>107</u>	NELUM	<u>5</u>
	<u>5</u>		<u>5</u>
21 Darlington Fund (P)		[£3,292.68]	
Charity Commission Scheme 1925 C/103,323. Unitarianism in Darlington of Churches in the Northern Unitarian Association.			
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	233	Northern Unitarian Association	230
	<u>233</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>3</u>
			<u>233</u>
22 Deal Fund (P)		[£1,447.17]	
Proceeds from sale of church. Charity Commission Scheme E 100,320, registered 1923. For the benefit of congregations of Dover (2/3) and Chatham (1/3).			
Balance 1 October 2000	7	Chatham Unitarian Church	36
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>102</u>	Dover Unitarian Church	<u>73</u>
	<u>109</u>		<u>109</u>

23 Ditchling Free Christian Church and J T Bibby Funds (P) [Fund Withdrawn in Year]
General Purposes.

Balance 1 October 2000	5		
Allocation of Interest	9	Ditchling OMH	14
	<u>14</u>		<u>14</u>

24 Doncaster Mabel Campbell [Fund Withdrawn in Year]

Balance 1 October 2000	(1)		
Allocation of Interest	588	Hall Gate Free Christian Church	587
	<u>587</u>		<u>587</u>

25 Doncaster Manse Fund [Fund Withdrawn in Year]

Balance 1 October 2000	4		
Allocation of Interest	676	Hall Gate Free Christian Church	680
	<u>680</u>		<u>680</u>

26 Douglas (Isle of Man) Fund [£15,633.70]

Balance 1 October 2000	1,197	Manx Unitarian Fellowship	1,200
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	1,107	Balance 30 September 2001	1,104
	<u>2,304</u>		<u>2,304</u>

27 Enfield Dowson (Willaston School) Fund [£1,391.98]

No. 313090. Educational Grants for Sons of Unitarian Ministers.

Balance 1 October 2000	357	Grants	300
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	99	Balance 30 September 2001	156
	<u>456</u>		<u>456</u>

28 Dr Harbin Eades' Bequest [£1,956.13]

Balance 1 October 2000	(3)	UnitarianNewMeeting-Birmingham	136
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	140	Balance 30 September 2001	1
	<u>137</u>		<u>137</u>

29 Exeter Fund (Georges Chapel) (P) [£125,658.82]

Charity Commission Scheme L2/241,163 A/2, registered 1987; No. 241163

Balance 1 October 2000	(9)	Western Union	8,882
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	8,894	Balance 30 September 2001	3
	<u>8,885</u>		<u>8,885</u>

30 Henry Walter Fairey Specific Bequest [£23,546.06]

Balance 1 October 2000	2,434	General Assembly	2,434
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	1,667	Balance 30 September 2001	1,667
	<u>4,101</u>		<u>4,101</u>

31 Filby Old Meeting House Fund [£109,542.67]

Balance 1 October 2000	4	Great Yarmouth	7,753
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	7,753	Balance 30 September 2001	4
	<u>7,757</u>		<u>7,757</u>

32 Fitzalan Street Unitarian Church Glossop Fund (P) [£86,905.80]

Reg No. 252983. Charity Commission Scheme CD (Liv1)/252,983 A/1. Furtherance of religious and other charitable work of the East Cheshire Union of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches.

Balance 1 October 2000	(5)	East Cheshire Union	6,144
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	6,151	Balance 30 September 2001	2
	<u>6,146</u>		<u>6,146</u>

33 Dr C A Greaves Bequest (P) [£11,889.35]

Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	842	Due to B&FUA	842
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34 Holt Trust (incorporating the Parsons Trust) [£13,444.32]

Grants to Theological Students. Charity No. 313100

Balance 1 October 2000	7		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	952	Holt Trust	959
	<u>959</u>		<u>959</u>

35 Huddersfield Fund (E) [£18,752.16]

Charity Commission Scheme 1963 C/145,301: Income for General Purposes.

Balance 1 October 2000	(3)	Yorkshire Unitarian Union	1,323
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	1,327	Balance 30 September 2001	1
	<u>1,324</u>		<u>1,324</u>

36 Ilford Unitarian Church Fund [£150,916.67]

Balance 1 October 2000	20	LDPA	10,700
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	10,682	Balance 30 September 2001	2
	<u>10,702</u>		<u>10,702</u>

37 Ilminster Unitarian Chapel Trust Fund [£43,782.76]

Charity Commission Scheme CD (T1) 133,432, 20 February 1992. For the support of the Unitarian ministry in South Somerset and Dorset, in particular the augmentation of ministers' stipends and the general upkeep and repair of Unitarian Chapels.

Balance 1 October 2000	3		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	3,099	Balance 30 September 2001	3,102
	<u>3,102</u>		<u>3,102</u>

38 John Harwood (Willaston School) Fund [£1,393.38]

Educational Grants for Unitarian Boys. Charity No. 313090

Balance 1 October 2000	375	Grants	300
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	99	Balance 30 September 2001	174
	<u>474</u>		<u>474</u>

39 Kell Fund (Southampton) (P) [£68.99]

Maintenance of Fabric.

Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	5	Unitarian Church - Southampton	5
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40 Kenward Fund (Hastings) (P)		[£1,832.22]	
General Purposes.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(13)	Hastings	115
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>130</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
	<u>117</u>		<u>117</u>
41 Kings Lynn Fund (E)		[£1,044.93]	
Grants to Churches in Eastern Union.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(9)		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>74</u>	Eastern Union	<u>65</u>
	<u>65</u>		<u>65</u>
42 Lawrence House Fund (P)		[£20,489.38]	
Charity Commission Scheme A 89705, registered 1960. Grants for expenses incurred attending conferences or working parties devoted to the work of the Unitarian and Free Christian Churches.			
Balance 1 October 2000	406	Grants	1,500
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,450</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>356</u>
	<u>1,856</u>		<u>1,856</u>
43 Lucas Fund (P)		[£2,896.30]	
Charity Commission Scheme C 117,238, registered 1936.			
Balance 1 October 2000	3	Northern Unitarian Association	104
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>205</u>	General Assembly	<u>103</u>
	<u>208</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>1</u>
			<u>208</u>
44 Maidstone Unitarian Church Hall Fund		[£120,682.98]	
Charity Commission Scheme A 53929, registered 1892.			
Balance 1 October 2000	89	Maidstone	8,630
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>8,542</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>1</u>
	<u>8,631</u>		<u>8,631</u>
45 Malton Fund		[£3,426.83]	
Charity Commission Scheme L3 6,00633. Proceeds from sale of chapel in 1976. Furthering the religious and other charitable work of Unitarians in Yorkshire.			
Balance 1 October 2000	2		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>242</u>	Yorkshire Unitarian Union	<u>244</u>
	<u>244</u>		<u>244</u>
46 Margaret Dickin Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
General Purposes Crewkerne.			
Balance 1 October 2000	2		
Allocation of Interest	<u>28</u>	Unitarian Chapel - Crewkerne	<u>30</u>
	<u>30</u>		<u>30</u>
47 McQuaker Trust (Scotland) (P)		[£43,063.99]	
Established 1888. Maintaining and diffusing the principles of Unitarian Christianity in Scotland.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(271)	Inquirer Subscriptions	312
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>3,048</u>	Scottish Unitarian Association	<u>2,463</u>
	<u>2,777</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
			<u>2,777</u>

48 Merthyr Tydfil Chapel Fund		[£9,817.20]	
Balance 1 October 2000	13		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>695</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>708</u>
	<u>708</u>		<u>708</u>
49 Moretonhampstead (Smethurst Hall) Fund (P)		[£6,584.34]	
Official Custodian For Charities Ref. 43230. General Purposes.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(13)		
Allocation for 1999/2000	<u>466</u>	Cross Chapel - Moretonhampstead	<u>453</u>
	<u>453</u>		<u>453</u>
50 William Morris Fund (P)		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(2)		
Allocation of Interest	<u>481</u>	Horwich	<u>479</u>
	<u>479</u>		<u>479</u>
51 Newbury Fund		[£6,301.89]	
Charity Commission Scheme C 2818, registered 1963. Furthering the religious or other charitable work of the Unitarian and Free Christian Church in the Borough of Newbury.			
Balance 1 October 2000	9	Godalming	453
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>446</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
	<u>455</u>		<u>455</u>
52 Northiam Chapel Fund		[£66,507.36]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(4)	Northiam Unitarian Chapel	4,702
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>4,708</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
	<u>4,704</u>		<u>4,704</u>
53 Putney Unitarian Church Fund		[£181,102.37]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(21)	LDPA	12,793
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>12,818</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>4</u>
	<u>12,797</u>		<u>12,797</u>
54 Rev J C Odgers Charity (Taunton)		[£2,119.19]	
Reg No. 309968			
Balance 1 October 2000	4		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>150</u>	Unitarian Chapel - Taunton	<u>154</u>
	<u>154</u>		<u>154</u>
55 Richmond Hill Church Parsonage Fund		[£26,574.65]	
Balance 1 October 2000	3	East Cheshire Union	1,880
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,881</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>4</u>
	<u>1,884</u>		<u>1,884</u>
56 Scarborough Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	6		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>2,003</u>	Trustees of Westborough	<u>2,009</u>
	<u>2,009</u>		<u>2,009</u>

57 Selby Fund		[£3,333.15]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(1)	Yorkshire Unitarian Union	231
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>236</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>4</u>
	<u>235</u>		<u>235</u>
58 South Shields Fund		[£1,923.92]	
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	136	Northern Unitarian Association	132
	<u>136</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>4</u>
			<u>136</u>
59 AR Stock Trust (Hastings Fund)		[£16,286.98]	
Balance 1 October 2000	25	Hastings Unitarian Church	1,176
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,153</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
	<u>1,178</u>		<u>1,178</u>
60 Sunderland Fund		[£14,233.38]	
Unitarianism within the area of the Northern Unitarian Association.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(15)	Northern Unitarian Association	991
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,008</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>2</u>
	<u>993</u>		<u>993</u>
61 Tenterden Manse Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(36)		
Allocation of Interest	<u>3,631</u>	Unitarian Congregation - Tenterden	<u>3,595</u>
	<u>3,595</u>		<u>3,595</u>
62 Tenterden Old Meeting House Fund (P)		[£5,776.37]	
Towards Maintenance of Ministry. Charity Commission Scheme E 118,448, registered 1937.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(1)	Unitarian Congregation - Tenterden	404
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>409</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>4</u>
	<u>408</u>		<u>408</u>
63 Thompson Fund (Cardiff) (P)		[£1,011.89]	
Maintenance of Worship.			
Balance 1 October 2000	(6)		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>71</u>	Unitarian Church Cardiff	<u>65</u>
	<u>65</u>		<u>65</u>
64 Tiffin Fund (Dover) (P)		[£271.17]	
Ministerial Stipend W/4367.			
Balance 1 October 2000	2		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>19</u>	Dover Unitarian Church	<u>21</u>
	<u>21</u>		<u>21</u>
65 I Tindall Fund		[£974.95]	
Request to the General Assembly with interest payable to Pudsey Unitarian Church			
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>70</u>	Pudsey Unitarian Church	<u>70</u>

66 Walthamstow Free Christian Church Fund (E)		[£3,658.73]	
Balance 1 October 2000	4		
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>259</u>	LDPA	<u>263</u>
	<u>263</u>		<u>263</u>
67 Wareham Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Including the assets of the Dorchester Unitarian Chapel.			
Balance 1 October 2000	2		
Allocation of Interest	<u>110</u>	Southern Unitarian Association	<u>112</u>
	<u>112</u>		<u>112</u>
68 Wellington (New Zealand) Fund		[£18,574.83]	
Balance 1 October 2000	8,601	Auckland Unitarian Church	3,000
Interest	322	Bank Charges	23
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,315</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>7,215</u>
	<u>10,238</u>		<u>10,238</u>
69 Welsh Unitarian Ministers Education Social Fund		[£30,549.27]	
Balance 1 October 2000	38		
Interest on new funds	41	Unitarian Welsh Department	1,984
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>1,950</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>45</u>
	<u>2,029</u>		<u>2,029</u>
70 Wood Trust		[£4,086.50]	
Education Grants to assist Unitarian Students at teacher training college, made with the approval of the Department of Education & Science.			
Balance 1 October 2000	22	Grants	326
Allocation of Income for 2000/2001	<u>289</u>	Balance 30 September 2001	<u>(15)</u>
	<u>311</u>		<u>311</u>
71 Worthing Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Balance 1 October 2000	(2)		
Allocation of Interest	<u>276</u>	Worthing	<u>274</u>
	<u>274</u>		<u>274</u>
FUNDS MANAGED ON BEHALF OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF UNITARIAN AND FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES			
72 Animal Welfare Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
73 Arnold Graves Trust Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
74 Central Postal Mission		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
75 India Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
76 Lewis Edwards Memorial Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
77 Union for Social Service Fund		[Fund Withdrawn in Year]	
Denominational Social Responsibility Department.			



Application for Associate Membershiip

I/We apply to renew Associate Membership / become (an) Associate Member(s) of the General Assembly of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches and will make a minimum annual subscription to the General Assembly of £25.00 or £10.00 if aged 25 or under.

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Associate Membership

With Gift Aid it is simple to make tax efficient donations to other Unitarian causes administered by the General Assembly. In the past many of you have very generously supported the Unitarian Millennium Appeal and the Unitarian Development Fund.

Ministerial Students Fund

Donations are also regularly received earmarked for the India Fund or in support of the Ministerial Students Fund which provides grants to students in training.

Unitarian Millennium Appeal

Any donation made in the support of charitable purposes administered by the General Assembly is eligible for tax relief and all you have to do is sign the gift aid declaration overleaf and state with your donation which fund is to be credited with your gift.

*India Fund for Flood Relief,
Health and Educational Work*

Please note that Nightingale Holiday Centre and Send a Child to Hucklow are administered independently of the General Assembly and Gift Aid donations for these causes should be made direct to respective treasurers.

Development Fund

The Inquirer is also separately administered and can not receive Gift Aid donations as it is not a charity.

Allocation of Annual Subscription

<i>Associate Membership</i>	£ <input type="text"/>	<i>Ministerial Students</i>	£ <input type="text"/>
<i>Unitarian Millennium Appeal</i>	£ <input type="text"/>	<i>India Fund for Flood Relief, Health and Educational Work</i>	
<i>Development Fund</i>	£ <input type="text"/>		£ <input type="text"/>

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I want the General Assembly of Unitarian & Free Christian Churches (Charity # 250788) to treat:

*The enclosed donation of £.....

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*Tick all boxes which apply

Signature:	Date: / /
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Signed:	
Customer Address:	