SPRINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1054358

Details

Other names	WARE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1996-04-09
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: 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;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 THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;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

Activities: THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST IS PROCLAIMED AND PEOPLE ARE CHALLENGED TO PUT THEIR FAITH INTO ACTION, TO BE OBEDIENT TO GOD AND TO BE GOOD CITIZENS IN OUR COMMUNITY. SUPPORT ALSO IS GIVEN TO SELECTED ORGANISATIONS THAT SPECIALISE IN BIBLE TEACHING, ESTABLISHING CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIPS, SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND RELIEF FOR THOSE DEVASTATED BY NATURAL DISASTERS AROUND THE WORLD.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, 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, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** IN PRACTICE WARE
- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£56,476	£32,509	-	-
2024-03-31	£44,529	£41,878	-	-
2023-03-31	£48,374	£37,612	-	-
2022-03-31	£35,999	£28,684	-	-
2021-03-31	£27,756	£20,367	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Philip Sharp		2020-02-02
SIMON JOHN DONGER		

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Agenda

Annual General Meeting (25-Jan-2026)

All Members are expected to make every effort to be present, it is part of your membership and a meeting that is required by Law.

16 members present ✓
+ 3 church council members
+ online (unknown)

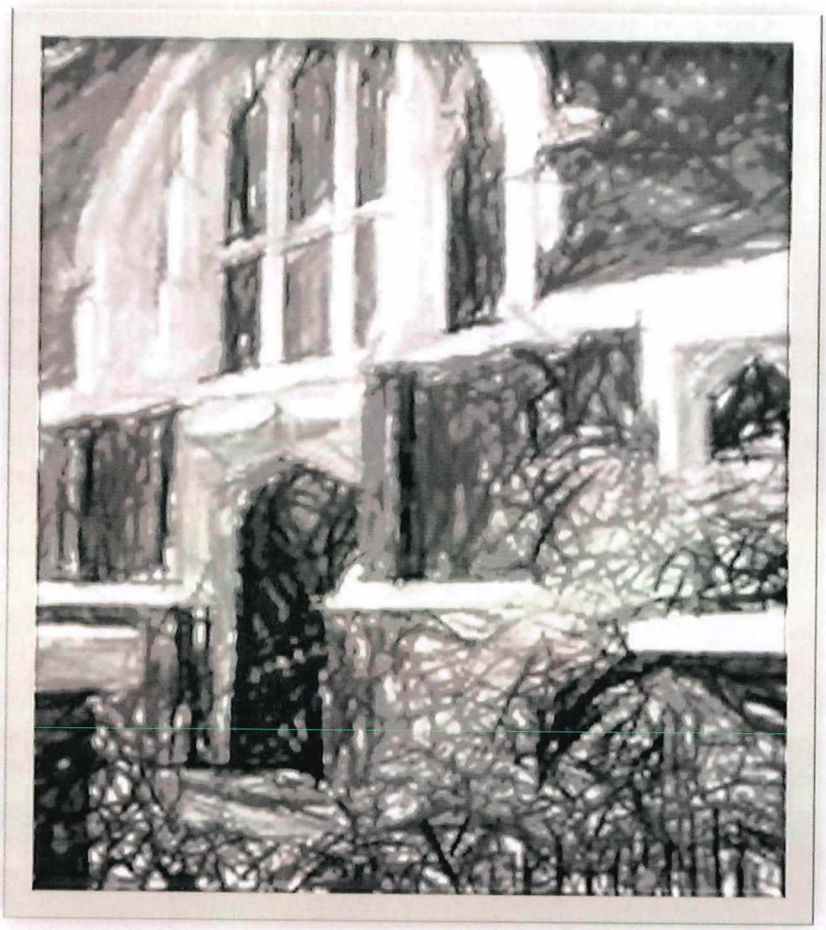
✓ OPEN IN PRAYER – Phil

1. REPORTS (Simon + Tash)
   - **a.** Leadership ✓
   - **b.** Treasurer ✓
   - **c.** Youth ✓
   - **d.** Sunday School ✓
   - **e.** Worship ✓
   - **f.** Prayer ✓
   - **g.** Faith Builders ✓
   - **h.** Outreach - Street (Open Air) and Residential Homes ✓
2. ANY OTHER BUSINESS This should be submitted in writing to the Church Council and be received 2 days before the AGM meeting. ✓
3. DATE OF NEXT AGM – 24 Jan 2027 ✓ – may change
4. CLOSING REMARKS ✓ – thanks to all who contribute
5. THANKSGIVING TO GOD ✓ – Eric

- reports handed to members who hadn't seen online + a few minutes given to read
- church council introduced themselves

AOB No questions submitted + none raised in meeting

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Leadership Report

Introduction

This is the seventeenth year of producing a printed annual report for members in which we provide our reports, the accounts and look to the future.

This report deals solely with the events and activities of 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

Overview

As in previous years, the overall objective was to continue to build an intercultural and spiritual community as well as to maintain a stable structure for meetings and administration. It aimed at encouraging the ongoing spiritual growth in the body of the church. There was also an intention to continue to make improvements on the building. As part of achieving the above aims, the leadership continued its search and processes for appointing a new minister to bring a renewed vision for the church. Though we worked towards achieving this goal and gave priority for recruitment, this was not materialised due to various reasons. Meetings, administration processes, and improvements of the building were addressed. The church has begun to grow in quality and quantity. Young members of the church began to take more initiative in spiritual activities. The Leadership has been keen to encourage every individual member in the church to become people who read bible, pray regularly and develop their personal relationship with the Lord. We thank one and all who serve in so many different and varied ways, all equally important. We all continue to appreciate each other and thank those who support the varied activities needed to keep God's church functioning.

Benefiting the Community

The Objects of the Charity are principally to the advancement of Christianity. This is being done by the declaration and upholding of the Gospel concerning God's Son Jesus Christ the Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Word of God in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain as approved by the General Council from time to time. In addition, the objectives allow the church to minister into key areas of our society and the world and therefore allow us to minister to the needs of the whole person.

In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2024 and into 2025 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and people are challenged to live a life worthy of the gospel and put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, to keep positive relationship with their families and to be good citizens in our community.

A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work in this country and overseas. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street evangelism and residential outreach.

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We support organisations that specialise in Bible-centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people and children around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

Annual Events

- Easter Special Service
- Christmas/Carol Services
- Youth-led family Sunday
- Social get together
- Church picnic/day out
- Area/Zone Conference

Concerning the Coming Year

The Leadership and the church continue to be fully committed to explore new ways of reaching out to the community with the gospel of Christ and demonstrating God's love for the world. We want to encourage all believers in the church, the young people in particular, continue to engage in evangelism and mission activities in the church and neighbouring communities. We would like to see people growing more in their passion and love for God. We would like to keep prayer and preaching the word of God at the centre of the church activities. We want to see more people growing in their God-given leadership roles. We will continue to keep our motto: "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is addressed, there are other areas that are still under development. Like the previous year, the church council needs support and strengthening. Areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church. We would like to see more people taking initiative to serve the church in this way.

Evangelism and Mission

Evangelism and mission are integral part of the life of the church. They give us opportunities to share the gospel with others. While some of these events or activities are not for direct proclamation of the gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions. Community interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

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Projects or Events Planned

- Developing the structure of the family service
- Youth and family service on Sundays
- Prayer meetings and bible study
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Internal Decoration of back hall.
- Disabled toilet access

V. J. Samkutty

(on behalf of the Elders, Springs Christian Fellowship)

Treasurer Report

Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2025, our income and expenditure have changed since the last financial year; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year increased by £8,102, while the total expenditure decreased by £9,369.

Table 1 ***Summary of Receipts and Payments***

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2025

	Receipts			Payments	
	2023 / 24 £	2024 / 25 £		2023 / 24 £	2024 / 25 £
Church Giving	43,270	43,665	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	5,061	5,555
Restricted Income	1,000	185	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	34,310	25,178
Interest	58	156	Administration (see note 3)	2,507	1,776
Other Income	4,046	12,470			
	48,374	**56,476**		**41,878**	**32,509**

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Table 2 ***Payment breakdown***

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2025

	2023 / 24		2024 / 25	
	£	£	£	£
Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)				
Ministry Fees (including admin pay)	4,309		3,803	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	202		188	
Youth Minsitry	130		0	
Worship Team	0		532	
Tithes & Gifts	420		1,032	
		5,061		5,555
Establishment Costs (Note 2)				
Utilities & Insurance	8,907		8,615	
Cleaning Services	3,700		3,920	
Building & Repairs	13,643		6,862	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	4,363		4,193	
Church Manse Repairs	2,665		0	
Catering & Facilities	762		504	
Music Licence	235		0	
Telephone - Landline & Broadband	0		869	
Contract Services	0		215	
Equipment	35		0	
		34,310		25,178
Administration (Note 3)				
Fees	420		687	
Computer	490		705	
Membership & Dues	817		35	
Child Protection	174		324	
Stationery & Postage	12		18	
Advertising	540		0	
Sundries	54		7	
		2,507		1,776
Total		**41,878**		**32,509**

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Table 3 ***Assets and Liabilities***

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As At 31st March 2025

	2023 / 24		2024 / 25	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Church Premises - Insurance Value	612,711		612,711	
Contents of Premises - Insurance Value	23,099		23,099	
Church Manse - Insurance Value	144,484		144,484	
		780,294		**780,294**
Current Assets				
Bank Balances:				
TSB A/C 30154860	58,829		72,339	
TSB A/C 30460268	5,997		15,533	
TSB A/C 30460960	751		936	
TSB A/C 30709160	10,394		10,550	
Cash in Hand	0		220	
		75,971		**99,578**
Accounts Receiveable	0		360	
		0		**360**
Total Assets		**856,265**		**880,232**
Current Liabilites				
Kingdom Bank Loan 822123	0		0	
		0		**0**
Net Assets		**856,265**		**880,232**

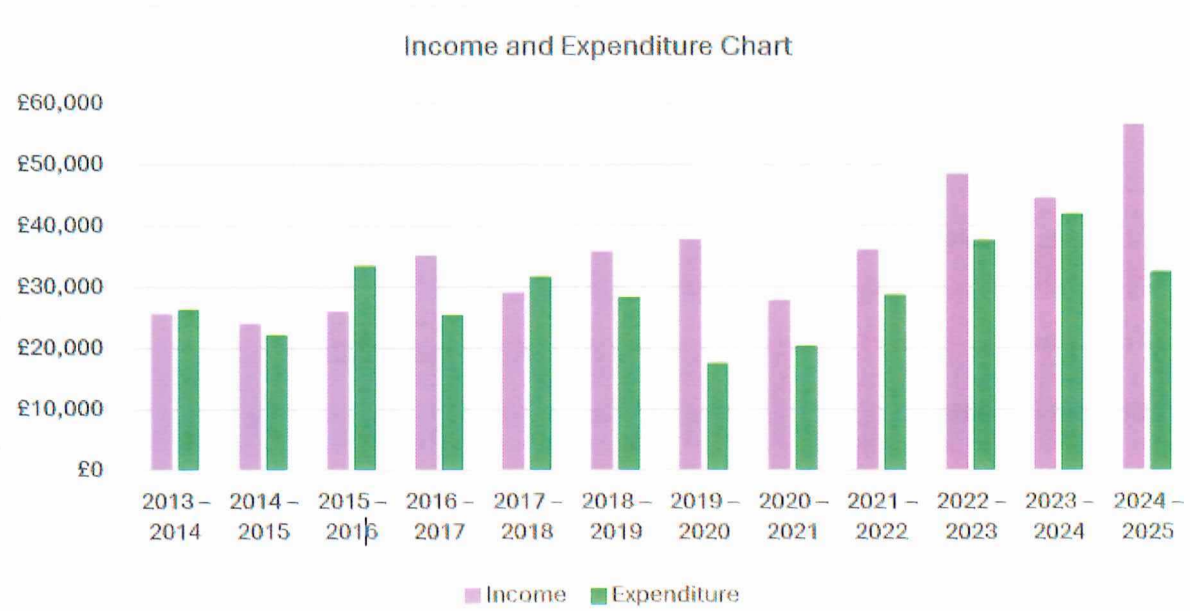
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The income and expenditure table and chart below present income and expenditure for Springs Christian Fellowship over the last 11 years.

Table 4 ***Income and Expenditure Table for last 11 years***

Financial Year	Income	Expenditure		Financial Year	Income	Expenditure
2013 – 2014	£25,591	£26,286		2019 – 2020	£37,634	£17,529
2014 – 2015	£23,982	£22,052		2020 – 2021	£27,756	£20,367
2015 – 2016	£25,901	£33,440		2021 – 2022	£35,999	£28,684
2016 – 2017	£35,000	£25,300		2022 – 2023	£48,374	£37,612
2017 – 2018	£28,989	£31,600		2023 – 2024	£44,529	£41,878
2018 – 2019	£35,700	£28,253		2024 – 2025	£56,476	£32,509

Table 5 ***Income and Expenditure Chart for last 11 years***



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Church Tithe

The church council continues to tithe to Watoto a sum of £300 pa to sponsor a child.

Concerning the Future

God has remained faithful throughout these uncertain times and has continued to meet our needs. If you feel led by God to give financially—whether toward general church needs or a specific project such as renovations—please do not hesitate to contact our treasurer, Isabel Baskaran.

I encourage everyone to reflect on the biblical principle of tithing. For those who are taxpayers, Gift Aid is also a valuable option, as it allows the Church to reclaim approximately 25% from the taxman. Setting up a monthly standing order is a simple and effective way to manage regular giving. In addition, we will be looking into options for online giving and text donations as we adapt to a society that increasingly uses less cash.

Finally, I thank God for His faithfulness and for every person who supported the work of this church financially during the year ending March 2025. My prayer is that you will continue to stand with us this year through your financial giving and through all the other ways you serve and support our church.

Isabel Baskaran

? how to of gift aid
Δ passed to IB for end of meeting
– form to fill in

Trustees and Church Council

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.

Please print name, signature & Date

P. Sharp

P SHARP

25/1/26.

Philip Sharp

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S J Donger

25 JAN 2025

Simon Donger

Church Ministries

Springs Youth Group



Over the past year, Springs Youth has continued to grow both in number and in spiritual maturity. We meet on the first Sunday of every month, gathering shortly after the morning service for a time of study, fellowship, and a shared meal. We have also been blessed with several new members, including students from All Nations Christian College, whose presence and contributions have enriched the group greatly.

As in previous years, members of the youth have faithfully led studies covering a range of biblical themes as well as topics relevant to the lives of young people today. It has been encouraging to witness the youth deepen their understanding of Scripture, pray for one another, and build meaningful, supportive relationships within the group.

The young people have also continued to play an active and valuable role in the wider church community. This year, an increasing number of our youth have stepped forward to preach during Sunday services. Their willingness to serve in this way is a powerful testimony to their growth in the Lord, and their ministry has been a significant blessing to the congregation.

We give thanks to God for all He is doing in the lives of our young people. Our ongoing prayer is that they will continue to grow in faith, shine the light of Jesus in their daily lives, and boldly share His message of salvation. May they remain rooted in the Word and be strengthened as they contribute to building God's Kingdom here at Springs Christian Fellowship.

Christina Baskaran

Sunday School

We remain committed to supplying a Sunday School but unfortunately there have been no children of Sunday School age regularly attending church.

Therefore, Sunday School remains temporarily suspended but will definitely be re-introduced when this situation changes.



Simon Donger

Worship

As a Church we are extremely blessed to have such a variety of worshipers and leaders providing a different style of music, leadership and sound that has the capacity to appeal to different ages ranges and cultures.

Most recently we have seen a growth in the number of people wanting to be involved in the Worship team, notably, various All Nations Students. The age range for our current team is between 20-35. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders, notably Isabel, Chrystal and Cedrick who have now started leading.

Many thanks to brother Eric, who continues to lead Worship regularly with his group, alongside his other ministries.

We encourage individuality within our groups and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Many thanks to Baskaran & Jack continue who regularly set up & soundboard every Sunday, and Baskaran kindly renewed some of our equipment, allowing for better sound quality & easier running of the tech desk. We welcome anyone who might be interested in learning this in order to help them. The same goes with the projector which a member of the worship team also operates each week.

A massive thank you from all of us!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is involved in the worship; from leading and playing to singing and operating our sound desk and projector. Preparing and taking part in the worship is a big responsibility and not something we take lightly. A lot of prayer, thought and practice goes in each time we worship with one another, so I want to express my appreciation for all your hard work and devotion and may we continue to praise and magnify the Lord together.

A huge thank you to the musicians for their faithful hard work and dedication.

Tash Salvador

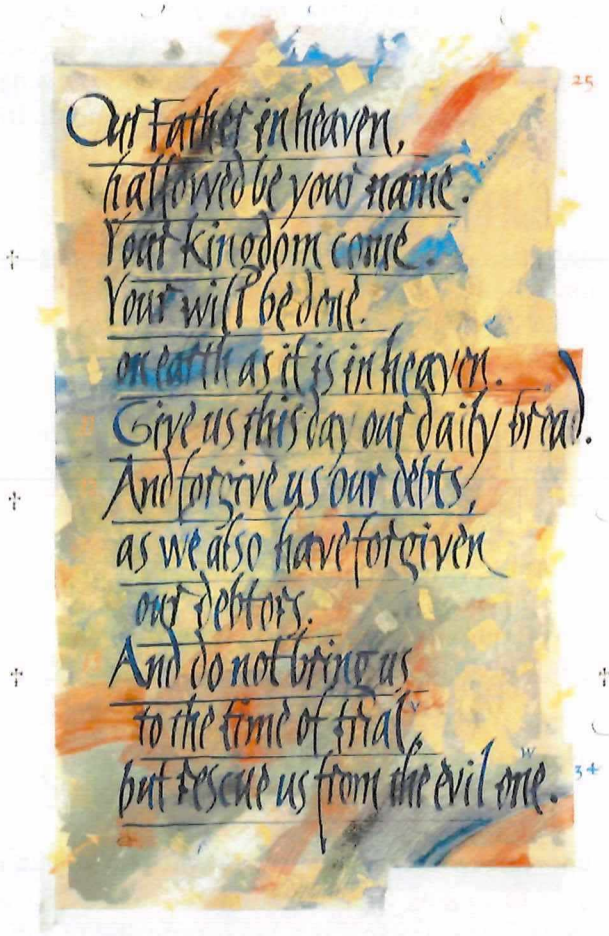
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Prayer

Prayer Meetings are held every Monday, 19 January 2026 @ 7 pm at the Church

Come when you can – leave when you must!

We believe that prayer is the backbone of the church. The aim of this area of ministry is to see the fulfilment of Isaiah 56



"For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"

We need to be a church that prays together and develops this ministry to cover every area of ministry. I encourage you all to be part of this vision. Bring your good ideas and let us advance the kingdom of our God.

We continue to pray for a new Pastor and that Gods chosen person will be delivered to us.

Brian Oxborough.

Faith Builders

Faith Builders has been running for nearly 11 years now. We meet once a fortnight on alternate Fridays and have from 6 to 12 people of all ages most weeks. We always start with a time of Praise and Worship, followed by a time where we share Prayer needs and requests, which we then Pray over, and for one another. Following this our Bible Study lasts from 30 to 40 minutes, before we finish off with a nice Supper, which Christina, Chris and I supply! Although I usually lead the Bible Studies, I have involved others in leading them as well, and everyone is always encouraged to be involved with comments or questions during the evening.

In the past year we have looked at the Lives of various People in the Bible, both Good and Bad, and looked at the many Scriptures that prove that Jesus Christ is GOD. We also had our annual BBQ, and Isabel organised a very enjoyable Quiz Night for us, which was great fun.

The meeting is also shown on Zoom and we often have 2 or 3 people joining us in that way.

We enjoy good Fellowship and the evenings are clearly greatly enjoyed as the hardest part is getting everyone to go home afterwards!

Eric Hallsworth

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Outreach



Open Air Street & Residential Homes
We like to call our Street Outreach an **Open Air** as, for the past 10 years, we've tried to be a group of Christians having a Gospel Service outdoors. We have our own printed Song Book of over 60 Gospel hymns and choruses which we keep adding to with new favourites.

We sing by the side of the Bridge near where the footpath alongside the River starts, nearly opposite the Neelakash Indian restaurant. It's a good spot for singing and preaching as people walk past, and there are folk sat outside a cafe within hearing distance, as well as a bench close by, so we do have people stopping to listen for a while!

While some of us sing, others offer Tracts to passers-by and look for opportunities to talk to them, and the folk who stop to listen to the singing. I link some of the songs together with short Bible verses, one or two of our team share a short Gospel message, and we also offer to pray for folk, and there are folk who stop, and listen, and even accept prayer every week.

As well as the people who stop to listen, we've been amused as some have even taken their mobile phones out to film us while we've been singing!

We always enjoy ourselves, and I am very proud of and grateful for everyone who helps, because it is a team effort that couldn't happen without such support.

We also take Services every 2 or 3 months for two **Residential Homes**, one in Hertford (the Beane River Care Home) and one in Ware (Riverside). The Residents love our visits and join in cheerfully as we sing Favourite Hymns or, at Christmas, the always popular Carols. One of us gives a short Gospel talk and we always Pray for the Home, Residents and Staff. We also give a Salvation appeal at the end and have been delighted to see nearly 20 of the Senior Citizens - plus a couple of staff - respond to receive the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

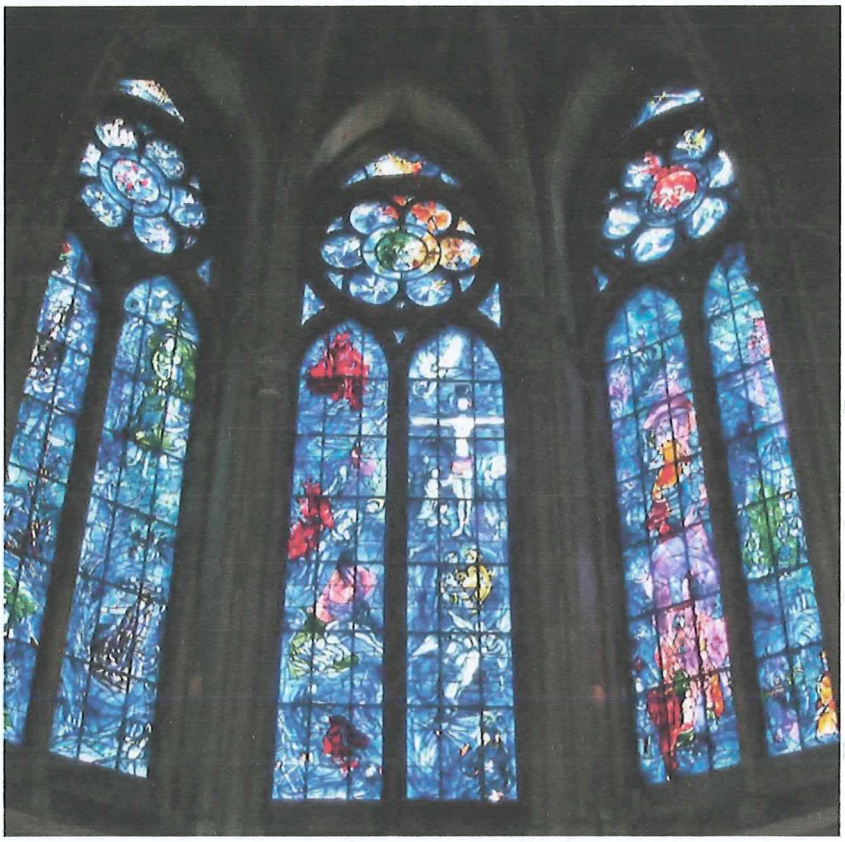
Eric Hallsworth

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1. REPORTS
   - a. Leadership Report
   - b. Financial Report
   - c. Youth & Sunday School
   - d. Worship
   - e. Prayer
   - f. Faith Builders
   - g. Street (Open Air) and Residential Homes Outreach
   - h. PA / Media / Zoom

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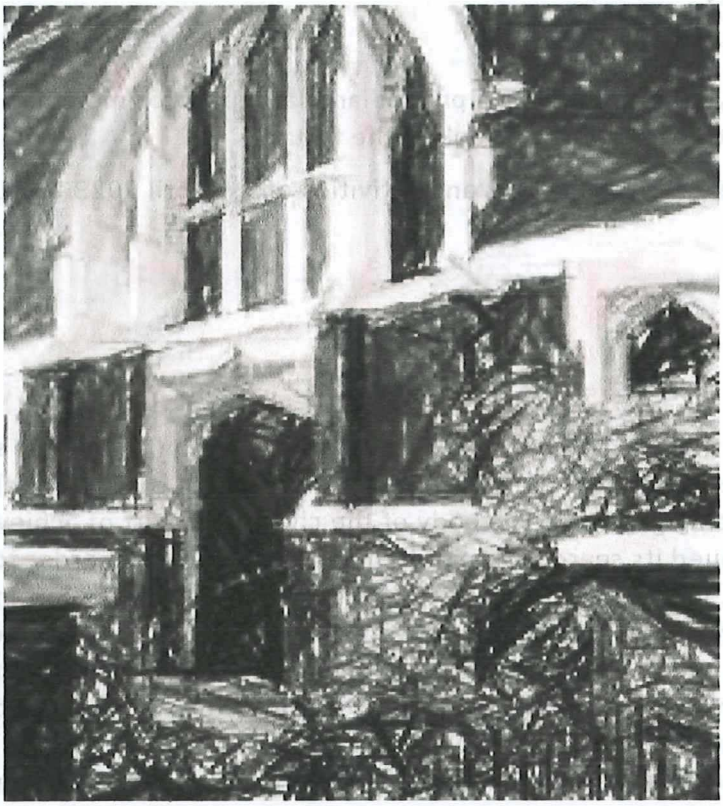
4. DATE OF NEXT AGM

5. CLOSING REMARKS

6. THANKSGIVING TO GOD

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Leadership Report

Introduction

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In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2023 and into 2024 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and people are challenged to

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put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, provide positive input into their families and to be good citizens in our community.

A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work overseas and in this country. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street and residential outreach.

We support organisations that specialise in Bible centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people and children around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

Annual Events

- Easter
- Christmas Services
- Area Conference

Concerning the Coming Year

The Leadership and the church continue to be fully committed to pray for the appointment of a new minister and ensure that a suitable appointment is made for the on-going growth of the church. We will continue to advertise and make enquiries for a suitable candidate.

The next part of this transition will be more fully owning of "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is now more detailed there are other areas that are still under development. Like the previous year, the church council needs support and strengthening. Other areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church.

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Evangelism: while some of these events or activities are not for proclaiming the Gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions. Community Interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

Projects or Events Planned

- Developing the structure of the family service
- Frequent youth and family service on Sundays
- Prayer meetings and bible study
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Internal Decoration of back hall.
- Disabled toilet access

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Treasurers Report

Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2023 our income and expenditure were both up; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year decreased by £3,845.

The total expenditure has increased by £4,266. The main increase in expenditure is due to the building work at the church, and utilities and insurance costs.

Table 1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2024

	Receipts			Payments	
	2022 / 23 £	2023 / 24 £		2022 / 23 £	2023 / 24 £
Church Giving	43,270	38,370	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	4,987	5,061
Restricted Income	1,000	8	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	30,643	34,310
Interest	58	118	Administration (see note 3)	1,982	2,507
Other Income	4,046	6,033			
	48,374	44,529		37,612	41,878

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Table 2 Payments breakdown

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2024

	2022 / 23		2023 / 24	
	£	£	£	£
Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)				
Ministry Fees: Pastor	4,136		4,309	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	300		202	
Youth Ministry	130		130	
Tithes & Gifts	421		420	
		4,987		**5,061**
Establishment Costs (Note 2)				
Utilities & Insurance	7,466		8,907	
Cleaning Services	3,430		3,700	
Building & Repairs	9,787		13,643	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	3,031		4,363	
Church Manse Repairs	5,482		2,665	
Catering & Facilities	1,207		762	
Music Licence	222		235	
Equipment	18		35	
		30,643		**34,310**
Administration (Note 3)				
Fees	468		420	
Computer	477		490	
Membership & Dues	767		817	
Child Protection	234		174	
Stationery & Postage	36		12	
Advertising	0		540	
Sundries	0		54	
		1,982		**2,507**
Total		**37,612**		**41,878**

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Table 3 Assets and Liabilities

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As At 31st March 2024

	2022 / 23		2023 / 24	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Church Premises - Insurance Value	612,711		612,711	
Contents of Premises - Insurance Value	23,099		23,099	
Church Manse - Insurance Value	144,484		144,484	
		780,294		780,294
Current Assets				
Bank Balances:				
TSB A/C 30154860	46,784		58,829	
TSB A/C 30460268	15,518		5,997	
TSB A/C 30460960	743		751	
TSB A/C 30709160	10,275		10,394	
Cash in Hand	0		0	
		73,320		75,971
Total Assets		853,614		856,265
Current Liabilities				
Kingdom Bank Loan 822123	0		0	
		0		0
Net Assets		853,614		856,265

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The income and expenditure table and chart below show that over the income and expenditure over the last 10 years for Springs Christian Fellowship.

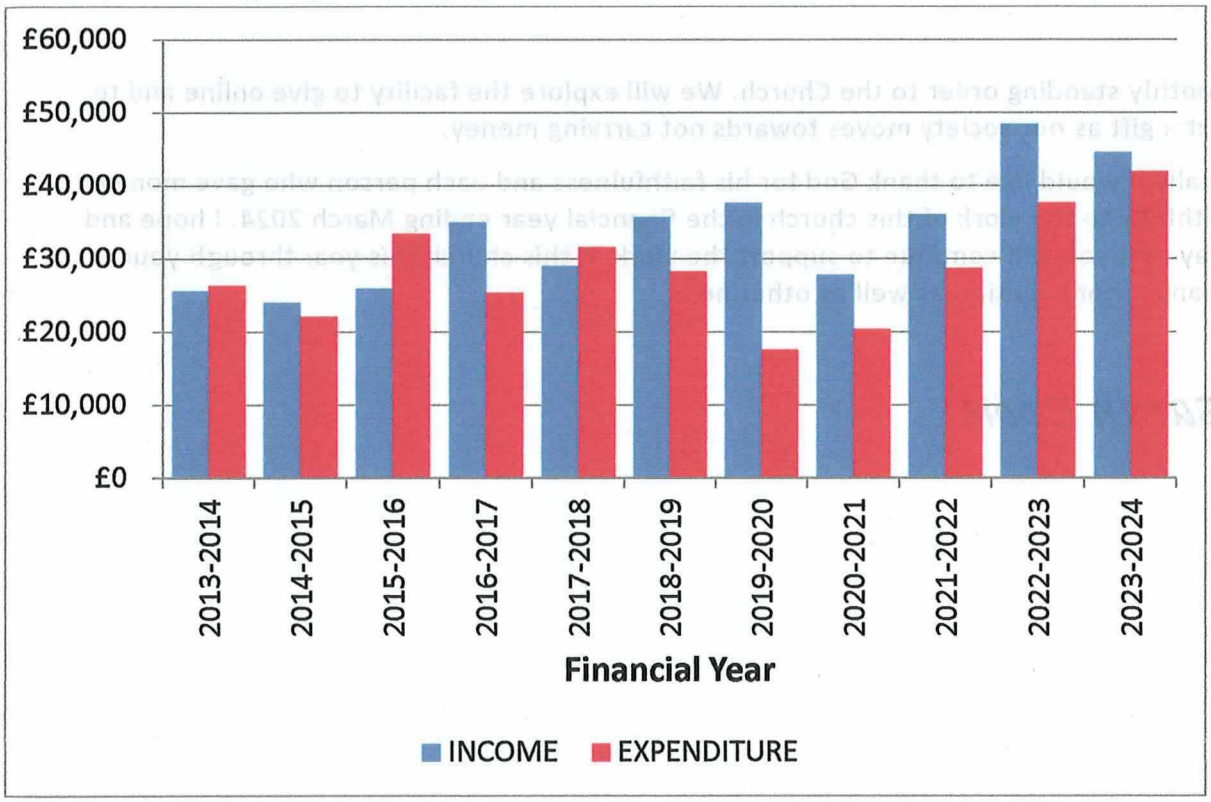
Table 4 Income and Expenditure Table

FINANCIAL YEAR	INCOME	EXPENDITURE		FINANCIAL YEAR	INCOME	EXPENDITURE
2013-2014	£25,591	£26,286		2019-2020	£37,634	£17,529
2014-2015	£23,983	£22,052		2020-2021	£27,756	£20,367
2015-2016	£25,901	£33,440		2021-2022	£35,999	£28,684
2016-2017	£35,000	£25,300		2022-2023	£48,374	£37,612
2017-2018	£28,989	£31,600		2023-2024	£44,529	£41,878
2018-2019	£35,700	£28,253				

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Table 5 Income and Expenditure Chart



Church Tithe

The church council continues to tithe to Watoto a sum of £300 pa to sponsor a child.

Concerning the Future

God has been good during these uncertain times and continues to provide for our needs. However, if you feel that God is leading you to help financially, either in general or on a specific project e.g. renovation, please feel free to contact our treasurer Sarah Cook.

Treasurers Report

I would like to encourage **everyone** to follow the Biblical principal of tithing, **and those who pay tax to consider Gift Aiding their tithe**, which means the Church receives about 25% back from the taxman. Also, an easier way to manage personal giving is to set up a

monthly standing order to the Church. We will explore the facility to give online and to text a gift as our society moves towards not carrying money.

Finally, I would like to thank God for his faithfulness and each person who gave money faithfully to the work of this church in the financial year ending March 2024. I hope and pray that you will continue to support the work of this church this year through your financial contribution as well as other help.

Sarah Cook

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Trustees and Church Council

Philip Sharp

Natasha ~~Lancaster~~ * Sawador

*12/1/25 N. Sawador 12th Jan 2025

Simon Donger

S.T. 12 JAN 2025

STATEMENT

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 TRUSTEES

Please print name, signature & Date:

S.T. DONGER

S.T.

12 JAN 2025

Resignation from Church Council Angela Kelk

Angela Trustee

Jan 24 - 31 Dec 24

Church Ministries

Springs Youth Group



The youth have continued to grow this year, and we meet every first Sunday of the month soon after the morning service in the church, followed by a fellowship meal. We have had a few welcome additions to the group, they have been such a blessing.

As before, members of the team led sessions on topics of interest including cancel culture and how we respond as Christians, and we have had very interesting and meaningful discussions. We had a series of discussions on various biblical characters including Joseph and Jonah. We also had a couple of missionaries come and share their testimonies and the vision God has given them to work among unreached people. The youth have been blessed and challenged by these sessions. We have encouraged the young people to read and study God's Word and have covered the books of Ruth, Matthew and Mark, holding an informal quiz at the youth meeting.

One of the main areas of growth I have seen is that the young people have asked for and prayed for one another. Some have gone through very difficult events in their lives, and they have blessed each other through prayers and support.

They have continued to play an important role in the church. Some of our youth have preached in the main service, and this is such a testament to their growth in the Lord. The congregation has been hugely blessed by their ministry. As before, during Christmas, we contributed an item during the carol service – presenting thoughts on various characters from the Christmas story and their role in the birth of Jesus.

The youth got together for several social events including a barbecue and the annual Christmas dinner which is the highlight of the year - as usual thanks to Grant!

Our prayers and blessings on our young people as they grow in the Lord and continue to be salt and light in the world – that they will send their roots deep into God's Word and build God's Kingdom at Springs Christian Fellowship.

Christina Baskaran

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Sunday School

Unfortunately, there have been no children of Sunday School age (5-11) regularly attending church.

Therefore, Sunday School has temporarily been suspended but will be introduced as and when this situation changes.



Worship

As a Church we are extremely blessed to have such a variety of worshipers and leaders providing a different style of music, leadership and sound that has the capacity to appeal to different ages ranges and cultures.

Most recently we have seen a growth in the number of people wanting to be involved in the Worship team, notably, Alex (All Nations), Daniel and Vanya. The age range for our current team is between 20-35. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders, notably Isabel who has now started leading.

Many thanks to brother Eric, who continues to lead Worship regularly with his group, alongside his other ministries.

We encourage individuality within our groups and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Grant & Ernie continue to set up and run our soundboard every Sunday. We welcome anyone who might be interested in learning this in order to help them. The same goes with the projector which a member of the worship team also operates each week.

Ernie & Grant – a massive thank you from all of us!

We have been struggling with developing damp issues under our stage which has cause some issues with our Worship and sound equipment. This will be addressed in due course.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is involved in the worship; from leading and playing to singing and operating our sound desk and projector. Preparing and taking part in the worship is a big responsibility and not something we take lightly. A lot of prayer, thought and practice goes in each time we worship with one another, so I want to express my appreciation for all your hard work and devotion and may we continue to praise and magnify the Lord together.

A huge thank you to the musicians for their faithful hard work and dedication.

Tash Salvador

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Prayer

We believe that prayer is the backbone of the church. The aim of this area of ministry is to see the fulfilment of Isaiah 56



"For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"

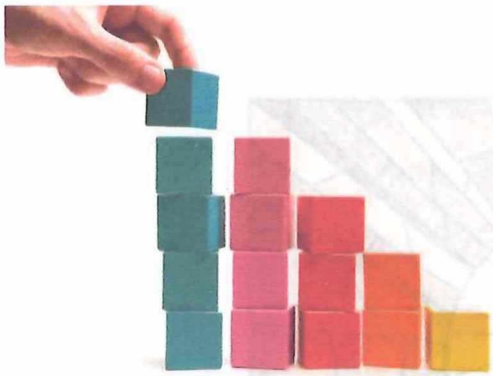
We need to be a church that prays together and develops this ministry to cover every area of ministry. I encourage you all to be part of this vision. Bring your good ideas and let us advance the kingdom of our God.

We continue to pray for a new Pastor and that Gods chosen person will be delivered to us.

Brian Oxborough.

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Faith Builders



Faith Builders has been running for nearly 10 years now. We meet once a fortnight on alternate Fridays and have from 8 to 14 people of all ages most weeks. We always start with a time of Praise and Worship led by Immanuel. Then we share Prayer needs and requests and spend some time praying for these and for one another. Following this our Bible Study lasts from 30 to 45 minutes, and then we finish off with a nice Supper! Although I usually lead the Bible Studies I have involved others in leading them as well, and everyone is also encouraged to be involved with comments or questions during the evening.

In the past year we have studied Gifts & Talents, the Use and Meaning of different Numbers in the Bible, and then an idea that proved really popular was when everyone was encouraged to think of a couple of Famous (or Infamous!) People in the Bible and talk about them for a few minutes (or more!).

We also had our annual BBQ, and for a change we also had a couple of Quiz Nights which Isabel does for us, and they are great fun.

Providing the Suppers is shared by Christina, Grant and myself, and every third FaithBuilders, when Grant is doing the Supper, we meet at his house instead of ours.

The meeting is also shown via Zoom and we regularly have 2 or 3 people joining us in that way.

We enjoy good Fellowship and the evenings are clearly greatly enjoyed as the hardest part is getting everyone to go home afterwards!

Eric Hallsworth

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Open Air Street & Residential Homes Outreach

We like to call it an **Open Air** and for the last 8 years we've tried to be a group of Christians having a Gospel Service outdoors. We have our own printed Song Book of over 60 Gospel hymns and choruses which we keep adding to with new favourites.

We had been singing outside Keith Ian's in Ware town centre since this all started, but during the summer the owner asked us if we'd consider going somewhere else to sing. So now we sing by the side of the Bridge near where the footpath starts, nearly opposite the Neelakash Indian restaurant. I consider this a good spot for singing, but not quite as good for preaching as people are walking past us rather than towards us. However, there are folk sat outside a cafe within hearing distance, and a bench close by, and we do have people stopping to listen for a while!

We all sing while Immanuel and I are on our guitars and Isabel on her saxophone, and one or two people offer Tracts to passers-by and look for opportunities to talk to both them and the folk who stop to listen to the singing. I link some of the songs together with short Bible verses and comments and we also offer to pray for folk.

As well as the people who stop to listen, we've been amused as some have even taken their mobile phones out to film us while we've been singing!

We always enjoy ourselves, and I am very proud of and grateful for everyone who helps, because it is a team effort that couldn't happen without such support.

We also take Services every 2 or 3 months for two **Residential Homes**, one in Hertford and one in Cheshunt. We have also made 2 visits to the Riverside Home in Ware. The Residents love our visits and join in cheerfully as we sing Favourite Hymns or, at Christmas, the always popular Carols. Either Christina or I give a Gospel talk and Pray for the Home, Residents and Staff and we also give a Salvation appeal at the end and have been delighted to see over 20 of the senior citizens - plus a couple of staff - respond to receive the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

Eric Hallsworth

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PA / Media / Zoom

Covid and media enclosure changes: Subsequent to the events of the Covid pandemic, the arrangement of PA desk and the media computer were revised to facilitate social distancing. As part of the Church redecoration project, an enclosure was constructed around the PA desk and computer desk. This has led to some access restrictions that have been partially offset by replacing the workstations with cantilevered worktops. It should be noted that the amplifier located on the shelf is heavy therefore for Health and Safety reasons it is recommended that children and unaware adults are excluded permanently from the enclosure.

Stage renewal: During Covid, the opportunity of the closed church was taken to replace the church stage which was riddled with wet rot at the back. All rotten wood including that of the panelling behind the stage and partway down the south wall was removed and replaced. It was found that although there was a proper vertical damp course between the Sanctuary building and the kitchen extension, there was no damp course within the Sanctuary wall itself and there was severe rising damp. This was treated by installation of "DryRods" prior to reinstatement of the stage with treated timbers. The level of the stage was aligned to the floor level in the lobby. The door at the other end of the stage was cut down and a concrete plinth installed below to prevent damp ingress from the outside corridor. This conveniently left both ends at the same level and the stage could therefore be extended from wall to wall without level adjustment. The stage was constructed with a heavy duty treated timber wall plate on the wall to the kitchen and a "front edge" bearing on the existing floor support pillars under the main church floor. Joists were place front to back so as to be suspended over the entire void under the Sanctuary floor. The joists were put in at right angles to this near the lobby doors in case they needed to be lowered for provision of a disabled access slope. A separate disabled access slope has subsequently been constructed without making use of this feature. The stage was surfaced with 22mm marine ply for durability and resistance. Carpet tiles were installed on the stage with easily visible edging for safety reasons. As the new stage ran from one side of the Sanctuary to the other, provision was made to run all required cabling underneath the stage. The ring main was extended to serve new double sockets at front and rear of the stage with single spur sockets at the centre front and on the alcove shelf. Switched fused spurs were added for both the external light and the digital projector.

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It should be noted that the new disabled access ramp has been constructed directly over one of the previous sockets, effectively denying all access to that socket for maintenance and testing without demolishing the ramp. The HDMI cable carrying video to the Kitchen was installed through the wall and under the stage to the access cupboard constructed in the old fireplace. The existing audio cable from the Kitchen was left through the wall so it might be plugged into an on-stage feed.

Speaker cables were also run from sockets beneath the access cupboard up to the speaker mounts thus permitting future renewal or adaptation of the speaker wiring from amplifier to permanent cabling. To avoid running cables front to back across the stage, microphone and auxiliary return sockets were installed flush to the rear of the stage and in the front of the stage. These were constructed as removeable modules with plug/socket cables behind which are loose laid under the stage and should be replaceable. A block of four connectors were put by the rear alcove to serve the radio mics. Three double sockets each

with aux returns were installed at the rear and front of the stage respectively to leave a total of 16 microphone and four aux return channels spread across the stage. All these cables terminate at a stage box in the access cupboard permitting the stage box to be used as a patch panel for the cabling. Rising damp to the subsoil under the stage is badly affecting microphone and aux signals.

PA desk and stage box.

To offset the detrimental affects of the ageing analogue sound mixer, a new digital unit has been installed (Zoom LiveTrak L-20). This has provision for 20 balanced line microphones (via stage box), two stereo line level inputs (Computer or audio playback) and six auxiliary returns four of which are routed via the stage box for foldback purposes and two are used to provide redundant signals to Zoom. The digital mixer is equipped with Bluetooth and can be operated remotely on a sufficiently modern iPad. (Details previously sent to Church Council). This would also permit a separate Zoom operator to adjust the Zoom feed from within the congregation. A separate USB digital audio box interfaces with the media computer allowing analogue stereo I/O with the desk. The stereo amplifier predates the tenure of this author but looks to be a robust and professional MOSfet amplifier capable of many years more service. In an attempt to overcome or offset the effects of damp on the PA system, the old stage box and multicore has been replace with a brand new stage box and multicore. As this failed to rectify the issue due to high moisture levels and low temperatures, the stage box has now been placed on a heating mat in an endeavour to prevent condensation within the stage box. Though this may well have reduce the faults due to damp in the stage box it can provide no respite from issues caused by damp in the cables under the stage! A master switch at the back enables the entire PA desk to be turned off with one switch.

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Microphones. Three of the original Sennheiser analogue radio microphones remain functional. Two are handhelds and one is a tie-clip Lavalier. Two digital (Bluetooth) microphone transceiver sets have been added to the radio microphones. The lectern mic feeds into a high-latency Bluetooth transceiver combo which is not suitable for singing due to the delay. It has advantages for quiet preachers as the delay encourages feedback rejection. It has interchangeable batteries which translates into an in-Service redundancy. There is a separate low-latency transceiver set suitable for singers and which can be moved around as cables fail due to damp. It has permanently fixed batteries which means that transmitter and receiver MUST be retrieved between services and recharged via USB to guarantee they will last the entire service. Mains power sockets within the PA enclosure and cupboard have been upgraded to those with USB sockets to reduce permanent running wall-warts. XLR singer dynamic microphones have mostly been upgraded to the superior Shure SM-58 vocal microphones or Shure's Beta Green version. Spare Sennheiser and Samson microphones are available for redundancy purposes. Condenser microphones using Phantom power serve as drum kit and congregation mics. WARNING: Plugging a Shure SM-58 type microphone into an active phantom powered XLR socket will generate substantial signal noise. Instruments are plugged directly or through a DI box into the stage microphone sockets.

Zoom hardware. It should be noted that Zoom is NOT designed for Livestreaming but as a virtual meeting tool. Thus, a lot of inherent features which may be built into YouTube or Facebook livestreaming services (such as automatic Internet accessibility) are NOT supported without substantial manual technical intervention! 1080P HDMI video is provided by a domestic Camcorder. As the internal backup battery has failed the camera has to be run in record to prevent shop demo mode from starting. Every 4-5 weeks the camera internal HDD need to be reformatted to stop the camera dropping out of record and entering demo mode. The camera has good low light sensitivity and an effective (remote control) zoom lens. Camera audio is extremely limited, so an audio injection box is fitted to the HDMI line to inject an analogue audio signal from the PA desk. A redundant feed for Zoom audio is sent via the USB audio box next to the PA desk. This is necessary as update clashes can cause the Zoom client to lose track of which audio it should be using. The HDMI signal is passed through a USB-3 encoder in the PA cupboard which turns it into a 1080P USB web cam, sends signal to the PC AND via a pass through sends video and audio signal to the Kitchen TV. Note that for this to function properly it MUST be provided with USB power from the computer BEFORE either the camera or the kitchen TV is powered up. The requirement to start the computer first is noted on the PA master switch. At present the kitchen TV is not properly receiving the HDMI signal. This is a fault with the damp getting into the kitchen TV. The cables have been tested. A new (lightweight due to bracket limitations) kitchen TV may be required.

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Media Projector. This is a fairly modern unit with an output of (I think) 2500 lumens and capable of handling a 1080P HDMI signal. The signal is provided by an old but high-quality one-piece HDMI cable from the media computer. Due to damp a USB powered signal amplifier has had to be fitted to the cable at the computer end. This may prove to be inadequate, and I expect to lose projector signal sometime during the winter unless the damp is dealt with, the projector is a DLP design which results in improved brightness and contrast but which can be the cause of flickering if projected image contains strong colours.

Media PC. This is quite an elderly computer. It is fitted with the maximum memory possible and is equipped with a small but very fast solid state hard disk. It runs remarkably well all things considered. The internal graphics card drives the two monitors by the computer. The projector and the back Church TV are connected via a USB dual monitor adaptor. Other USB inputs include the HDMI encoder that pulls in the video camera data and the audio injected into the HDMI stream. A separate USB audio box next to the PA mixer feeds an alternative audio signal to the PC. A "clicker" for slide presentation is installed on a USB extension cable to move it towards the front of the Church. The small HDD means that the large Zoom files need to be copied very regularly up to the Network. The increasing size of Windows Updates can occasionally clog the HDD.

PC Software. Easy slides is old and fairly limited song software. Fussy about monitors. The rear TV and/or the projector need to be turned on BEFORE the Upper (Zoom)_PC monitor. If this is NOT done then Easy Slides will define the Upper monitor as it's projection monitor and IGNORE the projector and the rear monitor. It is uncertain whether this software is compatible with Windows 11.

Zoom. This can clash with Windows Updates and will occasionally lose track of which audio input that should be used when there have been updates. Has been known to crash the PC if it updates whilst Easy slides is running.

Norton internet security. This is on my personal Norton license. Baskaran thinks it is unnecessary, so I may remove it if I need the license for another purpose.

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PowerPoint viewing. Accessed via the web. May not be reliable in the future. There is no software installed on the computer. Presenters requiring editing a PowerPoint slide will need to do so on their own device or via their own Microsoft login. PowerPoint needs to be correctly configured to ensure the slide output goes to the correct monitor. This may reset itself with each Windows update.

If there are any details that need clarifying or I've missed please just ask.

Grant Bradley

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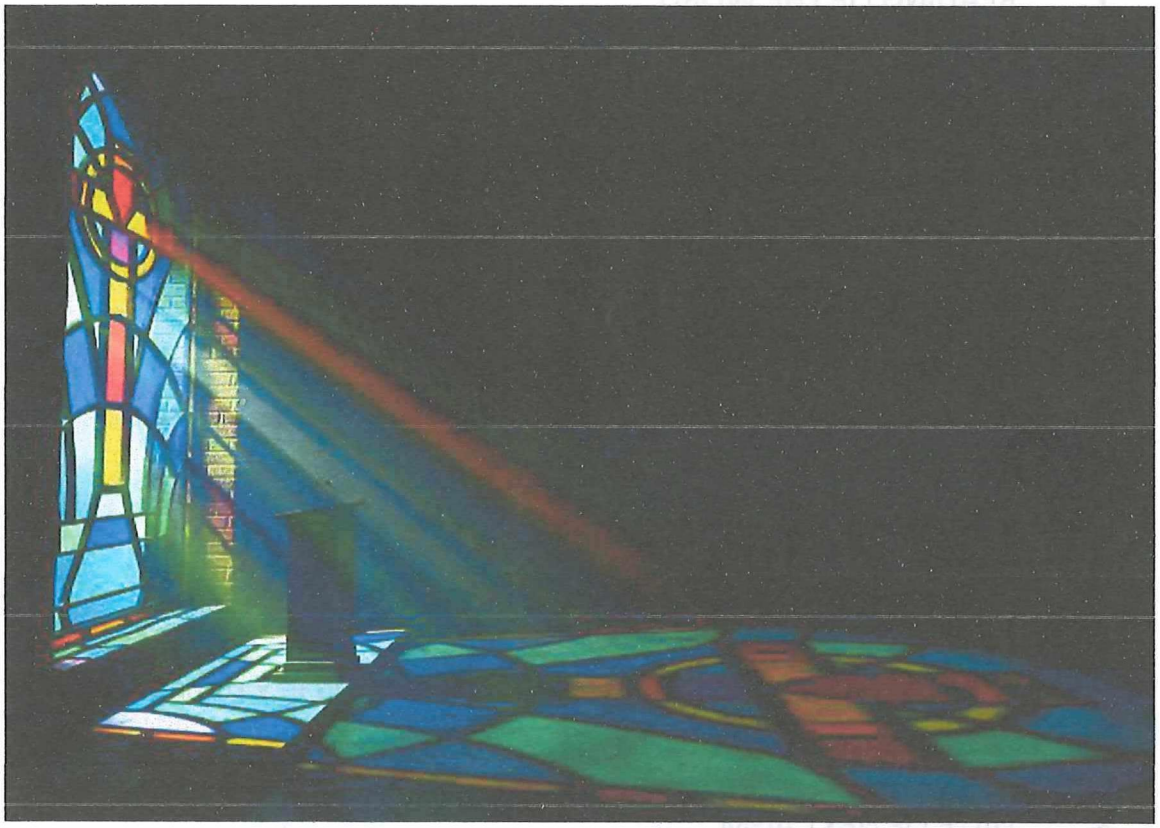
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AGM Report 2023

including
Minutes from AGM meeting

S. Dawson
03 Dec 2023

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Agenda

Annual General Meeting 03-Dec-2023

All Members are expected to make every effort to be present, it is part of your membership and a meeting that is required by Law.

PRAYER

1. READING OF THE WORD

2. REPORTS
   a. Leadership Report
   b. Financial Report
   c. Youth & Sunday School – Church Council
   d. Worship
   e. Prayer Ministry
   f. FaithBuilders
   g. Street (Open Air)
   h. Drop In – Church Council
   i. Volunteers - Church Council

3. FUTURE PLANS

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS This should be submitted in writing to the Church Council and be received 2 days before the AGM meeting.

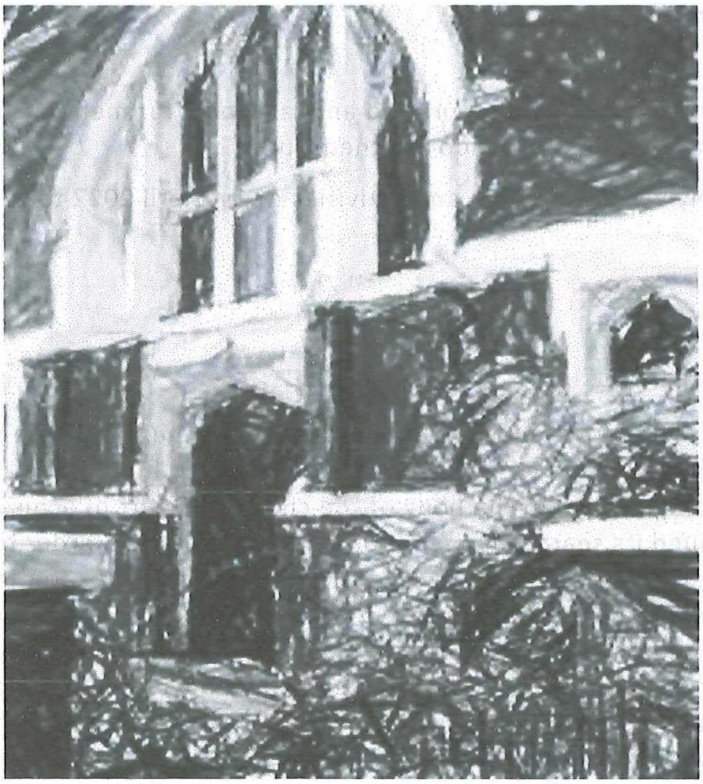
5. DATE OF NEXT AGM

6. CLOSING REMARKS

7. THANKSGIVING TO GOD

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Leadership Report

Introduction

This is the fifteenth year of producing a printed annual report for members in which we provide our reports, the accounts and look to the future.

This report deals solely with the events and activities of 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

Overview

In the previous year, the overall objective was to continue to build a stable structure for meetings and administration and the slow improvement of the building. It also aimed at encouraging the ongoing growth in the body of the church. As part of achieving this aim, the leadership continued its search for appointing a new minister in order to bring a vision for the church. In the year under review, these objectives were continued to be given priority. Meetings, administration processes, and improvements of the building were addressed. The church has begun to grow in quality and quantity. Processes for appointing a new minister were undertaken including job advertisement but no suitable applicants applied. The leadership is keen to encourage every individual in the church to become people who read bible, pray regularly and develop their personal relationship with the Lord. We thank one and all who help out in so many different and varied ways, all equally important. We all continue to appreciate each other and thank those who support the varied activities needed to keep God's church functioning.

Benefiting the Community

The Objects of the Charity are principally to the advancement of Christianity. This will be done by the declaration and upholding of the Gospel concerning God's Son Jesus Christ the Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Word of God by the Church in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain as approved by the General Council from time to time. In addition, the objectives allow the church to minister into key areas of our society and the world and therefore allow us to minister to the whole person for a complete answer to our societies needs as the Leadership lead and resources allow.

In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2022 and into 2023 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and people are challenged to put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, provide positive input into their families and to be good citizens in our community.

Leadership Report

A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work overseas and in this country. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street and residential outreach. Drop In has added to the services we offer our community, but due to the restriction caused by Covid, we were not able to continue the Drop In for the year under review.

We support organisations that specialise in Bible centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people and children around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

Annual Events

- Easter
- Christmas Services
- Area Conference

Concerning the Coming Year

The Leadership and the church is fully committed to pray for the appointment of a new minister and ensure that a suitable appointment is made for the on-going growth of the church. We will continue to advertise and make enquiries for a suitable candidate where possible.

The next part of this transition will be more fully owning of "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is now more detailed there are other areas that are still under development. Like the previous year, the church council needs support and strengthening. Other areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church.

Evangelism: while some of these events or activities are not for proclaiming the Gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions. Community Interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

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Leadership Report

Projects or Events Planned

- Developing the structure of the family service
- More frequent youth and family service on Sundays
- Reinstating prayer meetings and bible study
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Internal Decoration of hall and church building.
- Church Entrance Modernisation
- Disabled toilet access

Vote for Angela Kolnb to be added to church council was agreed by 100% of the membership present.

S.J. Dawson

03 Dec 2023

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Treasurers Report

Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2023 our income and expenditure were both up; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year increased by £12,975.

The total expenditure has increased by £8,928. The main increase in expenditure is due to the building work at the church, and utilities and insurance costs.

Springs Christian Fellowship
Registered Charity No. 1054358

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2023

	Receipts			Payments	
	2021 / 22 £	2022 / 23 £		2021 / 22 £	2022 / 23 £
Church Giving	30,431	43,270	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	4,866	4,987
Restricted Income	0	1,000	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	22,024	30,643
Interest	31	58	Administration (see note 3)	1,794	1,982
Other Income	4,937	4,046			
	35,399	**48,374**		**28,684**	**37,612**

Table 1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

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Springs Christian Fellowship
Registered Charity No. 1054358

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2023

	2021 / 22		2022 / 23	
	£	£	£	£
Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)				
Ministry Fees: Pastor	4,102		4,136	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	234		300	
Youth Minsitry	130		130	
Tithes & Gifts	400		421	
		4,866		**4,987**
Establishment Costs (Note 2)				
Utilities & Insurance	4,792		7,466	
Cleaning Services	1,700		3,430	
Building & Repairs	10,587		9,787	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	3,293		3,031	
Church Manse Repairs	770		5,482	
Catering & Facilities	626		1,207	
Music Licence	206		222	
Equipment	50		18	
		22,024		**30,643**
Administration (Note 3)				
Fees	374		468	
Computer	406		477	
Membership & Dues	767		767	
Child Protection	214		234	
Stationery & Postage	26		36	
Sundries	7		0	
		1,794		**1,982**
Total		**28,684**		**37,612**

Table 2 Payments breakdown

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Registered Charity No. 1054358

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As At 31st March 2023

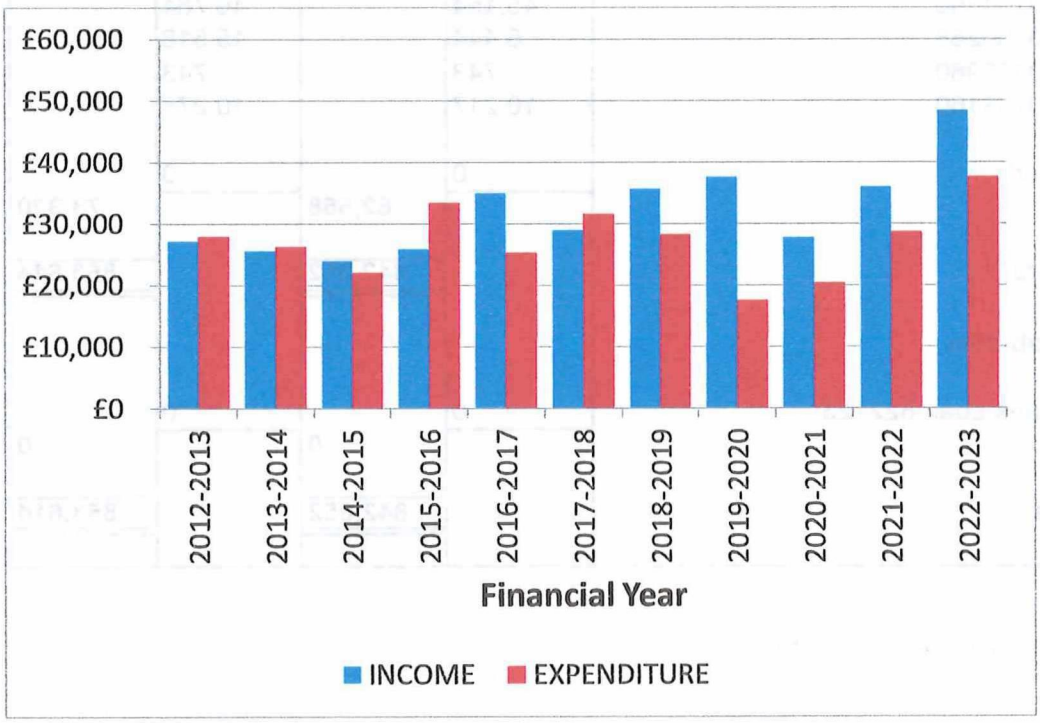
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Sarah Cook

Vote for acceptance of accounts
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Trustees and Church Council

Philip Sharp P. Sharp.

Natasha ~~Lancaster~~ SALVADOR

N. Salvador

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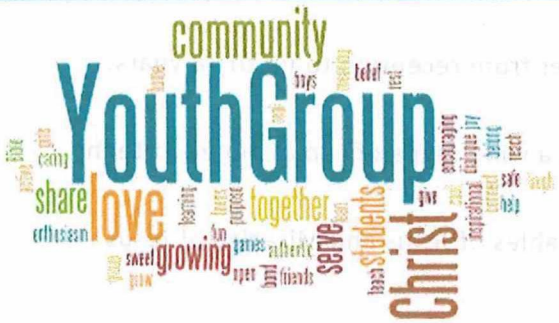
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Church Ministries

Springs Youth Group



The youth have grown this year, in numbers as well spiritually.

Two of the members were baptised – praise God!

The group is about 15 strong now and the young people have also grown closer as a team.

We continue to meet every first Sunday of the month at 3pm in the church, followed by a fellowship meal.

Various members of the team led sessions on topics of interest. Topics included identity of the Christian, the gifts and fruit of the Spirit, the Armour of God, Christian dating and courting, Christian perspective on mental health and cancel culture. We have had very interesting and meaningful discussions, with youth opening up on the issues they face. They have found these topics of discussions very useful and the close relationship they have built over the years with one another has helped them share frankly in a safe environment. They also pray for one another, sometimes sharing specific prayer needs.

The youth got together for several social events including a barbecue and Christmas dinner (thank you Grant!).

We have encouraged the young people to read and study God's Word and have covered the books of Ruth and Matthew, holding an informal quiz at the youth meeting. One of the youth sends a verse out to the group by WhatsApp, helping everyone to read a verse from God's Word every day in addition to their personal devotions.

The youth have continued to play an important role in the church. As before, during Christmas, we contributed an item during the service – Christmas traditions from various parts of the world and their significance was presented by each member. The gifting of some of them was such a joy to watch.

We pray the young people will grow from strength to strength, grounded and nourished by God's Word, demonstrating the fruit of the Spirit, using the amazing gifting of the Spirit and contribute to the growth of God's Kingdom at Springs Christian Fellowship.

Christina Baskaran

Church Ministries

Sunday School

Sunday school has 4 leaders and helpers. We cater from reception to up to 18 years.

Simon and Mary delivered Culture shock covering a wide range of topics aimed at teens.

Christina and Isabel delivered sessions on the Parables of Jesus and Miracles of Jesus



Courtney has been a real blessing working with the younger children and reading short bible stories. Thank You!

At Spring Kids we have been looking at social media and how it affects us as a Christian. We looked at mothers in the Bible, who they were and why they are important. We also looked at what the Beatitudes are and how they impact us today.

Mary Deadman

Church Ministries

Worship (Tash)



As a Church we are extremely blessed to have such a variety of worshipers and leaders providing a different style of music, leadership and sound that has the capacity to appeal to different ages ranges and cultures.

Most recently we have seen a growth in the number of young people developing and taking an interest in the worship, notably Courtney and Destiny over the past year. We also have the privilege of being joined by Pedro & Chantal who moved to England from St Lucia last year. Both are Worship leaders and respected Gospel artists back home. The age range for our current team is between 16-35. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders, notably Isabel who will now start leading.

Many thanks to brother Eric, who continues to lead Worship regularly with his group, alongside his other ministries.

We encourage individuality within our groups and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Grant & Ernie continue to set up and run our soundboard every Sunday. We welcome anyone who might be interested in learning this in order to help them. The same goes with the projector which a member of the worship team also operates each week.

Ernie & Grant – a massive thank you from all of us!

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A huge thank you to the musicians for their faithful hard work and dedication.

Tash Salvador

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Church Ministries

Prayer

We believe that prayer is the backbone of the church. The aim of this area of ministry is to see the fulfilment of Isaiah 56



"For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"

Prayer Time is at the church is on Tuesdays from 5 pm for around 45 minutes. If you can't do the full time, come and do what you can. I encourage you all to be part of this vision bring your good ideas and let us advance the kingdom of our God.

We need to be a church that prays together and develops this ministry to cover every area of ministry.

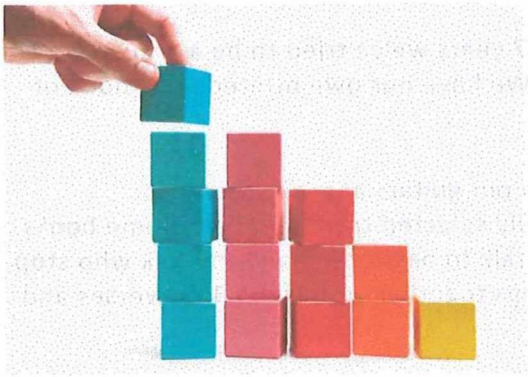
We continue to pray for a new Pastor and that Gods chosen person will be delivered to us.

Brian Oxborough.

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Church Ministries

FaithBuilders



FaithBuilders has been running for nearly 10 years now. We meet once a fortnight on alternate Fridays and have from 8 to 14 people of all ages most weeks. We always start with a time of Praise and Worship led by Immanuel, and sometimes Isabel helps. Then we share Prayer needs and requests and spend some time praying for these and for one another. Following this our Bible Study lasts from 30 to 45 minutes, and then we finish off with a nice Supper!

Although I usually lead the Bible Studies, I have involved others in leading them as well, and everyone is also encouraged to be involved with comments or questions during the evening.

Providing the Suppers is shared by Christina, Grant and myself, and every third FaithBuilders, when Grant is doing the Supper, we meet at his house instead of ours.

The Covid lockdowns resulted in us meeting on Zoom instead for a couple of years, and I started making a monthly payment to Zoom so that our Meetings can last for more than their basic 40 minutes, and we have continued to put the Meeting on Zoom for the benefit of anyone who isn't able to get to our house - late home from work or illness etc. and also my sister Jan who lives in Yorkshire, and who joins us regularly.

We enjoy great Fellowship and the evenings are clearly greatly enjoyed as the hardest part is getting everyone to go home afterwards!

Eric Hallsworth

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Church Ministries

Street (Open Air) and Residential Homes Outreach

We like to call it an Open Air and for the last 7 years we've tried to be a group of Christians having a Gospel Service outdoors. We have our own printed Song book of over 60 Gospel hymns and choruses.

We all sing while Immanuel and myself are on our guitars and Isabel on her saxophone, and we have a table full of carefully selected tracts, leaflets, some books and Bibles. We also look for opportunities to talk to passers-by and the folk who stop to listen to the singing. I link some of the songs together with short Bible verses and comments and we also offer to pray for folk.

Quite a few people do stop to listen, and we've been amused as some have even taken their mobile phones out to film us while we've been singing!

We always enjoy ourselves, and I am very proud of and grateful for everyone who helps, because it is a team effort that couldn't happen without such support.

Sadly the Covid lockdown measures meant that Springs weren't able to do its regular Residential Homes ministry during that period. When the measures were lifted the Homes understandably were still very negative about having visitors other than close friends or family of the residents, and the only one we have been able to go to recently is the Beane River Home in Hertford, where we have received a great welcome!

We have greatly missed taking Services in the Ware Homes, especially at Easter and Christmas, and pray and hope that the situation will soon change for the better so that we can get back to doing what our Lord Jesus told us to do, just before He ascended into Heaven:

Go into all the world and preach the Gospel!

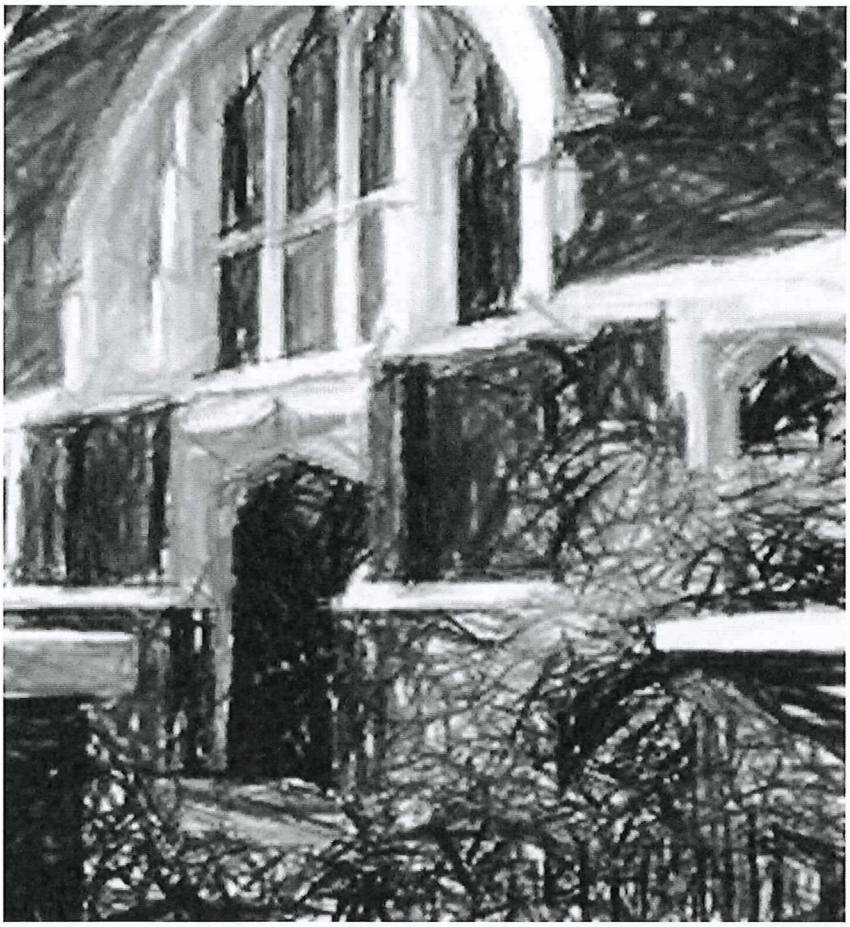
Eric Hallsworth

SPRINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1054358

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AGM Report 2022

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Agenda

Annual General Meeting 29-Jan-2023

All Members are expected to make every effort to be present, it is part of your membership AND a meeting that is required by Law.

1. PRAYER

2. READING OF THE WORD

3. REPORTS
   - a. Leadership Report
   - b. Financial Report – Sarah
   - c. Youth & Sunday School – Church Council
   - d. Worship - Tash
   - e. Prayer Ministry –Simon
   - f. Faithbuilders – Eric
   - g. Street (Open Air) – Eric
   - h. Drop In – Church Council
   - i. Volunteers - Church Council

4. FUTURE PLANS

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS This should be submitted in writing to the Church Council and be received 2 days before the AGM meeting.

6. DATE OF NEXT AGM – 29-Oct-2023

7. CLOSING REMARKS – Eric Hallsworth

8. THANKSGIVING TO GOD

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

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SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Leadership Report

Introduction

This is the fourteenth year of producing a printed annual report for members in which we provide our reports, the accounts and look to the future.

This report deals solely with the events and activities of 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.

In January 2022 we were joined by former members of Emmanuel Church, we hope you feel at home and welcome at Springs Christian Fellowship

Overview

In the previous year, the overall objective was to continue to build a stable structure for meetings and administration and the slow improvement of the building. It also aimed at encouraging the ongoing growth in the body of the church. As part of achieving this aim, the leadership continued its search for appointing a new minister in order to bring a vision for the church. In the year under review, these objectives were continued to be given priority. Meetings, administration processes, and improvements of the building were addressed. The church has begun to grow in quality and quantity. Processes for appointing a new minister were undertaken including job advertisement and interviews, though an appointable person was not found in the search process. The position is re-advertised now with a view to finding a suitable minister. The leadership is keen to encourage every individual in the church to become people who read bible, pray regularly and develop their personal relationship with the Lord. We thank one and all who help out in so many different and varied ways, all equally important. We all continue to appreciate each other and thank those who support the varied activities needed to keep God's church functioning.

Benefiting the Community

The Objects of the Charity are principally to the advancement of Christianity. This will be done by the declaration and upholding of the Gospel concerning God's Son Jesus Christ the Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Word of God by the Church in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain as approved by the General Council from time to time. In addition, the objectives allow the church to minister into key areas of our society and the world and therefore allow us to minister to the whole person for a complete answer to our societies needs as the Leadership lead and resources allow.

In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2021 and into 2022 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and people are challenged to put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, provide positive input into their families and to be good citizens in our community.

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Leadership Report

A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work overseas and in this country. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street and residential outreach. Drop In has added to the services we offer our community, but due to the restriction caused by Covid, we were not able to continue the Drop In for the year under review.
We support organisations that specialise in Bible centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people and children around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

Annual Events

- Easter
- Christmas Services
- Area Conference

Concerning the Coming Year

We are continuing in our journey in becoming a church that is ready for growth and able to meet the demands that will bring.

The Leadership and the church is fully committed to pray for the appointment of a new minister and ensure that suitable appointment is made for the on-going growth of the church.

The next part of this transition will be more fully owning of "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is now more detailed there are other areas that are still under development. Like previous year, the church council needs support and strengthening. Other areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church.

Evangelism: while some of these events or activities are not for proclaiming the Gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions. Community Interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Leadership Report

Projects or Events Planned

- Developing the structure of the family service
- More frequent youth and family service on Sundays
- Reinstating prayer meetings and bible study
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Internal Decoration of hall and church building.
- Church Entrance Modernisation
- Disabled toilet access

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Treasurers Report

Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2022 our income and expenditure were both up; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year increased by £7,643.

The total expenditure has increased by £8,317. The main increase in expenditure is due to the building work at the church, and utilities and insurance costs.

Springs Christian Fellowship
Registered Charity No. 1054358

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2022

	Receipts			Payments	
	2020 / 21 £	2021 / 22 £		2020 / 21 £	2021 / 22 £
Church Giving	19,431	30,431	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	4,590	4,866
Restricted Income	100	0	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	13,633	22,024
Interest	65	31	Administration (see note 3)	2,144	1,794
Other Income	8,160	4,937			
	27,756	**35,399**		**20,367**	**28,684**

Table 1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Treasurers Report

Springs Christian Fellowship
Registered Charity No. 1054358

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2022

	2020 / 21		2021 / 22	
	£	£	£	£
Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)				
Ministry Fees: Pastor	4,160		4,102	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	130		234	
Youth Minsitry	0		130	
Tithes & Gifts	300		400	
		4,590		**4,866**
Establishment Costs (Note 2)				
Utilities & Insurance	4,803		4,792	
Cleaning Services	0		1,700	
Building & Repairs	7,758		10,587	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	1,072		3,293	
Church Manse Repairs	0		770	
Catering & Facilities	0		626	
Music Licence	0		206	
Equipment	0		50	
		13,633		**22,024**
Administration (Note 3)				
Fees	748		374	
Computer	403		406	
Membership & Dues	767		767	
Child Protection	129		214	
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Sundries	0		7	
		2,144		**1,794**
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Table 2 Payments breakdown

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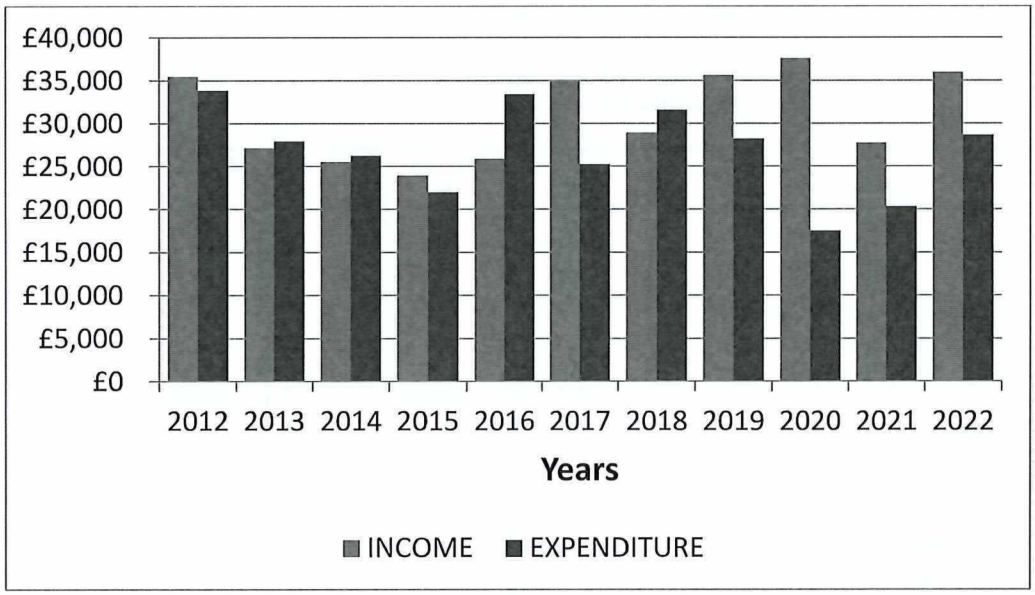


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Natasha Salvador (Lancaster) N. Salvador

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Date: 29 JAN 2023

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Church Ministries

Springs Youth Group



The youth of Springs Christian Fellowship (ages 13+) come together for worship, prayer, fellowship and to talk about the issues they face as young Christians in a secular world. The group aims to meet regulary and the gathering is very relaxed and informal. Adult helpers provide guidance, experience, and organise the meetings.

The youth have continued to grow in the Lord and we are grateful for the amazing progress we have seen in them. They enjoy each other's friendship and fellowship and continue to grow closer as a group. They share prayer requests and we have seen amazing answers to prayers.
The topics covered in the meetings have dealt with issues that impact their lives as Christians.

Every week Springs Youth contribute strongly to the Sunday morning service. They also performed a short interactive pantomime-style sketch at the church's carol service which was greatly enjoyed by the congregation.

Our Youth continue to encourage and bless the church family. Most of them are members of the worship team and this has also helped them bond together as a group and contribute to the church's ministry. It has been a joy to see our young people growing, becoming bolder, ministering to the church and exercising the gifts God has given them.

We have also had various social activities and of course celebrate birthdays and Christmas.
During Covid restrictions we continued our meetings where and when we can, even remotely using Zoom when necessary. We will continue to study the Bible look at how the Word of God is relevant to our lives. We will strive to make these meetings interesting, relevant, and fun. We will continue to encourage the youth to grow in the gifts, apply them and continue to contribute to the ministry of the church.

Church Council on behalf of Springs Youth

SPRINGS Christian Fellowship

Church Ministries

Sunday School



The desire is for Sunday School to be a welcoming, exciting and safe place where children learn about and experience God's love, feel valued, are inspired and have loads of fun.

The target age for Sunday School is flexible depending on need is usually around 5-13 years old.

Sessions are encouraged to be very interactive and for the children to enjoy sharing their views but not feel under pressure. The typical structure each week is for everyone to talk about their week, prayer, worship, bible study followed by games and quizzes.

Covid has impacted teachers DBS checking and Safeguarding training, something we need to address in 2022-23.

Due to the challenges of Covid Sunday School could not always occur.

We look forward to re-opening Sunday School fully in the future to the wider community once all restrictions are removed and the necessary arrangements have been made.

If you would like to volunteer with helping out at Sunday School please contact a member of the Church Council or the leadership.

Church Council (on behalf of Spring Kids)

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Church Ministries

Worship (Tash)



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Most recently we have seen a very noticeable growth in the number of young people and All Nations students developing and taking an interest in the worship, notably Courtney and Katherine over the past year. We've also had some new singers and musicians join our Church who will be included in our worship in due course. The age range for our current team is between 18-30. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders.

We encourage individuality within our group and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Since returning to in-person services in summer 2021, the Worship team had been down to one group leading every Sunday, with some singers on rotation. This is because some members were still not comfortable attending physical services. We sang 3 songs, instead of our normal 5. This is because we were reducing our service time slightly in order to limit exposure due to the pandemic situation. Now (2022) we are back to full services with a full worship team and full set, with Eric returning to lead with his team also, which is a great blessing.

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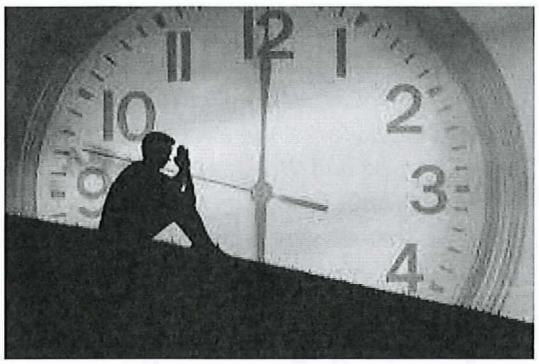
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Church Ministries

Prayer



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2021/2022 has been a challenging year for the continuation of our prayer ministry at the church. We encourage you all to continue to pray at home and on Zoom and pray the situation will improve for 2022/2023!

Under normal circumstances Prayer Times at the church are:

- Tuesday 4:30 – 5:15
- Sunday 6:00 – 7:00 this has gained strength and consistency and answers are being seen.
- Additional Prayer before Sunday Service 9:45
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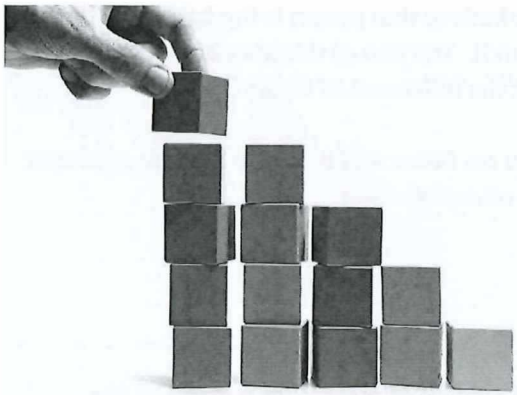
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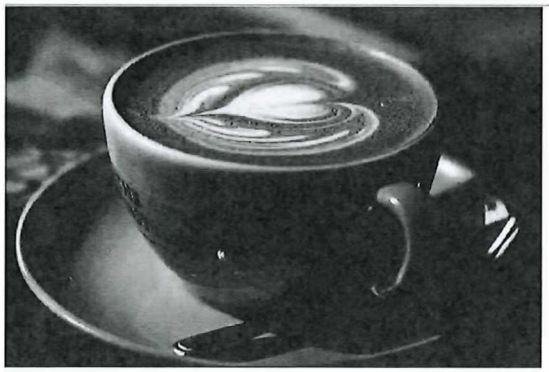
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Church Ministries

Drop In



Unfortunately Drop In has been impacted by Covid and is not currently up and running. Watch this space though, the re-start is fully supported by the leadership.

Previously Drop In occurred on a Wednesday morning / lunchtime and was a chance for Church members and people from outside to meet, have a coffee (or tea), sometimes some food and talk and if they wanted play table tennis, pool or whatever took their fancy.

To re-open we need volunteers. We need to perform a risk assessment and have some people trained for adult safeguarding as a DBS check is required for regular adult activities. Don't let that put you off if you'd like to take part. The church will fully support the training.

Church Council (on behalf of Drop In)

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Church Council

SPRINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1054358

Accounts



AGM Report 2021

Agenda

Springs Christian Fellowship Registered Charity Number 1054358

Annual General Meeting 31-Jan-2022

All Members are expected to make every effort to be present, it is part of your membership AND a meeting that is required by Law.

1. PRAYER

2. READING OF THE WORD

3. REPORTS
   - **a.** Chairman's Report – Church Council
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4. FUTURE PLANS

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS This should be submitted in writing to the Church Council and be received 2 days before the AGM meeting.

6. DATE OF NEXT AGM – Provisionally 30-Oct-2022

7. CLOSING REMARKS – Pastor Sam

8. THANKSGIVING TO GOD

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Chairman's Report

Introduction

This is the thirteenth year of producing a printed annual report for members in which we provide our reports, the accounts and look to the future.

It is important that we remember that we are currently more than three quarters through the financial year 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022. This report deals solely with the events and activities of 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021.

Overview

The overall continued objective has been towards building a stable structure for meetings and administration and the slow improvement of the building; together with the preparation for ongoing growth in the body of the church.
Preparation and prayer continue for Gods anointed new Minister to be appointed at Springs and the encouragement and vision they will bring. We need to encourage and provoke the church, that is individuals as well as us as a body, to become people who read and pray and develop that personal relationship with the Lord. We thank one and all who help out in so many different and varied ways, all equally important. We all continue to appreciate each other and thank those who support the varied activities needed to keep Gods church functioning.

Benefiting the Community

The Objects of the Charity are principally to the advancement of Christianity. This will be done by the declaration and upholding of the Gospel concerning God's Son Jesus Christ the Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Word of God by the Church in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God

in Great Britain as approved by the General Council from time to time. In addition, the objects allow the church to minister into key areas of our society and the world and therefore allow us to minister to the whole person for a complete answer to our societies needs as the Leadership lead and resources allow.

Chairman's Report

In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2020 and into 2021 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and
people are challenged to put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, provide positive input into their families and to be good citizens in our community.
A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work overseas and in this country. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street and residential outreach. Drop In has added to the services we offer our community. We support organisations that specialise in Bible centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

Annual Events

- Easter
- Christmas Services
- Area Conference
- Remembrance Day Service

Concerning the Coming Year

We are continuing in our journey in becoming a church that is ready for growth and able to meet the demands that will bring.

The next part of this transition will be more fully owning of "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

Discipleship

We will look at developing our existing ministries to better equip the church and increase the variety of ministry to cover a wider group to reflect the diverse congregation.

Chairman's Report

Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is now more detailed there are other areas that are still under development. The church council needs support and strengthening. Other areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church.

Evangelism
While some of these events or activities are not for proclaiming the Gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions.
Community Interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

Projects or Events Planned:

- Developing the structure of the family service
- Samaritans Purse Shoebox Appeal November 2021
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Disabled toilet access
- Church Entrance Modernisation
- Internal Decoration of hall and church building.

Treasurers Report

Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2021 our income was down and our expenditure was up; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year is decreased by £9,878, which is partly due closure of the church during COVID-19 and donations to the church, via PayPal being frozen. PayPal account issue has now been resolved and monies owed to the church have now been paid and will be reflected in the next financial year.

The total expenditure has increased by £2,838. The main increase in expenditure is due to the building work at the church.

Table 1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2021

	Receipts			Payments	
	2019 / 20 £	2020 / 21 £		2019 / 20 £	2020 / 21 £
Church Giving	26,767	19,431	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	5,063	4,590
Restricted Income	1,600	100	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	10,354	13,633
Interest	101	65	Administration (see note 3)	2,112	2,144
Other Income	9,166	8,160			
	37,634	**27,756**		**17,529**	**20,367**

Treasurers Report

Table 2 Payments breakdown

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2021

	2019 / 20		2020 / 21	
	£	£	£	£
Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)				
Ministry Fees: Pastor	4,160		4,160	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	130		130	
Tithes & Gifts	773		300	
		5,063		**4,590**
Establishment Costs (Note 2)				
Utilities & Insurance	4,818		4,803	
Security	0		0	
Building & Repairs	3,378		7,758	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	1,545		1,072	
Church Manse Repairs	110			
Catering & Facilities	173			
Equipment	330			
		10,354		**13,633**
Administration (Note 3)				
Fees	374		748	
Computer	214		403	
Membership & Dues	827		767	
Child Protection	193		129	
Stationery & Postage	504		97	
Sundries	0			
		2,112		**2,144**
Total		**17,529**		**20,367**

Treasurers Report

Table 3 Assets and Liabilities

Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As At 31st March 2021

	2019 / 20		2020 / 21	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Church Premises - Insurance Value	612,711		612,711	
Contents of Premises - Insurance Value	23,099		23,099	
Church Manse - Insurance Value	144,484		144,484	
		780,294		**780,294**
Current Assets				
Bank Balances:				
TSB A/C 30154860	29,140		33,797	
TSB A/C 30460268	10,123		11,116	
TSB A/C 30460960	743		743	
TSB A/C 30709160	8,448		10,187	
Cash in Hand	0		0	
		48,454		**55,843**
Total Assets		**828,748**		**836,137**
Current Liabilites				
Kingdom Bank Loan 822123	0		0	
		0		**0**
Net Assets		**828,748**		**836,137**

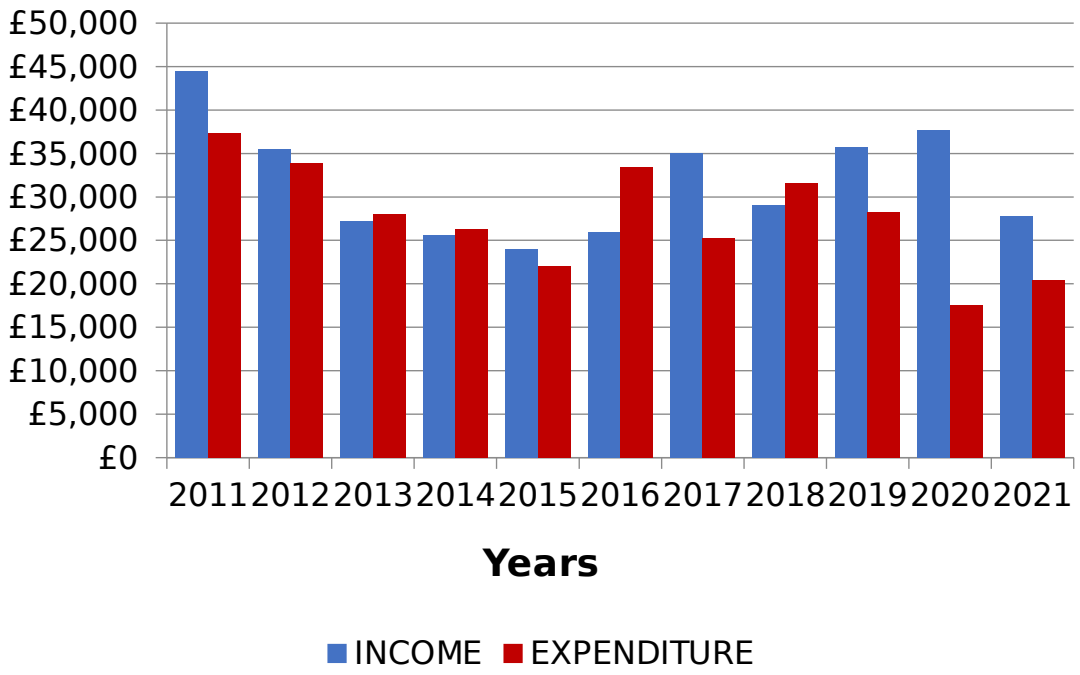
The income and expenditure table and chart below show that over the income and expenditure over the last 10 years for Springs Christian Fellowship.

Table 4 Income and Expenditure Table

YEAR	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
INCOME	£44,427	£35,460	£27,185	£25,591	£23,983	£25,901	£35,000	£28,989	£35,700	£37,634	£27,756
EXPENDITURE	£37,288	£33,887	£27,977	£26,286	£22,052	£33,440	£25,300	£31,600	£28,253	£17,529	£20,367

Treasurers Report

Figure 1 **Income and Expenditure Chart**



Church Tithe

The church council continues to tithe to Watoto a sum of £300 pa to sponsor a child.

Concerning the Future

Covid-19 has delayed our continuous process of renovating the church and has had impact on our ability to gather together. God has been good during these uncertain times and continues to provide for our needs. However, if you feel that God is leading you to help financially, either in general or on a specific project e.g. renovation, please feel free to contact our treasurer Sarah Cook.

I would like to encourage **everyone** to follow the Biblical principal of tithing, **and those who pay tax to consider Gift Aiding their tithe**, which means the Church receives about 25% back from the taxman. Also, an easier way to manage personal giving is to set up a monthly standing order to the Church. We will explore the facility to give online and to text a gift as our society moves towards not carrying money.

Finally, I would like to thank God for his faithfulness and each person who gave money faithfully to the work of this church in the financial year ending March 2021. I hope and pray that you will continue to support the work of this church this year through your financial contribution as well as other help.

Sarah Cook

Trustees and Church Council

Philip Sharp

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Simon Donger

STATEMENT

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 TRUSTEES

Please print name & signature:

Date: .....

Church Ministries

Springs Youth



Meetings of the youth of Springs Christian Fellowship have mainly been online due to restrictions. Not being able to meet in person has been a struggle and the youth have kept in touch via WhatsApp and other social media.

We have met online to encourage one another, pray for each other and to do other fun activities like games. Since most of the youth are also part of the Springs Worship Team, this has been easier. The youth contributed to the Church's online carol service through readings and a sketch.

Future plans: Now that the church is open to meet in person, we will resume face to face meetings and choose topics for study and continue to look at how the Word of God is relevant to our lives. We will look at ideas to make these meetings interesting and relevant. We will continue to encourage them to share their gifts and contribute to the ministry of the church.

Christiana Baskaran



Church Ministries

Sunday School - Springs Kids



After last year's relaunch of Springs Kids we continued into 2021. The desire is for Springs Kids to be a welcoming, exciting and safe place where children learn about and experience God's love, feel valued, are inspired and have loads of fun.

The target age for Springs Kids is 5-13 years old. Sessions are encouraged to be very interactive and for the children to enjoy sharing their views but not feel under pressure. The typical structure each week is for everyone to talk about their week, prayer, worship, bible study followed by games and quizzes. Superbook is one of our favourite teaching aides.

All teachers are DBS checked and the majority have attended Safeguarding training.

Due to the challenges of Covid Springs Kids could not always occur at the church but we have started providing sessions via Zoom.

A massive thanks to the teachers for their commitment and support for Springs kids.

Finally, we look forward to re-opening Springs Kids in the future to the wider community once all restrictions are removed and the necessary arrangements have been made.

If you would like to volunteer with helping out at Springs Kids please contact a member of the Church Council or the leadership.

Church Council (on behalf of Spring Kids)

Church Ministries

Worship (Tash)



As a Church we are extremely blessed to have such a variety of worshipers and leaders providing a different style of music, leadership and sound that has the capacity to appeal to different ages ranges and cultures.

Most recently we have seen a very noticeable growth in the number of young people developing and taking an interest in the worship, notably Cedrick and Chris over the past year. The age range for our current team is between 18-30. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders.

We encourage individuality within our group and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Throughout the pandemic the Church used the Zoom platform to stream our weekly services. During this time, we used lyric videos from YouTube rather than live Worship for various reasons. Since returning to in-person services in summer 2021, the Worship team has been down to one group leading every Sunday, with some singers on rotation. This is because some members are still not comfortable attending physical services. We currently sing 3 songs, instead of our normal 5. This is because we're reducing our

service time slightly in order to limit exposure due to the current pandemic situation.

Church Ministries

Worship (Tash)

During the first lockdown in 2020 we utilised the time and had our Worship platform renovated. This has given us a lot more space and has allowed for more organisation and placement of equipment. Grant did a great job of rewiring everything from the stage to the soundesk. Grant also continues to set up and run our soundboard every Sunday. We welcome anyone who might be interested in learning this in order to help him. The same goes with the projector which a member of the worship team also operates each week.

Grant – a massive thank you from all of us!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is involved in the worship; from leading and playing to singing and operating our sound desk and projector. Preparing and taking part in the worship is a big responsibility and not something we take lightly. A lot of prayer, thought and practice goes in each time we worship with one another, so I want to express my appreciation for all your hard work and devotion and may we continue to praise and magnify the Lord together.

A huge thank you to the musicians for their faithful hard work and dedication.

Tash Salvador



Church Ministries

Prayer



We believe that prayer is the backbone of the church. The aim of this area of ministry is to see the fulfilment of Isaiah 56

"For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"

2020/2021 has been a challenging year for the continuation of our prayer ministry at the church. We encourage you all to continue to pray at home and on Zoom and pray the situation will improve for 2021/2022!.

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- Tuesday 4:30 – 5:15
- Sunday 6:00 – 7:00 this has gained strength and consistency and answers are being seen.
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Church Ministries

Drop In

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We do need to create a safe environment for everyone to meet and to be able to welcome people.

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Church Council (on behalf of Drop In)



Church Ministries

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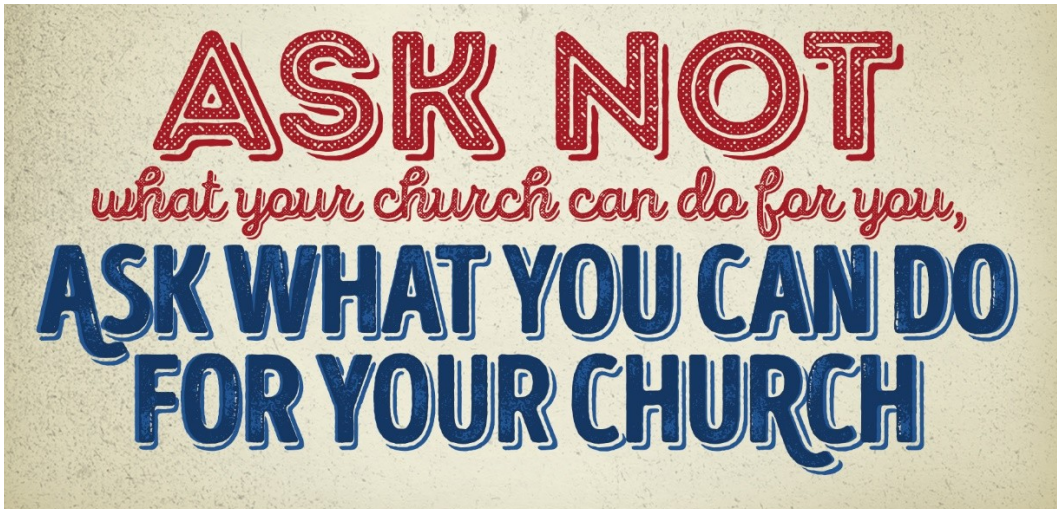
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