

# Annual Report



## Phebe Benevolent Foundation

This is the Annual Report of Phebe Benevolent Foundation for the period  
November 2016 – October 2017

# Message from our Founder



## *Dear friends and supporters*

Welcome to our first Annual Report. Action to formally establish Phebe Benevolent Foundation as a NGO started in 2015 but the passion to help the most vulnerable in our society started much, much earlier in my teens; leading to a vision that has become clearer in the last 10 years.

From a young girl living in relative comfort in the UK, to one who suffered extreme hardship, faced limited opportunities and near death as a result of family relocation to a developing country and business losses; I know what it means not to have enough money to feed, treat an illness, pay for educational needs, pay necessary utility bills or to be in a financially induced crisis. I'm thankful to all those who helped to lift me out of such circumstances and shaped who I am today. So in a nutshell, that's my background and the reason I'm so passionate about helping those in need. But Phebe Foundation is not about me.

Since our registration in January 2016, the Trustees have been extremely active. We've developed four new projects, taken steps to establish our processes for grant awards, improved our records and data management, launched our website and most importantly in the last 12 months, we recorded over 100 direct beneficiaries of our welfare grants and support projects.

You will see in other sections of this Annual Report, some of the successes we've had in the last 12 months. We need to and want to, do more. Also, please visit our website at [www.phebefoundation.net](http://www.phebefoundation.net) for more about our vision for the Foundation.

My particular thanks go to; our home based Trustees, Pastor Ibukun who has been tirelessly leading on our education projects and support grant assessments; to ensure our funds go only to people in genuine need. To Madam (Aunty) Ebun for being a source of energy and for overseeing the development of the Sanctuary House Project, which we hope will be ready for opening in 2018. I'm so excited about the amazing impact this project will have on women and children fleeing domestic violence or abuse. To our UK Patron, The Venerable John Hawkins, Archdeacon of Hampstead for his encouragement. To our UK based Trustees, Ranti Adeyinka and Alex Mogaji for their contributions to Trustee donations whenever it has been needed. Thanks to the Hendonian Charitable Trust UK, Hendon Rotary Club and everyone who made individual donations towards our fundraising appeal. I'm extremely grateful for your kindness and trust. We will not disappoint you.

Best wishes

*Michelle*

Michelle Ronke Adeyinka JP, PHF

# Our Vision and Objectives

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## Our Vision

To create a more benevolent and caring society that supports the vulnerable in times of need and offers opportunities for a better life.

## Objectives for the Year

2016/17 represented the first year of our 4-year Plan. The main focus areas for the first year were; financial accountability, processes and procedures, corporate banking, website development, corporate governance and external regulations, documentation and data management, project scoping, project development, project delivery and initial evaluation of outcomes.

## Corporate Status and Governance

The Foundation received its certificate of incorporation in January 2016 from the Corporate Affairs Commission, which formally established it as a registered NGO in Nigeria. The Trustees/Directors are:

Ms Michelle Ronke Adeyinka JP, PHF (Founder)

Pastor Ibukun Joseph Olafioye

Madam Ebunoluwa Taiwo Akinbule

Mr Aderanti Matthew Adeyinka

Mr Alex Olawale Mogaji

The Board of Trustees met four times in the last 12 months. The Board reviewed the 4-year Action Plan and agreed the adoption of the Sanctuary House Project for the Foundation to develop and operate, as one of its services for vulnerable women and children.



# Finance

From the initial fundraising for our formal set-up in 2015-2016, the Foundation raised a total of \*N1,260,000 (approx N1.3m) from sponsors and individual supporters, of which N300k was restricted sponsored funding for the NGO registration. A further contribution of one million Naira was received as Trustee donations in 2015/16. These funds were used for the NGO registration costs, funding of initial projects, welfare grants awarded by the Foundation and operational costs up until November 2017. The Foundation has not been able to undertake further strategic fundraising since 2016 due to organisational reviews and development. However for the period November 2016 - October 2017, the Foundation gratefully received a pledge of N1.5m restricted sponsored funding from Trustee donations specifically towards the development and refurbishment of existing buildings for the Sanctuary House Project. In January 2017, the Foundation received a 10-Year rent-free lease arrangement on the building in Abeokuta to develop the Sanctuary House Project and provide corporate offices for the Foundation.

The Foundation is extremely grateful to Rev M Oyelere, Hendonian Charitable Trust UK, Rotary Club of Hendon UK, Mr & Mrs Ayodeji UK, Mr Ola Mogaji, Mrs Doyin Oseni, Mrs Dolu Romeo, Mr George Smith UK, also our Founder and Trustees for their financial contributions and support.

## **Based on donations received or pledged, significant spend so far includes;**

- Education support grants and ITC equipment donation: N700k
- Intensive Exam Coaching Programme: N200k
- Welfare grants and financial assistance: N500k
- Website development and publicity materials: N100k
- Service costs on building at Oke-Ata, Abeokuta; security, utilities: N200k
- Foundation running costs: expenses, travel and subsistence: N100k
- NGO registration and legal costs: N300k (restricted sponsored funding)\*\*
- Building Refurbishment for Sanctuary Project: N1.5m (restricted sponsored funding)\*\*

\* N=Naira

\*\* restricted sponsored/pledged funding: costs met directly by sponsor. Not actual funds paid to Phebe Foundation.

# Our Projects & Outcomes



## Projects and Grant Outcomes

The Foundation continued to develop and enhance its much needed welfare grant and education support programmes. In 2016-2017, we assisted;

- 35 individuals through our financial welfare programmes
- 20 students through our education support programme
- 54 students in our adopted school in Abeokuta were supported through the exam preparation coaching classes.
- We donated ITC equipment to our adopted school for use by all students.

For more information about our projects, please visit our website [www.phebfoundation.net](http://www.phebfoundation.net)



# The Year Ahead



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We are positive that the next 12 months will see Phebe Foundation emerging stronger and more visible as a NGO with capacity and credibility to deliver tangible projects to tackle hardship situations, increase educational attainment and provide crisis intervention for vulnerable individuals.

To achieve this, the 2nd year of Phebe Foundation's Action Plan will seek to;

1. Develop a robust fundraising strategy to raise 50 million Naira by December 2020, for the Foundation's Welfare Trust Fund and also to continue our existing projects and develop new intervention projects for vulnerable individuals.
2. Develop new partnerships with sector peers, existing NGOs, local communities and corporate partners that can support and enhance our project activities.
3. Increase the number of welfare assistance by 50% on year 1 outcomes.
4. Increase the number of education support beneficiaries by 50% on year 1 outcomes.

**The Rock Place**  
Sanctuary House Project of Phebe Foundation, Nigeria





# Our Stories



## Helping individuals in time of crisis

The people we assist through our welfare fund are already poor, financially vulnerable or on a low-income. But we know these are the individuals or households that suffer most when there is a financial crisis brought about by sudden or short-term illness, loss of business or work tools, marital breakdown, bereavement, etc. Our welfare fund can be the lifeline needed to help individuals at this critical time and to ensure that they and their children don't suffer further hardships due to a temporary situation or set-back.



## Helping young children to stay in education

We believe that helping a child to stay in education means a better future. It is unfortunate that some children are prevented from attending classes because they do not have the required textbooks or writing materials. Parents on low-incomes often have to consider letting their children stay at home if they cannot find money for their educational needs i.e uniforms, school equipment/materials, exam registration fees, etc. Our education support projects provide small grants to young students to ensure that they can continue and complete their education up to secondary level and reduce dropout rates.



## Helping to improve educational attainment levels for children in less-privileged communities

We aim to be drivers for change in less-privileged communities by supporting their children to aim higher and improve educational attainment levels; in order to access higher education and achieve career goals. Our education support programmes include providing 8-week intensive exam coaching classes prior to key stage exams i.e admission into senior high school, GCE/WAEC exams and university entrance exams/JAMB. Other support we have provided is the payment of exam

registration fees for children from low-income households; who otherwise would not have been able to take such exams without our intervention and funding.

We are always keen to engage with local community groups and NGOs in our areas of operation. To discuss partnership working or getting involved in Phebe Foundation's activities through sponsorship or volunteering, please contact us;

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