

**Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees
of
Chapel House Christian Fellowship**

Charity no 1051877

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 March 2024
which are set out above.

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the accounts and for the preparation thereof: you consider that the audit requirement of section 46(2) of the charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the general directions given to the Charity Commissioners under section 42 (b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of those accounts with those records. It also includes a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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

have not been met: or

2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to reach a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed:



Name:

PETER WILSON FCA

Address:

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Dated:

24 SEPTEMBER 2024

Chapel House Christian Fellowship

Draft Accounts for the 12 months April 2023 - March 2024

<u>Yr End</u> <u>Mar-23</u> £	<u>INCOME</u>	Note	<u>Yr End</u> <u>Mar-24</u> £	<u>Yr End</u> <u>Mar-23</u> £	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	Note	<u>Yr End</u> <u>Mar-24</u> £
47,282.40	Tithes & Offerings		50,271.23	23,115.91	Pastorate		28,748.95
8,689.79	Gift Aid		8,340.60	4,854.90	Mortgage Payments		4,761.98
1,165.00	Felix – Kenya		2,085.00	4,800.00	Missionaries	1	5,800.00
0.00	Igal Vender		410.00	475.41	Electricity		754.09
0.00	Christmas Appeal – Felix		974.92	722.64	Gas		1,429.47
0.00	Christmas Appeal – Asia Link		974.92	347.12	Water		385.02
30.00	Misc Income		171.36	949.43	Telephone & Internet	6	1,419.10
1,000.00	Gifts		10,100.00	740.65	Insurance		829.53
6,782.65	Bank balance b/fwd	3	15,751.07	439.00	Maintenance	4	315.96
				1,680.00	Loan Repayment		3,360.00
				1,932.61	New Equipment	5	1,446.57
				408.90	Outreach		898.00
				259.68	Sunday School		349.65
				900.00	Visiting Speakers		600.00
				7,572.52	Misc Expenditure	2	10,334.20
				15,751.07	Bank Balance c/fwd	3	27,646.57
<u>64,949.84</u>			<u>89,079.09</u>	<u>64,949.84</u>			<u>89,079.09</u>

Notes

(1) Missionaries

	£
IMJP	1,200.00
Asia Link	1,200.00
Pastor Felix	1,200.00
Open Doors	1,200.00
Igal Vender	700.00
Gospel for Asia	300.00
	<u>5,800.00</u>

(4) Maintenance

	£
Carpet Doctor	220.00
Knight Fire & Security	78.00
Misc	17.96
	<u>315.96</u>

(5) New Equipment

	£
Gear4music	682.00
TV Screen	574.60
Vacuum Cleaner	119.98
Hard Drive	69.99
	<u>1,446.57</u>

(6) Telephone & Internet

	£
TalkTalk	415.64
Sermon .Net	947.12
Freeola	56.34
	<u>1,419.10</u>

(2) Misc Expenditure

	£
Benevolent Fund	2,726.00
Felix Extra Christmas Gifts	1,640.00
Asia Link – Christmas Gift	1,250.00
Felix – Christmas Gift	1,250.00
Felix – Extra Monthly Gifts	1,200.00
Kitchen Supplies – Felix	1,007.86
Igal Vender	310.00
CCLI	176.42
Miscellaneous	167.48
Bank Charges	163.50
Thirtyoneeight	145.00
Storecupboard	129.74
Posters	118.20
Auditor	50.00
	<u>10,334.20</u>

Opening (3) Bank Balances

	£		Closing
	£		£
15,751.07		Current A/c	7,646.57
0.00		Savings A/c	20,000.00
<u>15,751.07</u>			<u>27,646.57</u>

Chapel House Christian Fellowship

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

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024

1. The name of the charity is **Chapel House Christian Fellowship**.
2. The Address of the charity is **3A Moor Road, Chorley, Lancashire. PR7 2LW**.
3. The charity functions under a Constitution with Trust Deed adopted by resolution of the Trustees on the 30th April 2006 and amended by a Resolution dated 13th October 2013 and now filed and recorded at the Central Register of the Charity Commission.
4. **The Charity Registration Number is 1051877.**
5. The objects of the Charity are for the benefit of the public:
 - a) to advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the Statement in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit;
 - b) to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit;
 - c) to advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit.
6. The Trustees of the Charity are:
Ian Moulton (Chairman & Minister).
Jennifer M. Farrimond (Secretary).
Paul Harrison (Treasurer).
Alan Durham
7. The Trustees are appointed under the terms of the Managing Document (Constitution). The Trustees meet a minimum of four times in a year under the terms of the Trust Deed, but in practice they meet as often as required to consider matters put before them and the day-to-day business of the Church. The powers of the Trustees are in accordance with the Managing Document and are exercised only in promoting the Objects.
8. The Trustees receive no remuneration with the exception of Ian Moulton who, as a minority of the Board is permitted such remuneration under the terms of the Trust Deed.
9. The Trustees have a hands-on approach to the day to day running of the Charity, all having involvement in various aspects of the Church's work.
10. The Holding Trustees who hold the property in Trust are:
Ian Moulton.
Paul Harrison.
Ken Farrimond.
11. The Solicitors acting for the Charity are Geldards LLP, (Mr.S.Marshall), 21-22 Burns Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 8AA.
12. The Independent Examiner's Report on the Charity's Accounts is carried out by Peter Wilson FCA, Suite 12, Rockfield House, 512 Darwin Road, Bromley Cross, Bolton, BL7 9DX
13. The Charity's bankers are the Co-operative Bank
14. Statement of the Trustees Responsibilities:
The Charities Commission requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs and of the profit or loss of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:
 - i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
 - ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
 - iii) prepare financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
15. Review of the year
The Church's regular weekly programme included:
Sunday: Morning Worship, 10.30am; includes Sunday School for children aged 0-11 years.
Gospel Service, 6.30pm.
Tuesday: Prayer Group, 10.00am.
Thursday: Bible Study and Prayer Meeting, 7.30pm.
Monthly: An Open-Air Service is held in Chorley Town Centre, 10.00am.
The Church Services and Bible Teaching Ministry are livestreamed via YouTube and sermon.net. Recording of Sermons and Bible Studies are also available on our church website chapel-house.org.uk. The Church also uses social media platforms to keep members of the Church connected.
The Church supported five missionary couples/organisations financially on a month by month basis as well as supporting other missionaries and organisations with financial gifts from time to time.
The Church remains committed to provide financial help and support for the needy both at home and overseas. When the Government introduced lockdowns the Church set up its own Covid 19 Benevolent Fund to help any who found themselves in financial difficulty as a result of the measures which the Government put into place. We have now extended this by creating a Food Store in the Church to help those who are in need. We also remains committed to helping people and organisations whose work is consistent with our Statement and Objects according to the Deed.
16. Valuation of Property.
The most recent valuation of the property carried out by Peter Gilkes & Co. for purposes of the Insurance Policy was submitted to the Trustees on the 14th February 2018 and valued the property at £310,000 (re-instatement value).
17. Insurance Policy.
The Church's Insurance Policy was renewed based on a re-assessment in 2017. The Church's Insurance is through Kingdom Bank, Ruddington Fields Business Park, Mere Way, Ruddington, Nottingham. NG11 6JS
18. Child Protection Policy.
All Children's Workers, Youth Workers and Trustees are subject to clearance through the Disclosure & Barring Service using the agency of Thirtyone: eight formally known as The Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service (CCPAS). The Church's Safeguarding Policy was reviewed and updated in 2016
19. Investment Policy
The Trustees have power to make investments at their discretion. At present all incoming funds are used to progress the objectives of the charity.
Investment policy will be reviewed as the church develops.
20. Voluntary Help.
The Trustees are very grateful for the generous giving of the church members in terms of help, time and finances, without which the charity could not function as it does.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees of Chapel House Christian Fellowship

Ian Moulton