

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

CHARITY NUMBER: 1033769

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01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

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**THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

54 Camrose Street
Abbey wood
London
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REGISTERED CHARITY

1033769

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

Declaration of Trust dated 11th February 1994

TRUSTEES

Bishop Francis Wale Oke
Safiu Ibikunle
Rev Olufemi O'tokunbo Oke

PRINCIPAL BANKERS

Natwest Bank PLC
80 Lewisham High Street
London
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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SWORD OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES TRUSTEE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

The trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31st March 2024 for the charity, SWORD OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES with Charity Number 10337769.

The Trustees of the charity are:

Bishop Francis Wale Oke
Rev Olufemi O'tokunbo Oke
Safiu Ibikunle

The principal address of the charity is:

100-106 Westmore road
London
SE7 8NQ

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity governing document is a declaration of trust that was adopted on 11th February 1994. A board on which the trustees are represented governs the Charity. It meets regularly to review, plan activities and monitor the financial position.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Objects of the organisation are to advance the Christian Religion (in accordance with the Statement of Faith) throughout the world as the trustees may see fit from time to time. The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Organisation held successful services through the year in which individuals were equipped and educated on the principles and doctrines of the Christian faith. The church held several conferences to assist the development of the people in the community. This has resulted in an increase of the membership of the congregation over the financial year. The organisation operates 6 different branches in the United Kingdom.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The income of the charity is above £300,000. The costs have been managed over this period. The charity is in good position to develop itself in the community.

GRANTS POLICY

The church seeks to donate at least 10% of its income to other Christian causes, mainly in West Africa and rest of the world.

RESERVE POLICY

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the reserves of the charity at about 3 months of unrestricted expenditure. This provides adequate funds to cover any emergency expenditure that may arise from time to time. The charity will seek to maintain this level throughout the year.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The charity has assessed all the major risks to which the charity is exposed to, particularly those related to operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 1993, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year, which gives a true and fair view of the state of the church. They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
4. Prepare financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy the finances of the church at any time and to ensure that such accounts comply with the Charities Act 1993. They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 29 January 2025

Signed on their behalf by: Safiu Ibikunle

S.K. Ibikunle

Safiu Ibikunle (Fri, 31st Jan 2025

12:42:31 GMT)

Signature.....

Trustee Member

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of SWORD OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st March 2024 set out on pages 6 to 10, which have been prepared based on the accounting policies shown on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of the church are responsible for the preparation of accounts: they consider that the audit requirement under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), does not apply and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 any 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 you as 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 statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of our examination, we were unable to ascertain the balance position of the charities bank account titled "Mission's account" domiciled in NATWEST bank. With this **exception**, no other matter has come to my attention;

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

PathwayAccountants

Roy Bello (Fri, 31st Jan 2025 12:34:25.
GMT)
Roy Bello (MBA, ACA, FFA)

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2024

		Funds	Total Funds	
		2024	2024	2023
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds	Note	£	£	£
Activities for generating funds	2	360,712	360,712	229,941
Total Incoming Resources		360,712	360,712	229,941
Resources Expended				
Charitable Activities in furtherance of Objectives				
Cost of activities	4	298,209	298,209	266,069
Governance Costs	5	1,518	1,518	1,350
Total Resources Expended		299,727	299,727	267,419
Net movement in funds		60,986	60,986 -	37,478
Reconciliation of Funds				
Total Funds brought forward		82,411	82,411	119,889
For the year		60,986	60,986 -	37,478
Total Funds carried forward		143,397	143,397	82,411

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2024

		2024		2023	
Fixed Assets	Notes	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed asset	3	20	<u>20</u>		<u>20</u>
<i>Total fixed assets</i>			20		20
Current Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>143,377</u>		<u>85,091</u>	
<i>Total Current assets</i>		143,377		85,091	
Creditors: amount falling due within one year					
Creditors & accruals	6	<u></u>		<u>2,700</u>	
Net Current Assets			143,377		82,391
Net Assets			<u>143,397</u>		<u>82,411</u>
Unrestricted Funds					
General fund					
Bfwd			82,411		119,889
For the year			<u>60,986</u>	-	<u>37,478</u>
Total funds carried forward			<u>143,397</u>		<u>82,411</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued July 2014)

Incoming Resources

Incoming resources are recognised in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity and the amounts are certain and measurable. Any incoming resources received that relate exclusively to future periods are deferred on the Balance Sheet.

Resources Expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to specific headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources

Grants

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end date are noted as commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Support Costs

Support costs comprise those costs that are necessary to deliver an activity but in themselves do not produce or deliver an activity. Support costs are allocated to activities based on the direct salary costs of the activity compared with total activity salary costs

Governance costs

Governance costs are those costs incurred to meet statutory and constitutional requirements.

Fund Accounting

Restricted funds represent income received that is subject to restrictions on use as determined by the donor which are narrower than the general objects. Designated funds represent funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes. General funds are those funds made available for charity's general objects.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. Fixed assets over £500 are capitalised and depreciated accordingly

Equipment	-20% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	-10% on cost
Motor Vehicles	-20% on cost

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Notes to the account for the year ended 31st March 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£
1. Voluntary Income			
Gift aid	-	-	-
2. Activities for generating funds			
Mission	65,099	65,099	-
Erith (Abbeywood)	95,926	95,926	78,408
Charlton	161,678	161,678	115,063
Tooting		-	11,273
Orpington	14,258	14,258	1,962
Northampton	23,751	23,751	23,236
Pledges and other income		-	
Total	360,712	360,712	229,941
TOTAL FUNDS	360,712	360,712	229,941

3. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	Instrument	Equipment	Total
At 01/04/2023	6,212	24,691	30,903
Additions	-	-	-
At 31/03/2024	6,212	24,691	30,903
Depreciation			
At 01/04/2023	6,202	24,681	30,883
charge for the year			-
At 31/03/2024	6,202	24,681	30,883
Net Book Value at 31/03/2024	-	-	-
Net Book Value at 01/04/2023	10	10	20

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Notes to the Account for Year Ended 31st March 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
4. Cost of Activities in furtherance of Charity's Objectives		
Advertisement	5,527	854
Bank charge	4,306	14,585
Charitable Contribution		707
Covention	10,819	11,928
Depreciation		-
Evangelism, ministry & publicity	5,455	5,494
Honorarium	4,178	1,050
Insurance	3,839	1,000
Meetings and conferences	32,401	10,969
Miscellaneous	8,407	2,864
Mission expenses	10,926	21,209
Music services	5,361	100
Office equipment expensed	6,173	3,175
Office repairs	8,205	19,278
Printing, postage & stationery	7,276	7,096
Rent of halls, rooms & offices	71,630	77,325
Salary	40,098	34,352
Software	20,040	1,848
Subscription	4,901	1,710
Tithe Remission	2,074	6,941
Travelling expenses	8,377	5,000
Utilities and telephone	5,149	1,497
Vehicle expenses	9,615	10,926
Visiting speakers & musicians		4,413
Water & Electricity	10,776	17,213
Welfare	12,678	4,533
TOTAL	298,209	266,069
5. Governance Costs		
Accountancy fee	1,518	1,350
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
6. Creditors		
Accountancy fee		2,700
	-	2,700