



COMMUNITY LIFE CHURCH

Know - Grow - Go

AGM July 2022

Pastor's Report

We are back again at an AGM and we are almost back in our normal pre-Covid cycle. Isn't that nice to know!

We have had to continue to adapt and change as a church family throughout the pandemic and as we have been learning to live with Covid as a present reality, but less of a whole-life disruption than it was.

We have seen a fair few changes in the way that we do church. From starting 2021 on Zoom and getting into our groove, before restrictions lifted and we felt that God was calling us out of the school where the church had worshipped for most of its existence. We were very well looked after by the school and are so grateful for the time that we spent worshipping there and running events there. We must make it clear in this report that the only reason for moving was that God was moving us on, there was no relational fallout between the church and the school and they expressed their openness to our returning for one off or regular events if we ever wanted to return. God was asking us to move on so that we could pursue 'welcome' over 'work' where the set up and pack down of church would be greatly reduced and we would all be able to concentrate our efforts on prayer meetings and welcoming people before the services started instead of the long setup needed at the school.

We prayerfully pursued other options for meeting places and felt drawn by the Spirit to ask the local churches if we could share their Sanctuaries when they were not in use by their own congregations. We met with Victoria and Sally who were very open and accepting of us using All Saints on the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month while the benefice was in its current Service Structure of only using the church on the 3rd Sunday. After meeting, praying and worshipping together, as a leadership team, we really felt that this was where God wanted us at the time being.

We were able to see the opportunity presented to us in having a week of the month where we had to think creatively about how we "did church" and so we created 'Church Outside the Box'. Part of our reasoning behind this was the recognition that life is very full for many people and that adding lots of church activities on to the list of things to prioritise is hard for people with jobs and families. We saw this restriction on meeting as an opportunity to run community building events where people could bring their friends and family to meet their church family in non-threatening easy environments, and also events like prayer walking and adopting a street. We were so pleased with these events that we carried on with the 'Church Outside the Box' structure even when the restriction of the 3rd Sunday was no longer relevant.

During our time at All Saints we saw God bring people to join us, new friends and old friends, we also had the privilege of working closely with All Saints and putting on a successful joint Carol Service. We also ran a Community Christmas Eve Craft event that was quite well attended by members of the community and we had a great show thanks to Neil Maddock.

We continued to have a strong start to the year, enjoying being back together in person and growing together as a church.



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Our Monday afternoon prayer group continued to grow as new people joined the church who were really passionate about praying for the village. This has been a great time spent sharing what we feel God is saying to the church, and what God wants to do in the community and praying prophetically with authority over our village.

We started to run “The Well” in the evenings based on a prophetic word that Nai had about re-digging the wells that the enemy had filled in. We sought God to discern what these wells were and we had many encouraging prophetic words and pictures that helped us to seek God’s plan for our church reaching out in the community. We had several guests who spoke into what we were doing and brought their own flavour and styles to the meetings training and leading us in prayers and worship over our village. These evenings have been well attended by people who are not regular members of our church but who have the desire to meet and encounter God’s presence.

In March of 2022 we were given notice that we could no longer meet at All Saints, which was a great disappointment, but we found a new meeting place quickly at Baddesley Baptist Church. They have been very generous in allowing us storage and the use of their Sanctuary on Sunday Afternoons.

We have not seen the positive effects of afternoon services that we had hoped for initially when we decided to try out meeting in the afternoon, and so we do not believe that this is a long term plan for church services. We do, however, feel as though we should keep with the current afternoon services for a while as a stable base for growth for a time and pursue how we can work more closely with Baddesley Baptist Church while we are hiring their building. We did have a successful joint Easter service and are hoping to have more joint services together in the future.

We are fully believing that we will see the plans of God for our church fulfilled in us as we are united in obedience to Him and commit to passionately serving Him together. We will see people coming to faith, people encountering the transformational power of the Spirit and people living lives of freedom, forgiveness and fullness through Jesus Christ. He will be the centre, the source and the goal of all we do as Community Life Church.

Our priorities moving forward as a church are:

- Continued growth in all areas of church;
- Starting Children’s and Youth Provisions in September;
- Increasing our Life-group provision by 2 further Life-groups, including a daytime one;
- Continuing to grow people in their gifts and service/leadership.



Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

Basic Information

True Life Church, North Baddesley is a charity registered with the Charity Commission number 1053552.

The Trustees during the year (the Church Council) were:

Ali Tuft (Chair)
Andy Blakeman
John Higson
Jo Wheeler

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Statements of Financial Activities 2021

General Income and Expenditure Account Year to 31 December 2021						
2020			General Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£			£	£		£
Income:						
	General Offerings					
24,412.03		Direct Payments	23,500.86			23,500.86
1,918.90		Offering	1,333.20			1,333.20
377.00		Donations	1,228.00			1,228.00
200.00	Other Gifts:		1,125.00			1,125.00
Other Income:						
7,593.81		Tax recovered re Gift Aid	4,464.32			4,464.32
2.22		Interest (Lloyds)	1.99			1.99
26.50		Books	42.25			42.25
0.00		Events	55.52			55.52
1,000.00	Transfer from Building Fund		13.19	1,837.00	1	1,850.19
1,600.00	Transfers from CLC			1,040.00	2	1,040.00
300.00	Transfers from NBY		0.00			0.00
37,430.46	Total Income:		31,764.33	2,877.00		34,641.33
Expenditure:						
235.00	Ministry		155.00			155.00
2,124.80	Hire of Premises		350.00			350.00
12.16	Printing, administration etc		22.27			22.27
0.00	Equipment etc		188.90			188.90
366.09	Books, magazines etc		88.48			88.48
0.00	Catering / Events		77.97			77.97
642.36	Affiliation Fees (AoG and EA)		642.36			642.36
340.00	Training/conferences (& Travel)		250.00			250.00
195.98	CCLI		201.66			201.66
870.26	Insurances		904.32			904.32
	Gifts to Others:					
2,655.00		Charitable Giving	2,050.00		3	2,050.00
20,541.32	Salaries		16,743.96			16,743.96
616.24	Pension Costs		502.32			502.32
0.00	Legal Expenses		40.00			40.00
120.00	CCPAS		100.00			100.00
99.00	Software Subscriptions		0.00			0.00
50.00	AOG Minister Subscription		0.00			0.00
45.00	Support for CLC					0.00
66.30	Refreshments and Consumables		73.33			73.33
0.00	Travel		108.00			108.00
22.36	Other expenses		284.96		4	284.96
	Transfer to Investment Account				1	0.00
	Transfer to Community Life Centre		2,798.80		5	2,798.80
29,001.87	Total Expenditure:		25,582.33	0.00		25,582.33
8,428.59	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:		6,182.00	2,877.00		9,059.00
32,161.41	Balance in hand 1 January		40,701.00	(111.00)		40,590.00
40,590.00	Balance in hand 31 December:		46,883.00	2,766.00		49,649.00

North Baddesley Youth Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
0.00	North Baddesley Youth Income:				
	Subs (and Tuck)	5.95		6	5.95
0.00	Total Income:	5.95	0.00		5.95
	Expenditure:				
300.00	North Baddesley Youth				
	<i>There was no activity in 2021</i>				
	<i>Transfers to General Account</i>	0.00			
300.00	Total Expenditure:	0.00	0.00		0.00
(300.00)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	5.95	0.00		5.95
1,710.40	Balance in hand 1 January	1,410.40			1,410.40
1,410.40	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,416.35	0.00		1,416.35

Building Fund Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
2.09	Interest	0.06			0.06
2.09	Total Income:	0.06			0.06
	Expenditure:				
1,000.00	Transfer to General Fund	13.19	1,837.00		1,850.19
1,000.00	Total Expenditure:	13.19	1,837.00		1,850.19
(997.91)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(13.13)	(1,837.00)		(1,850.13)
4,664.43	Balance in hand 1 January	1,829.52	1,837.00		3,666.52
3,666.52	Balance in hand 31 December:	1,816.39	0.00	7	1,816.39

Community Life Centre Year to 31 December 2021					
2020		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
	Income:				
4,249.80	Grants		12,044.00	8	12,044.00
45.00	Support from Community Life Church	2,798.80		5	2,798.80
9,847.79	Other donations	2,915.18			2,915.18
0.86	Interest	0.76			0.76
	Fund Raising	255.00		9	255.00
14,143.45	Total Income:	5,969.74	12,044.00		18,013.74
	Expenditure:				
6,337.93	Rent	4,000.00	1,000.00	10	5,000.00
0.00	Advertising	0.00	104.59		104.59
29.00	Admin, Printing and Stationery	0.00			0.00
25.21	Insurances and other fees	25.97			25.97
2,264.18	Maintenance, furniture and equipment	0.00	2,234.90	11	2,234.90
41.41	Refreshments, Supplies & Consumables	56.09			56.09
2,754.00	Salaries	2,940.00			2,940.00
1,494.11	Electricity, w ater and telephone	1,489.98			1,489.98
66.00	Other expenses	386.13	0.00		386.13
163.28	Subscriptions (Music and Anti-Virus)	38.44			38.44
1,600.00	Transfer to General Fund		1,040.00	2	1,040.00
248.42	Support for Families	0.00	430.00	12	430.00
15,023.54	Total Expenditure:	8,936.61	4,809.49		13,746.10
(880.09)	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year:	(2,966.87)	7,234.51		4,267.64
(14,145.21)	Balance in hand 1 January	(18,562.70)	3,537.40		(15,025.30)
(15,025.30)	Balance in hand 31 December:	(21,529.57)	10,771.91		(10,757.66)

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021					
31 December 2020		General Funds	Designated / Restricted Funds	Notes	Total
£		£	£		£
Balance on Funds:					
40,590.00	General Fund	46,883.00	2,766.00		49,649.00
1,410.40	North Baddesley Youth	1,416.35	0.00		1,416.35
3,666.52	Building Fund	1,816.39	0.00		1,816.39
(15,025.30)	Community Life Centre	(21,529.57)	10,771.91		(10,757.66)
30,641.62	Total - all Funds	28,586.17	13,537.91		42,124.08
Represented by:					
18,411.69	Investment - Lloyds		20,250.68		20,250.68
Bank etc Balances:					
5,745.76	Bank - General Fund	9,583.59			9,583.59
458.89	Bank - North Baddesley Youth	458.89		13	458.89
1,911.97	Bank - CLC	641.09			641.09
3,512.17	Bank - CLC Savings		10,859.88	14	10,859.88
1,850.13	Building Fund	0.00			0.00
(1,449.00)	Creditor - Rent			15	0.00
153.73	Rounding & PAYE/NI & Adjustments				0.00
29.32	Cash in hand - General	284.74			284.74
16.96	Cash in hand - CLC	39.26			39.26
0.00	Cash in hand - North Baddesley Youth	5.95			5.95
30,641.62		11,013.52	31,110.56		42,124.08

J Wheeler, Treasurer. May 2022

Disclosures to above accounts

- 1 Nationw ide Account closed and the restricted balance transferred to the Investment account
- 2 Funds included in the grant to the Community Life Centre for salary for project manager and the Pastor.
- 3 Donations to other supported charities.
- 4 Safeguarding Registration and Banners for the church
- 5 Funds to support the Centre w hen account balance w as low .
- 6 Cash accounted for after ceasation of Youth activites.
- 7 Nominal Account Balance despite Account being closed.
- 8 Three Grants received for specific community projects.
- 9 Funds raised for the Community Life Centre by a supporter.
- 10 Funds for rent included in a grant.
- 11 Funds included in grants for equipment and maintenance for specific projects.
- 12 Food voucher scheme for families in the community.
- 13 No movement in balance due to suspension of all youth activities.
- 14 All funds in the savings account are restriced for projects.
- 15 Hall Hire accrued from previous year.

True Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2021

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Church Council (the Trustees) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church (the charity) as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Church Council is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate, and
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the Trustees' Report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council on ####/####/####.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Trustee

Date: ####/####/####

True Life Church, North Baddesley
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

Accounting policies

The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2016).

The financial statements are prepared, on a going concern basis and the charity is dependent on donation income and as a consequence the going concern basis is also dependent on donation income continuing.

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

Liabilities are recognised on the accruals basis in accordance with normal accounting principles, modified where necessary in accordance with the guidance given in the relevant Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales

The policy for including items within the relevant activity categories of resources expended is to allocate costs to the most appropriate activity. In particular the policy for including items within costs of generating funds, charitable activities and governance costs is:

Costs of generating funds

The costs of raising and generating funds includes the incidental costs of staging various events.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

Governance costs

Governance costs include all expenditure directly related to the administration of the charity, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity maintains a general unrestricted fund which represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

The charity has designated certain funds for specific uses – these are: the Building Fund (unrestricted element), the Community Life Centre Account, and the Youth Account. Once funds have been designated for a particular purpose, use of those funds for general purposes will require formal approval of the Trustees.

Restricted funds have been provided to the charity for particular purposes, and it is the policy of the Trustees to carefully monitor the application of those funds in accordance with the restrictions placed upon them.

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

Accounting policies - continued

Apart from Ali Tuft (for which approval is given within the Church's Constitution) neither the Trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration, either in the current year or the prior year

The Disclosures to the Accounts on page 4 should be read alongside these accounting policies.

Reserves policy:

The Church Council believes that the Church should hold sufficient balances on its general and other accounts to allow it to continue operating even if there was a significant reduction in the level of giving.

The Church Council considers that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of 16 weeks' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of expected spend in 2022 this will be in the order of £15,000. The Balance Sheet at 31 December 2021 shows that the unrestricted balance on the General Fund, plus the designated balances of the Building, Youth and CLC Funds stood at £28,500.

Statement of Public Benefit for the year ended 31 December 2021

Because we are legally a "smaller charity" and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As Church Council (the Trustees) we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Church – as set out in its Constitution – are:

"The Church is formed:

- [1] to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrinal basis as set out in Clause 3 [of the Constitution].
- [2] to provide such services to the community that are in keeping with the Christian ethos and exemplified in the Bible."

We consider that Object [1] above passes the "public benefit test" because advancing the Christian religion in our community has a positive impact on the moral and ethical behaviour of those with whom we come in contact.

Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

Object [2] was added to our Constitution as a result of opening the Community Life Centre – which clearly provides benefit to the whole of the community. As can be seen from main report, the Centre is an open access facility and we have been delighted to assist people from all walks of life including those of other faiths and none.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Church Council
For the year ended 31 December 2021**

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees on the accounts of the Charity

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 under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

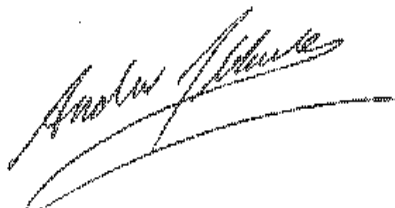
My examination was carried out in accordance with all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items 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 material matters have come to my which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Andrew J Clarke cpfa

The date upon which my opinion is expressed is 11 June 2022

Community Life Church

AGM – 24/07/2022

Treasurers Report

The AGM has been held considerably later than normal and this was due to an issue in getting the balance sheet to balance which took some time and effort from Andrew Clarke and myself. I finally figured out the discrepancy and Andrew has helped to get the balances in order, so hopefully going forward we won't have this issue again. We are very grateful for Andrew Clarke agreeing to audit the accounts again and for all the time he has taken over them.

The church remained in a relatively stable position throughout the year. The church continued to support the Community Life Centre covering the rent, although many of the rest of the expenses were covered by steady donations and grants, although these will be more strained with energy costs increasing significantly. This a significant drain on church resources, but not begrudged due to the significantly important outreach the Centre is to the community.

Gift Aid is a substantial contributor to church finances so if there is anyone who pays tithe to the church and pays tax, then we'd be grateful if you could complete a Gift Aid form so the church can benefit from Gift Aid on their contributions. We have benefitted from a large grant received last year which helped towards Ali's salary, but sadly that ends at the end of the year, so Rosie and Ali and trying very hard to replace that funding. The Walk the Testway fund raiser is on in September so if anyone is brave enough to participate and raise money for the Centre will be a Centre hero. Last year Kai did a wonderful job raising money for the Centre by Walking the Testway. Hopefully, there will be other opportunities to raise funds later in the year too.

The church started meeting again in person last year and we are taking cash offerings again, which is another welcome stream of income. We can take offering in a more electronic format so if you would prefer give in a cashless format, let us know and we'll make that option more available.

Whilst on Zoom we benefitted from not paying rent, but thankfully the rent we paid at All Saints and now at the Baptist Church have still been less than what we paid at the Junior School, so this has been very helpful on the finances.

We pleased to be able to give 10% of the church income to worthy causes. We are still considering which causes to donate to this year, so if anyone has a particular Christian charity on their hearts and they would like to champion it on the church's behalf then let the leadership know and we discuss it with you further and amongst the leadership. We'd like to support one local, one national and one international charity.

Sadly, the finances haven't increased sufficiently to support Ali in a full-time position yet, so currently he will have to continue part-time. Thankfully, St Peter's school are happy to keep him on for the next academic year. Please pray the church finances improve substantially over the next year so we can once again pay Ali a full-time salary.

Thank you to everyone who contributes so faithfully and consistently. You are an immense blessing to the church in keeping it functioning and operating usefully. You are a great blessing to church.