

BETHANY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT -2023

CHARITY NUMBER 1051791

SUNDAY SERVICES

We meet together on a Sunday morning for worship and preaching, this is led by either the Pastor or one of the leaders. The worship team take it in turns to lead praise and worship for the congregation to join in with.

After the worship the children and young people go out to their own activities and the service then carries on.

On the 1st Sunday of each month everyone stays together in the service and we have a family time with bible stories, videos and games.

On the 2nd Sunday of each month we have our communion service

When there is a 5th Sunday in the month we all stay together again and the platform is open to those wanting to share something such as a song, reading or testimony. We sometimes do this over breakfast together or have lunch together afterwards.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES ACTIVITIES

The children and young people have their own program on a Sunday morning. This runs along side the main service.

After the worship ends in the service the children then go into their different age related groups for stories games and crafts etc.

TOTS

Tots is a popular group which takes place on a Tuesday morning during term time.

The morning is structured with a time of free play followed by a snack time and then comes to a close with a time of singing.

The group is made up of local families who enjoy meeting with one another. Many friendships are formed. It is a very friendly and inclusive group where everyone looks out for one another and the children learn to play together and have great fun.

ROMANIA

The mission in Romania continues. John and Christine travelled to Romania in May.

They visited both our friends in Suceava and also Satu Mare. They also visited Fight for Freedom whilst in Suceava, this is the organisation that helps with the refugee children from Ukraine. They were able to share friendship and encouragement and also took part in various church meetings.

COMMUNITY WORK

We continue to have a positive impact on the local community. We often help out families in financial need by buying a supermarket voucher for them. We help families at Christmas who are struggling to buy gifts for their children. We partnered with Life Church Warrington and gave out bags of friendship to some of the community that contained some Christmas treats. Through the charity shop we often meet people who are lonely or in need and we are able to spend time with them sharing friendship and help.

CHARITY SHOP

The charity shop continues to be popular, at the moment we do only open 2 mornings a week. We use the church buildings for this.

We find that people love to regularly come not only to get a bargain but also to have a cup of tea etc and a chat.

We charge a very small amount for our items so that it is a help to the local community and we also give free of charge to those in need. The money that is made is then put back into helping those in need both locally and in Romania.

CHURCH WARRINGTON

We continue to work with the church Warrington group who are made up of various churches from across the town. We work together with a common aim of reaching the town with the good news of the gospel of Jesus and to promote unity between the churches. We worked together to produce a carol service event in the local rugby stadium just before Christmas. This was well received the Mayor and local councillors attended and also the Head teachers from various schools and other service management providers. It was attended by approximately 3000 people. A choir was formed from the local churches and different community people took part with readings and Canon J John was our guest speaker. The Rugby Stadium gave us the stadium free of charge and were extremely helpful even providing stewards for the event.

WARRINGTON WEST CHURCHES TOGETHER

This is a group of people representing the churches in our area of the town. We meet together every 2 months to plan for local events and to share information and encourage one another. In July we took part in the local carnival at Penketh. Youth for Christ joined with us and provided their football cage and we also had a stall offering information on the churches locally.

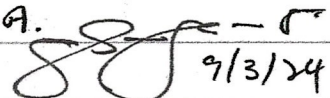
CONCLUSION

The Trustees are happy with the year we have had. As you can see we have continued to enjoy spending time together both as a church and with the wider community in many different aspects. It has been a good year and we look forward to 2024


BETHANY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
2023 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

BALANCE ON 01-01-2023	34,921:23
BALANCE ON 31-12-2023	30,496:58
TOTAL INCOME	69,749:93
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	74,389:32
PROFIT/LOSS ON YEAR	(4,639:39)

PREPARED BY: CHRISTIAN ABIMBOLA.

 9/3/24

WITNESSED BY: ISAIAH O. ADEDIRAN.

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BETHANY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET 2023.

INCOME:

TITHES AND OFFERINGS	59,624:66
MISSIONS (SHOP)	<u>10,125:27</u>
	69,749:93

EXPENDITURE:

PASTOR'S SALARY	- 17,121:12
C. ADDISON	- 15,667:36
HMRC	- 3,590:96
PAY ROLL	- 360:00
ELECTRIC + GAS	- 4,024:03
PHONE	- 606:31
STATIONERY	- 72:28
CLEAN + MAINTENANCE	- 12,578:40
NEW EQUIPMENT	- 2,368:54
SUNDAY SCHOOL	- 569:57
Mums + TOTS	- 327:96
SOCIALS	- 304:07
CHURCH INSURANCE	- 1,337:48
PASTORS' CONFERENCE	- 393:00
HARRINGTON YOUTH FOR CHRIST	- 1,440:00
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD	- 1,010:00
STREET PASTORS	- 30:00
AIDS + GIFTS	- 242:28
MISSIONS	- 11,390:01
VISITING PASTORS	- 390:00
CCLU	- 307:99
BANK CHARGES	- 3:36
318 SAFE GUARDING	- <u>254:60</u>
	74,389:32

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

BETHANY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended

31/12/23

Charity no (if any)

1051791

Set out on pages

(number to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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 matter has come to my attention (other than that 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 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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.

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

Signed



Date

09/03/2024

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

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