

THE GATE CHURCH (PRUDHOE)

England & Wales · Charity number 1052138

Details

Other names PRUDHOE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1996-01-20

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Prudhoe nr. Newcastle
Northumberland
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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION BY THE PROCLAMATION AND FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL OF GOD.

Activities: The Charity seeks to serve as a Christian, community provider working along side and in partnership with the other community service providers in the locality. The charity works in providing children's and youth activities. The Charity seeks to provide friendship and care by providing a community meals. The Charity also supports homeless and missionary organisations.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** IN PRACTICE PRUDOE
- Northumberland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£84,741	£84,875	-	-
2024-03-31	£68,940	£67,230	-	-
2023-03-31	£59,296	£64,173	-	-
2022-03-31	£59,590	£69,095	-	-
2021-03-31	£61,663	£50,406	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Foster		2023-04-01
Gemma Davison		2024-11-19
Judith Miriam Lewis		2025-09-25
Ruth Bowler		2019-09-26
Simon Hobson		2022-02-12

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Charity Number: 1052138

Charity Address: The Gate Church,
Prudhoe,
Swalwell Close,
Prudhoe,
NE42 6EX.

Web Site: www.thegatechurch.org.uk

Trustees: Egbert Boonstra (Chair)
David Foster
Gemma Davidson
Margaret Boonstra
Ruth Bowler
Simon Hobson

Bankers: Barclays Bank plc
Hexham Northumberland

Solicitors: Geldards LLP

Independent Examiner: Fiona Wright
9 Edgewell Grange,
Prudhoe,
Northumberland,
NE42 6RH

Trustees Annual Report (TAR)

Objects of the charity

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- Advance Christian faith
- Relieve sickness and financial hardship
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Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

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- Newsletters sent out monthly by email
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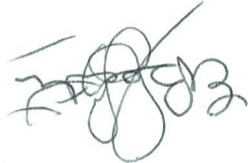
Reserves Policy

The charity aims to hold a minimum of £5,000 (which is approximately two months of expenditure) as unrestricted cash, so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £7,500.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Egbert Boonstra

Signature


17th June 2025

Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Gate Church, Prudhoe ('the charity') for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. 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.

Independent Examiner's Details

Name: Fiona Wright

Address: 9 Edgewell Grange,
Prudhoe,
Northumberland,
NE42 6RH

Name Fiona Wright

Signature
FWR

Date 22nd June 2025

Receipts & Payments Statement

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Receipts				
Donations & Legacies	66,158	0	66,158	56,789
Donations	13,149	0	13,149	7,821
Gift Aid	3,000	0	3,000	2,000
Charitable Activities	0	0	0	0
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Investments	0	0	0	0
Bank Interest	1	54	55	60
Trading Activities	0	0	0	0
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Payments				
Total receipts	84,687	54	84,741	68,940
Loans Received	0	0	0	0
Other Income	2,378	0	2,378	2,270
Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0
Sale of Investments	0	0	0	0
Charitable Activities	381	2,100	2,481	3,543
Admin	2,428	0	2,428	2,889
Advertising	2,085	0	2,085	1,144
Bank Charges	0	0	0	0
Event Costs	1,294	0	1,294	0
Gifts Given	10,726	1,000	11,726	11,375
Other Expenditure	13,232	0	13,232	6,388
Premises	8,620	6,229	14,849	7,970
Staff Costs	36,120	398	36,517	33,749
Governance Costs	263	0	263	171
Other	0	0	0	0
Fixed Asset Purchases	0	0	0	0
Loans Repaid	0	0	0	0
Money Invested	0	0	0	0
Total payments	75,148	9,727	84,875	67,230
Net Receipts / Payments (before transfers)	9,539	-9,673	-134	1,710
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Cash Funds	9,539	-9,673	-134	1,710
Total Cash Funds Brought Forward	15,575	-6,863	8,712	7,002

ASSETS	
BUILDING	100000.00
AUDIO VISUAL	10242.00
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	5000.00
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	1600.00
	116842.00
LIABILITIES	
PASTOR'S EXPENSES	322.90
	322.90

Assets and Liabilities end of March 2025

Total Cash Funds Carried Forward	25,114	-16,536	8,578	8,712
Represented By				
Community Account (Unrestricted)	5698	0	5698	6302
Business Account (Restricted)	0	1129	1129	2410
Kingdom Bank Account (Unrestricted)	1751	0	1751	0

Signature

These accounts have been approved by the trustees, and are signed on their behalf by:

Egbert Boonstra

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17th June 2025

Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

Transactions to Related Parties

There were no transactions related parties during the accounting period.

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**Mike Willis
ACMA**

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- Promote FindGod.learn.com
- Encouraging musicians within the church to lead worship.

Financial Review

Financially, the church has a great deal to be thankful to God for during the past financial year. There has been a considerable increase in the donations, as well as a grant awarded for Youth Work from the Prudhoe Town Council. It was also a year when we were able to upgrade furniture and equipment and have increased our sponsorship to our missionaries.

Accounts have been produced on a cash basis, and so there is no need for a balance sheet, or accruals and prepayments. This means the accounts reflect simply the financial transactions that were paid and received through the bank.

- Total receipts were £68,940 compared to £59,297 in 2022/23.
- Total Expenditure was £67,230 in comparison to last year £64,173
- The accounts are produced on the accounting software as advised by our accountant.

Trustees

Trustees who served during the period are as follows:

Egbert Boonstra (Chair)
Margaret Boonstra (Deputy Chair)
Ruth Bowler
Simon Hobson
David Foster

Trainee Trustees

Gemma Davison
Judith Gray

Structure, Governance and Management

The church is governed overall by a Board of Trustees, chosen from the membership and agreed by the serving Trustees. In addition, a Management Team deal with day-to-day issues.

Administrative Information

The following are the Church Officers and their areas of responsibility

Joint Pastors
Bookkeeper
Church Treasurer
Acting Church Secretary
Financial Administration

Egbert & Margaret Boonstra
Shirley Hill
David Foster
Ruth Bowler
Egbert Boonstra, Shirley Hill, Ruth Bowler, David Foster

Gift Aid Financial Officer
Safeguarding Coordinator
Safeguarding Coordinator

Deputy Safeguarding Coordinator
Health & Safety/Risk Management
Media/Data Protection Lead
First Aiders
Judith Gray, Angela Foster/Gemma Davison

Training

Trustees and church officers receive appropriate training periodically throughout the year.

Volunteers

In addition to the named officers, there is a dedicated team of church members who assist behind the scenes to ensure that the building is clean, well maintained and hospitable to all who use its facilities. All volunteers who work with children or young people are DBS checked and undertake Safeguarding training as required.

Signed by Chair of Trustees:



Date: 1/8/2024

Financial Statements & Independent Examiners Report

What follows are the Financial Statements and Independent Examiners report.

The Gate Church Financial Statement for the year ending 31st March 2024

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Receipts				
Donations & Legacies	56,789.36	0.00	56,789.36	45,407.25
Donations	7,820.87	0.00	7,820.87	10,676.44
Gift Aid	2000.00	0.00	2000.00	0.00
Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Charitable Activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Event Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investments	35.00	25.05	60.05	0.00
Bank Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trading Activities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Asset & Investment Sales	2029.80	240.00	2269.80	3,211.85
Total receipts	68675.03	265.05	68940.08	59,297.12
Payments				
Charitable Activities	392.36	3,151.00	3,543.36	1,494.55
Activities	2,889.13	0.00	2,889.13	955.39
Admin	1,144.21	0.00	1,144.21	1,009.35
Advertising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Event Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gifts Given	11,374.63	0.00	11,374.63	8,893.38
Other Expenditure	6,388.43	0.00	6,388.43	710.52
Premises	6,018.15	1,951.71	7,969.86	9,953.89
Staff Costs	33,749.34	0.00	33,749.34	29,881.02
Governance Costs	171.04	0.00	171.04	0.00
Governance Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Asset & Investment Purchases	62,127.29	5,102.71	67,230.00	64,173.49
Total payments	171.04	5,102.71	5,273.75	78,417.81

Net Receipts / Payments (before transfers)	6547.74	-4837.66	1710.08	-4,876.37
Fund Transfers In	0.00	4837.66	4837.66	4,000.00
Fund Transfers Out	-4837.66	0.00	-4837.66	4,000.00
Net Movement of Cash Funds	1710.08	0.00	1,710.08	-4,876.37
Total Cash Funds Brought Forward	7001.86	0.00	7,001.86	11,878.23
Total Cash Funds Carried Forward	8711.94	-6,863.37	8,711.94	7,001.86
Represented By				
Community Account (Unrestricted)	6301.64	0.00	6301.64	6062.56
Business Account	2410.30	0.00	2410.30	939.30

Independent Examiner's Report To the Trustees of The Gate Church, Prudhoe, Northumberland

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st March 2024

Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Charities Act 2011 establishes clearly that the trustees and are the 'persons having the general control and management of the administration of the (church) charity' (Charities Act 2011, s177).

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Responsibilities of the External Independent Examiner

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts, under section 145 of the 2011 Charities Act and to ensure that the (church) charity has in place sufficiently robust financial procedures as is required by the Assemblies of God fellowship of churches of which the (church) charity is a member.
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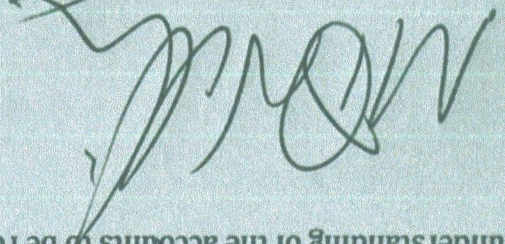
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MKW Associates CIMA

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- Newsletters sent out weekly by email or hand delivered
- Quinquennial inspection of the property undertaken
- Complete electrical inspection and upgrade to meet regulations; new cooker and cooker extractor; installation of dehumidifier in Children's Room, plus general maintenance and upkeep.
- Periodic bible training in various localities
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Financially, the church has a great deal to be thankful to God for during the past financial year. Overall income was very similar to the previous financial year. It was also a year when we undertook some major renovations - spending almost 20% of our income on essential repairs and improvements to the building.

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- Total receipts were £59,297 compared to £59,590 in 2021/22.
- Total Expenditure decreased from £69,095 to £64,173, of which half was funded through reserves. This was planned expenditure to carry out essential and planned repairs on the church. This accounted for £9k of this. Without spending this, expenditure for the year would have been in the region of £55k, which would have generated a small surplus.
- The accounts have now been produced on the new accounting software. In the accounts there will be some small differences as to how things have been coded, which explains why there was no travel costs & pastoral costs shown in the previous year's accounts. There are also now some accounting software charges, plus costs associated with producing the annual checks and reports.

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Simon Hobson

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Annabel Wesley (maternity leave)

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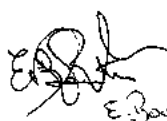
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RECEIPTS	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022/23	Total 2021/22
Tithes/Offerings	45,407		45,407	42,764
Gift Aid Tax	10,676		10,676	10,424
Gifts	2,460		2,460	3,500
Appeals	84		84	2,627
Other	668		668	275
Interest Received		2	2	0
Total Receipts	59,296	2	59,297	59,590
PAYMENTS				
MINISTRY				
Salaries	27,846		27,846	29,116
Employers Pension	2,035		2,035	249
Travel costs	1,280		1,280	-
Hospitality costs	1,451		1,451	-
Pastoral costs	448		448	-
Ministry gifts	4,332		4,332	1,886
AoG UK	2,355		2,355	1,680
Missionary Support	2,555		2,555	4,790
Appeals/gifts	699		699	2,900
Outreach	1,009		1,009	439
Total Ministry payments	44,010	-	44,010	41,060
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS				
Insurance	985		985	886
Repairs	983		983	3,227
Building Work		8,008	8,008	7,258
Cleaning materials	73		73	-

Equipment & appliances	134	1,000	1,134	3,000
Total Establishment Costs	2,175	9,008	11,183	14,371
ADMIN				
Gas	774		774	760
Electric	1,316		1,316	915
Water	187		187	1,092
Telephone	904		904	756
Printing & stationary	1,954		1,954	-
Accountancy	554		554	-
Music Admin			-	3,236
Copyright	512		512	405
Total Administration	6,201	-	6,201	7,164
MISC COSTS				
Misc Items	198		198	2,033
Chairs			-	2,519
Children's work	275		275	663
Youth Work	2,255		2,255	-
Music	51		51	1,284
Total Miscellaneous Costs	2,779	-	2,779	6,500
Total Payments	55,165	9,008	64,173	69,095
Transfer Between Funds	(4,000)	4,000		
Net Receipts/Payments	130	(5,007)	(4,876)	(9,505)
Balance B/F 1st April 2022	8,897	2,981	11,878	21,383
Balance C/F 31st March 2023	9,028	(2,026)	7,002	11,878



 E. Boonstra Choir Trustees

Signed by Trustee:
 Date: 13th October 2023

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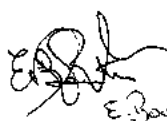
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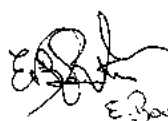
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- Total Gift Aid increased by 5.7% to £10,423.
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- Capital assets increased by £5.5k accounted for by £3k on the new boiler and £2.5k for the new chairs. There is no depreciation charged to the accounts, as they are prepared on the receipts and payments method.
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GIFT AID TAX	10,423.75		10,423.75	9,860.87
GIFTS	3500.00		3,500.00	1,250.00
APPEALS	0.00	2,627.40	2,627.40	380.76
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Interest Received	0.34		0.34	1.45
Total Receipts	56,962.97	2,627.40	59,590.37	61,662.90
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EMPLOYER PENSION	248.67		248.67	202.20
EMPLOYER NI	0.00		0.00	0.00
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MISSIONARY SUPPORT	4,790.00		4,790.00		3,920.00
APPEALS/GIFTS	0.00	2900.00	2,900.00		936.29
OUTREACH	439.42		439.42		717.50
Total Ministry Payments	41,059.75	2,900.00	41,059.75		34,669.37
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS					
INSURANCE	886.36		886.36		836.47
REPAIRS	1,689.53	1,264.87	3,227.00		4,412.00
BUILDING WORK	7,257.92		7,257.92		1,190.90
CAPITAL/BOILER	3,000.00		3,000.00		0.00
Total Establishment Costs	12,833.81	1,264.87	14,371.28		6,439.37
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GAS	759.93		759.93		700.97
ELECTRIC	915.00		915.00		1,269.42
WATER	1,092.00		1,092.00		743.80
TELEPHONE	755.96		755.96		678.26
MISC ADMIN	3,236.24		3,236.24		2,979.48
COPYRIGHT	405.00		405.00		291.34
Total Administration	7,164.13	-	7,164.13		6,663.27
MISC COSTS					
MISC ITEMS	2,033.36		2,033.36		2,150.24
CHAIRS/CAPITAL	2,518.99		2,518.99		0.00
CHILDREN'S WORK	663.39		663.39		90.19

YOUTH WORK	0.00		0.00		0.00
MUSIC	1,284.13		1,284.13		393.88
Total Miscellaneous Costs	6,499.87	-	6,499.87		2,634.31
Total Payments	64,930.16	4,164.87	69,095.03		50,406.32
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Balance C/f	11,878.23	-	11,878.23		21,382.89

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Fixed Assets				
- Buildings	100,000.00		100,000.00	100,000.00
- Plant & Equipment	8,333.99		8,333.99	2,815.00
Total Fixed Assets	108,333.99	-	108,333.99	102,815.00
Current Assets				
Bank Current Account	8,897.33		8,897.33	8,222.59
Bank Savings Account	2,980.90		2,980.90	1,903.72
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13/10/2022

THE GATE CHURCH (PRUDHOE)

England & Wales - Charity number 1052138

Accounts

**The Annual Report and Financial Statements
of the Trustees of
The Gate Church Prudhoe, Northumberland
For the year ended 31st March 2021**

Pastors

Egbert and Margaret Boonstra

Bankers

Barclays Bank plc
Hexham, Northumberland

Solicitors

Geldards LLP
Derby

Independent Examiner

Robert Scott-Biggs M.A., A.C.I.S.

Web Site: www.thegatechurch.org.uk

The Gate Church is a Registered Charity No. 1052138

Aim & Purpose

The Gate Church, Prudhoe, is registered with the Charity Commission and affiliated with the Assemblies of God Churches in the U.K. The Assemblies of God is a Fellowship of Christian leaders and over 500 churches of various sizes operating autonomously, but sharing fellowship, training opportunities and resources.

The Gate Church continues to seek wholeheartedly to work alongside other local churches and community service providers to enhance the quality of life for as many people as possible. The charity recognises the generous financial support and giving of its members in reaching its objectives to:

- Advance Christian faith
 - Relieve sickness and financial hardship
 - Advance education
- in the UK and around the world.

Objectives and Activities

The Gate Church is multicultural and multigenerational, committed to see sustainable ministries emerging to serve current and future generations, where all are given opportunity to thrive and learn to relate responsibly with others; to explore avenues of gifting and be released to their God-given assignment. The church is made up of many people, each doing their share to bring life, love, laughter and hard work to get the many jobs that need doing done. We are grateful for the commitment shown during the past year and going forward it is our continued aim to bring hope and purpose for living to the communities of the Tyne Valley and beyond.

Achievements & Performance

Despite the challenges of Lockdown and the halting of some of the regular outreach programs, the work has continued using technology. Sunday and mid-week services continued via Zoom with guest speakers from around the world. In addition;

- “Heart to Heart” Scheduled broadcast on Sundays; also available on YouTube
- Website based activities for children and families through Zoom sessions
- Missions prayer and outreach on Zoom throughout the pandemic
- AoG Regional and National Training/Conference Days attended by members
- Newsletters sent out weekly by email or hand delivered
- “Open the Book” Zoom recording for schools circulated monthly
- Alpha Online and WhatsApp Prayer Team maintained.
- Foodbank contributions have continued through the Lockdown
- Continued support for our missionaries in Spain, Mozambique and Pakistan.
- Trustees’ meetings on Zoom to enable business continuity

COVID 19

When a limited return to services in the building was possible strict measures were implemented to ensure safety following advice from our Safety Advisor. By the Grace of God, we can report no COVID 19 outbreaks resulting from meeting together in the building.

Planning Ahead

Whilst the virus is not yet under control, and we are being encouraged to "Stay Alert," the Church is planning for the next year and beyond in the following ways:

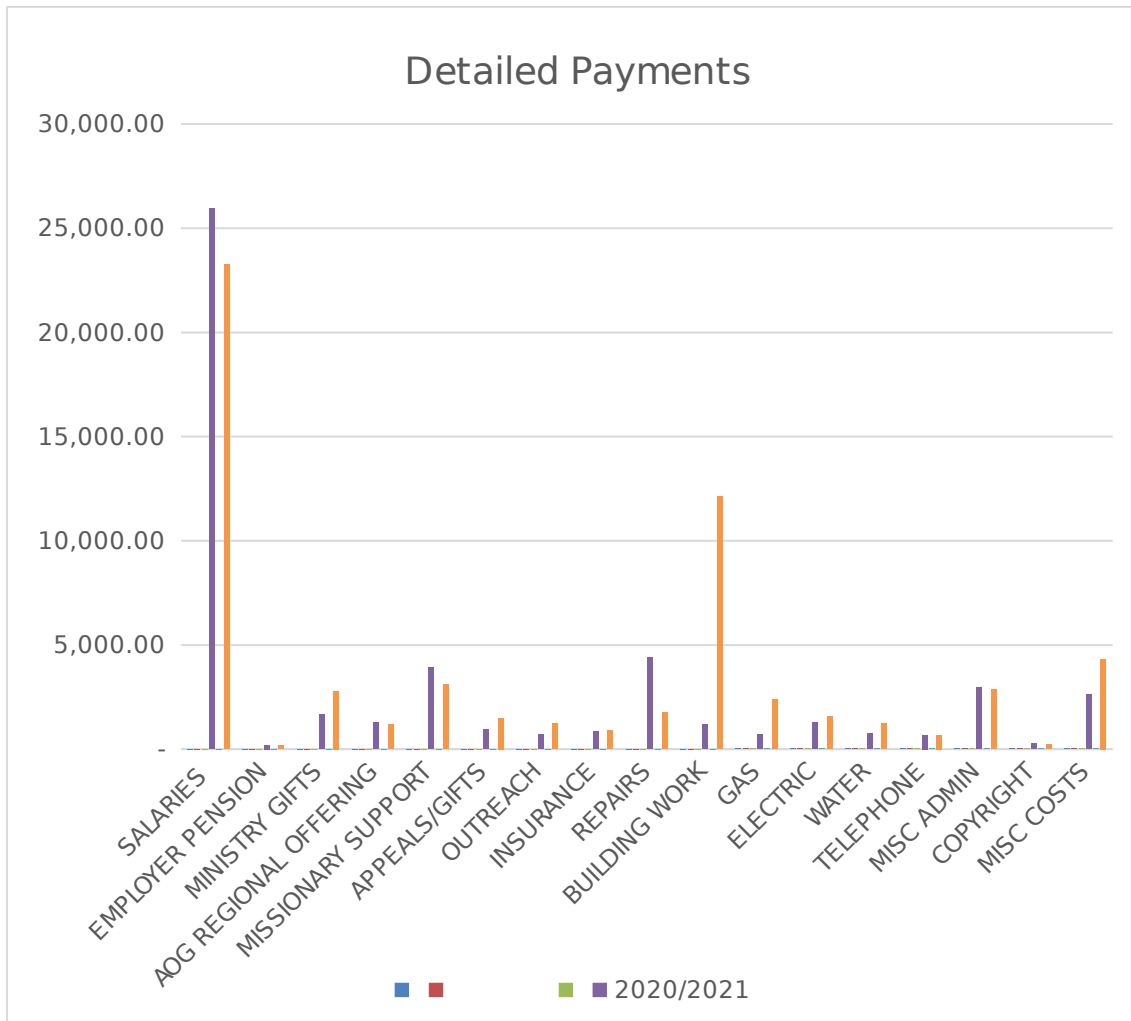
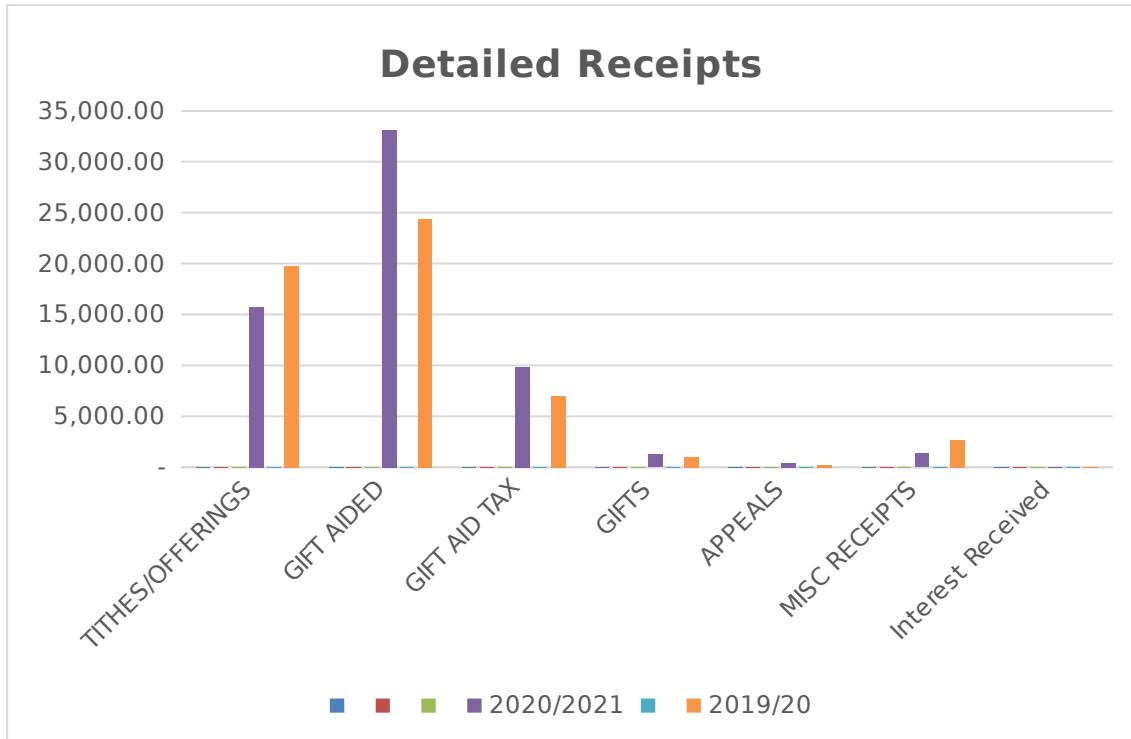
- Funds permitting recruitment of a Children/Youth Worker
- Restarting Children's Church extending its reach to the local community
- Increasing work in local schools
- Establishing new discipleship groups
- Promote FindGod.learnn.com
- Encouraging musicians within the church to lead worship.

Financial Review

Financially, the church has a great deal to be thankful to God for during the past financial year.

- Total income has increased by 12% to £61,663 (£55,085 2019/20) with Planned Giving (Tithes, Offerings, Gift Aid giving) increasing by 11% (or £4,672) to £48,828.
- Gift Aid recovered increased by 40% to £9,861.
- Total Expenditure fell by 18% to £50,406 resulting from the cost of building works being £10,918 lower than in the previous financial year.
- Support for ministries and missionaries was consistent with the previous year.
- Total Funds rose by £11,257 to £21,383.

Comparison with the previous year to 31st March 2020 are be shown as follows;



Trustees

Trustees who served during the period are as follows:

Egbert Boonstra (Chair)
Lucy Hall (Deputy Chair)
Margaret Boonstra
Ruth Bowler

Trainee Trustees

Derek Forster
Annabel Wesley

Structure, Governance and Management

The church is governed overall by a Board of Trustees, chosen from the membership and agreed by the serving Trustees. In addition, a Management Team deal with day-to-day issues.

Administrative Information

The following are the Church Officers and their areas of responsibility

Joint Pastors	Egbert & Margaret Boonstra
Church Treasurer	Shirley Hill
Church Secretary	Chris Blackburn
Financial Administration	Egbert Boonstra, Shirley Hill, Ruth Bowler
Gift Aid Financial Officer	Margaret Boonstra
Safeguarding Coordinator	Margaret Boonstra
Deputy Safeguarding Coordinator	Lucy Hall
Health & Safety/Risk Management	Simon Hobson
Media/Data Protection Lead	Ruth Bowler
First Aiders	Lucy Hall, Judith Gray

Training

Trustees and church officers receive appropriate training periodically throughout the year.

Volunteers

In addition to the named officers above, there is a dedicated team of church members who assist behind the scenes to ensure that the building is clean, well maintained and hospitable to all who use its facilities.

Financial Statements & Independent Examiners Report

What follows are the Financial Statements and Independent Examiners report.

THE GATE CHURCH Receipts & Payments Account 12 months ended 31st March 2021

	Unrestrict ed	Designate d	Restricted	Total 2020/202 1	Total 2019/20
Receipts					
TITHES/OFFERINGS	15,726.38			15,726.38	19,756.73
GIFT AIDED	33,102.50			33,102.50	24,400.00
GIFT AID TAX	9,860.87			9,860.87	7,003.00
GIFTS			1,250.00	1,250.00	1,000.00
APPEALS			380.76	380.76	225.00
MISC RECEIPTS	1,340.94			1,340.94	2,690.59
Interest Received	1.45			1.45	9.51
Total Receipts	60,032.14	-	1,630.76	61,662.90	55,084.83
Payments					
MINISTRY					
SALARIES	25,958.38			25,958.38	23,250.89
EMPLOYER PENSION	202.20			202.20	175.53
EMPLOYER NI	-			-	
MINISTRY GIFTS	1,655.00			1,655.00	2,798.00
AOG REGIONAL OFFERING	1,280.00			1,280.00	1,200.00
MISSIONARY SUPPORT	3,920.00			3,920.00	3,120.00
APPEALS/GIFTS			936.29	936.29	1,500.00
OUTREACH	717.50			717.50	1,231.70
Total Ministry Payments	33,733.08	-	936.29	34,669.37	33,276.12
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS					
INSURANCE	836.47			836.47	900.61
REPAIRS	4,030.00		382.00	4,412.00	1,768.00
BUILDING WORK	1,190.90			1,190.90	12,109.38
MISC				-	
Total Establishment Costs	6,057.37	-	382.00	6,439.37	14,777.99
ADMIN					
GAS	700.97			700.97	2,379.84
ELECTRIC	1,269.42				

				1,269.42	1,559.16
WATER	743.80			743.80	1,248.00
TELEPHONE	678.26			678.26	684.16
MISC ADMIN	2,979.48			2,979.48	2,870.35
COPYRIGHT	291.34			291.34	236.35
Total Administration	6,663.27		- -	6,663.27	8,977.86

MISC COSTS

MISC ITEMS	2,150.24			2,150.24	2,665.82
CHILDREN'S WORK	90.19			90.19	582.55
YOUTH WORK	-			-	
MUSIC	393.88			393.88	1,087.60
Total Miscellaneous Costs	2,634.31		- -	2,634.31	4,335.97

Total Payments	49,088.03		- 1,318.29	50,406.32	61,367.94
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Transfer Between Funds	1,074.83	(1,074.83)		-	
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Net Receipts /- Payments	12,018.94	(1,074.83)	312.47	11,256.58	(6,283.11)
Balance B/F 1st April 2020	(3,398.69)	12,300.00	1,225.00	10,126.31	16,409.42
Balance C/f 31st March 2021	8,620.25	11,225.17	1,537.47	21,382.89	10,126.31

Statement of Assets & Liabilities at 31st March 2021

Fixed Assets

- Buildings	100,000.00			100,000.00	100,000.00
- Plant & Equipment	2,815.00			2,815.00	2,815.00
Total Fixed Assets	102,815.00		-	102,815.00	102,815.00

Current Assets

Bank Current Account	10,157.72			10,157.72	8,222.59
Bank Savings Account	11,225.17			11,225.17	1,903.72
Total Current Assets	21,382.89		-	21,382.89	10,126.31


Liabilities

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Total Net Assets	124,197.89	-	124,197.89	112,941.31
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Approved by the Trustees of The Gate Church on 1st June 2021

Signed


E. Baanstra (Chair)

Trustee

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