



**Report on the special meeting held on Monday 13 May 2019**

Parishioners and representatives of charities supported by SCORE in 2018 were welcomed by Peter Pelly (chair) to the meeting in St Gregory’s Hall. The treasurer, Peter Akehurst, gave a summary of grants made in 2018. The total awarded to the following groups was £31,100.

<b>Project 99</b>	<b>£10,000</b>
Salisbury Street Pastors	£2,000
Home-Start South Wiltshire	£3,400
CRESS (UK)	£3,500
EdUKaid	£4,000
Bridge Youth Project	£2,000
Kerala disaster fund	£1,000
RISE:61	£2,000
Alabaré - winter rough sleepers initiative	£3,000
Youth With A Mission	£200

Since 2009 a total amount of £235,816 has been given in SCORE grants.

Three presentations were given by charities which received grants from SCORE in 2018.

**CRESS** (Christian Relief and Education for South Sudanese) was founded by Caroline Lamb following a life changing visit to Africa in 2009. She saw the opportunity to be a missionary, but live in Broad Chalke. CRESS works with 125,000 refugees who left Sudan and have settled in camps in N Uganda. The church is the glue which holds these people together and there are 24 churches within the camps. Initially CRESS raised £25,000 from the Broad Chalke community to start the project in 2009. In 2018 they received a grant of £3,500 from SCORE. This has funded a medicine cupboard and new medicines for the clinic. Medication is not cheap but is vital in the treatment

of diseases such as malaria and typhoid. Caroline expressed her gratitude to SCORE for the generous donation.

**EdUKaid** provides educational opportunities in Tanzania. Teresa Wells described the work of the charity in a remote area close to the Mozambique border. This is where some of the most disadvantaged and poorest in Tanzania can be found. 43% of children drop out of school before their 10th birthday, and only one in ten girls complete their education. So, the work of EdUKaid is vital. Teresa explained how the SCORE grant of £4,000 had funded 3 teachers and 3 teachers assistants in 2018. She thanked SCORE for its support over many years, during which it had funded the purchase of 10,000 books and supported 15,000 children.

**Alabaré** - Winter Rough Sleepers Initiative was given a grant of £3,000. Rebecca Mullen talked about the work of Alabaré including Alabaré Place which is the largest of its shelters. She talked about the need for safe places and drop-in centres where people arrive with nothing but can find food and clothing. Sleeping rough is a very dangerous and nasty experience. If it can be prevented, that will save money in the long run. Rebecca thanked SCORE for their generosity and continued support.

The meeting ended with refreshments and an opportunity to talk to the presenters.