



# Calvary Pentecostal Church

## Annual Report 2024 Financial Year

### Introduction

The following report reflects the range of activities and financial position of Calvary Pentecostal Church for the year 2024. The aim of the report is to provide an overview of the vision and functions of the church.

### Aim and Purposes

Calvary Pentecostal Church is an independent church situated in the Upper Parkstone area of Poole and is a registered charity affiliated to the Assemblies of God UK, an association of over 600 member churches and which aims to: 'Give every man, woman and child the opportunity of understanding the gospel and to provide a church where they can grow in ministry for the glory of God'. This aligns with the objects of the church as detailed in our trust deed.

### Objectives and Activities

The church emphasizes praise and worship, the teaching of the Bible, and prayer and encourages participation by both young and old alike. Services are held on a regular basis and visitors are welcome to join us and to stay afterwards for fellowship or to discuss any questions or issues they may have. Mission activities are detailed further below.

### Our Core Values and Vision

Our overarching vision is to see and experience a spiritual revival in our local area and in our country as a whole. By spiritual revival, we mean a work of the Holy Spirit which has the two-fold effect of reviving God's people and bringing people to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. Whilst we cannot bring this about on our own, we believe we play a part by the way we live our lives in obedience to Biblical teaching and in prayer. Accordingly, we place great importance on the teaching of the Bible as the word of God and implementing its truth in our individual lives, and our relationship with others. Fundamental to this is the emphasis we place on praise and worship, as is reflected in all our meetings, and regular prayer.

To this end it has been our normal practice to provide pastoral care, prayer and Bible Study meetings both on Sunday and during the week, both in the Church (on 'Zoom' during the COVID outbreak) and in house groups, which are held in people's homes.

### Sunday School

The Sunday School has run on a weekly basis throughout 2024, apart from school holidays. This year we began an exciting new curriculum - *The Greatest Story* - that takes us through the whole Bible whilst emphasizing each week a gospel connection and our need for Jesus; we break into this structure to follow the Church calendar themes of Easter and Christmas.

Teachers & lessons have to be flexible as we have mixed ages and abilities, and attendance can vary. We continue to pray for new families so that the Sunday School may grow, and for additional helpers to ease the dependence on teachers so that they may be more frequently in the main service for the preaching of the Word.

## **Safeguarding**

All those involved in work with children and vulnerable adults have undertaken training in child protection and have all been DBS checked. The church has adopted and implemented the 'Safe and Secure' safeguarding standards published by the Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service (CCPAS).

Calvary Pentecostal Church is a member of the Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service (CCPAS) and our safeguarding policy is designed, in line with the CCPAS 'Safe and Secure' standards, to help the Church provide a safe environment for children to be able to develop physically, intellectually and spiritually, and to safeguard all members of the church community, of all ages. In so doing, it is the responsibility of everyone to prevent the physical, sexual or emotional abuse of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

'Safe and Secure' has been adopted by the Church Council and forms the safeguarding policy of the Church, a copy of which is held in the church and is available upon request. It is also used as part of the training for children's workers and every children's worker will be issued with a copy. A shortened version is displayed on the church notice board.

## **Mission - Open Doors**

The church provides monthly donations to Open Doors to support their work supporting persecuted Christians around the world and in accordance with our stated charitable objectives. During 2024 Open Doors continued to support Christians suffering persecution worldwide. Funding continued strongly despite the challenges of inflation and the cost-of-living crisis, for which Open Doors thanks God and their supporters; as a church we can continue to be confident that our support for Open Doors is a wise and good use of the money we give to mission.

Every January Open Doors releases its *World Watch List* of the top 50 countries where persecution is greatest around the world. North Korea is invariably rated #1 on the list and global trends include the continued rise of oppression & surveillance in China and the continued rise of Hindu fundamentalism in India.

## **Mission - Foodbank**

The Foodbank in the church operates as one of 4 "satellites" of the main Foodbank in Poole run by FaithWorks Wessex. These satellites exist to provide local provision for attendees thus avoiding the need to travel to Poole. Those attending the church Foodbank are therefore local people with real needs.

Our thanks to all whose volunteering makes this possible; 3 people attend each week. Ali and Lisa continue to manage the Foodbank.

Attendance varies from none to 7 attendees per weekly session which runs 12-2pm every Wednesday

The Foodbank operation is one way we can fulfil the work of the Church as reflected in the words of Paul in Galatians 2:10 that ...we “should remember the poor”.

## **Mission - Shoebox Appeal**

Each year Jill collects for, and fills, shoeboxes for poor families in Eastern Europe. The church supports this in many ways from knitting garments, giving items to fill shoeboxes, to donating funds. In addition, the church gives from mission funds as listed below to enable a number of boxes to be sent. The price of filling a shoe box now exceeds £50 which is a real commitment and a sign of the cost-of-living crisis in our own country.

This is a tremendous and time-consuming work that meets a need that is often overlooked.

## **Mission Finances**

This year financial support was provided from our missionary account and freewill offerings to the following organisations:

• Shoe Box Appeal	750
• Open Doors	2400
• Compassion	64
• Benevolent Gifts	1530

A total of £4744 supporting needs local and international

## **Financial review**

The Church Council has a Finance and Reserves Policy to ensure that income received is spent within a reasonable timeframe, that trustees should be able to justify holding income as reserves in order to comply with Charity Law, and to ensure that monies are used in accordance with the charitable purposes of the church. The overarching principle is that everything the church has comes from God and that the church leadership team, as responsible stewards, are to ensure that the funds are used in the way God intends.

Total receipts were £80621.73, which includes interest on the deposit account:

## **Assets and Liabilities**

The church is a registered charity supported solely by direct contributions of members and tax recovered under the Gift Aid Scheme. The church has no outstanding liabilities.

Land and Buildings:

- The Church building itself is used solely for the purposes of the charity;
- The building is a permanent endowment;
- The building is vested in the name of Calvary Pentecostal Church.

The church is solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of its buildings and this year spent on essential roof repairs and necessary contents replacements required as the building got back to full operation post COVID.

## **Structure and Governance**

The Church Council comprises the following trustees:

- V L Williams
- A McGregor (*Chair of the Church Council*)
- D Williams
- J Vatcher
- S Potterton
- A Muir
- Farema Naga

There are currently 3 salaried employees, all of whom are trustees:

V L Williams, A McGregor, J Vatcher

All remunerations relate solely to ministerial roles in the church.

The Church Council meets formally four times during the year. Minutes are taken and approved for accuracy at each meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A McGregor', with a stylized, flowing script.

A McGregor  
*Chairman of Trustees*



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

Calvary Pentecostal Church

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1050247

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 31/12/2024

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 Trust'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.

Independent  
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) 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.

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

Signed:

T. Sollazzo

Date:

5/02/25

Name:

TRUDY SOLLAZZO

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

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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# **Calvary Pentecostal Church**

**Audit 2024**

**Calvary Pentecostal Church - Accounts for Financial Year ending 31/12/2024**

When I examined the financial statements I found that everything was in order.

The brought forward figures were carried across correctly at the beginning of the year.

The year end figures at 31/12/24 all tied up with the balance sheet and trial balance which also agreed to the bank statements.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Sollazzo', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Trudy Sollazzo 05/02/25



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## Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2024

	TOTAL
Fixed Asset	
<b>Total Fixed Asset</b>	
Cash at bank and in hand	
Current Account	TS ✓ 3,654.43
Deposit Account	TS ✓ 70,759.32
Mission Account	TS ✓ 8,185.04
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	TS ✓ £82,598.79
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£82,598.79
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	
Trade Creditors	
Creditors	T. Sall 330 2102/25. 2,588.86
<b>Total Trade Creditors</b>	£2,588.86
Current Liabilities	
NEST	0.00
Net Wages	-346.00
PAYE/NI	-265.80
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	£-611.80
<b>Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	£1,977.06
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£80,621.73
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	£80,621.73
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	£80,621.73
Charity funds	
Opening Balance Equity	71,477.46
Retained Earnings	-213.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	9,357.27
<b>Total Charity funds</b>	£80,621.73