



MEDAILLE TRUST

REFUGE AND FREEDOM FROM MODERN SLAVERY

Combating modern slavery by: offering safe housing, supporting victims, raising awareness and partnering with law-enforcement agencies.



Step by step!

Survivors rescued from trafficking experience a new found freedom.

Inside this issue:

Hear from survivors Renata and Mike

See how your support is helping Albania

Read an interview about a hit BBC drama

Give in new and creative ways

SUMMER 2019

Free magazine – spread the word...

Once read, please share this magazine with a friend.

Guide



MEDAILLE TRUST

REFUGEE AND FREEDOM FROM MODERN SLAVERY

2. House news

Highlights from our safe houses

5. Case study

Renata's story

6. Shetland report

BBC drama shines a light on trafficking

8. Life in a safe house

A view from Coastal

10. Albanian partnership

Stopping trafficking at its source

11. In the news

Latest anti-slavery news

12. Case study

Mike's story

13. Loose change changes lives

Help end modern slavery and save the planet

14. Real people, not just statistics

Latest Government slavery statistics

15. Please pledge your support

Opportunity to donate and gift-aid

17. Read all about it!

New book on human trafficking

Medaille Trust is the largest provider of supported accommodation for victims of modern slavery in the UK.

Our national network of safe houses provide personalised support, empowering clients on their path to a life free from slavery and exploitation.

Each person has suffered their own unique and harrowing experiences of slavery. Together, we undertake a supportive journey towards a life of joyful independence.

But support isn't enough. Justice and awareness are also vital.

That's why Medaille Trust co-operates closely with law-enforcement authorities to inform and support them in their work.

We also work in partnership with charities in source countries to help prevent trafficking and support those who return home. Finally, we raise awareness of modern slavery in the UK, for instance through our Look Up partnership with the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Thank you for your commitment to ending modern slavery. If you would like to know more, please get in touch. There are loads of ways you can get involved.

Medaille Trust
Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP

Visit: medaille-trust.org.uk
E-mail: enquiries@medaille-trust.org.uk
Call: 0800 06 999 16

   @medailletrust

Medaille Trust is a registered charity. Number 1117830

Design: letsImagine.co.uk

Welcome

Finding the Extraordinary in the Ordinary!

Since starting to work for Medaille Trust, 18 months ago, I have had many wonderful spiritual experiences.

As a lifelong Salvationist I have also found myself somewhat out of my comfort zone when in a Catholic Mass and having to learn a whole new ecclesiastical vocabulary.

I learnt recently that we are now in "Ordinary Time", an expression that I was wholly unfamiliar with but one that also got me thinking. I now know that Ordinary Time is the long period between Pentecost and Advent, those times of preparation and waiting for great celebrations. Ordinary time sits in between and is, er, "ordinary", but I think also has lessons of its own to teach us.

There is the Old Testament passage in the first book of Kings when the Lord was not in the wind, the earthquake or the fire, but in the small whispering sound. I think Ordinary Time teaches us that God can be found in the small, every day things around us.

We see small victories every day in our nine safe houses. They may not be worthy of a social media post or newspaper article, but for the individuals involved they are a significant step in their recovery from their previous experiences – whether it be replaced documents, learning some more English words, a new skill or even something more significant like getting a work placement.

These are ordinary, everyday things that happen across our services but they are truly extraordinary to each person who experiences them.

Thank you to everyone who supports us practically, prayerfully or financially. Your support enables our staff and volunteers to achieve extraordinary things with the people we support.

I pray that this period of Ordinary Time will be for you a time when you celebrate the beauty of every day life, God's beauty in the world around you and our freedom.



Garry Smith
CEO Medaille Trust

House News...

West London Service

Babies galore

In June we threw a 'Welcome Baby Party' to celebrate the safe arrival of five new babies to the house. One baby girl was even delivered in-house at the project – a first!!

All residents loved coming together and were delighted with the feast provided! Games included gigantic jenga and the famous karaoke machine, and each resident received a gift to mark the day.

One new mother had endured a brain tumour throughout her pregnancy. Now she's given birth to a healthy boy, she is waiting for an operation to remove the tumour. Pre and post pregnancy were tough for her, but she's always up for a sing and dance.

The relationships built through shared experiences, where clients support each other, are invaluable to their continued recovery.



East London Service

An oasis of calm

To celebrate summer, the staff arranged an outdoor activity for the women. Within the heart of the capital, the women were shown an oasis of calm! After a picnic on the river bank, the women took a trip down the river.

None of them had been rowing before, but they had a fantastic time! This day out was a chance for the women to grow in confidence and realise that they are capable of so much more than they realise. To top it all off, after the exertion of rowing, everyone enjoyed an ice cream as the perfect end to an amazing day!



Northwest Service

Keeping busy

We continue to be eternally grateful to our friend, Alan. Alan not only works at our local church but also provides three English language classes a week for our clients and puts on a weekly activity such as a walk. He recently took our clients to see Media City!

In May we got free tickets for the World Taekwondo Championships at Manchester Arena. 11 of our clients came along supported by two staff and everyone had great fun!

Service manager, Sam, recently presented at "National Nurses' Day" where she received kind donations of a variety of clothing, toiletries and suitcases.

One of our clients, Mike, (not his real name) was invited by the LGBT group of Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service to give a talk on trafficking, from his experiences as a gay mid-20s Muslim from Asia. Matt, the Station Manager, described the talk as "extraordinary, courageous and so revealing." The participants rated Mike's session as by far the best of the day. Mike praised his support from Medaille Trust!



Central Service

Shaking off the cobwebs

Central Services shook off the winter cobwebs by starting a running club! Our support worker, Kerry, began gently but now we are on track to complete our first 5K run.

The generosity of our friends at Clewer never ends – not only have they gifted the house with a beautiful new staircase but they've also offered to replace the bedding and curtains in the clients' rooms.

This will make such a difference – improving the external environment positively impacts the women's emotions.

We now have a successful English school inside the house. Helen, another of our supporter workers, recently qualified to teach English as a foreign language and immediately launched weekly English classes.

Three of the women already passed their first module!

Our clients have also started learning to play musical instruments. Local charity, Ipsum, regularly come to the house to run music therapy. They have also kindly given us a keyboard and guitar so that the ladies can practise between sessions! Now renditions of Bob Marley and Ben E King regularly filter through the house – visitors be warned!

House News continued...

Southern Service Celebrating volunteers

We want to celebrate four of our wonderful volunteers!

One volunteer oversees our popular allotment! Our clients enjoy the fresh air, community and food. Plus they learn valuable skills and harvest fresh produce! The women also love weekly therapeutic art sessions led by another lovely volunteer – they get to be creative and unwind whilst crafting and painting.

Each week another volunteer arranges fun activities, such as visiting parks, cooking and playing games. The clients can relax and get to know each other, learning life skills while having fun! Another volunteer kindly brings our clients to a multi-cultural group. The women love this – they meet other people from their home countries who speak the same language!

We are really thankful for all of our volunteers, for giving up their time to make our clients feel valued and cared for.



Mersey Service Community engagement

Liverpool Adult Learning Centre ran a five week 'Wellbeing English' course for our clients – a great partnership between The Learning Centre, Medaille Trust and St Wilfrid's Parish. One of the topics covered was 'laughing yoga', which combines laughter exercises with yogic breathing techniques. The clients loved this!

Our clients are really beginning to integrate into the local community. They attend English Classes twice a week, provided by our local churches. Pauline, from St Wilfrid's, said "I just wanted to let you know how much your charity's good foundations have inspired our English Conversation project. This has helped set up a great supportive working relationship between Medaille Trust and the parish."

Our clients have also joined a local football team which practices twice a week. They put these skills to the test with a recent picnic and football event! We were delighted to see that a new client, who arrived less than 24 hours earlier, took part and was having fun with the other residents.

Renata's story...

"The dream of becoming a lawyer is still alive in me."

Renata*, from Latin America, was studying law when she was attacked and raped. After this, her family no longer accepted her. Despite a devastating illness, Renata still dreamed of becoming a lawyer but needed to earn money to pay for her studies.

I was offered a job in Europe. I was told that I would be working in a restaurant and could earn enough money to pay for my university fees. Saying yes to this job was only one mistake. But it had an inconceivable impact on my life.

When I arrived, I was not offered job but was raped and forced into prostitution. This torture lasted for years until I finally escaped.

I provided evidence against my traffickers to the local authorities. But someone revealed my identity and I received death threats from the gang who had trafficked me. Fearing for my life, I returned to my home country. But again the gang found and threatened me. So I fled and arrived in the UK.

Although I am safe here, the past three years have still been a struggle. I suffer from complex mental health issues due to the trauma I have experienced. I have even attempted to take my own life because I felt worthless and could see no hope.

Medaille Trust supported me in accessing medical and mental healthcare, education and legal advice. But more than anything else, Medaille's staff helped me to trust again and not to lose faith. I began running to help me cope with my anger and because I want to shout that human beings are "Not for Sale!" When I run, I feel free, as if no one can touch me and all



my worries are left behind.

Finally, after three years, I have been granted Refugee Status and the state has decided that I am a victim of trafficking. I feel like I am ready to start my life.

"Now my dream of becoming a lawyer is even stronger because I feel I need to help others in my situation. Everyone should be allowed to be free."

*name changed for security reasons

Shetland report

Picture used with permission of Silverprint Pictures and the BBC

Liz Andrew reports

Earlier this year popular TV crime drama *Shetland* aired for a fifth series. Its storyline was chiefly about human trafficking. Made by award winning production company Silverprint Pictures and broadcast on BBC One, the series was written by Davy Kane and stars Douglas Henshall as DI Jimmy Perez. Davy wanted to write something relevant – not just a whodunit but something that hits harder and that would shine a light on an issue that we can all do something about. At presentations and workshops run by Medaille Trust over the following months it became clear that *Shetland* had broken the ice and that people who had seen the series were now much better acquainted with the realities of human trafficking and concerned about how they could help.

Liz Andrew, our Anti-Slavery Envoy, asked Davy about the series...

“Why were you interested in telling a story about human trafficking?”

I’ve always been interested in the plight of vulnerable people. Years ago I covered the Angolan Civil War as a photographer and I’ve always felt strongly about people being exploited. I’m interested in the desperate situations people can get themselves into. So human trafficking was a natural story for us to cover.

A colleague saw a newspaper article about a hotel in the Highlands where Asian young men were working as slaves. The hotel owners had taken away their passports and the boys were working 19 hours a day. It was a surprise to both of us that this was happening in the Highlands and I began to research trafficking in rural areas where vulnerable people were being forced to work for no money.

“How did you research it? What surprised you about human trafficking?”

It’s the inhumanity that surprised and shocked me the most. For research I read a lot of individual experiences. At the same time Police Scotland were running a campaign about Human Trafficking. The Police knew that people were trafficked in plain sight and they were running adverts on TV which encouraged people to look twice and to look out for exploited people.

“What were the main challenges in telling this particular story?”

It wasn’t just about writing a good drama but it was also about enlightening people. We needed to tell a good story and to get people to engage emotionally. *Shetland* needed to be entertaining but you can still write an intelligent entertainment that says something about the way we live. The outcome should be that we look at the world differently – we notice things we may not have noticed before.

The main challenge was needing to make the audience care. We had to see the predicament of Zezi, the girl who was being trafficked. We had to see what she was going through.

We could only tell the story from the *Shetland* end so we only see some of the traffickers and not the whole organisation behind it. We could only hint at how widespread it was and how organised crime was involved.

“If it can take place in *Shetland* could human trafficking take place anywhere?”

We want *Shetland* to be a microcosm of the country as a whole. The series needs to tell a universal story about something that could happen in any community. But it needs to be a story that we can set on an island of only 20,000 people!

“How did the audience respond?”

The series had a strong response from fans – they seemed to prefer it to the previous series. It seemed to strike a chord. *Shetland* gets bigger viewing figures than an investigative documentary or report would get but still gets the message across. Some people like escapism but over the years we have slowly pushed the envelope out. I was worried that people might find it too political – I didn’t want to turn off the audience but the last episode had more viewers than the first – they didn’t switch off.

“Will there be another *Shetland* series next year?”

I’m working on a new storyline for the next *Shetland* series just now. We’re hoping it will be broadcast in autumn 2020.

Life of a Safe House

Pictures: Con McHugh

A view from Coastal

Five years ago, Coastal Service – a former convent, set in four acres with spectacular sea views – was more or less derelict. Manager Debbie arrived with an overnight bag in 2014 and never left. Undaunted, Debbie rolled up her sleeves and, together with support worker, Di, scrubbed and scrubbed for days. “We didn’t even go to bed,” Debbie recalls.



Coastal is now a successful family service run by Debbie, her team of caseworkers, administrators and an indispensable Mr Fixit. The 20 bedrooms are usually full of mothers and children. “Just now,” explains Debbie, “we’ve got two newborns and another is due next week – one of our babies was born in a taxi in the grounds!”

“We get fond of the girls. They’re all young enough to be my own daughters and I’d want somebody to do the same for my daughter if she ended up in a similar position.”

They come from a range of countries – the UK, Albania, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Rwanda, Namibia, China.

All are victims of modern slavery and have suffered sexual or labour exploitation or debt bondage. Many of the girls are pregnant when they arrive. They’re emotionally traumatised and physically unwell. Most stay for six to eight months but sometimes it can take 18 months before they are given a conclusive grounds decision.

“What goes on here,” Debbie shared, “is quite amazing. We give the girls wraparound emotional and financial care. Every need is met, whether it’s new clothes or a pram for the baby. I’ll even empty my own wardrobe to make sure they’ve got something to wear!”

The day begins with the school run, then the rest is swallowed up with taking the girls to appointments. The girls are often not confident mothers: “They want to go to the GP for the slightest thing,” says Debbie. There are also frequent visits to A&E and to the local Maternity Department where the girls often want Medaille Trust staff to be their birthing partners. They also need to be accompanied to London for meetings at the Home Office or with their solicitors.

“We try and make it as much like home as possible,” says Debbie. “They cater for themselves but there’s always somebody in the kitchen and the girls always find something to celebrate. When a new baby arrives they chip in and buy flowers and balloons and celebrate with a shared meal.”

There are picnics and trips out to the beach or the local art gallery. They have barbecues outside in the summer where they pick blackberries and collect nettles to make soup and the children play outside.

“I love my job,” reflects Debbie, “I’ve never had a better job – I never wake up and think I don’t want to go in this morning. It’s a privilege to know that, in some small way, we are making a difference even though we are only a small part in somebody’s journey.

“The worst aspect is seeing the girls go. It’s emotional! When you’ve helped someone and you’ve seen the difference from the timid person who arrived to the beautiful, confident person who is going, part of you goes with them... But then we know that soon another girl will arrive...”

The final word goes to the women:

“I feel safe, well cared for and grateful”

“I’ve never been to a place where everything is given for free, without having to use shameful ways to pay for it. God bless”

“I have been getting more than I expected and feel something good will come out of being here with the help of God”

“I feel respected by staff. If I need something everyone is going to make sure that I’m happy”

“I feeling very good here in this house. Just from the support of staff, they are all very calm. I LOVE MY STAFF”

“I’m happy, I’m free, I can go anywhere and I don’t worry anymore”

“I’ll treasure all the memories of support and help that you gave to me in my first time being a mum – you’re in my heart and mind forever”



Albanian partnership

Stopping trafficking at its source

In June, Garry Smith – Medaille Trust CEO – travelled to Tirana, Albania’s capital city, to take part in the official opening ceremony of the Mary Ward Loreto Advice and Service Centre. The Centre will provide much-needed support to those most at risk of being trafficked in Albanian.

“In the first year we aim to help 100 people who have limited socio-economic opportunities, which makes them at greater risk of trafficking,” said Sister Imelda, of Mary Ward Loreto. “This new project will provide holistic support – from advice and referral to adequate service providers, to psychotherapy, emergency support, food packages, healthcare and employment coaching.”

Medaille Trust and Mary Ward Loreto have partnered since 2013, as Medaille Trust has sought to prevent trafficking into the UK from countries of origin.

Albania is the UK’s biggest source country for adult victims of modern slavery (second biggest source country overall, see statistics on page 14).

“Human trafficking is too big an issue for one organisation to tackle on its own,” explains Garry. “We need to form partnerships with others so that together we are stronger. We have been able to provide some funding, encouragement and advice. In return, we receive first-hand information about the context for Albanian victims, as well as Skype counselling for Albanian victims in our houses from the counsellors in Tirana. This vital preventative work wouldn’t be possible without the generous support of our donors. Not only are we able to help victims in the UK, but now in partnership with Mary Ward Loreto we can prevent people ever getting ensnared by traffickers.”

After the opening ceremony, the two organisations spent time together discussing the next phase of the partnership. *“We have exciting plans to work together on some enterprise-led development schemes to strengthen communities so that Albanian people will be less vulnerable to trafficking,”* Garry shared.



In the news

Modern Slavery cases involving UK children have doubled from 676 in 2017 to 1421 in 2018.

The rise is attributed to exploiting children in ‘county-lines’ drug dealing. National Crime Agency Deputy Director Roy McComb commented: “the more we look, the more we find and it is likely these figures represent only a snapshot of the true scale of slavery and trafficking in the UK.”

Source: The Guardian

The Modern Slavery Act (2015), is having an impact.

The number of live police operations has increased, from 188 police operations in December 2016 to over 1,370 at present. In the year to September 2018, 4,270 modern slavery offences were recorded by police – a 51% increase from 2017. In 2017/18, 239 suspects were charged with modern slavery offences – a 27% rise from 2016/17 – and 185 convictions were secured.

Source: The Home Office

Three brothers from Ilford were convicted in June for their role in Romanian human trafficking gang.

The brothers trafficked victims into the UK between 2015-2018 in order to exploit them within the construction industry. They confiscated ID documents, forged construction papers, kept people in degrading living conditions, and made more than £1.2m by keeping the victims’ wages. Medaille Trust assisted in the investigations.

Source: Ilford Recorder

Some victims of modern slavery are being released from immigration detention centres without the necessary ongoing support.

One woman, who was exploited as a sex slave for five years, was released from Yarl’s Wood immigration centre and told to make her way back to the address where she had previously been abused. The Home Office said they “accepted and regretted that the proper processes were not followed.”

Source: The Independent

Sara Thornton, the UK’s new Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner, was created Dame Commander of the British Empire in the Queen’s birthday honours list.

Sara reports “A few weeks ago I visited a safe house run by the Medaille Trust. The support workers were committed professionals with a real heart for the work they were doing. The safe house provided a much-appreciated home for several men, many of whom had multiple problems and would need support over the long term.”

Source: Office of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner

Largest modern slavery gang ever exposed in the UK face justice.

This July, eight human traffickers were convicted for exploiting over 400 Polish victims in the West Midlands. The victims were forced to live in rat-infested houses and work in menial jobs for no pay.

Source: BBC

Mike's story...

I came from Asia to the UK on a student visa to study English at university.

After a year, my student visa ran out. In the meantime, my family found out about my sexuality as a gay man and they stopped supporting me financially and I couldn't go home. I was struggling to survive and did not work for four months. At the beginning of 2016, a man arranged a job for me in a shop. I was told I would be paid £7.20 per hour in wages and work five days per week. I was also told I would have good accommodation and food.

In reality, I was made to work seven days per week and not paid for four or five months. I was beaten for asking for my wages. After four months of working, the boss gave me £20 for three days' work. This was the only money I received for the entire time that I worked there. I worked in the shop for three years and I lived at the back of the shop. I was threatened with death and was fearful and scared. I would be slapped, punched and hit with a stick for the slightest mistake I made at work. This happened frequently for the whole three years in which I worked there.

Health and safety came one day and knew someone was living in the shop. My boss was told no-one is allowed to live at the back of the shop. I was given a room in a house. I was threatened and hurt again.

I feared for my life and ran away that night. I ran away and was knocking on the doors of houses to find somebody that could help me. A woman opened the door and let me in. Her husband called the police and they came to the house. They found out my immigration status as an 'over stayer' and I was sent to a detention centre.



From there, I rang the modern slavery helpline and told my story to The Salvation Army. The Home Office issued me with a positive reasonable grounds decision and The Salvation Army took me from the detention centre to the Medaille Trust safe house.

Since I arrived at the safe house, I have been supported to find a solicitor to represent me on the basis of my asylum claim. I have given presentations to the Mother's Union and the Fire Service about my modern slavery experience as a way to educate others about this issue. I am now trying to build up my life in the UK, by volunteering and engaging in training courses. I have also been involved with the LGBT Foundation and made some positive connections with others in similar situations to myself. I am a member of the Asian LGBT community and have made lots of friends there. Being part of these communities has encouraged me to be proud of who I am, and to look forward to the future.

New and creative ways to give

Loose change changes lives

Medaille Trust safe houses open their doors to victims of modern slavery 24/7, 365 days a year. This wouldn't be possible without your committed support and partnership. Every penny counts in the fight against modern slavery.

That's why we've created a fun new way to raise money. A safe house money box! Just place this little box in your home, church, school or workplace and encourage people to pop in their loose change. Then, once it's full, take it to the bank and turn your silvers and coppers into life-changing support for victims of modern slavery.

You can find your own safe house box enclosed in the post with this magazine, or order one today for free by emailing: comms@medaille-trust.org.uk



Help end slavery and save the planet at the same time

Giving just got easier! Your used up printer ink cartridges can now be recycled to raise money for victims of modern slavery.

Our partners at Recycle4Charity will recycle your old ink cartridges and give the proceeds to Medaille Trust. Simply use the enclosed envelope, or order one free of charge by emailing: comms@medaille-trust.org.uk

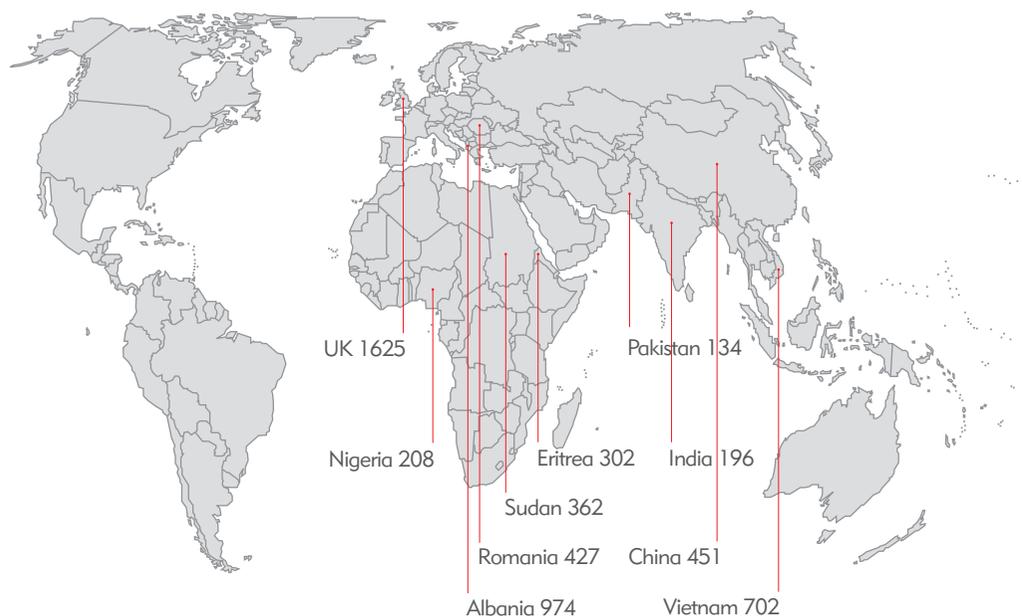


Recycle  Charity

Real people, not just statistics!

The National Crime Agency published their 2018 summary of National Referral Mechanism statistics in March this year.

In 2018, **6993 potential victims** were referred into the system, up from **5142** in 2017 and **3804** in 2016. Potential victims were trafficked from 130 different countries. The top countries for referrals were:



- Overall UK, Albanian and Vietnamese nationals remain the most commonly reported potential victims.
- UK referrals increased by nearly 100% to **1,625 in 2018**, up from **820 referrals in 2017**, while the numbers of **minors referred increased by 48%**. These increases were driven by labour exploitation, which includes those exploited for criminal purposes by 'County Lines' drug gangs.
- Of the victims **2728 were female** and **4261 were male**; **3856 were adults** and **3137 were minors**.
- The most common categories of adult exploitation were
 - Labour exploitation 1993**
 - Sexual exploitation 1289**
 - Domestic servitude 419**
 - Other 155**
- Around **1,500 criminal investigations** are currently live in the UK.



Please pledge your support and make a donation.
If you can, please *giftaid it* Thank you.

My details (please complete in block capitals)

Title:.....
 First name or initial:.....
 Surname:.....
 Home address:.....

 Postcode:.....

I would like to make a donation of:

£100 £50 £20 £10 Other

Please make cheques payable to: **Medaille Trust**

I do not require an acknowledgement for this donation

Regular Giving

By completing the following section, your bank will pay us automatically.
You can donate monthly, quarterly or annually.

Please pay to: Medaille Trust Limited

Account No: 43966674 Sort code: 20-25-29
Barclays Bank, 31 High Row, Darlington DL3 7QS

The sum of £.....
 Each month / quarter / year (please circle)
 Until further notice and debit my account

Account No:.....
 Sort code:.....
 Starting on:.....
 Signature:.....
 Date:.....

To the Manager (Bank name and address)

.....
 Postcode:.....

FURTHER INFORMATION (please tick if:)

You'd like to receive free copies of our magazine (three issues a year)
 You'd like information about leaving a legacy to Medaille Trust in your will
 You'd like to be removed from our mailing list

You can donate online at: www.medaille-trust.org.uk

giftaid it

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

To gift-aid your donation, please tick this box:

I want to gift-aid my donation of £..... and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past four years to:

Name of Charity: **Medaille Trust**

I am a UK taxpayer. I understand that if I pay less income tax and/or capital gains tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year, then I will be responsible for paying any difference.

My details (please complete in block capitals)

Title:.....

First name or initial(s):.....

Surname:.....

Home address:.....

.....

..... Postcode:.....

Signature:.....

Date:.....

Please notify the charity if you:

- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains

If you pay income tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your self-assessment tax return or ask HMRC to adjust your tax code.

**Please detach this form and post to:
Medaille Trust, Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP**

**Thank you for your kind donations and continued support.
Please know that every £ makes a difference.**



Read all about it!

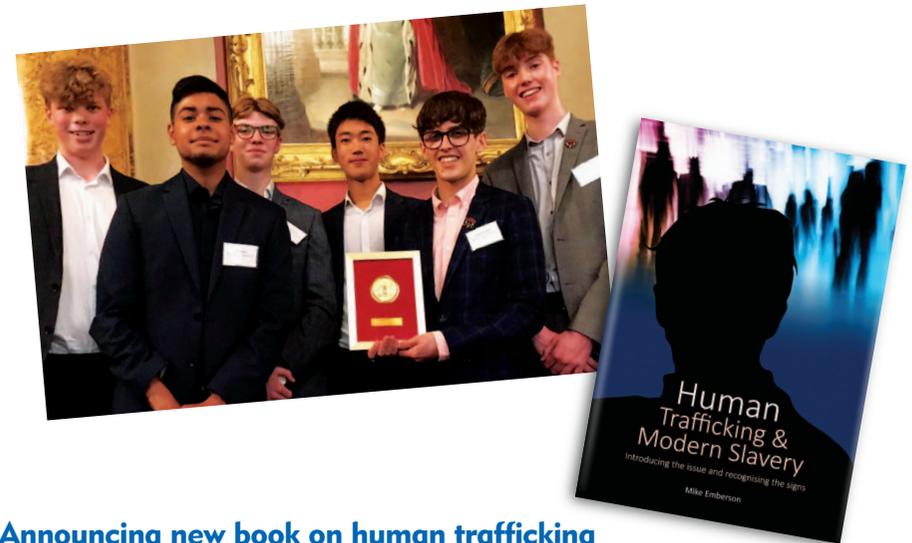
Manchester boys win prodigious award

We're delighted to share that six wonderful boys from Manchester Grammar School (MGS) have been awarded the first ever national Goldsmiths' Company Community Engagement Award for their work with victims of modern slavery!

The project was set up in 2018 as a partnership between MGS, St Chrysostom's Church (with thanks to Alan!) and Medaille Trust and has had a huge impact on our clients.

Each week, the boys work with Medaille Trust clients, teaching them English as a foreign language. Harrison Kaye, one of the students involved in the scheme, said *"being a part of this project and seeing its impact week on week has been extremely gratifying and I'm sure the whole team would agree that it's been a highlight of our time at MGS."*

Mrs Vivienne Horsfield, Assistant Head at MGS, commented: *"I am delighted for the boys. To win this award is such an honour... They are passionate about this issue and their work on this project is making a tangible difference to those rescued from human trafficking, giving them the skills to rebuild their lives and get jobs. It's an inspiring project and to see, first hand, the difference it has made to these adults is a privilege."*



Announcing new book on human trafficking

Former Medaille Trust CEO, Dr. Mike Emberson's new book is now available. "Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery: Introducing the issue and recognising the signs" is a must-read for anyone interested in and wanting to discover more about modern slavery.

Order your copy today via www.amazon.co.uk (if you order via www.smile.amazon.co.uk don't forget to choose 'Medaille Trust' as your charity and Amazon will donate a % of your purchase to our work).

Medaille Trust is a member of Renate, COATNET, Your Catholic Legacy, CSAN.

Chair of Trustees: Brother Francis Patterson

Patrons: Baroness Cox and Rupert Everett

Life President: Sister Ann Teresa

Editors: Liz Andrew and Zoe Smith

   @medailletrust



MEDAILLE TRUST
REFUGE AND FREEDOM FROM MODERN SLAVERY

Medaille Trust, Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP
Visit: medaille-trust.org.uk Email: enquiries@medaille-trust.org.uk

Medaille Trust is a registered charity. Number 1117830