

Founder and Chair, John Singleton writes:

If you were to cut us through the middle, you would find the word 'relationship' written clearly. God has called us first to 'be' before we 'do'. Yet we are very practically focused, people centred and purpose minded.

We believe in being living demonstrations of God's goodness, a community that brings hope to the world, restoring relationships with God and building with one another.

The pursuit of this has led us to provide services, projects and people to initiatives locally, nationally and internationally. The four charities shown here have all been birthed from this core vision.

I am often asked about the church and how all the different initiatives fit together. I hope this introduction helps.

We are quick to confess that this is a journey, with much learning and adjustments to be made along the way. The sense of direction of travel is clear and with God's help we will enjoy being partners in His work and the advancement of His Kingdom.

LifeLine Church

LifeLine Church has been demonstrating the love of God in North East London for more than three decades.

The church has always prioritised people over property and so we tend to think that we are not so much a building, more a way of life.

Living in good relationship with God and one another is a foundational practice. We place a high priority on sharing life together and following Jesus.

The church is very purposeful, expecting to hear God and live by His spirit daily. The church also has a generous posture which has resulted in significant investment in people, projects and places over the years - both locally and overseas.

In addition to the usual activities that build the faith of individuals - teaching, prayer, worship, small groups, youth groups and children's work, there is also a pioneering and creative edge that engages with people in a relevant way and stays clear of the restrictions of traditions.

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Community Resources

Community Resources grows creative solutions to local issues - solutions provided by the community, for the community.

Powered by volunteers from all walks of life, we bring people together to realise that they can make a great contribution to their community.

Among the solutions are a number of 'Connecting Places'; environments where people can start friendships, develop skills and confidence and discover what they can contribute.

This isn't about having a venue, doing a project or running a service - although we do all of these. It is about inviting local people to get involved and try out new ideas for local benefit.

Our Connecting Places include: The Community Hub, The Corner Coffee House and personal development groups that explore different subjects helping people to make positive life choices.

By the community, for the community





LifeLine Projects

We have always been active in the community and in 2000 we established this sister charity to support a fresh set of social action projects in East London.

Following an investment of £20,000 from the church, the charity grew to over £5 million annual income, with significant public funding.

It has enabled us to affect more people and deliver greater impact in our communities.

Since then we have run Children's Centres, helped people find work, delivered parenting classes, supported new mums and taught money management. More recently we have been mentoring vulnerable young people, working with ex-offenders and running nurseries.

We have partnerships with local schools, local government, central government, health care professionals and related agencies.







FaithAction

The experience and track record of our work in East London enabled us to develop a network of faith-based community organisations.

Originally funded by the Cabinet Office, we are now a member of the Department of Health's Strategic Partnership of the Voluntary Sector, FaithAction now has over 2,000 members nationally and works with over 70 partners across government, the voluntary and faith sectors.

We fund, train, advise, research and innovate to support local faithbased organisations at work in their communities. We also act as the Secretariat for the All Party Parliamentary Group on Faith and Society.

In recent times we have undertaken work at the intersection of faith and public health. We have researched, written and trained others in areas including alcohol abuse, housing and homelessness, domestic violence and a campaign to ensure faith organisations are welcoming and safe places for those with mental health struggles. **Faith Action**

Faith reaches the parts nothing else can



LifeLine Network International

We have formed friendships with church leaders and others around the world over more than 25 years.

We support each other in our ministries with regular visits, conferences and training opportunities. They are genuine two-way relationships with much learning flowing each way.

We are very purposeful, seeking to make practical differences in our local communities.

Farming, micro-finance, counselling, vocational training and education are just some of the many projects currently undertaken by our partners in more than 16 countries.

A network of life joints





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