

Authentic City Church (formerly Bethshan International Church)



Authentic
City Church

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Committed to "Making disciples of all nations" (Matt 28:19-20)

Annual Report and Accounts **For the 12 months ending** **31st March 2021**

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OBJECTIVES, GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERSHIP

The principle activities throughout the period under review were

- To advance the Gospel of Jesus Christ for the benefit of the public in accordance with the Statement of Fundamental Truths of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain and Ireland as approved by the General Council from time to time (the Statement);
- To advance the Christian faith in the United Kingdom for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, broadcasting, public celebration of religious festivals, producing and/or distributing literature and any other activity on Christian faith to enlighten others about the grace of God in Jesus Christ.

Membership of the Church is open to all who have exhibited saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and desire to worship God in the context of the Statement. The Church's governing document is a trust deed dated 30th March 1994 as amended by a supplementary deed dated 22nd March 2001.

The correspondence address is Crowcroft Road, Longsight, Manchester M12 4QD and its bankers are Clydesdale Bank plc (Virgin Money), 34 Princess Street, Stockport, SK1 1RE.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS & TRUSTEES SERVING DURING THE PERIOD

The Holding Trustees hold the land and buildings on behalf of the Church. The management of the church is vested in the church council members (Minister & Elders unlimited, Deacons 2 year term).

Rev Dereck Chunda, *Chair of Trustees/Council and Pastor* (appointed 25th March 2018)

Pastor John Edward Partington, *Trustee* (appointed 21st Nov 2015, resigned 18th December 2020)

Phillip Banda, *Trustee* (appointed 16th January 2019)

John Mccann, *Trustee* (appointed 16th January 2019)

Jeanette Adolcia Brown, *Trustee* (appointed 16th January 2019)

Langa Ndovie, *Trustee* (appointed 18th December 2020)

Frank Valantini, *Trustee* (appointed 18th December 2020)

Grace Mwanza, *Trustee* (appointed 18th December 2020)

Mrs Norma Underhill, Mr Robert Wardlaw, Dr Kolawole Saka and Miss Josephine McLachlan *acted as Holding Trustees*

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial results are set out in the enclosed accounts on pages 5 to 8. The Church invests in low risk savings accounts and cannot invest in stocks and shares. The Church aims to keep sufficient funds in hand to guarantee the continuation of its activities for the next 6 months.

STATEMENT REGARDING THE ACCOUNTS

We certify that the books, vouchers and information produced to enable the independent examination of our accounts to be conducted contain a full and correct record of our financial transactions and activities to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Signed on behalf of the Church Board and Trustees by Josephine McLachlan (Treasurer)



Dated: 20th March 2022

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Report of the Trustees and Activities Review

The Covid 19 pandemic has negatively affected the church. Uncertainty caused by rapid changes to the rules as the government sought to contain the spread of the virus caused by various Covid variants has made long term planning difficult. However, with the online alternative through Facebook, YouTube and Zoom members were able to connect and be part of the services. We continue to pray and hope that a way out of this pandemic will be found quicker than later as we continue to trust God and improve on new ways of doing church.

Multiple services in different languages were introduced on Sundays both in Longsight and Leeds locations to help maintain social distances due to Covid.

The **Grace Conference 2020**, during Easter, a time when the whole world remembers the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus brought in a new experience as the whole event was online live streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

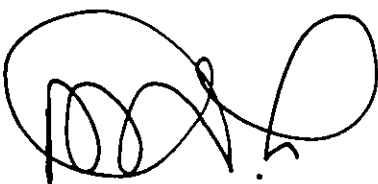
Due to Covid 19 negative impact on the operations of the church the planned merging of the two charities was put on hold. The trustees will continue to monitor the trend and decide at a later date. But the same trustees are now responsible for both charities.

Due to proximity to Longsight and in order to raise some additional income for the church, it was decided to rent the Gorton building to another church.

In June 2021 the church received an invoice from Manchester City Council for rental on the car park adjacent to the Crowcroft Road premises claiming additional monies from April 2016 of over twenty one thousand pounds, but despite attempts to engage with them we have currently been unable to come to an agreement on the amount due/repayment schedule. During this period all rental invoices from the City Council were paid and from June 2021 the church has paid the increased rental when it was notified. Pending resolution of this situation, no reserve for these extra charges has been made in the accounts.

The church continued its life changers program, a community outreach initiative that offers food bank around Longsight area throughout the year. The church gives basic food parcels to anyone who is on income support and is desperate in the community.

We are thankful to God and to all our supporters during these difficult times.



Dated: 20th March 2022

Rev Dereck Chunda
Chair of the Trustees

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Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts

To the Trustees/Members of Authentic City Church, Registered Charity 1052608, on the accounts for the 12 months ended 31st March 2021, set out on pages 5 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (as per Act Accounts and Audit Order 2015 SI 2015 No.321) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act; and
- State whether any particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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 the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 130 of the Act, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act and the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by Charities Financial Reporting Standard FRS102

have not been met: or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed 

Date: 20th March 2022

Paul Barnsley B.A. (Econ) (Hons), A.C.A., F.T.C.L. (Chartered Accountant)

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| | | 12 mont | 12 mont | 12 mont | 12 mont |
|--|-------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Notes | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total 2021 | Total 2020 |
| Statement of Financial Activities | | | | | |
| INCOMING RESOURCES | | | | | |
| Donations and legacies | 2 | 69,858.95 | 0.00 | 69,858.95 | 83,660.64 |
| Investment Income | 3 | 1.32 | 0.00 | 1.32 | 0.00 |
| Total | | 69,860.27 | 0.00 | 69,860.27 | 83,660.64 |
| RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | | | |
| Cost of Raising Funds | 4 | (1,177.76) | 0.00 | (1,177.76) | (2,931.51) |
| Costs of Charitable Activities | 5 | (73,461.23) | 0.00 | (73,461.23) | (90,377.01) |
| Total | | (74,638.99) | 0.00 | (74,638.99) | (93,308.52) |
| NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME | | (4,778.72) | 0.00 | (4,778.72) | (9,647.88) |
| Total Funds brought forward | | 240,284.95 | (1,131.57) | 239,153.38 | 248,801.26 |
| Transfers between funds | | (1,131.57) | 1,131.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | 234,374.66 | 0.00 | 234,374.66 | 239,153.38 |

Balance Sheet

| | | | | | |
|--|----|------------|------|------------|------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible Assets | 9 | 224,857.41 | 0.00 | 224,857.41 | 216,597.24 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Stock | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 602.41 |
| Debtors | 10 | 704.10 | 0.00 | 704.10 | 4,767.68 |
| Bank | | 12,261.74 | 0.00 | 12,261.74 | 23,485.97 |
| Total current assets | | 12,965.84 | 0.00 | 12,965.84 | 28,856.06 |
| Creditors : Amounts falling due within 1 Year | 11 | (3,448.59) | 0.00 | (3,448.59) | (6,299.92) |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | 9,517.25 | 0.00 | 9,517.25 | 22,556.14 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 234,374.66 | 0.00 | 234,374.66 | 239,153.38 |
| REPRESENTED BY | | | | | |
| Unrestricted Funds | | 234,374.66 | 0.00 | 234,374.66 | 240,284.95 |
| Restricted Funds | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | (1,131.57) |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | 234,374.66 | 0.00 | 234,374.66 | 239,153.38 |

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Date : 20th March 2022

Josephine McLachlan

Dereck Chunda

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Accounting Basis and Standards

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the notes. They have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 and with the Charities Act 2011.

b. Voluntary Income

Voluntary Income is recorded in full when received.

c. Gift Aid

Gift Aid reclaimable on donations received is recognised as due to the charity when the original donation is made.

d. Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the accounts as soon as there is a legal obligation.

e. Depreciation

Depreciation on Fixed Assets is provided on the straight line basis at a rate estimated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life at the following rates per annum

Computer & PA equipment 20%

Fixtures, fittings and equipment 10%

No depreciation has been provided on the freehold land and buildings as the Trustees consider that the market value is substantially greater than cost.

| Notes | 12 mont Unrestricted Funds | 12 mont Restricted Funds | 12 mont Total 2021 | 12 mont Total 2020 |
|-------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|-------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Voluntary Income

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|------|-----------|-----------|
| Freewill offerings | 182.00 | 0.00 | 182.00 | 25,828.88 |
| Freewill offerings Tuesday fellowship | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,138.45 |
| Funds from former Grace City church | 66,151.78 | 0.00 | 66,151.78 | 31,876.46 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 3,010.17 | 0.00 | 3,010.17 | 2,462.88 |
| | 69,343.95 | 0.00 | 69,343.95 | 62,306.67 |

Other Income

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|
| Donations qualifying for gift aid | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5,986.50 |
| Room Hire | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,015.00 |
| Rental Income | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,145.00 |
| Bookshop sales | 515.00 | 0.00 | 515.00 | 3,125.72 |
| Sundry Donations | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 780.00 |
| Tax Refunds on Gift Aid | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6,301.75 |
| Total Donations and legacies | 69,858.95 | 0.00 | 69,858.95 | 83,660.64 |

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| | Notes | 12 mont Unrestricted Funds | 12 mont Restricted Funds | 12 mont Total 2021 | 12 mont Total 2020 |
|---|-------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 3. INVESTMENT INCOME | | | | | |
| Bank Interest receivable | | 1.32 | 0.00 | 1.32 | 0.00 |
| Total Investment Income | | <u>1.32</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>1.32</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| 4. COST OF RAISING FUNDS | | | | | |
| Bookshop Purchases | | 804.88 | 0.00 | 804.88 | 1,950.79 |
| Kitchen expenses | | 372.88 | 0.00 | 372.88 | 0.00 |
| Tuesday fellowship expenses | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 871.50 |
| Magazines | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 109.22 |
| Total Cost of Raising Funds | | <u>1,177.76</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>1,177.76</u> | <u>2,931.51</u> |
| 5. COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES | | | | | |
| Staff costs and emoluments | 6 | 42,078.26 | 0.00 | 42,078.26 | 55,295.52 |
| Missionary gifts and support | 7 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 274.00 |
| General expenses | | 920.04 | 0.00 | 920.04 | 547.91 |
| Sunday school and Youth expenses | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 649.00 |
| Travel expenses and subsistence | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 200.00 |
| Gas, water and electricity | | 13,464.31 | 0.00 | 13,464.31 | 16,702.86 |
| Maintenance, cleaning repairs and renewals | | 2,643.78 | 0.00 | 2,643.78 | 4,948.28 |
| Car park rental | | 3,600.00 | 0.00 | 3,600.00 | 3,600.00 |
| Insurance | | 3,557.18 | 0.00 | 3,557.18 | 3,158.05 |
| Telephone | | 1,144.45 | 0.00 | 1,144.45 | 1,889.38 |
| Donations | | 500.00 | 0.00 | 500.00 | 0.00 |
| AOG Subscriptions | | 1,980.00 | 0.00 | 1,980.00 | 2,160.00 |
| Criminal record checks | | 171.00 | 0.00 | 171.00 | 162.00 |
| Accountancy | | 843.41 | 0.00 | 843.41 | 395.00 |
| Depreciation - fixtures | | 161.53 | 0.00 | 161.53 | 139.81 |
| Depreciation - computers | | 2,397.27 | 0.00 | 2,397.27 | 255.20 |
| Total Costs of Charitable Activities | | <u>73,461.23</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>73,461.23</u> | <u>90,377.01</u> |
| 6. STAFF COSTS AND EMOLUMENTS | | | | | |
| Stipends, salaries, pensions and NIC | | 39,878.26 | 0.00 | 39,878.26 | 52,695.52 |
| Visiting ministry fees and accomodation | | 2,200.00 | 0.00 | 2,200.00 | 2,600.00 |
| Total Staff costs and emoluments | | <u>42,078.26</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>42,078.26</u> | <u>55,295.52</u> |
| 7. MISSIONARY GIFTS AND SUPPORT | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous missionary costs | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 274.00 |
| Total Missionary gifts and support | | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>274.00</u> |
| 8. TRUSTEES RENUMERATION AND EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Remuneration (including Employer pension/NHI) and expenses were paid as shown below to trustees for services as m | | | | | |
| Pastor J Partington | | 2,200.00 | 0.00 | 2,200.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Pastor D Chunda | | 26,819.76 | 0.00 | 26,819.76 | 26,841.36 |
| Total Trustees Remuneration and expenses | | <u>29,019.76</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>29,019.76</u> | <u>29,341.36</u> |

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9. TANGIBLE ASSETS

| | Freehold Land and Buildings | Furniture Fixtures & Equipment | Computer Equipment | Total |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Opening Cost | 218,133.00 | 130,217.58 | 8,885.86 | 357,236.44 |
| Additions | 0.00 | 0.00 | 10,818.97 | 10,818.97 |
| Closing Cost | 218,133.00 | 130,217.58 | 19,704.83 | 368,055.41 |
| Opening Depreciation | 3,495.00 | 129,346.57 | 7,797.63 | 140,639.20 |
| Charge for the period | 0.00 | 139.81 | 2,418.99 | 2,558.80 |
| Closing Cost | 3,495.00 | 129,486.38 | 10,216.62 | 143,198.00 |
| Net Book Value | | | | |
| As at 31st March 2020 | 214,638.00 | 871.01 | 1,088.23 | 216,597.24 |
| As at 31st March 2021 | 214,638.00 | 731.20 | 9,488.21 | 224,857.41 |

| | Notes | 12 mont Unrestricted Funds | 12 mont Restricted Funds | 12 mont Total 2021 | 12 mont Total 2020 |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 10. DEBTORS | | | | | |
| Gift Aid claims | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4,310.00 |
| Prepayments | | 704.10 | 0.00 | 704.10 | 457.68 |
| Total Debtors | | 704.10 | 0.00 | 704.10 | 4,767.68 |

11. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN 1 YEAR

| | | | | |
|--|----------|------|----------|----------|
| Accruals | 2,971.27 | 0.00 | 2,971.27 | 4,509.81 |
| Pension Fund deductions | 140.00 | 0.00 | 140.00 | 0.00 |
| Taxation and Social Security | 337.32 | 0.00 | 337.32 | 1,790.11 |
| Total Creditors : Amounts falling due within 1 Year | 3,448.59 | 0.00 | 3,448.59 | 6,299.92 |

11. Contingent Liability

In June 2021 the church received an invoice from Manchester City Council for rental on the car park adjacent to the Crowcroft Road premises claiming additional monies from April 2016 of over twenty one thousand pounds, but despite attempts to engage with them we have currently been unable to come to an agreement on the amount due/repayment schedule. During this period all rental invoices from the City Council were paid and from June 2021 the church has paid the increased rental when it was notified. Pending resolution of this situation, no reserve for these extra charges has been made in the accounts.