

Emmaus Christian Fellowship

Registered Charity Number 1023925

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

The Emmaus Christian Fellowship, Chorley is a registered, charity No. 1023925 whose instrument of government is a constitution, adopted on 19/11/92 and amended on 06/12/92 and 06/07/93.

The Fellowship meets in the Emmaus Chapel, Avondale Road Chorley, which is a registered place for Religious Worship, and is also registered for the solemnization of Marriages. The minister is the authorized person for registration on these occasions.

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31st March 2024 were:-

Mr John Atkinson-Brown; Pastor David Brown (Chairman); Mrs Alice Marion Brown; Mr Andrew Cecil Thomas. and Mr Andrew Schack.

It is the responsibility of the AGM to appoint trustees and to confirm existing members in their offices.

The aims and objectives of the Fellowship are the advancement of religion through the pursuance of New Testament Christianity in carrying out the "Great Commission" given by the Lord Jesus Christ to His disciples to preach the Gospel to every creature, and to provide spiritual and practical support for people in need.

The charity is funded by the free-will tithes, gifts and offerings donated by those attending the fellowship. The majority of these donations are made under the HMRC "Gift Aid" Scheme and last year the amount donated under the "Gift Aid" scheme amounted to £21837. The ability of the Fellowship to carry out its aims and objectives is greatly facilitated by the fact that all those involved in the work of the charity render their services in an unpaid capacity.

The Emmaus Christian Fellowship facilitates the assembling together of believers for praise and worship. The Fellowship meets for praise, worship and communion at 10-30 am each Lord's Day, part of the service is devoted to the young people present and an activity is provided for them. A Bible and Prayer Fellowship is held between 7-30 and 9-30 pm every Thursday evening.

The Fellowship continues to reach out to the local community in a variety of ways seeking to show love and compassion to those in need. To this end, the Youth Fellowship for young people of Secondary School age meets on Fridays from 7-15 until 9-00pm.

The Fellowship operates a Child Protection Policy under the umbrella of the CCPAS and all who are involved in the various Children/Youth activities are CRB checked at regular intervals as are the trustees of the Fellowship.

The Emmaus Christian Fellowship remains fully committed to Christian missionary enterprise, and during the last twelve months a total of £6561 was given to various missions and ministries. The total given to missions since the formation of Emmaus Christian Fellowship, Chorley now stands at around £500,000. This year, the Fellowship also donated £500 to benevolent causes. Also during the year the roof of the building was replaced at a cost of £29337, which is why our donations to outside causes was less than usual.

The Fellowship "website" www.emmauschristianfellowship.org.uk is used to publicise the ministry and work of the Fellowship and through this a number of positive contacts both at home and overseas have been made. Multimedia presentations are used during all our meetings and have proved to be a valuable method of furthering the aims of the Fellowship.

The Emmaus Christian Fellowship, Chorley is a member of the "Evangelical Alliance" and seeks to co-operate with other evangelical Christian organizations which engage in carrying out Christ's Great Commission to His Church.

David Brown

DAVID BROWN (Chairman)

For, and on behalf of, the Trustees

Dated:- 18/11/2024

**Receipt & Payment Account
and
Statement of Assets & Liabilities**

Under the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)

Charity Reference

Charity Name	Emmaus Christian Fellowship Chorley		
Charity Number	1023925	Financial Year to	31/03/24

Declaration

The account set out on pages 2 and 3 for the financial year being the period of 12 months ended on the above date, and the statement of assets and liabilities at that date set out on page 4 are as approved by the trustees.

Signature	David Brown	Date
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Trustee authorised to sign on behalf of all trustees

Full Name	David Brown
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Section A**General Fund Unrestricted Donors**Charity Commission Number
1023925Charity Name
Emmaus Christian Fellowship ChorleyFinancial Year Ending
31/03/24**A1 Receipts**

2023/2024

2022/2023

£**£****A1 Voluntary Sources**

Tithes & Offerings	25816	23378
Inland Revenue Refunds on Covenants	0	3863
Benevolence	500	140
Designated Gifts	2695	192

Sub-Total for A1a**29011****27573****A1b Miscellaneous Receipts**

Magazines	72	72
Misc		120

Sub-Total for A1b**72****192****Total Receipts for Section A1****29083****27765**

Section A**General Fund Unrestricted Donors Continued**

Charity Commission Number

Charity Name

Financial Year Ending

1023925

Emmaus Christian Fellowship Chorley

31/03/24

A2 Payments

	2023/2024	2022/2023
A2a Direct Charitable Expenditure		
Benevolence	500	440
Missionary Work	6561	18760
Children's/Youth Work	86	40
Sub-Total for A2a	7147	19240
A2b Other Expenditure		
Utilities Gas/Electricity/Water/BroadBand	3011	2490
Catering/Cleaning	1730	100
Administration/Printing/TV	471	502
Insurances	1166	1148
Sub-Total for A2b	6378	4240
A2c Payments for Investments and Other Assets		
Improvements/Maintenance/permanent Items	29571	755
Sub-Total for A2c	29571	755
A2d Miscellaneous Payments		
Magazines	96	120
Travel Expenses	0	0
Sub-Total for A2d	96	120
Total Payments for Section A2	43192	24355

A3 Balance(s)

Net Receipts for Year	29083
Cash and Bank Balance(s) at 31/03/23	35746
Cash and Bank Balance(s) in hand at 31/03/24	22360

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Section D

Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at the Financial Year-End

Charity Commission Number
1023925

Charity Name
Emmaus Christian Fellowship Chorley

Financial Year Ending
31/03/24

D1 Monetary Assets

	2023/2024		
	General	Restricted	Endowments
	£	£	£
D1a Cash Balances on Receipts & Payments carried forward			
Nat West Business Current Account	22360	---	---
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Total Cash Balances	22360		

D2 Liabilities

nil nil nil

D3 Non-Monetary Assets

D3a Held for Investment purposes nil nil nil

D3b Held for Charities own use

£

Buildings Emmaus Chapel Chorley Estimated val £ 180,000

Contents Estimated val £ 20,000

Total Non-Monetary Assets £ 200000

Total Assets £ **223,360**

Excess of Assets over Liabilities

£ 223,360

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Report to the Trustees of Emmaus Christian Fellowship Chorley

Charity Number 1023925

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out in pages 1 to 4 above.

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 the 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 matter has come to my attention:

- (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 Charities Act: and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signed Anita Hartley **Dated** 29 / 10 / 2024

Name Anita Hartley

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