



The hub church
Portland Road, Bishop's Stortford, Herts, CM233SL
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Annual Report for the year ending 31 August 2025.

1. Trustees. Mr A Hickman, Mr J Baxter, Matt Leman and Miss Evelyn Ibekeh-Olasegha served for the whole year.
2. Purpose of the Charity. Throughout the report period, this charity has continued to promote the Christian Faith in Bishop's Stortford. .
We have continued to help individuals with needs, within Bishop's Stortford or the surrounding area when brought to our attention.
During the report period, the building has continued to host the Portland Child Contact Centre. This fulfills a great need in the community. The Contact Centre provides a safe environment where solicitors and social services can arrange for children to meet with a separated parent on a regular basis, if necessary.
Local people including dance classes, Two AA groups, a camera club, a children's activity group and a U3A dance exercise group continue to hire the building.
3. Report of progress towards our aims.
Weekends are used for the contact centre for broken families and church services on Sunday. Friday nights are used for a prayer group and youth work and during the week connection groups. Local community groups use the hall in the day time and evenings when the church is not holding meetings. The babies and toddlers group regularly has up to 15 mums with their children in attendance which brings in a small amount of finance.
- 4/. For the past three years now we have opened the centre as a "warm space" for those who are homeless, struggling to put on their own heating or needing a warm social environment for contact with friends. We provide free food and drink during the day Monday and Friday.

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Anthony Hickman (trustee) Date: 5th February 2026.

Christian Outreach Centre (Bishop's Stortford).
Portland Road, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

Registration : 104917 Christian Outreach Ce
Portland Road, Bishop's Stortford, Herts.

Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st August 2025

Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2024

	2025	2024	
			Building
Tax Back	6753.62	8817.63	
Rental Income	9623.5	9235	
Tuck Shop Sales	0	99.92	
Bumble bees	1134.86	1238.38	Equipment Forward
Tithes & Offerings	40211.27	37289.5	Equipment Purchase
Sundry Income (donations)	0	100	Equipment Sold
Bank Interest	485.79	349.87	
Grant Money for warm space	2000	1060	Depreciation
Insurance Claim	0	2539.53	
Total Income	60209.04	60729.83	Current Assets
			Petty Cash
			Kingdom Bank Saving
			Saving account
Expenses			School Account
Postage, Stationery and Printing	771.44	515.26	Gift aid debtor
Bumble bees	200.35	175.49	Bank Balance
Pastor's Expenses + Visiting Pastor expenses	6125.27	2214.06	
Cleaning Supplies/toiletries	159.58	325.97	
Staff Training & Sundry Expenses	489.01	303.83	
Licences/subscriptions	2129.01	1218.28	Current Liabilities
Evangelism/Advertising	4584.19	1347.61	
Tuck Shop and youth	2515.58	1844.3	Mortgage
Heat & Light/Telephone/Insurance/Internet	5929.22	4061.35	
Gifts to Disadvantaged & Other Ministries/Mission	1372.58	3128.75	
Teaching Material	14.99	8.99	NET ASSETS
Children and Youth ministry	236.41	209.65	
Mortgage Interest to be adjusted	20679.74	19821.12	
Depreciation of Equipment	2559.81	2823.72	Represented by :
Bank/ Legal/Professional Fees	6173.72	2662	
Centre Maintenance/Repairs	2284.73	6274.87	
			Balance Forward
	56225.63	46935.25	Valuation increase
NET RETAINED INCOME	3983.41	13794.58	Net retained income

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12863.59
1357.57
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14221.16
2559.81

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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Christian Outreach Centre (Bishop's Stortford)

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1049175

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2025**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

A. Akande

Date: 03/02/2026

Name:

Ayoyinka Akande

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

FCA (Fellow-Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales)

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