

**GODS KINGDOM SOCIETY
(GKS) Church
(The Church of The Living God)**

Charity Registration Number 1056941

**Trustees Annual Report Including
Financial Statement**

**For the year ending
31ST DECEMBER 2024**

“Towards Gods Perfect Government”

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Report of The Trustees for Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Reference and Administrative Details

The God's Kingdom Society is a purely Christian Organisation founded by the Almighty God through the instrumentality of St. Gideon Meriodere Urhobo, of the blessed memory.

Gods Kingdom Society (GKS) Church is a UK charity registered with the Charity Commission of England & Wales. The organisation is managed by the administrative committee and a board of trustees. Trustees are selected on the basis of the contribution that they will make to the governance of the organisation and the skills they can contribute. Trustees are provided with copies of the charity commission's guidance to trustees as well as other relevant information.

Trustees

Mr I. Ogbighele
Mr G. Obafemi
Mr C. Duru
Mr T. Agbanoma

Financial Secretary

Mr N. Ojeh

Independent Examiner

Mrs S.O George-Obuenwe

Charity Registration Number

1056941

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc

Report of Trustees

Aim and Purposes

- To declare God's Kingdom of righteousness and peace on earth and to express this doctrine in every conceivable way and form, within the bounds of law, order and human decency and to do so at any time or place, to the best of our knowledge and understanding of Bible interpretations and symbolism.
- To vindicate, admonish, preach and impart to mankind irrespective of colour, creed or race the wholesome idea of service, fear, adoration and reverence to God Almighty, the Maker of man, the Author of Life, and the Great Ruler and Architect of the Universe.
- To excite the interest of Africans and all people of the earth to study the Holy Bible, the Christian ethics and theology and to promote all means and measures conducive to the propagation of this knowledge for the eventual peace and realisation of harmony and tranquillity among all people of the human race in accordance with scriptural ideology.

Objectives and Activities

The principal activity of the charity is to propagate the saving gospel of Jesus Christ all over the world and to educate young people in accordance with Christian principles.

The trustees have given regard to the charities commission guidance on public benefit and in particular, the guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The GKS is committed to enabling as many people as possible to join us for worship at our church and to become members and part of our Christian community. In doing so she provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing a facility for public worship, pastoral care, spiritual, moral and intellectual development for members and anyone who wishes to benefit from what the church offers
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the church, to one another as well as in and to their communities for the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

To enable members and well-wishers to put their faith into practice, the charity is involved in numerous day-to-day church activities and other activities, which are advertised and made available freely to members of the public and the community. Activities include but not limited to:

- Sunday Church Services
- Sunday school
- Weddings
- Bible Study
- Youth Work
- Various Workshops and Seminars
- Pastoral care for people in the community
- Providing outreach work.

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Achievements and Performance

Throughout 2024 the church witnessed further growth and development of GKS regional units. The GKS unit in Newcastle organised regular service meeting, providing the opportunity for members and guests in and around the North East of England to worship in-person at least twice a month.

In October, GKS Manchester unit, organised and hosted a regional Freedom Day celebration. The event proved to be an overwhelming success to the glory of God, attracting participants from wide ranging places, as far as London to Nottingham and numerous towns and cities in between.

Youth Activities

The Gods Kingdom Society's Youth Assembly was held from Friday 23 August 2024 to Sunday 25th August 2024 at the church premises in London. The theme for the 2024 youth assembly was "Only True Clean and Sincere Worship God Accepts"

As usual, the aim of the conference is to transform, inspire and educate students and youths on becoming a good asset to the community through positive Christian attitude and behaviour as well as to showcase the praises of God Almighty.

This year we were extremely honoured and privileged to be joined Brother O.D Akinwale, Executive Board member and Treasurer of the Church. Youths from all over the country and further afield, converged at the church premises in London for a wide-ranging programme of activities, including musical performances, bible quiz, drama, talks, seminars and much more.

The President's keynote address and message for the youths this year was entitled: "Only True Clean and Sincere Worship God Accepts". The 2024 Youth Assembly was once again a highly inspiring, informative and ended successfully on Sunday 25th August 2024 to the glory of God and Jesus Christ.

Freedom Day Celebration

The Gods Kingdom Society's Freedom Day celebration in London was held on the 20th October 2024. For this event, the decision was made to return to the external venue in Croydon, previously used for 2023 Freedom Day celebration.

This year we were extremely honoured and privileged to welcome the Vice President of the Church, Brother T.M Ekisowei, who led and presided over the Freedom Day celebrations in the UK.

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The President's main message for the Freedom Day celebrations was entitled: "Let Him That Thinketh He Standeth Take Heed Lest He Fall". Following the President's message, there were performances from various choral groups, before an elder in the Church, Brother L. Edemhanria was called on to take the sermon entitled: "Was Christ born on Christmas Day".

In his sermon, the church elder was able to successfully prove from the bible chronology that Jesus Christ could not have been born in December, but rather the evidence from the bible establishes his birth in October.

The 2024 Freedom Day celebration, with over 400 people in attendance ended well to the to the glory of God and his beloved son Jesus Christ.

Charitable Giving & Donations

The church continues to provide financial support and donations, nationally and internationally as helping those in need is a practical demonstration of our faith

Support and donated funds are used for, but not limited to: Building and repair of places of worship, provision of Bible-based literature, study material and sermons, capacity building and other means to facilitate the worship of God.

Financial support and contributions were made to the following:

- For the development and maintenance of St Urhobo Square in Salem City Warri
- For assistance towards various Branches, including Liberia
- A clinic and charity school in Warri Nigeria

Members of the welfare committee, sisters committee and other volunteers continued to support members of the church as well as other vulnerable individuals in cash and goods.

This financial support and donations provided locally, nationally and internationally were of immense benefit to both individual recipients as well as receiving organizations.

The trustees and the administrative committee give our thanks, gratitude and sincere appreciation to God Almighty and his beloved son Jesus Christ, for their continuing goodness and abundant provision during 2024.

We are also extremely grateful to all members, friends and well-wishers for the level of support we have received from them throughout the year.

Financial Review

Income:-

The principal funding source for the church is from members' contributions in the form of tithes, free-will offerings, and other donations.

The church does not raise funds from the general public and neither does it engage any third parties to do this on behalf of the church.

Total receipts of funds for the year dropped to £225,147 (£231,639; 2023), representing a 2.8% decrease from the previous year.

The administrative committee and the trustees are once again very grateful to Jehovah, The Almighty God, and all those who have donated in one way or the other for their continued support of the church and the dispensation of the saving gospel of Jesus Christ.

Resources Expended:-

Total expended for the year was £152,173 (£219,530; 2023), which represents a decrease of 30% from the previous year. Of this, £125,535 was spent on charitable activities and £21,499 on general overhead expenses.

Charitable activities included £63,756 spent in ongoing support for the Ministry. Assistance was also provided for repairs and maintenance of church buildings and service halls. Funds were also spent on Home Office sponsorship and visa applications, facilitating the organisation of travel arrangements and the upkeep of visiting ministers.

£1,570 was spent on health-related expenses and insurance and £10,000 was spent on support and assistance to international branches of the church.

£21,522 was spent on evangelism and gospel propagation and £12,350 was spent on charitable donations. A total of £11,203 was spent on welfare related expenses and assistance to members. This included funds that were provided to support the elderly, bereaved, sick, mothers with new born babies and others that required assistance.

Miscellaneous expenses for the year were £5,139, of which £1,171 was related to choir expenses and purchase of music equipment.

Balance Sheet:-

The balance sheet has increased during the year by £63,201. Key movement in the year include an increase in cash of £68,026 from (2023), a slight decrease in debtors of £1,915 from (2023)

The net result for the year was a net surplus of £72,974 and an overall increase to the value of the balance sheet by £63,201.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the church is exposed to and are satisfied that sufficiently robust systems are in place to manage these risks.

The principal risk identified by the trustees which the church is exposed to, is her continued dependence on voluntary income. Our primary and most utilised mode of revenue collection had been collection of tithes, offerings at our weekly Sunday service and via special events popularly referred to as 'Launchings' where members and well-wishers would present their financial gifts. The church finances are kept under review and trustees will continue to monitor the yearly budgets and to adjust them as necessary in light of prevailing situation and conditions.

Appropriate insurance cover and procedures are also in place to ensure compliance with the health and safety of members and visitors.

Future Developments

The trustees aim to continue with a regular programme of maintenance works and repairs, to preserve and enhance the church property and facilities. In addition to this, the trustees will also continue to explore different ways and options of furthering our charitable objectives in and out of the community effectively and to engage in creating positive change in the moral and spiritual climate which reflects our Christian ethos and beliefs.

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Trustees Responsibility Statement

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the church. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

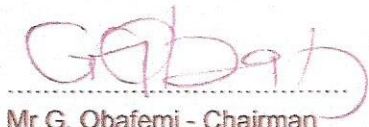
- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare financial statements on an ongoing basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the finances of the church at any time and to ensure that such accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities.

Approval

I approve the financial statements and accounts and confirm that I have made available all records and relevant information for the preparation of these accounts. In my opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the activities of the church

Approved by the Trustees on 29 October 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Mr G. Obafemi - Chairman

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Independent Examiner's Report for the year ended 31st December 2024 to the Trustees
Gods Kingdom Society (GKS) Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 under section 145 and regulations made under section 145(5)b of that Act. The work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charitable company's members those matters I am required to state to them as an independent examiner of the report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for the examination work.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that there are no material matters which have come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that
 - accounting records were kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act or
 - the accounts do not accord with the accounting requirements
2. I have no concerns on other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

31/10/25

Mrs Shefiat O George-Obuenwe (FCCA, MSc. Professional Accounting)

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 Financial Statements For Year Ended 31 December 2024

Receipts and Payments Account

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<u>Total 2024</u> £	<u>Total 2023</u> £
Income:					
Tithes & Offerings	3a	-	165,236	165,236	162,852
Donations & Appeals	3b	27,530	-	27,530	37,834
Other Voluntary Receipts	3c	10,978	200	11,178	12,758
Other Income	3d	20,202	1,000	21,202	18,195
		58,710	166,436	225,147	231,639
Total Income		58,710	166,436	225,147	231,639
Expenditure:					
Charitable Activities	4a	45,075	80,460	125,535	188,319
General Overhead Expenses	4b	-	21,499	21,499	24,502
Miscellaneous		4,367	772	5,139	6,709
Total Expenses		49,442	102,731	152,173	219,530
Net Surplus/(Loss)		9,268	63,705	72,974	12,109

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Balance Sheet as of 31 December 2024

	Note	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Freehold Building		560,000		560,000	
Additions		-		-	
			560,000		560,000
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	16,595		18,510	
Cash at bank		326,371		258,345	
		<u>342,966</u>		<u>276,855</u>	
Creditors:					
Amounts falling due within one year		(2,477)		434	
Creditors:					
Amounts falling due after one year		-		-	
Net current assets/(liabilities)			340,489		277,289
Total assets less current liabilities			<u><u>900,489</u></u>		<u><u>837,289</u></u>
Represented by					
Unrestricted Fund			7,167		61,761
Restricted Fund			63,705		-
Reserve			829,617		775,527
			<u><u>900,489</u></u>		<u><u>837,288</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payment basis.
2. Fixed assets retained for church use is the building at 1B Park Avenue at cost
3. Unrestricted funds of total of £7,167 is made up of surplus from past and current year.

Receipts:

3a. Tithes & Offerings

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
<i>Kingdom Fund</i>	112,391	112,116
<i>General Offerings</i>	29,968	28,976
<i>Special Thanks Offerings</i>	22,878	21,760
	<u>165,236</u>	<u>162,852</u>

3b. Donations & Appeals

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
<i>Launchings</i>	20,170	31,567
<i>Feast Vote</i>	7,060	6,267
<i>Visits//Appeals//Donations</i>	300	0
	<u>27,530</u>	<u>37,834</u>

3c. Other Voluntary Receipts

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
<i>Ministry's Contribution</i>	0	0
<i>Local Fund</i>	4,668	4,383
<i>Church Hall Fund</i>	5,110	5,400
<i>Vows - (Lord's Ministry)</i>	200	675
<i>Vows - (Branch & Local Community)</i>	1,200	2,300
	<u>11,178</u>	<u>12,758</u>

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3e. Other Misc Income

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
<i>Charities Trust</i>	180	240
<i>Misc - (Branch & Local Community)</i>	916	1,981
<i>Misc - (Lord's Ministry)</i>	1,000	210
<i>Gift Aid Reclaimed</i>	<u>19,107</u>	<u>15,764</u>
	<u><u>21,202</u></u>	<u><u>18,195</u></u>

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Expenditure:

4a. Charitable Activities

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>
	£	£
4a. (1) Evangelism		
Evangelism - Gospel Advancement	3,012	2,315
Feast of Tabernacles	5,980	4,390
Freedom Day	7,220	8,970
Youth Activity & Youth Assembly	5,310	22,478
4a. (2) Support For Ministry		
Salem City Warri	46,705	51,040
Lord's Ministry Expenses	17,051	47,385
Other Ministry Expenses	1,570	11,888
Visiting Ministers Expenses	5,135	6,719
Financial Assistances to Branches	10,000	5,921
4a. (3) Members Welfare		
Welfare Expenses	4,133	8,031
Branch Visits	470	150
Financial Assistance to Members	6,600	5,570
4a. (4) Charitable Donations		
Donations	12,350	13,461
	<u>125,535</u>	<u>188,318</u>

4b. General Overhead Expenses

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>
	£	£
Building Insurance	1,912	1,750
Utilities	13,339	18,333
Repairs & Maintenance	6,248	4,419
	<u>21,499</u>	<u>24,502</u>

5. Debtors

	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>
	£	£
Gift Aid Reclaimed	16,595	18,510
	<u>16,595</u>	<u>18,510</u>