

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1008811

Details

Other names AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1992-02-26

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION AND TO PROVIDE PLACES OF WORSHIP.

Activities: The principal activity of the charity is to promote the Christian religion and to provide places of worship

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£34,267	£83,132	-	-
2024-07-31	£28,757	£81,554	-	-
2023-07-31	£42,962	£45,572	-	-
2022-07-31	£19,956	£21,634	-	-
2021-07-31	£12,001	£11,611	-	-
2020-07-31	£26,596	£46,064	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DOROTHY MCFARLANE		
Janet Jackson		2013-08-19
Jayne Grants-Roberts		2018-07-31
Karlene Anderson - Bowley		2018-07-31
REV MARCIA DAVIS		2013-03-12
Rev Ionie Anquin		2018-07-31

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African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England
Foundation

Report and Financial Statements

31 July 2025

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African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation Charity Information

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Registered number

1008811

Governing document

Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978

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Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 July 2025

The trustees present their report and financial statements for African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation for the year ended 31 July 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: 'Accounting and reporting by charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)' – the Charities SORP (FRS 102) second edition, effective 1 January 2019;
- the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), as amended; and
- the Charities Act 2011.

These financial statements are of the annual conference ("the Conference") of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church ("the Charity", "AME Zion Church", or "the Church"). They include the known assets and liabilities of the Charity where these are not held by individual AME Zion churches.

The statement of financial activities incorporates the income and expenditure directly received or disbursed for the Conference.

The individual churches in full connection with the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England are:

London District

- Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church
Gospatrick Road, Tottenham, London, N17 7EE
- Ransom Pentecostal A.M.E. Zion Church
2a Mallinson Road, London, SW11 1BP
- New Hope A.M.E. Zion Church
1 Park Hall Road, West Norwood, SE21 8EN
- New Birth A.M.E. Zion Church
83 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, Surry, CR5 2BE
- New Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church
32-36 Brigadier Hill, Enfield EN2 0NQ
- Beulah A.M.E. Zion Church
Comber Close, London, NW2
- Kingdom Restoration AME Zion Church
St. Michael Church, St. Michaels Avenue, HA9 6SL
- Gates of Heaven AME Zion Church
[online]

Midland District

- Shaw Mt Zion (Midlands)
56 Villa Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1BL
- Mt. Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church
St. Georges Parade, Wolverhampton, WV2 1AZ
- Shekinah Temple A.M.E. Zion Church
Broad Street, Folesill, Coventry

Manchester District (added March 2024)

- Resurrected AME Zion Church
13 Thurloe Street, Manchester M14 5SG

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These churches prepare their own accounts and so are not included in these Conference accounts.

Principal activities

The Charity's principal activity during the year continued to be to promote the Christian religion and to provide places of worship.

Objectives and activities

The principal objectives and activities of the Charity are:

- provide religious and charitable services to the church followers; and
- to maintain churches and organise conferences at various times and places.

The Charity is affiliated with the worldwide African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The mission of the worldwide AME Zion Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed. At every level of the Connection and in every local church, the AME Zion Church engages in carrying out the spirit of the original Free African Society, out of which the AME Zion Church evolved: that is, to seek out and save the lost, and serve the needy.

Public benefit

We have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives we have set.

We exist to serve all people in our community without discrimination. We strive to promote social welfare through the provision of facilities aimed at improving the social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of those in our local community.

The Charity provides a safe working environment for visitors, members, workers and volunteers and any serious incidences are reported in accordance with our safeguarding policy. There were no serious incidents during the year ended 31 July 2025.

Fundraising

The Charity raises funds from the public in the form of voluntary donations ('tithes' and 'offerings') from attendees of its Christian church services.

The Charity does not use the services of a professional fundraiser or commercial participator in the process of raising funds. Also, the Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) is not subject to any voluntary scheme for regulating fundraising, or voluntary standard for fundraising in respect of activities on behalf of the Charity.

In the course of its fundraising activities, the Charity has taken care to not:

- (1) unreasonably intrude on anyone's privacy;
- (2) unreasonably and persistently approach anyone [for the purpose of soliciting, or procuring money or other property]; and/or
- (3) place undue pressure on anyone to give money [or other property].

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The Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) has not received any complaints in regard to its fundraising activities.

Activities during the year

During the year, the Charity held two conferences for its affiliated churches.

Financial review

Principal sources of funding

The largest contribution to the Charity is donations in the form of tithes and offerings given by the [church] congregation.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit of £48,865 for the financial year.

At 31 July 2025, the Charity held total funds of £3,293,277 – that is, £76,937 cash at the bank and in hand; £3,217,840 in the value of fixed assets; less creditors of £1,500. This, in all, is unfortunately less than what is considered to be an appropriate level of funds to enable the Charity to pursue its objectives – that is, once administrative expenses (£17,173) have been deducted from this year's income from charitable activities (£31,605), no money is left to cover the Charity's expenditure on charitable activities this year, £65,959.

Reserves policy

A sufficient cash reserve is held in order to provide the working capital needed to cover seasonal fluctuations in the Charity's income and expenditure and to fulfil its day-to-day obligations. When deciding on the level of these reserves (that is, those funds not tied up in fixed assets), the Trustees take into consideration the forecasted levels of income and expenditure, the reliability of each source of income, and the prospect of new sources of income.

It is the trustees' view that it is prudent to maintain the forecasted level of reserves to allow for financial flexibility and stability in light of the Charity's dependence on voluntary donations.

At 31 July 2025, the Charity held unrestricted funds of £769,777. The Charity did not have any restricted funds or endowments so £769,777 also represents the total charity funds.

Investment policy

The trustees have adopted a strong, socially responsible investment policy for the reserves of the Charity. This policy, in tandem with the need to fulfil our statutory obligations, has the objective of investing in such a way that the principles of socially responsible investment are promoted. A further factor is the need to have ready access to our reserves (as long-term funding cannot be guaranteed) so, for the current period, we have placed surplus funds in bank current and deposit accounts.

Risk management

The trustees actively review, on a regular basis, the major risks that the Charity faces in maintaining reserves at the levels detailed above; in addition to an annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out through an internal audit process - to ensure appropriate controls are in place as assurance against fraud and error.

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Internal control risks are minimised by authorisation procedures for all financial transactions; and policies and procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety regulations by, and for, volunteers and visitors.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation (AME Zion Church) is an unincorporated charitable organisation formed on 6 October 1978 and registered as a charity on 26 February 1992. The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978 which is supplemented by a Book of Discipline which is used for certain day-to-day procedures and activities.

Organisational structure

The AME Zion Church is a connectional organisation with each local church a part of the larger connection. The bishops are its chief officers, and they are elected for life by a majority vote of the General Conference which meets every four years. Bishops are bound by the laws of the church to retire at the General Conference nearest his/her seventy-second birthday.

Presiding elders are appointed by the bishops to supervise the preachers in a presiding elder's district. A presiding elder district is one portion of an Annual Conference, which in turn is one part of the Episcopal district over which a bishop presides. In the presiding elder district, the appointed presiding elder meets with the local churches, that comprise the district, at least once every three months for a quarterly conference. The presiding elder also presides over a district conference and a Sunday school convention in his or her district. At the end of an Annual Conference year, the presiding elder reports to the bishop at the Annual Conference and makes recommendations for pastoral appointments.

Pastors receive a yearly appointment to a charge (church), on the recommendation of the presiding elder and with the approval and final appointment of the bishop. The pastor is in full charge of the church and is an ex-official member of all boards, organizations and clubs of that church.

The General Conference is the supreme body of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation. It is composed of the bishops and an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates.

The Council of Bishops is the executive branch of the connectional church. It has the general oversight of the church during the interim between General Conferences. The Council of Bishops meets annually and also at such other times as may be deemed necessary in the discharging its responsibility.

The General Trustee Board has the supervision, in trust, of all connectional property of the church. At their regular meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the church, including consideration of allocation of funds, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance.

The conference now consists of 3 Presiding Elder Districts with 12 Churches.

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Volunteers

The running of the charity is carried out by its members, i.e. administration, catering etc. .

Where possible, our volunteers help to serve the local community during worship services and through other pastoral work - working with the homeless, counselling, and in food programmes, youth services and education, including working with local agencies in the fight against knife and gun crimes. Many of our volunteers act as administrators and support workers from a range of other professional backgrounds such as finance, law, music, health and general office administration. They provide an invaluable service to the church activities during the year.

There were 19 volunteers throughout the year, excluding trustees, who aided in the running of the Charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The members of the General Trustee Board, which is the primary management body of the Annual Conference, are trustees for the purposes of charity law. New trustees may be appointed by conference or by resolution of a meeting of the trustees.

Much of the Charity's work focuses upon the promotion of the Christian religion and the running and maintenance of its places of worship.

The General Trustee Board seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. To enhance the potential pool of trustees, the Charity has, through selective advertising and networking with voluntary organisations active in the sector, sought to identify those who would be willing to become members of the Charity and use their own experience to assist the Charity in fulfilling its objectives.

There was 1 new/additional trustee recruited in the year to 31 July 2025.

Trustee induction and training

The trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity as they are also active members of the Charity as well as involved in other charities, churches and/or organisations.

New trustees are encouraged to familiarise themselves with charity law, their responsibilities as trustees and with Charity's rules and practices. They are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions to familiarise themselves with the Charity and the context within which it operates. These cover:

- the obligations of the board of trustees;
- the operational framework for the Charity;
- safeguarding;
- the current financial position and revenue generation; and
- future plans and objectives.

Trustees

The following persons served as trustees during the year:

Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor (Presiding Bishop, ex officio) (retired July 2024)
Bishop George Crenshaw (Presiding Bishop, ex officio) (appointed July 2024)
Reverend Ionie M. Anguin

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Reverend Marcia M. Davis
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Ms. Karlene M. Anderson-Bowley
Mrs. Jane M. Grant-Roberts
Ms. Janet Jackson

Secretary

Miss Dorothy McFarlane

Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website as well as:

- a) to prepare financial statements which show a true and fair view;
- b) in preparing financial statements:
 - (i) to select suitable accounting policies and apply them on a consistent basis; and
 - (ii) to make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable; as well as
- c) to keep proper accounting records; and
- d) to safeguard the assets of the Charity and take reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to independent examiners

Each person who was a trustee at the time this report was approved confirms that:

- so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Charity's independent examiner is unaware; and
- he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Charity's independent examiner is aware of that information.

This report was approved by the board on 28 May 2026 and signed on their behalf.



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

**African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Independent Examiner's Report
to the members of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Charity') for the year ended 31 July 2025 which are set out in pages 9 to 19.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with:

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- the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), as

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Jackson
(Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of
Jacksons Chartered Accountants
First Floor, Albion House
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28 May 2026

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Income from charitable activities	2	31,605	28,225
Expenditure on charitable activities		(65,959)	(47,937)
Net operating expenditure		<u>(34,354)</u>	<u>(19,712)</u>
Administrative expenses		(17,173)	(33,617)
Operating deficit		<u>(51,527)</u>	<u>(53,329)</u>
Interest receivable		2,662	532
Movement in funds: Net expenditure		<u>(48,865)</u>	<u>(52,797)</u>
 Reconciliation of funds			
Net movement in funds		(48,865)	(52,797)
Total funds brought forward		3,342,142	3,394,939
Total funds carried forward		<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>

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Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets			
Cash on deposit		72,546	119,547
Cash at bank		4,391	6,255
		<u>76,937</u>	<u>125,802</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,500)	(1,500)
Net current assets		<u>75,437</u>	<u>124,302</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>
Net assets		<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>
Charity funds			
Other reserves	6	2,523,500	2,523,500
Unrestricted funds	7	769,777	818,642
Total charity funds		<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

Approved by the board on 28 May 2026 and signed on their behalf.

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Statement of Changes in Charitable Funds
for the year ended 31 July 2025

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	Other reserves	Income and Expenditure account	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 August 2023	2,523,500	871,439	3,394,939
Deficit for the financial year	-	(52,797)	(52,797)
At 31 July 2024	<u>2,523,500</u>	<u>818,642</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>
At 1 August 2024	2,523,500	818,642	3,342,142
Deficit for the financial year	-	(48,865)	(48,865)
At 31 July 2025	<u>2,523,500</u>	<u>769,777</u>	<u>3,293,277</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 31 July 2025

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
Operating activities			
Deficit for the financial year		(48,865)	(52,797)
Adjustments for:			
Interest receivable		(2,662)	(532)
		<u>(51,527)</u>	<u>(53,329)</u>
Interest received		2,662	532
		<u>(48,865)</u>	<u>(52,797)</u>
Cash used in operating activities			
		<u>(48,865)</u>	<u>(52,797)</u>
Net cash used			
Cash used in operating activities		(48,865)	(52,797)
Net cash used		<u>(48,865)</u>	<u>(52,797)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 August		<u>125,802</u>	<u>178,599</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 July		<u>76,937</u>	<u>125,802</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:			
Cash at bank		<u>76,937</u>	<u>125,802</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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1 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with:

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- the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the Charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donated goods and services are recorded at their expected cost.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land.

Depreciation is not provided on freehold buildings because the residual value of the buildings at the end of their useful life is expected to be higher than its cost or valuation.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts. Loans and other financial assets are initially recognised at transaction price including any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price). Loans and other financial liabilities are initially recognised at transaction price net of any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation under sections 521 to 536 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (ITA 2007).

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Fund accounting: restricted and unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements below.

Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, which assumes that the Charity will be in operational existence twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. The trustees are satisfied that this basis is appropriate.

The facts that support the conclusion of going concern are:-

- the Charity's income from charitable activities has increased from the previous year - from £28,225 to £31,605 this year; and
- on 31 July 2025, the Charity held £72,546 cash on deposit and £4,391 cash at bank – a total of £76,937.

There are no material uncertainties.

Provisions

Provisions (i.e. liabilities of uncertain timing or amount) are recognised when there is an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event, it is probable that economic benefit will be transferred to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Pensions

Contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed in the period to which they relate.

Government grants

The accrual model (FRS 102 24.5C-G) was applied in producing these accounts; therefore grants were recognised as either relating to revenue (over the period in which the Charity recognises the related costs for which the grant was intended to compensate) or relating to assets (over the expected useful life of the asset).

2 Analysis of income from charitable activities	2025	2024
	£	£
Tithes and offerings	22,033	20,698
Gifts, donations and pledges	1,147	1,652
Other contributions	8,425	5,875
	<u>31,605</u>	<u>28,225</u>
By geographical market:		
UK	<u>31,605</u>	<u>28,225</u>

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3 Role played by general volunteers

Volunteers played a vital role in the running of the Charity and their contribution helped the Charity achieve its objectives.

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings
	<i>At valuation</i>
	£
Cost or valuation	
At 31 July 2025	<u>3,217,840</u>
Depreciation	
At 31 July 2025	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 July 2025	<u>3,217,840</u>
At 31 July 2024	<u>3,217,840</u>

	2025	2024
	£	£
Carrying amount of land and buildings on cost basis	<u>694,340</u>	<u>694,340</u>

2 of the 4 freehold properties held by the Charity were valued on an open market basis by A Jestyn Coke Chartered Surveyors in Dorset in 2016 and 2017.
 In the opinion of the trustees, the valuation of the property at 31 July 2025 was £3,217,840.

The equivalent historical cost of the freehold property is understood to be £694,340.

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
6 Other reserves	2025	2024
Revaluation reserve	£	£
At 1 August	2,523,500	2,523,500
At 31 July	<u>2,523,500</u>	<u>2,523,500</u>

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7 Funds

	2025	2024
	£	£
At 1 August	818,642	871,439
Net expenditure for the financial year	(48,865)	(52,797)
At 31 July	<u>769,777</u>	<u>818,642</u>

Reserves

Restricted and unrestricted funds		2025	2024
		£	£
At 1 August	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,342,142	3,394,939
Net income for the financial year	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	(48,865)	(52,797)
At 31 July	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,293,277	3,342,142
	<i>Total funds carried forward</i>	<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees, in order to further the charity's objectives.

8 Analysis of net assets between funds

	2025		2025	2024
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	£	£
Fixed assets	3,217,840	-	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets	76,937	-	76,937	125,802
Current liabilities	(1,500)	-	(1,500)	(1,500)
	<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,293,277</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>

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9 Related party transactions

The following payments were made to trustees during the financial year:

		£	
Miss Dorothy McFarlane	<i>Trustee</i>	1,095	<i>Church: Evangelism support; Travel and subsistence</i>
Ms. Janet Jackson	<i>Trustee</i>	350	<i>Church: Evangelism support</i>
Ms. Karlene M. Anderson-Bowley	<i>Trustee</i>	600	<i>Church: Evangelism support</i>
Mrs. Jane M. Grant-Roberts	<i>Trustee</i>	375	<i>Church: Evangelism support; Travel and subsistence</i>
		2,420	

No trustees were paid any remuneration (compensation) or received any other benefits from employment with the Charity or a related entity.

10 Presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound (£).

11 Legal form of entity and country of incorporation

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

12 Principal place of business

The address of the charity's principal place of business and registered office is:

2a Mallinson Road
Battersea
London
SW11 1BP

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
also Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Income from charitable activities	2		
Tithes and offerings		22,033	20,698
Gifts, donations and pledges		1,147	1,652
Other contributions		8,425	5,875
		<u>31,605</u>	<u>28,225</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Church: Missions		(35,474)	(13,990)
Church: Worship		(5,556)	(8,334)
Church: Evangelism support		(11,800)	(16,350)
Gifts and donations		(6,000)	-
Catering and hospitality		(7,129)	(9,263)
		<u>(65,959)</u>	<u>(47,937)</u>
Net operating expenditure		<u>(34,354)</u>	<u>(19,712)</u>
Administrative expenses			
Support costs		(14,998)	(32,117)
Governance costs		(2,175)	(1,500)
Operating deficit		<u>(51,527)</u>	<u>(53,329)</u>
Interest receivable		2,662	532
Movement in funds: Deficit		<u>(48,865)</u>	<u>(52,797)</u>

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Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income from charitable activities		
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Expenditure on charitable activities		
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Church: Worship	5,556	8,334
Church: Evangelism support	11,800	16,350
Gifts and donations	6,000	-
Catering and hospitality	7,129	9,263
	<u>65,959</u>	<u>47,937</u>
Administrative expenses		
<u>Support costs</u>		
Volunteer costs:		
Travel and subsistence	13,436	15,376
	<u>13,436</u>	<u>15,376</u>
General administrative expenses:		
Stationery and printing	508	635
Bank charges	254	232
Equipment expensed	800	577
Software	-	297
Repairs and maintenance	-	15,000
	<u>1,562</u>	<u>16,741</u>
Support costs	<u>14,998</u>	<u>32,117</u>
<u>Governance costs</u>		
Legal and professional costs:		
Independent examination fees	1,500	1,500
Other legal and professional fees	675	-
Governance costs	<u>2,175</u>	<u>1,500</u>
<i>Administrative expenses</i>	<u>17,173</u>	<u>33,617</u>

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1008811

Accounts

Registered number
1008811

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England
Foundation

Report and Financial Statements

31 July 2024

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African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation Charity Information

Trustees

Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor (Presiding Bishop, ex officio)
Reverend Ionie Anguin
Reverend Marcia Davis
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Reverend. Marcus D. Tillery (Chairman)
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley
Mrs. Jane Grant-Roberts
Mrs. Janet Jackson

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Registered number

1008811

Governing document

Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
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Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 July 2024

The trustees present their report and financial statements for African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation for the year ended 31 July 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

These financial statements are of the annual conference ("the Conference") of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church ("the Charity", "AME Zion Church", or "the Church"). They include the known assets and liabilities of the Charity where these are not held by individual AME Zion churches.

The statement of financial activities incorporates the income and expenditure directly received or disbursed for the Conference.

The individual churches in full connection with the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England are:

London District

Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church	Gospatrick Road, Tottenham, London, N17 7EE
Ransom Pentecostal A.M.E. Zion Church	2a Mallinson Road, London, SW11 1BP
New Hope A.M.E. Zion Church	1 Park Hall Road, West Norwood, SE21 8EN
New Birth A.M.E. Zion Church	83 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, Surrey, CR5 2BE
New Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church	32-36 Brigadier Hill, Enfield EN2 0NQ
Beulah A.M.E. Zion Church	Comber Close, London, NW2
Kingdom Restoration AME Zion Church	St. Michael Church, St. Michaels Avenue, HA9 6SL
Gates of Heaven AME Zion Church	[online]

Midland District

Shaw Mt Zion (Midlands)	56 Villa Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1BL
Mt. Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church	St. Georges Parade, Wolverhampton, WV2 1AZ
Shekinah Temple A.M.E. Zion Church	Broad Street, Folesill, Coventry

These churches prepare their own accounts which are not included in these Conference accounts.

Principal activities

The Charity's principal activity during the year continued to be to promote the Christian religion and to provide places of worship.

Objectives and activities

The principal objectives and activities of the Charity are:

- provide religious and charitable services to the church followers; and
- to maintain churches and organise conferences at various times and places.

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The Charity is affiliated with the worldwide African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The mission of the worldwide AME Zion Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed. At every level of the Connection and in every local church, the AME Zion Church engages in carrying out the spirit of the original Free African Society, out of which the AME Zion Church evolved: that is, to seek out and save the lost, and serve the needy.

Public benefit

We have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives we have set. We exist to serve all people in our community without discrimination. We strive to promote social welfare through the provision of facilities aimed at improving the social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of those in our local community.

The Charity provides a safe working environment for visitors, members, workers and volunteers and any serious incidences are reported in accordance with our safeguarding policy. There were no serious incidents during the year ended 31 July 2024.

Fundraising

The Charity raises funds from the public in the form of voluntary donations ("general offerings") from attendees of its Christian church services.

The Charity does not use the services of a professional fundraiser or commercial participator in the process of raising funds. Also, the Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) is not subject to any voluntary scheme for regulating fundraising, or voluntary standard for fundraising in respect of activities on behalf of the Charity.

The Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) has not received any complaints in regard to its fundraising activities.

Activities during the year

During the year, the Charity held two conferences for its affiliated churches. The Charity also paid to send a delegation to the General World Conference in July 2024 in Greensboro, USA; whilst there, the delegates participated in the decision-making process of the overarching body.

Financial review

Principal sources of funding

The largest contribution to the Charity is tithes and voluntary general offerings given by the [church] congregation, attendees of the Conference, and from a roll call or assessment on the individual churches within the AME Zion Church connection.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit of £52,797 for the financial year. At 31 July 2024, the Charity held total funds of £3,342,142 – that is, £125,802 cash at the bank and in hand, £3,217,840 in the value of fixed assets, less creditors of £1,500. This, in all, is considered to be an appropriate level of funds to enable the Charity to pursue its objectives.

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Reserves policy

A sufficient cash reserve is held in order to provide the working capital needed to cover seasonal fluctuations in the Charity's income and expenditure and to fulfil its day-to-day obligations. When deciding on the level of these reserves (that is, those funds not tied up in fixed assets), the Trustees take into consideration the forecasted levels of income and expenditure, the reliability of each source of income, and the prospect of new sources of income.

It is the trustees' view that it is prudent to maintain the forecasted level of reserves to allow for financial flexibility and stability in light of the Charity's dependence on voluntary donations.

Investment policy

The trustees have adopted a strong, socially-responsible investment policy for the reserves of the Charity. This policy, in tandem with the need to fulfil our statutory obligations, has the objective of investing in such a way that the principles of socially-responsible investment are promoted. A further factor is the need to have ready access to our reserves (as long-term funding cannot be guaranteed) so, for the current period, we have placed surplus funds in bank current accounts and deposit accounts.

Risk management

The trustees actively review, on a regular basis, the major risks that the Charity faces in maintaining reserves at the levels detailed above; in addition to an annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out through an internal audit process - to ensure appropriate controls are in place as assurance against fraud and error.

Internal control risks are minimised by authorisation procedures for all financial transactions; and policies and procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety regulations by, and for, staff, volunteers and visitors.

The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which the Charity faces and confirm that they have taken steps to mitigate any significant risks.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation (AME Zion Church) is an unincorporated charitable organisation formed on 6 October 1978 and registered as a charity on 26 February 1992. The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978 which is supplemented by a Book of Discipline which is used for certain day-to-day procedures and activities.

Organisational structure

The AME Zion Church is a connectional organisation with each local church a part of the larger connection. The bishops are its chief officers, and they are elected for life by a majority vote of the General Conference which meets every four years. Bishops are bound by the laws of the church to retire at the General Conference nearest his/her seventy-second birthday.

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Presiding elders are appointed by the bishops to supervise the preachers in a presiding elder's district. A presiding elder district is one portion of an Annual Conference, which in turn is one part of the Episcopal district over which a bishop presides. In the presiding elder district, the appointed presiding elder meets with the local churches, that comprise the district, at least once every three months for a quarterly conference. The presiding elder also presides over a district conference and a Sunday school convention in his or her district. At the end of an Annual Conference year, the presiding elder reports to the bishop at the Annual Conference and makes recommendations for pastoral appointments.

Pastors receive a yearly appointment to a charge (church), on the recommendation of the presiding elder and with the approval and final appointment of the bishop. The pastor is in full charge of the church and is an ex-official member of all boards, organizations and clubs of that church.

The General Conference is the supreme body of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation. It is composed of the bishops and an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates.

The Council of Bishops is the executive branch of the connectional church. It has the general oversight of the church during the interim between General Conferences. The Council of Bishops meets annually and also at such other times as may be deemed necessary in the discharging its responsibility.

The General Trustee Board has the supervision, in trust, of all connectional property of the church. At their regular meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the church, including consideration of allocation of funds, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance.

The conference now consists of 2 Presiding Elder Districts with 11 Churches.

Volunteers

The running of the charity is carried out by its members, i.e. administration, catering etc. .

Where possible, our volunteers help to serve the local community during worship services and through other pastoral work - working with the homeless, counselling, and in food programmes, youth services and education, including working with local agencies in the fight against knife and gun crimes. Many of our volunteers act as administrators and support workers from a range of other professional backgrounds such as finance, law, music, health and general office administration. They provide an invaluable service to the church activities during the year.

There were 18 volunteers, excluding trustees, throughout the year who aided in the running of the Charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The members of the General Trustee Board, which is the primary management body of the Annual Conference, are trustees for the purposes of charity law. New trustees may be appointed by conference or by resolution of a meeting of the trustees.

Much of the Charity's work focuses upon the promotion of the Christian religion and the running and maintenance of its places of worship.

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The General Trustee Board seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. To enhance the potential pool of trustees, the Charity has, through selective advertising and networking with voluntary organisations active in the sector, sought to identify those who would be willing to become members of the Charity and use their own experience to assist the Charity in fulfilling its objectives.

There were no new or additional trustees recruited in the year to 31 July 2024.

Trustee induction and training

Many trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity as they are also active members of the Charity as well as involved in other charities, churches and/or organisations.

New trustees are encouraged to familiarise themselves with charity law, their responsibilities as trustees and with Charity's rules and practices. They are invited and encouraged to attend a series of short training sessions to familiarise themselves with the Charity and the context within which it operates. These cover:

- the obligations of the board of trustees;
- the operational framework for the Charity;
- the current financial position and revenue generation; and
- future plans and objectives.

Trustees

The following persons served as trustees during the year:

Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor (Presiding Bishop, ex officio)
Reverend Ionie Anguin
Reverend Marcia Davis
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Reverend. Marcus D. Tillery (Chairman)
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley
Mrs. Jane Grant-Roberts
Mrs. Janet Jackson

Secretary

Miss Dorothy McFarlane

Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website as well as:

- a) to prepare financial statements which show a true and fair view;
- b) in preparing financial statements:

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- (i) to select suitable accounting policies and apply them on a consistent basis; and
- (ii) to make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable; as well as
- c) to keep proper accounting records.

Disclosure of information to independent examiners

Each person who was a trustee at the time this report was approved confirms that:

- so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Charity's independent examiner is unaware; and
- he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Charity's independent examiner is aware of that information.

This report was approved by the board on 21 May 2025 and signed on their behalf.



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

**African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Independent Examiner's Report
to the members of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Charity') for the year ended 31 July 2024 which are set out in pages 9 to 19.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Jackson
(Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of
Jacksons Chartered Accountants
First Floor, Albion House
Albion Street
Hull
HU1 3TE

21 May 2025

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Income from charitable activities	2	28,225	42,962
Expenditure on charitable activities		(47,937)	(22,168)
Net operating (expenditure)/income		<u>(19,712)</u>	<u>20,794</u>
Administrative expenses		(33,617)	(23,404)
Operating deficit		<u>(53,329)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Interest receivable		532	-
Movement in funds: Net expenditure		<u>(52,797)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
 Reconciliation of funds			
Net movement in funds		(52,797)	(2,610)
Total funds brought forward		3,394,939	3,397,549
Total funds carried forward		<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>

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Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets			
Cash on deposit		119,547	164,445
Cash at bank		6,255	14,154
		<u>125,802</u>	<u>178,599</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,500)	(1,500)
Net current assets		<u>124,302</u>	<u>177,099</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>
Net assets		<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>
Charity funds			
Other reserves	6	2,523,500	2,523,500
Unrestricted funds	7	818,642	871,439
Total charity funds		<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

Approved by the board on 21 May 2025 and signed on their behalf.

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Statement of Changes in Charitable Funds
for the year ended 31 July 2024

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	Income and Expenditure account £	Total £
At 1 August 2022	874,049	3,397,549
Deficit for the financial year	(2,610)	(2,610)
At 31 July 2023	<u>871,439</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>
At 1 August 2023	871,439	3,394,939
Deficit for the financial year	(52,797)	(52,797)
At 31 July 2024	<u>818,642</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Operating activities			
Loss for the financial year		(52,797)	(2,610)
Adjustments for:			
Interest receivable		(532)	-
		<u>(53,329)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Interest received		532	-
		<u>(52,797)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Cash used in operating activities		<u>(52,797)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Net cash used			
Cash used in operating activities		(52,797)	(2,610)
Net cash used		<u>(52,797)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 August		178,599	181,209
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 July		<u>125,802</u>	<u>178,599</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:			
Cash at bank		<u>125,802</u>	<u>178,599</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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1 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the Charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donated goods and services are recorded at their expected cost.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land.

Depreciation is not provided on freehold buildings because the residual value of the buildings at the end of their useful life is expected to be higher than its cost or valuation.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts. Loans and other financial assets are initially recognised at transaction price including any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price). Loans and other financial liabilities are initially recognised at transaction price net of any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation under sections 521 to 536 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (ITA 2007).

Fund accounting: restricted and unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements below.

Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, which assumes that the Charity will be in operational existence twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. The trustees are satisfied that this basis is appropriate.

The facts that support the conclusion of going concern are:-

- on 31 July 2024, the Charity held £119,547 cash on deposit and £6,255 cash at bank – a total of £125,802.

There are no material uncertainties.

Provisions

Provisions (i.e. liabilities of uncertain timing or amount) are recognised when there is an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event, it is probable that economic benefit will be transferred to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Pensions

Contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed in the period to which they relate.

Government grants

The accrual model (FRS 102 24.5C-G) was applied in producing these accounts; therefore grants were recognised as either relating to revenue (over the period in which the Charity recognises the related costs for which the grant was intended to compensate) or relating to assets (over the expected useful life of the asset).

2 Analysis of income from charitable activities	2024	2023
	£	£
Tithes and offerings	20,698	14,605
Gifts, donations and pledges	1,652	21,202
Other contributions	5,875	7,105
Church: Welfare and counselling	-	50
	<u>28,225</u>	<u>42,962</u>
By geographical market:		
UK	<u>28,225</u>	<u>42,962</u>

3 Role played by general volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role in the running of the Charity and their contribution helps the Charity achieve its objectives.

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for the year ended 31 July 2024

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings
	<i>At valuation</i>
	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 August 2023	3,217,840
At 31 July 2024	<u>3,217,840</u>
Depreciation	
At 31 July 2024	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 July 2024	<u>3,217,840</u>
At 31 July 2023	<u>3,217,840</u>

	2024	2023
	£	£
Carrying amount of land and buildings on cost basis	<u>694,340</u>	<u>694,340</u>

2 of the 4 freehold properties held by the Charity were valued on an open market basis by A Jestyn Coke Chartered Surveyors in Dorset in 2016 and 2017.

In the opinion of the trustees, the valuation of all 4 properties at 31 July 2024 was £3,217,840.

The equivalent historical cost of the freehold property is understood to be £694,340.

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>

6 Other reserves	2024	2023
Revaluation reserve	£	£
At 1 August	2,523,500	2,523,500
At 31 July	<u>2,523,500</u>	<u>2,523,500</u>

7 Funds	2024	2023
	£	£
At 1 August	871,439	874,049
Net expenditure for the financial year	(52,797)	(2,610)
At 31 July	<u>818,642</u>	<u>871,439</u>

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
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Reserves		2024	2023
Restricted and unrestricted funds		£	£
At 1 August	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,394,939	3,397,549
Net income for the financial year	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	(52,797)	(2,610)
At 31 July	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,342,142	3,394,939
	<i>Total funds carried forward</i>	<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees, in order to further the charity's objectives.

8 Analysis of net assets between funds

	2024		2024	2023
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	£	£
Fixed assets	3,217,840	-	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets	125,802	-	125,802	178,599
Current liabilities	(1,500)	-	(1,500)	(1,500)
	<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,342,142</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>

9 Related party transactions

The following payments were made to trustees during the financial year.

		£	
Miss Dorothy McFarlane	<i>Trustee</i>	9,516	<i>Church: Evangelism support; Church: Worship; Travel and subsistence</i>
Mrs. Janet Jackson	<i>Trustee</i>	6,161	<i>Church: Evangelism support; Church: Worship; Travel and subsistence</i>
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley	<i>Trustee</i>	1,145	<i>Church: Evangelism support; Travel and subsistence</i>
Mrs. Jane Grant-Roberts	<i>Trustee</i>	275	<i>Church: Evangelism support</i>
		<u>17,097</u>	

No other trustees claimed expenses or had their expenses met by the Charity.

The legal authority under which the above payments were made was the Charity's governing document.

10 Presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound (£).

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11 Legal form of entity and country of incorporation

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

12 Principal place of business

The address of the charity's principal place of business and registered office is:

2a Mallinson Road
Battersea
London
SW11 1BP

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
also Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Income from charitable activities	2		
Tithes and offerings		20,698	14,605
Gifts, donations and pledges		1,652	21,202
Other contributions		5,875	7,105
Church: Welfare and counselling		-	50
		<u>28,225</u>	<u>42,962</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Church: Missions		(13,990)	(1,000)
Church: Worship		(8,334)	(6,478)
Church: Evangelism support		(16,350)	(11,450)
Gifts and donations		-	(2,040)
Catering and hospitality		(9,263)	(1,200)
		<u>(47,937)</u>	<u>(22,168)</u>
Net operating (expenditure)/income		<u>(19,712)</u>	<u>20,794</u>
Administrative expenses			
Support costs		(32,117)	(21,904)
Governance costs		(1,500)	(1,500)
Operating deficit		<u>(53,329)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>
Interest receivable		532	-
Movement in funds: Deficit		<u>(52,797)</u>	<u>(2,610)</u>

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Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2024**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income from charitable activities		
Tithes and offerings	20,698	14,605
Gifts, donations and pledges	1,652	21,202
Other contributions	5,875	7,105
Church: Welfare and counselling	-	50
	<u>28,225</u>	<u>42,962</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Church: Missions	13,990	1,000
Church: Worship	8,334	6,478
Church: Evangelism support	16,350	11,450
Gifts and donations	-	2,040
Catering and hospitality	9,263	1,200
	<u>47,937</u>	<u>22,168</u>
Administrative expenses		
<u>Support costs</u>		
Volunteer costs:		
Travel and subsistence	16,011	21,238
	<u>16,011</u>	<u>21,238</u>
General administrative expenses:		
Stationery and printing	-	380
Bank charges	232	86
Equipment expensed	577	200
Software	297	-
Repairs and maintenance	15,000	-
	<u>16,106</u>	<u>666</u>
Support costs	<u>32,117</u>	<u>21,904</u>
<u>Governance costs</u>		
Legal and professional costs:		
Independent examination fees	1,500	1,500
<i>Administrative expenses</i>	<u>33,617</u>	<u>23,404</u>

Accounts

Registered number
1008811

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England
Foundation

Report and Financial Statements

31 July 2023

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
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African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation Charity Information

Trustees

Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor (Presiding Bishop, ex officio)
Reverend Ionie Anguin
Reverend Marcia Davis
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Reverend. Marcus D. Tillery (Chairman)
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley
Mrs. Jane Grant-Roberts
Mrs. Janet Jackson

Secretary

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Independent examiners

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Registered office

2a Mallinson Road
Battersea
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SW11 1BP

Registered number

1008811

Governing document

Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
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Trustees' Report
for the year ended 31 July 2023

The trustees present their report and financial statement for the Charity for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

These financial statements are of the annual conference of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church ("AME Zion Church", or "the Church"). They include the known assets and liabilities of the charity where these are not held to the account of individual churches.

The statement of financial activities incorporates the income and expenditure directly received or disbursed by conference.

The individual churches in full connection with the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England are:

London District

Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church	Gospatrick Road, Tottenham, London, N17 7EE
Ransom Pentecostal A.M.E. Zion Church	2a Mallinson Road, London, SW11 1BP
New Hope A.M.E. Zion Church	1 Park Hall Road, West Norwood, SE21 8EN
New Birth A.M.E. Zion Church	83 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, Surry, CR5 2BE
New Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church	32-36 Brigadier Hill, Enfield EN2 0NQ
Beulah A.M.E. Zion Church	Comber Close, London, NW2

Midland District

Shaw Mt Zion (Midlands)	56 Villa Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1BL
Mt. Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church	St. Georges Parade, Wolverhampton, WV2 1AZ
Shekinah Temple A.M.E. Zion Church	Broad Street, Folesill, Coventry

These churches prepare their own accounts which are not included in the Conference accounts.

Principal activities

The Charity's principal activity during the year continued to be to promote the Christian religion and to provide places of worship.

Objectives and activities

The principal objectives of the Charity are:

- provide religious and charitable services to the church followers; and
- to maintain churches and organise conferences at various times and places.

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The charity is affiliated to the worldwide African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The mission of the worldwide AME Zion Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed. At every level of the Connection and in every local church, the AME Zion Church shall engage in carrying out the spirit of the original Free African Society, out of which the AME Zion Church evolved: that is, to seek out and save the lost, and serve the needy.

Public benefit

We have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. We exist to serve people in our community without discrimination. We strive to promote social welfare through the provision of facilities aimed at improving the social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of those in our local community.

The Charity provides a safe working environment for visitors, members, workers and volunteers and any serious incidences are reported in accordance with our safeguarding policy. There was no serious incidence during the year ended 31 July 2023.

Fundraising

The Charity raises funds from the public in the form of voluntary donations ("general offerings") from attendees of its Christian church services.

The Charity does not use the services of a professional fundraiser or commercial participator in the process of raising funds. Also, the Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) is not subject to any voluntary scheme for regulating fundraising, or voluntary standard for fundraising in respect of activities on behalf of the Charity.

The Charity (or any person acting on its behalf) has not received any complaints in regard to its fundraising activities.

Activities during the year

During the year, the Charity held two conferences for its affiliated churches - one virtual and the other in person. The Charity also paid to send a delegation to a women's convention, in the USA, held every four years.

Financial review

Principal sources of funding

The largest contribution to the Charity is from a voluntary general offering given by those attending and from a roll call or assessment on the individual churches within the AME Zion Church connection.

Financial review

The Charity incurred a deficit of £2,610 for the financial year. At 31 July 2023, the Charity held total funds of £3,394,939; £178,599 of which was cash at the bank and in hand. (The rest is the value of fixed assets, £3,217,840, less creditors of £1,500.) This, in all, is considered to be an appropriate level of funds to enable the Charity to pursue its objectives.

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Reserves policy

The trustees have a forecast of the level of free reserves, (that is, those funds not tied up in fixed assets) that the Charity will require to sustain its day-to-day obligations. Whilst our actual free reserves may prove sufficient, it is the trustees' view that it is prudent to maintain the forecasted level of reserves to allow for financial flexibility and stability.

Investment policy

The trustees have adopted a strong socially responsible investment policy for the reserves of the Charity. This policy, in tandem with the need to fulfil our statutory obligations, has the objective of investing in such a way that the principles of socially responsible investment are promoted. A further factor is the need to have ready access to our reserves, as long-term funding cannot be guaranteed, so for the current period, we have placed surplus funds in short-term deposit accounts and current accounts.

Risk management

The trustees actively review, on a regular basis, the major risks that the Charity faces in maintaining reserves at the levels stated above, in addition to an annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out through an internal audit process.

Internal control risks are minimised by authorisation procedures for all financial transactions. Policies and procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety regulations and this being for staff, volunteers and visitors.

The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which we face and confirm that they have taken steps to mitigate any significant risks.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation (AME Zion Church) is an unincorporated charitable organisation formed on 6 October 1978 and registered as a charity on 26 February 1992. The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 6 October 1978 which is supplemented by a Book of Discipline which is used for certain day-to-day procedures and activities.

Organisational structure

The AME Zion Church is a connectional organisation with each local church a part of the larger connection. The bishops are its chief officers and they are elected for life by a majority vote of the General Conference which meets every four years. Bishops are bound by the laws of the church to retire at the General Conference nearest his/her seventy-second birthday.

Presiding elders are appointed by the bishops appoint to supervise the preachers in a presiding elder's district. A presiding elder district is one portion of an Annual Conference, which in turn is one part of the Episcopal district over which a bishop presides. In the presiding elder district, the appointed presiding elder meets with the local churches, that comprise the district, at least once every three months for a quarterly conference. The presiding elder also presides over a district conference and a Sunday school convention in his or her district. At the end of an Annual Conference year, the presiding elder reports to the bishop at the Annual Conference and makes recommendations for pastoral appointments.

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Pastors receive a yearly appointment to a charge (church), on the recommendation of the presiding elder and with the approval and final appointment of the bishop. The pastor is in full charge of the church and is an ex-official member of all boards, organizations and clubs of that church.

The General Conference is the supreme body of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation. It is composed of the bishops and an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates.

The Council of Bishops is the executive branch of the connectional church. It has the general oversight of the church during the interim between General Conferences. The Council of Bishops meets annually and also at such other times as may be deemed necessary in the discharging its responsibility.

The General Trustee Board has the supervision, in trust, of all connectional property of the church. At their regular meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the church, including consideration of allocation of funds, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance.

The conference now consists of 2 Presiding Elder Districts with 9 Churches.

Volunteers

The running of the charity is carried out by its members, i.e. administration, catering etc. .

Where possible, our volunteers help to serve the local community during worship services and through other pastoral work - working with the homeless, counselling, and in food programmes, youth services and education, including working with local agencies in the fight against knife and gun crimes. Many of our volunteers act as administrators and support workers from a range of other professional backgrounds such as finance, law, music, health and general office administration. They provide an invaluable service to the church activities during the year.

There was an average of 18 volunteers, excluding trustees, throughout the year who aided in the running of the Charity.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The members of the General Trustee Board, which is the primary management body of the Annual Conference, are trustees for the purposes of charity law. New trustees may be appointed by Conference or by resolution of a meeting of the trustees.

Much of the charity's work focuses upon the promotion of the Christian religion and the running and maintenance of its places of worship.

The General Trustee Board seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. To enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising and networking with voluntary organizations active in the sector, sought to identify those who would be willing to become members of the charity and use their own experience to assist the charity.

There were no new or additional trustees recruited in the year to 31 July 2023.

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Trustee induction and training

Many trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity as they are also active members of the church as well as involved in other churches and organisations.

New trustees are encouraged to familiarise themselves with charity law, their responsibilities as trustees and with the Charity's rules and practices.

Trustees

The following persons served as trustees during the year:

Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor (Presiding Bishop, ex officio)
Reverend Ionie Anquin
Reverend Marcia Davis
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Reverend. Marcus D. Tillery (Chairman)
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley
Mrs. Jayne Grant-Roberts
Mrs. Janet Jackson

Secretary

Miss Dorothy McFarlane

Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website as well as:

- a) to prepare financial statements which show a true and fair view;
- b) in preparing financial statements:
 - (i) to select suitable accounting policies and apply them on a consistent basis; and
 - (ii) to make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable; as well as
- c) to keep proper accounting records.

Disclosure of information to independent examiners

Each person who was a trustee at the time this report was approved confirms that:

- so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Charity's independent examiner is unaware; and
- he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a trustee in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Charity's independent examiner is aware of that information.

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Trustees' Report
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This report was approved by the board on 10 May 2024 and signed on its behalf.



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

**African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Independent Examiner's Report
to the members of African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ('the Charity') for the year ended 31 July 2023 which are set out in pages 1 to 19.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Jackson
(Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of
Jacksions Chartered Accountants
First Floor, Albion House
Albion Street
Hull
HU1 3TE

10 May 2024

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Income from charitable activities	2	42,962	19,540
Expenditure on charitable activities		(22,168)	(9,778)
Net operating income		<u>20,794</u>	<u>9,762</u>
Administrative expenses		(23,404)	(11,857)
Other operating income		-	416
Operating deficit		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,679)</u>
Movement in funds: Net expenditure		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,679)</u>
 Reconciliation of funds			
Net movement in funds		(2,610)	(1,679)
Total funds brought forward		3,397,549	3,399,228
Total funds carried forward		<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets			
Cash on deposit		164,445	133,260
Cash at bank		14,154	47,949
		<u>178,599</u>	<u>181,209</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(1,500)	(1,500)
Net current assets		<u>177,099</u>	<u>179,709</u>
Net assets		<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>
Capital and reserves			
Other reserves	6	2,523,500	2,523,500
Unrestricted funds	7	871,439	874,049
Total equity		<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>



Miss Dorothy McFarlane
Trustee

Approved by the board on 10 May 2024

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Changes in Charitable Funds
for the year ended 31 July 2023

This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	Income and Expenditure account £	Total £
At 1 August 2021	875,728	3,399,228
Deficit for the financial year	(1,679)	(1,679)
At 31 July 2022	<u>874,049</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>
At 1 August 2022	874,049	3,397,549
Deficit for the financial year	(2,610)	(2,610)
At 31 July 2023	<u>871,439</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Operating activities			
Loss for the financial year		(2,610)	(1,679)
Adjustments for:			
Decrease in creditors		-	(90)
		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,769)</u>
Cash used in operating activities		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,769)</u>
Net cash used			
Cash used in operating activities		(2,610)	(1,769)
Net cash used		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,769)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 August		<u>181,209</u>	<u>182,978</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 July		<u>178,599</u>	<u>181,209</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:			
Cash at bank		<u>178,599</u>	<u>181,209</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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1 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP): Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the Charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land.

Depreciation is not provided on freehold buildings because the residual value of the buildings at the end of their useful life is expected to be higher than its cost or valuation.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts. Loans and other financial assets are initially recognised at transaction price including any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price). Loans and other financial liabilities are initially recognised at transaction price net of any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation under sections 521 to 536 of the Income Tax Act 2007 (ITA 2007).

Fund accounting: restricted and unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis, which assumes that the Charity will be in operational existence twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. The trustees are satisfied that this basis is appropriate.

There are no material uncertainties.

Provisions

Provisions (i.e. liabilities of uncertain timing or amount) are recognised when there is an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event, it is probable that economic benefit will be transferred to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated

Pensions

Contributions to defined contribution plans are expensed in the period to which they relate.

Government grants

The accrual model (FRS 102 24.5C-G) was applied in producing these accounts; therefore grants were recognised as either relating to revenue (over the period in which the Charity recognises the related costs for which the grant was intended to compensate) or relating to assets (over the expected useful life of the asset).

2 Analysis of income from charitable activities	2023	2022
	£	£
Tithes and offerings	14,605	12,732
Gifts, donations and pledges	21,202	-
Other contributions	7,105	5,675
Church: Missions	-	773
Church: Worship	-	360
Church: Welfare and counselling	50	-
	<u>42,962</u>	<u>19,540</u>
By geographical market:		
UK	<u>42,962</u>	<u>19,540</u>

3 Role played by general volunteers

Volunteers play a vital role in the running of the Charity and their contribution helps the Charity achieve its objectives.

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
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for the year ended 31 July 2023

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings
	<i>At cost</i>
	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 August 2022	3,217,840
At 31 July 2023	<u>3,217,840</u>
Depreciation	
At 31 July 2023	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 July 2023	<u>3,217,840</u>
At 31 July 2022	<u>3,217,840</u>

5 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>

6 Other reserves

	2023	2022
	£	£
Revaluation reserve		
At 1 August	2,523,500	2,523,500
At 31 July	<u>2,523,500</u>	<u>2,523,500</u>

7 Funds

	2023	2022
	£	£
At 1 August	874,049	875,728
Net expenditure for the financial year	(2,610)	(1,679)
At 31 July	<u>871,439</u>	<u>874,049</u>

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Reserves

		2023	2022
		£	£
<i>Restricted and unrestricted funds</i>			
At 1 August	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,397,549	3,399,228
Net income for the financial year	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	(2,610)	(1,679)
At 31 July	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	3,394,939	3,397,549
<i>Total funds carried forward</i>		<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees, in order to further the charity's objectives.

8 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023	2022
			£	£
Fixed assets	3,217,840	-	3,217,840	3,217,840
Current assets	178,599	-	178,599	181,209
Current liabilities	(1,500)	-	(1,500)	(1,500)
	<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,394,939</u>	<u>3,397,549</u>

9 Related party transactions

The following payments were made to trustees during the financial year.

		£	
Miss Dorothy McFarlane	<i>Trustee</i>	13,360	<i>Evangelism support; Travel and subsistence</i>
Mrs. Janet Jackson	<i>Trustee</i>	355	<i>Church: Worship; Travel and subsistence</i>
Ms. Karlene Anderson-Bowley	<i>Trustee</i>	600	<i>Church: Worship</i>
Mrs. Jayne Grant-Roberts	<i>Trustee</i>	<u>275</u>	<i>Church: Worship</i>
		14,590	

As the Charity's own bank accounts do not have the capability to facilitate payments to overseas vendors (suppliers, partners, associates etc.), the above payments relate to transactions made by the Trustees, wholly on behalf of the Charity.

No other trustees claimed expenses or had their expenses met by the Charity.

The legal authority under which the above payments were made was the Charity's governing document.

**African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 July 2023**

10 Presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound (£).

11 Legal form of entity and country of incorporation

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation is an unincorporated charity and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

12 Principal place of business

The address of the charity's principal place of business and registered office is:

2a Mallinson Road
Battersea
London
SW11 1BP

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
also Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Income from charitable activities			
Tithes and offerings	2	14,605	12,732
Gifts, donations and pledges		21,202	-
Other contributions		7,105	5,675
Church: Missions		-	773
Church: Worship		-	360
Church: Welfare and counselling		50	-
		<u>42,962</u>	<u>19,540</u>
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Church: Missions		(1,000)	-
Church: Worship		(6,478)	-
Church: Evangelism support		(11,450)	(4,900)
Church: Welfare and counselling		-	(3,538)
Gifts and donations		(2,040)	(340)
Catering and hospitality		(1,200)	(1,000)
		<u>(22,168)</u>	<u>(9,778)</u>
Net operating income		<u>20,794</u>	<u>9,762</u>
Administrative expenses			
Support costs		(21,904)	(6,449)
Governance costs		(1,500)	(5,408)
Other operating income		-	416
Operating deficit		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,679)</u>
Movement in funds: Deficit		<u>(2,610)</u>	<u>(1,679)</u>

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England Foundation
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 July 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
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Church: Welfare and counselling	-	3,538
Gifts and donations	2,040	340
Catering and hospitality	1,200	1,000
	<u>22,168</u>	<u>9,778</u>
Administrative expenses		
<u>Support costs</u>		
Employee costs:		
Travel and subsistence	21,238	5,718
	<u>21,238</u>	<u>5,718</u>
General administrative expenses:		
Stationery and printing	380	250
Bank charges	86	(77)
Equipment expensed	200	-
Software	-	554
Sundry expenses	-	4
	<u>666</u>	<u>731</u>
Support costs	<u>21,904</u>	<u>6,449</u>
<u>Governance costs</u>		
Legal and professional costs:		
Independent examination fees	1,500	1,400
Other legal and professional fees	-	4,008
Governance costs	<u>1,500</u>	<u>5,408</u>
<i>Administrative expenses</i>	<u>23,404</u>	<u>11,857</u>
Other operating income		
Other operating income	<u>-</u>	<u>416</u>

Accounts

**African Methodist
Episcopal Zion
Church of America in
England Foundation**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT &
CONFERENCE ACCOUNTS
31 JULY 2020**



Registered Charity Number: 1008811

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AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees:

Presiding Bishop Right Reverend Bishop Dennis V. Proctor

Other executive members
Reverend Ionie Anquin
Reverend Marcia Davis
Reverend Ronald Nathan (resigned)
Reverend Andrew Rowe
Ms Karlene Anderson-Bowley
Mrs Jayne Grant-Roberts
Mrs Janet Jackson
Miss Dorothy McFarlane

Secretary Miss Dorothy McFarlane

Registered Charity

Number: 1008811

Date of charitable registration:

26th February 1992

Registered Address:

2a Mallinson Road, Battersea
London, SW11 1BP

Governing document:

Declaration of Trust
dated 6th October 1978

Donations may be sent to the Secretary at the registered office



AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 July 2020

The trustees submit their report and the accounts of the Annual Conference for the year ended 31 July 2020.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation (AME Zion Church) is an unincorporated charitable organisation formed on 6th October 1978 and registered as a charity on 26th February 1992. The charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 6th October 1978 which is supplemented by a Book of Discipline which is used for certain day-to-day procedures and activities

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The members of the General Trustee Board, which is the primary management body of the Annual Conference, are trustees for the purposes of charity law. New trustees may be appointed by Conference or by resolution of a meeting of the trustees.



Much of the charity's work focuses upon the promotion of the Christian religion and the running and maintenance of its places of worship.

The General Trustee Board seeks to ensure that the needs of this group are appropriately reflected through the diversity of the trustee body. To enhance the potential pool of trustees, the charity has, through selective advertising and networking with voluntary organizations active in the sector, sought to identify those who would be willing to become members of the charity and use their own experience to assist the charity.

Trustee induction and training

Many trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the charity being active members of the church and from being involved in other churches and organisations.

New trustees are encouraged to familiarise themselves with charity law, their responsibilities as trustees and with AME Zion Church rules and practices.

Organisational structure

The AME Zion Church is a connectional organisation with each local church a part of the larger connection. The bishops are its chief officers and they are elected for life by a majority vote of the General Conference which meets every four years. Bishops are bound by the laws of the church to retire at the General Conference nearest his/her 72nd birthday.

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 July 2020

Organisational structure (continued)

Presiding elders are appointed by the bishops appoint to supervise the preachers in a presiding elder's district. A presiding elder district is one portion of an Annual Conference, which in turn is one part of the Episcopal district over which a bishop presides. In the presiding elder district, the appointed presiding elder meets with the local churches, that comprise the district, at least once every three months for a quarterly conference. The presiding elder also presides over a district conference and a Sunday school convention in his or her district. At the end of an Annual Conference year, the presiding elder reports to the bishop at the Annual Conference and makes recommendations for pastoral appointments.

Pastors receive a yearly appointment to a charge (church), on the recommendation of the presiding elder and with the approval and final appointment of the bishop. The pastor is in full charge of the church and is an ex-official member of all boards, organizations and clubs of that church.

The General Conference is the supreme body of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Foundation. It is composed of the bishops and an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates

The Council of Bishops is the executive branch of the connectional church. It has the general oversight of the church during the interim between General Conferences. The Council of Bishops meets annually and also at such other times as may be deemed necessary in the discharging its responsibility.

The General Trustee Board has the supervision, in trust, of all connectional property of the church. At their regular meetings, the trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the church, including consideration of allocation of funds, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance.

The conference now consists of 2 Presiding Elder Districts with 9 Churches.

Risk management

The trustees actively review, on a regular basis, the major risks that the charity faces and consider that maintaining our free reserves at the levels stated above, combined with our annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out through an internal audit process, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.

The principal risks to the Charity have been its dependence on voluntary income and its need to safeguard and maintain its land and property portfolio. These matters are reviewed by the whole church in conference each year.

The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which we face and confirm that they have taken steps to mitigate the significant risks.

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

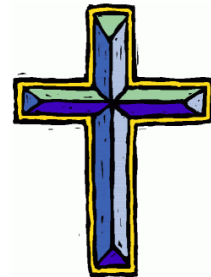
For the year ended 31 July 2020

Objectives and activities

The principal activity of the charity is to promote the Christian religion and to provide places of worship. The objective of the charity is to provide religious and charitable services to the church followers and to maintain churches and organise conferences at various times and places.

The charity is affiliated to the worldwide African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. The mission of the worldwide AME Zion Church is to minister to the spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and environmental needs of all people by spreading Christ's liberating gospel through word and deed. At every level of the Connection and in every local church, the AME Zion Church shall engage in carrying out the spirit of the original Free African Society, out of which the AME Zion Church evolved: that is, to seek out and save the lost, and serve the needy.

Our 50th Anniversary events were due to take place in August 2020, but, sadly, had to be curtailed because of the Covid pandemic which also greatly affected the running and operation of our churches during this time.



Financial review

Principal funding sources

The largest contributions to the Annual Conference are from a voluntary general offering given by those attending and from a roll call or assessment on the individual churches within the AME Zion Church connection.

Reserves policy

The trustees have forecast the level of free reserves, (that is, those funds not tied up in fixed assets); the charity will require to sustain its pastoral and evangelical obligations. The trustees consider that the most appropriate level of free reserves at the year-end would be £250,000, (about 30 month's expenditure). Whilst our actual free reserves may prove sufficient, it is the trustees' view that it is prudent to ensure that there are sufficient free reserves to provide financial flexibility in the light of the charity's dependence on freewill offerings.

Investment policy

The trustees have adopted a strong socially responsible investment policy for the reserves of the charity. This policy, in tandem with the need to fulfil our statutory obligations, has the objective of investing in such a way that the principles of socially responsible investment are promoted. A further factor is the need to have ready access to our reserves, as long-term funding cannot be guaranteed, so for the current period, we have placed surplus funds on short-term deposits.

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

For the year ended 31 July 2020

Public benefit

In planning our activities this year we worked in accordance with the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit. We exist to serve all areas of our community which includes all age groups without discrimination and without distinctions of sex, political or religious beliefs. We strive to promote social welfare and cohesion through the provision of pastoral services and cultural events so improving the social and physical wellbeing of the local community. Prior to the pandemic, we held a number of positive local events with the aim of broadening our contact with the local community.

Our work includes:

- Providing regular public worship open to all
- Providing sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
- Conducting pastoral work including visiting the sick and the bereaved
- Teaching Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups
- The Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society provides mission development for all age levels
- The Christian Education Department supports Christian training and the nurture of children, youth, young adults and adults throughout the AME Zion Church.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities in respect of the accounts

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ascertain to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included on the Charity's website.

By order of the board of trustees dated 11 May 2021

Dorothy McFarlane
Secretary



INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH OF AMERICA IN ENGLAND FOUNDATION

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2020, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention, other than those disclosed below:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

In common with many other similar bodies, the charity's income is largely based on voluntary gifts and donations and documentary evidence was not available in respect of the voluntary income shown in these financial statements. In addition, donations to churches in this connection and certain other expenditure items were not supported by documentation or other confirmation. No other matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name:

P. D. Clark
Fazers
Independent Examiners
Hull, HU16 5PS

11 May 2021

**AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

For the year ended 31 July 2020

		2020	2019	
<i>Continuing activities</i>		£	£	
	Notes			
Incoming resources				
General offerings	15,388		22,643	
Conference and registration support	5,252		7,506	
Catering and assessments	1,838		3,150	
Other contributions	3,375		1,500	
	—————	25,853	—————	34,799
Other incoming resources				
Dividends		743		2,973
		—————		—————
		26,596		37,772
Resources expended				
	3			
Direct charitable expenditure:				
Governance costs	42,690		67,552	
	3,374		2,503	
	—————	46,064	—————	70,055
Net outgoing resources for the year		(19,468)		(32,283)
Fund balances brought forward		894,806		927,089
Fund balances carried forward		875,338		894,806

There are no designated or restricted funds associated with the charity

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 July 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	4	3,217,840	3,217,845
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		14,148	4,164
Cash on deposit		130,830	139,971
Other debtors		37,550	59,276
		<u>182,528</u>	<u>203,411</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year			
Other creditors	5	<u>1,530</u>	<u>2,950</u>
Net current assets		<u>180,998</u>	<u>200,461</u>
Total liabilities less total assets		<u>3,398,838</u>	<u>3,418,306</u>
Funds			
Revaluation reserve	6	2,523,500	2,523,500
Other charitable funds	6	875,338	894,806
		<u>3,398,838</u>	<u>3,418,306</u>

Approved and signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Reverend Ronald A. Nathan (Chairman)
11 May 2021

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 July 2020

1. Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the SORP on Accounting and Reporting by Charities and applicable accounting standards.

b) Fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets, except for land and buildings, are stated at cost less, where applicable, amounts written off on a reducing balance basis. Land and buildings are stated at their latest valuation.

Freehold properties are maintained by a programme of repair and refurbishment to ensure that the overall residual values of these properties will not fall below cost. In the opinion of the directors, a depreciation charge is not appropriate.

c) Income

The major sources of income are from donations, offerings and deeds of covenant. All non-investment income is shown gross and is accounted for when received by the charity.

d) Taxation

The charity has received charitable exemption under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation taxes Act 1988.

e) Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their estimated useful lives or, in the case of a lease, the lease term, if shorter.

2. Constitution

The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England is a charitable unincorporated body which was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 26th February 1996.

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year ended 31 July 2020

3. Resources expended

	Direct charitable £	Governance £	2020 Total £	2019 £
Staff				
Clergy remuneration and pensions	4,275	225	4,500	2,450
Ministerial support	5,225	275	5,500	5,500
	9,500	500	10,000	7,950
Office				
Rents and rates	1,687	88	1,775	3,428
Repairs and renewals	20,640	1,086	21,726	7,000
Postage and stationery	561	29	590	635
Travel and conferences	(962)	-	(962)	24,012
Sundry	29	1	30	57
Depreciation	5	-	5	-
	21,960	1,204	23,164	35,132
Professional and financial				
Bank charges and fees	-	140	140	102
Accountancy fees	-	1,530	1,530	1,450
	-	1,670	1,670	1,552
Church				
Quadrennial/anniversary costs	1,250	-	1,250	11,082
Conference host churches costs	6,500	-	6,500	7,000
Church and evangelism support	-	-	-	2,384
Conference staff	3,480	-	3,480	4,955
	11,230	-	11,230	25,421
	42,690	3,374	46,064	70,055

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year ended 31 July 2020

4. Fixed assets	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£
Brought forward	3,217,839	22,856	3,240,695
Revaluations in year	-	-	-
	<u>3,217,839</u>	<u>22,856</u>	<u>3,240,695</u>
As at 31 July 2020			
Depreciation			
Brought forward	-	22,850	22,850
Charged in the year	-	5	5
	<u>-</u>	<u>22,855</u>	<u>22,855</u>
As at 31 July 2020			
Net book value			
As at 31 July 2020	<u>3,217,839</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3,217,840</u>
As at 31 July 2019	<u>3,217,839</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3,217,845</u>

Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church and Ransom Pentecostal A.M.E. Zion Churches were valued by a firm of Chartered Surveyors in January 2015 and May 2016 respectively at £2,850,000. The other properties are held at trustees valuation. The equivalent historical cost of the freehold properties is not known.

5. Creditors	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	1,530	2,950
	<u>1,530</u>	<u>2,950</u>

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 July 2020

6. Reserves	Revaluation reserve	Other funds	Total
	£	£	£
As at 31 July 2019	2,523,500	894,806	3,418,306
Net outgoing resources for the year	-	(19,468)	(19,468)
	2,523,500	875,338	3,398,838
As at 31 July 2020	2,523,500	875,338	3,398,838

7. Basis of preparation of accounts

These accounts are the accounts of the annual conference of the church. They include the known assets and liabilities of the charity where these are not held to the account of individual churches.

In certain cases, where an individual church property is held as a conference asset, an associated loan or mortgage will be excluded as this liability is met by the church members as a donation to the conference. The loan or mortgage provider will still hold a charge over the relevant asset.

The statement of financial activities incorporates the income and expenditure directly received or disbursed by conference. It does not include the receipts and payments of the individual churches, although conference may, in hardship cases, meet specific expenses of an individual church.

The accounts of the individual constituent churches of The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England are excluded from these accounts on the grounds that, as registered places of worship, they are 'excepted' under Statutory Instrument 260/2001.

8. Individual churches

The individual churches in full connection with the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of America in England are:

London District

Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church	Gospatrick Road, Tottenham, London, N17 7EE
Ransom Pentecostal A.M.E. Zion Church	2a Mallinson Road, London, SW11 1BP
New Hope A.M.E. Zion Church	1 Park Hall Road, West Norwood, SE21 8EN
New Birth A.M.E. Zion Church	83 Brighton Road, Coulsdon, Surrey, CR5 2BE
New Shiloh A.M.E. Zion Church	32-36 Brigadier Hill, Enfield EN2 0NQ
Beulah A.M.E. Zion Church	Comber Close, London, NW2

Midland District

Shaw Mt Zion (Midlands)	56 Villa Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B19 1BL
Mt. Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church	St. Georges Parade, Wolverhampton, WV2 1AZ
Shekinah Temple A.M.E. Zion Church	Broad Street, Folesill, Coventry

These churches prepare their own accounts which are not included in the Conference accounts.

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH

GRAPH SUMMARIES

For the year ended 31 July 2020

