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Frequently Asked Questions

Müllers is relocating back to a section of the 2nd Orphan Homes built by George Müller in the 1800s to care for orphaned children.

Why are you moving?

Our founder George Müller was driven by the desire to glorify God. He was also passionate about encouraging fellow Christians to have faith – trusting that God hears and answers prayer. Today we continue to have these priorities and want to use both our history and our present mission to glorify God and encourage the church to have faith. We hope and pray this move will help us to tell the remarkable story of George Müller more effectively and thus inspire more people towards faith in a God who hears and answers prayer. The move to the original site will also give us more space in which to tell the story and therefore is an opportunity to totally redevelop the content and design of our museum so that it communicates more clearly and appeals to people of different ages.

During the planning stages of this project we have also been challenged by our preservation techniques of historical artefacts which, in an effort not to be materialistic, has not been great up until now. We are therefore going to try to find a better balance between encouraging people to interact with the artefacts we do have whilst preserving the most important things so that the story can be told to future generations.

Our current museum is visited by people from all over the world, many of whom enquire about the location of the orphan homes in relation to our current premises – hoping to see the buildings built by prayer. By relocating our offices and museum to the original orphan homes visitors will be stepping in to the story for themselves – getting a feel for a place that was home to 2000 orphans at one time.

How can you justify spending that much money?

A project of this size requires a significant amount of funding and was a decision taken after much thought and prayer. We do not take our stewardship of this money lightly, and have had to reflect seriously on the contribution the move will make to our charitable objectives, and ultimately if we feel God calling us to move, which we do.

This project is only possible because of the work of our founder, George Müller, who during his lifetime stewarded gifts that in today's money would be equivalent of over £100 million, and the longstanding commitment of our supporters.



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Will it impact your day-to-day processes like the Scriptural Knowledge Institution (SKI), supporting local and global mission partners, and facilitating the Practical Theology Course?

No.

We don't foresee any operational changes apart from the positive changes that will occur from having new and improved facilities.

How did this opportunity come about?

One of our staff members felt prompted by God to suggest we explore moving back to the original orphan homes. The Trustees were supportive and we tentatively made enquiries. The site developer was instantly receptive to the idea of finding space for Mullers in the development because he warmed to the Müller story, and so we were offered a space within orphan home number 2. This contact with the site developer happened through a "chance" meeting between our property valuer and their managing director. After much thought and prayer we decided to go ahead with the purchase and plan to redevelop the space into a new office, museum, meeting rooms and training room.

What is happening to Müller House?

The religious community who share the building with us will expand to accommodate new community members. This will mean the office space will need to be redecorated and slightly altered to make it suitable.

Will there still be a museum?

Yes.

One of the main aims of this move is to more effectively share the story of George Müller by vastly improving the museum.



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What other facilities will there be?

Similar to our existing premises we will have a meeting space, offices, and training room.

Will there be parking ?

Yes but more limited.
We will be allocated 6 parking spaces for the use of visitors.

Are you merging with City of Bristol College

No.

As caring for children developed in England it was thought more suitable to have children housed in family units. The orphan homes were therefore sold to the council in the 1950's to fund the purchase of smaller homes so that children could be housed in small groups with house parents. They were used by the City of Bristol College for some years and more recently some of the homes have been sold to developers to create apartments. We are purchasing space within one of these redeveloped homes so it is entirely independent of the City of Bristol College, who are still based in another of the orphan homes.

Will you be open on the weekends ?

No.

Currently we plan for our opening hours to remain the same (Monday-Friday 10am-4pm) but we may need to revise this if demand increases as a result of the move.