

Trustees report for charity commission January 2025

Our church continues to grow and since the last report we have been blessed by new families with children joining our congregation and further expansion of ministries. Over the past year the group for secondary school age children called Youth Alive has continued to meet regularly and our young people have been bringing friends from other churches.

Our Care Groups have continued to meet regularly every week, with members supporting each other in study of the scripture and discussion and also prayer. We continue to hold our usual weekly Sunday communion services and evening prayer meetings. We also do community outreach via our weekly coffee morning.

Our Young Adults Group continues to function via football outreach with Christian Leadership designed to bring the example of the Lord Jesus to young people of all walks of life. The Young adults are helped to grow in the fundamentals of the Christian faith.

We had our first mission trip to Ethiopia and have other trips planned for 2025 and 2026.

We said goodbye to one of our longstanding elders and his wife as they have moved away. This couple are very highly regarded and the Church has really benefited from their commitment and engagement with various activities.

We have also reviewed and updated our Church Constitution and Working Practices documents with the assistance of AoG Solicitors, since our previous report.

Our WoW Group (Women of Wellspring) has continued to flourish and the women had a weekend retreat in October which was well attended and valued. Our Mens Meetings have not been as well attended and we are looking into what we might do to encourage more engagement.

Since last year work that was needed on the prayer room and storage area has been undertaken as a necessity since then and the builder found that the structure was very rotten through water damage and about to collapse. We attempted to gain some funding for this but unfortunately we were not able to obtain funding to cover the £25.4K.

Our Church boiler also came to the end of its life but we were blessed to receive a replacement boiler and free installation from someone in the Church at no cost to Wellspring.

The Church property in Erith continues to be rented by the tenant who has been in place since 2018. The property is a two bedroom terraced house with a small conservatory and a garden.

We thank and praise God for the work that he is doing in our church: for the new people that he is bringing in; for those of our congregation who help in Sunday school; those who provide hospitality after each weekly church service by making cups of tea and coffee and providing light refreshments; those who help to keep the church clean and in other ways maintain the building; those who help out with the various ministries.

Wellspring Pentecostal Church

Statement of Receipts and Payments

01/04/2023 to 31/03/2024

Receipts

Payments

GA	Gift Aid	22,791.85
GR	Gift Aid Tax Reclaims	7,421.39
CO	Communications	28.78
OF	Offerings	15,189.01
CB	Church Building Running Costs	-
MB	Manse	8,422.17
EV	Community Outreach	-
WM	Church Ministries	23.08
MT	Tithe to Missions	-
OE	Office Equipment	-
BA	Banking	102.33
MS	Miscellaneous	134.40
BF	Benevolent Fund	315.00
WC	Wellspring Café	1,796.65

SC	Salaries and Related Costs	32,197.24
LM	Licences and Membership	2,787.13
CO	Communications	1,641.13
OF	Offerings	-
CB	Church Building Running Costs	30,630.04
MB	Manse	638.00
EV	Community Outreach	22.00
WM	Church Ministries	984.68
MT	Tithe to Missions	3,416.00
OE	Office Equipment	1,074.80
BA	Banking	60.00
MS	Miscellaneous	3,774.32
BF	Benevolent Fund	1,111.30
WC	Wellspring Café	1,585.01
TR	Training and Conferences	975.44
PC	Petty Cash	-
VS	Visiting Speakers	450.00

56,224.66

81,347.09

(of which in respect of restricted income) 2847.98

Church Building Running Costs

F01	British Gas	3644.29
F03	Water Rates	245.94
BR	Building Repairs	25455.99
CI	Church Insurance	1124.82
TV	TV Licence	159.00
		<u>30630.04</u>

Manse Income and Running Costs

F11	Income from Manse	8422.17	0.00
MI	Manse Insurance	0.00	638.00
MM	Manse Maintenance	0.00	0.00
MU	Manse Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
		<u>8422.17</u>	<u>638.00</u>

Net Total **7784.17**

Communications

F02	Telephone & Internet	1022.06
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W01	Website	383.00
W02	Website Address Renewal	158.29
LE	Leaflets and Signs	49.00

1612.35

Community Outreach

E02	Magazines	0.00
E03	Advertising	22.00
FB	Food Bank	0.00
E01	Literature	0.00
FC	Wellspring Football	0.00

22.00

Licences and Membership

F10	ACAT Membership	22.00
CC	CCLI Membership	0.00
FI	Fire Inspection	142.60
CT	Churches Together in Welling	50.00
BV	BVSC Membership	0.00
F07	ThirtyOneEight Membership	193.65
CP	Creation Software	80.00
ZM	Zoom	863.28
GL	Licences	0.00
F04	AOG Tithe	1435.60

2787.13

Training and Conferences

AC	Area Conference	975.44
TC	Training	0.00

975.44

Office Equipment

MH	Hardware	614.19
ST	Stationery & Office Supplies	57.93
OP	Peripherals	402.68
OF	Office Furniture / Equipment	0.00

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1074.80

Miscellaneous

M01 Accountancy / Legal		1513.80
M02 Music / Worship Items		72.26
M03 Communion Wine		134.29
M05 Miscellaneous Items		1762.26
M06 Paypal Giving	0.00	0.00
HS Hospitality		157.31

0.00

3639.92

Net Total

3639.92

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the directors of

Wellspring Pentecostal Church

On accounts for the year ended

31 March 2024

Charity no.

1054381

Set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

- In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention
1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
 2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 10/7/24

Name:

Helen Attack

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ACA

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Section B

Disclosure

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None