



Authentic City Church

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

ANNUAL TRUSTEES REPORT

1st April 2024- 31st March 2025

Authentic City Church, registered charity 1052608, is committed to making disciples of all nations according to Matt 28:19-20. The church is passionate about the unconditional love of God and bringing hope to everyone in the local communities and beyond.

The trustees for period: Rev Dereck Chunda – **69 Gransmoor Road Manchester, M11 1JP** (Chair), Mr Frank G. Valantini, Mrs Grace Mwanza, Mr Langa L. Ndovie, Jeanette Adolcia Brown, and Philip Banda

Report Summary

The church has experienced stability and experienced growth in the duration of the report. The multiple services in different languages on Sundays continued both in Longsight and Keighly locations as a way of reflecting the diversity and culture of the communities we serve. Once a year on the International Day we have one combined service with food served to everyone in order to enhance unity and cohesion of the church family

The **Grace Conference 2024**, during Easter, a time when the whole world remembers the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus brought in a new experience as we all gathered together to worship God.

The planned merging of the two charities was still on hold. The trustees are continuing to monitor the trend and will decide at a later date.

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.

Submitted on behalf of the trustees

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a series of loops and a trailing flourish.

Reverend Dereck Chunda

Chair of Board

26th January 2026

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
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CHARITY REG. NO. 1052608**

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- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.*

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INCOMING RESOURCES

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TOTAL		75,856.38	75,856.38	78,731.03	78,731.03

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Cost of Raising Funds	4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Costs of Charitable Asctivities	5	78,543.99	78,543.99	82,491.25	82,491.25
TOTAL		78,543.99	78,543.99	82,491.25	82,491.25

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NET (Expenditure)/ Income		-2,687.61	-2,687.61	-3,760.22	-3,760.22
Total Funds brought forward		228,930.77	228,930.77	232,690.99	232,690.99
Fund Transfers				-	-
Closing Funds		226,243.16	226,243.16	228,930.77	228,930.77

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Tangible Assets	6	231,288.07	231,288.07	229,898.07	229,898.07
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Current Assets

Debtors	7	-	-	-	-
Bank		1291.02	1291.02	1,476.87	1,476.87
Total Current Assets		1,291.02	1,291.02	1,476.87	1,476.87

Creditors: Amounts falling due within 1 yr

	8	6,334.93	6,334.93	2,443.17	2,443.17
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NET CURRENT ASSETS	-	5,043.91	-	-966.30	-966.30

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Francis Maina

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Miscellaneous Income/ Gift Aid		-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00
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<i>Other Income</i>					
Bookshop Sales		-	-		
TOTAL DONATION AND LEGACIES		-	-		

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Administration Costs	5				
Staff costs and emoluments		40,586.50	40,586.50	49,889.28	49,889.28
General expenses		14.00	14.00 -	1.00 -	1.00
Gas, water and electricity		21,894.27	21,894.27	17,592.08	17,592.08
Maintnance,Cleaning, Repairs etc			-	472.13	472.13
Car park rental		7,800.00	7,800.00	5,850.00	5,850.00
Insurance		4,464.50	4,464.50	4,393.00	4,393.00
Telephone & Internet charges		258.64	258.64	258.13	258.13
AOG Subscriptions		1,980.00	1,980.00	2,160.00	2,160.00
Criminal record checks		486.08	486.08	187.00	187.00
Accountancy	-	200.00 -	200.00	290.95	290.95
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TANGIBLE ASSETS

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Addition		-	2,649.61	-	2,649.61
Closing Cost		220,795.00	135,471.36	26,640.83	382,907.19
Opening depreciation		3,495.00	130,180.12	16,684.00	150,359.12
Charge for the period		-	-	1,260.00	1,260.00
Closing Cost		3,495.00	130,180.12	17,944.00	151,619.12
Net Book Value					
As at 31 March 2024		217,300.00	5,291.24	9,956.83	232,548.07
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ACCOUNTS TO YEAR 31 MARCH 2025		2025	2025	2024	2024
	Notes	Unrestricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Total Funds
DEBTORS	7				
Prepayments		-	-	-	-
Total Debtors		-	-	-	-

CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN 1 YEAR

Accruals	2,443.75	2,443.75	1,028.94	1,028.94
Pension Fund deductions	646.80	646.80	-	-
Taxation and Social Security	3,244.38	3,244.38	-	-
Total Creditors: Amounts falling due within 1 Year	6,334.93	6,334.93	1,028.94	1,028.94

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. **Despite our attempts to engage with them, we have currently been unable to come on an agreement on the amount due.** During this period all rental invoices from the City Council were paid and from June 2021, the Church has increased the rental when notified. Pending resolution of this situation, no reserve for these extra charges has been made in the accounts

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The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received

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The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report

Investment income

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