



YOU THE GLORY OF THE LORD RISES UPON

Arise Church

Designated Fund Giving Strategy

Our Aims:

- Give with greater generosity.
- Communicate with greater clarity.
- Partner with greater intention.
- Grow with greater love.



COME ARISE, SHINE FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS

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What is the Designated Fund?

The Designated Fund is a portion of Arise Church's annual budget set apart to help facilitate Arise Church's commitment to generosity and mission in the world. As Jesus' hands and feet, the church is purposed to run out to meet the hurting, lost, broken and least in society.

Arise Church's Designated Fund represents a "first-fruits" commitment to this mission. The Designated Fund is not meant to entail the entirety of Arise Church's giving, rather, it is an intentional communal financial expression of our hearts desire to "seek first the Kingdom of God"

Guiding Principles for Giving:

Relationship – Distribution of the Designated Fund is not only about helping to financially support good causes, but also about growing a culture of generosity, love and service in our Arise Church community. As such, support for causes, organisations or charities through this fund should be built upon a relationship that goes deeper than financial aid alone.

Kingdom – Any charities, organisations or causes supported with funds from the Designated Fund must be working towards the active advancement of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Selflessness – Working on the principal of "freely receiving and freely giving" Arise Church seeks to avoid funding any charitable work, organisation or cause that directly benefits Arise Church with funds from the Designated Fund.



How the Designated Fund is Accrued

The Designated Fund is accrued by a tithe on all donations to Arise Church. Ten Percent of the regular offerings & general donations received to Arise Church (including any Gift Aid claimed on these donations) are immediately set aside into the Designated fund to be given towards causes that advance the Kingdom of God.

Grant income, income from building hire, donations to restricted funds, (e.g. Building Fund), are not subject to this tithe.

Operating as such means the actual amount that is accrued to the Designated Fund varies from year to year. In light of this the Designated Fund will be distributed on a percentage basis rather than an commitment to any absolute amount.

In real terms this means that the more that is given to Arise Church the more Arise Church gives through the Designated Fund. There is no upper cap on the amount given through the Designated Fund.



How the Designated Fund is Distributed

The Designated Fund is with, agreement from Arise Church Trustees, administered under the direction of the Oversight Team. From January 2025, this distribution will include the following:

Partner Causes: (65% of Designated Fund Giving)

Each Year Arise Church will support a minimum of 3 “Partner Causes”. Partner Causes will be selected by the Oversight Team on following the principles laid out above. Generally, Arise Church will commit to supporting these causes over a period of time ranging from 1-3 years. Following the completion of the allotted period of support those causes will be eligible to be reselected to be featured again.

As a guideline Arise Church will look to select Partner Causes that, together, cover activity in the following areas, International, National (United Kingdom) & Local (Lincolnshire).

Where appropriate Arise Church may look to include donating some staffing hours to these “Partner Causes”.

In addition to money given through the Designated Fund, Partner Causes will be supported with an annual dedicated offering. This offering will be taken once a quarter, with each quarterly offering directed to supporting the work on one of the Partner Causes. This offering will act as a focal point to encourage additional giving, support and involvement with the Partner Cause. Members of Arise Church are encouraged to fund raise for the Partner Cause in advance of the dedicated offering and bring the proceeds to give as part of the dedicated offering on the Sunday it is taken up.



Matched Funding: (25% of Designated Fund Giving)

In addition to supporting Partner Causes, Arise Church will make a portion of its designated fund available for use in Match Funding. Match funding is designed to empower and encourage members of the Arise Church family to actively raise money for Kingdom causes close to their own heart.

This approach is designed to further build a culture of generosity, giving and helps within the church. In supporting people to raise funds for causes they already have personal investment in Arise Church seeks to empower people to live generously and actively work to support Kingdom causes.

Match funding will be limited to £200 per cause, per year.*

Applications may not always receive the full amount of funds they have applied for.

For example, an individual who fund raised £500 for a local school's mission could apply to Arise Church Matched Funding to have £200 of that matched. If successful in their application Arise Church would donate up to £200 towards the fund-raising efforts, in this example, bringing the total raised to £700.

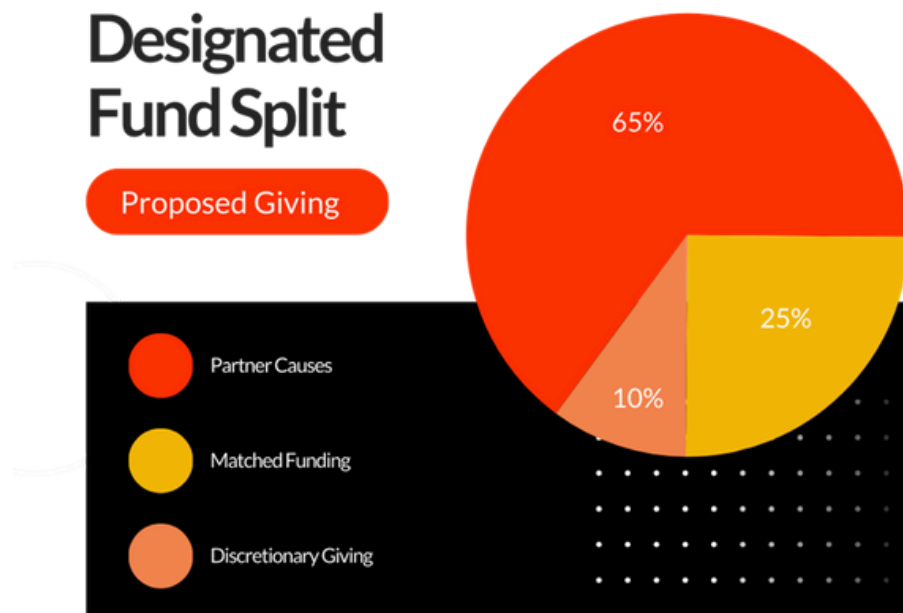
The criteria for Match Funding eligibility are detailed in Appendix A.

**if limited applications are received throughout the year additional match funding may be considered for causes who have already received matched funding.*



Discretionary Giving: (10% of Designated Fund Giving)

A small portion of the designated fund is reserved for discretionary giving to appropriate causes. If not fully utilised by the end of the financial year this funding would be directed towards the Partner Causes at the discretion of the Oversight Team.



End of Year Procedure

At the end of year any unallocated finances left in the Designated Fund will be distributed to appropriate causes at the discretion of the Oversight Team following the guiding principles outlined on page 2 of this document.



Appendix A – Match Funding Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility for Match Funding will be determined using the following criteria. In the case of many applications being made for match funding it will be at the discretion of the Oversight Team to decide how much, if any, funds to match.

Alignment to Arise Church Statement of Faith: – For a cause/charity/organisation to be considered for match funding the cause/charity/organisation ethos, action or practice must not directly be at odds with Arise Church Statement of Faith.

Kingdom – Causes/charities/organisations must be able to show how they are helping to advance the Kingdom of God in a practical way.

Principles – Priority will be given to causes/charities/organisations that follow the “Guiding Principles for Giving” outlined in the Designated Fund Strategy Document.

Local & Small Charities – Priority will be given to causes that are local to Arise Church (Lincoln, Lincolnshire, East Midlands). Priority will also be given to smaller charities that are operating on a city/town/regional basis rather than international/national basis.



Appendix B – Partner Causes from 2025

Partner Causes are funded from the allocated section of the overall Designated Fund. The Partner Cause Fund accounts for 65% of the total Designated Fund. Each Partner Cause will receive an allocated percentage of that portion determined at the discretion of the Oversight Team. This allocated percentage will be reviewed each year and is subject to change over the course of the committed period of support.

Moriah Orphanage – Kolar Gold Fields, Bangalore, India

Arise Church has partnered with Moriah Orphanage for over a decade to help give young girls in Kolar Gold Fields, Bangalore, a start in life they might not otherwise receive. Run by Pastor Monovah Nickelson and his Wife Beulah, the Orphanage currently houses 25 girls between the ages of 4-18.

Here the girls are cared for, provided with a place to live, beds to sleep on, school uniform, stationary and other necessary supplies so that they can gain an education and access to skills to help support them in later life. Here the girls are also introduced to Jesus and the good news of the gospel is shared with them. Many of the girls go on to make personal decisions to follow Jesus.



Arise Church is committed to continuing to support the work of Moriah Orphanage as one of our Partner Causes until at least 2028. For 2025 Moriah Orphanage will be awarded a 60% share of the Partner Causes allocation. This is budgeted to equate to approximately £4,500 for 2025.

Samaritans Purse

<https://samaritans-purse.org.uk/>

Samaritans Purse is an international Christian organisation and charity that seeks to share the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world, both in word and in action. Partnering with the local church around the world Samaritans Purse is active in International Disaster relief efforts, Medical Care, clean water initiatives and much, much more.

Through its Operation Christmas Child Project children all around the world are given a gift of love at Christmas time and invited to learn more about Jesus, this all done through the partnering with local churches at the heart of their communities.

Arise Church has operated as a collection centre for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes in Lincoln and in 2024 we were able together to pack 75 shoeboxes and in 2025 we're hoping for even more.

In addition, Arise Church is proud to support Samaritans Purse as a Partner Cause until at least 2026.

For 2025 Samaritans Purse will be awarded a 20% share of the Partner Causes allocation. This is budgeted to equate to approximately £1,500 for the year.



Lincoln Foodbank

<https://lincoln.foodbank.org.uk/>

Lincoln foodbank exists to provide 3 days of nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to those referred in Crisis. Operating at various venues around the city the foodbank is accessible 7 days a week and supports individuals, couples and families.

Lincoln Foodbank is supported by the Trussel Trust and works as part of a nationwide network of foodbanks designed to administer emergency support when and where it is most needed.

Food is donated by individuals, organisations, charities and companies to Lincoln Foodbank. The food is then processed at the city's distribution centre and organised into packs designed for individuals, couples or families, before being delivered to local distribution centres where it will be collected by those who have been referred to the Foodbank.

Arise Church has acted as a local distribution centre for Lincoln Foodbank for nearly a decade and in addition to this Arise church will support the Lincoln Foodbank as a Partner Cause until at least 2026.

For 2025 Lincoln Foodbank will be awarded a 10% share of the Partner Causes allocation. This is budgeted to equate to approximately £750 for the year.



The Joy Foundation

<https://www.joyfoundation.org.uk/>

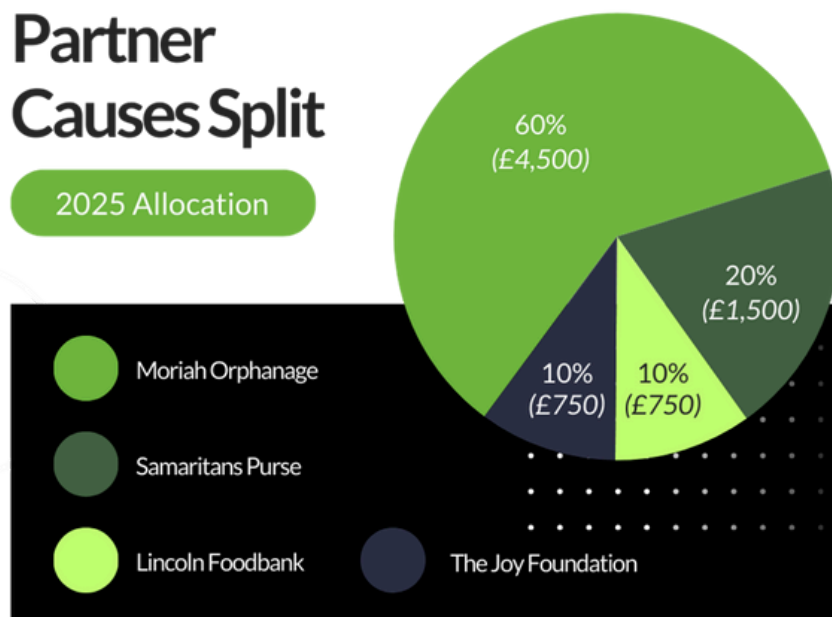
The Joy Foundation is a Lincolnshire based charity working in the local community, supported by local churches and organisations. It is an ecumenical charity promoting education, life skills and the Christian faith through word & deed, both in primary schools & the wider community.

Arise Church has enjoyed a long-established relationship with The Joy Foundation partnering in pray and financially supporting the work of The Joy Foundation in previous years.

For 2025 The Joy Foundation will be awarded a 10% share of the Partner Causes allocation. This is budgeted to equate to approximately £750 for the year.

Partner Causes Split

2025 Allocation



Appendix C – Projected Designated Fund Spend - 2025

Below is the projected distribution from the Designated Fund for 2025

<i>Designated Fund</i>	<i>Total: £12,000</i>
<i>Partner Causes Allocation</i>	Total: £7,800
<i>Moriah Orphanage</i>	£4,500 (60% of “Partner Causes” allocation)
<i>Samaritans Purse</i>	£1,500 (20% of “Partner Causes” allocation)
<i>Lincoln Foodbank</i>	£750 (10% of Partner Causes allocation)
<i>The Joy Foundation</i>	£750 (10% of Partner Causes allocation)
<i>Matched Funding Allocation</i>	Total: £3,000
<i>Discretionary Giving Allocation</i>	Total: £1,200

