



# HEADLEY HEATH NEW LIFE CHURCH TRUST

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1059123**

**For The Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees have the pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

### Charity Details:

**Names:** The Charity is formally Registered as Headley Heath New Life Church Trust but is commonly known as New Life Church Centre

**Registered Charity Number:** 1059123

**Address:** New Life Church Centre, Middle Lane, Headley Heath, Birmingham B38 0DG

### Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the charity

<b>Names</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Appointed</b>	<b>Resigned/Retired</b>
Malcolm Bull	Chairman	Oct 1996	
Janet Bull	Treasurer	Oct 1996	
Ken Brooke	Trustee	Oct 1996	
John Bryan	Trustee	Oct 1996	Sept 2021

### Names and Addresses of Advisors

#### **HSBC Bank**

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#### **NBB Solicitors**

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#### **Independent Examiner**

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Registered charity: 251549

## **Structure, Governance & Management**

New Life Church Centre is constituted by Deed of Trust dated 24<sup>th</sup> October 1996 and is registered with the Charity Commission, charity Number 1059123.

New Life Church Centre Trustees are appointed to the board by recommendation of the chairperson and by a majority vote. A new trustee will be already familiar with the work of the charity, as they are drawn from within the church congregation with due regard given to their skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity. However, there may be a good reason why an appointed trustee will not be a member of the church.

For any future newly appointed trustees, a copy of the governing document will be provided to them, along with full training and links to guidance from the Charity Commission and the policies and procedures of the charity.

The day-to-day management of the charity is led by the Pastor and Associate Leader supported by the elder.

## **Names of Senior Staff with Delegated Responsibilities**

Malcolm Bull is appointed as Pastor and employed by New Life Church Centre on a self-employed basis working Fulltime.

Rachel Langley is appointed as Associate Leader and employed by New Life Church Centre on a self-employed basis working 15 Paid hours per week.

## **Charities Objectives and Purposes**

New Life Church was established in January 1936, the sole purpose of the church has always been to spread and promote the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who commanded and commissioned all his disciples and followers to go into all the world and preach the gospel (Mark 16:15-18).

The charity which is a church, has the following objectives and purposes as stated in its Governing document:

1. The advancement of the Christian faith and the worship of God in the UK and overseas, including the preaching and proclamation of the Christian Gospel and the Teaching of Christian doctrine and principles and the pastoral care of Christian people.

2. To provide relief and aid to persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress or who are aged or sick primarily but not exclusively within the South Birmingham area.

The object of all activities at New Life Church Centre is to operate in accordance with its Statement of Faith as stated in the governing document.

## **Statutory Declaration on Public Benefit**

Although we had a difficult first quarter with Lockdown 3 and covid restrictions, New Life Church Centre has worked hard to fulfil its ongoing objectives and when planning the online content/activities/events the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

## **Summary of Charities Activities and Performance**

The past year has still been challenging with a third lockdown and continued covid restrictions that meant the church building was closed from January to April. Again we found ourselves in the position of having to rethink how we gather together as a church, as well as how we can support our church members and local community.

The year started with a full UK lockdown and therefore all physical gatherings were suspended. However, our Sunday services continued to be recorded and available to view on our Youtube channel and social media platforms. During this time church members continued to meet on zoom for prayer meetings and life groups. For those with no internet service we copied our services onto CD's and USB's and these were distributed weekly by our Pastor along with any resources needed to complete the life group courses at home.

As restrictions lifted during the 2nd quarter, we were able to host an outdoor Messy Easter event for children and held our first physical gathering on Easter Sunday. In addition, the Sunday services continued to be pre-recorded and viewed online.

As restrictions lifted, we were able to start back the Baby and Toddler group on the 26<sup>th</sup> May, followed by Café Connect and the launch of Youth Alpha.

We were able continue with our programme of Sunday services, Sunday school, Baby and Toddler Group, Café connect, Limitless youth, 24hr prayer, life groups and our Pastor was now able resume home visits with church members.

During December was able to run Christmas Messy Church as well as Messy church at home, a Church Christmas meal, Baby and Toddler group Christmas party, a Café Connect Christmas special along with a Nativity and carol service.

## **Visiting Ministry**

We were still able to welcome 7 guest speakers that attended in May through to November.

## **Children and Youth**

During the first quarter a weekly Sunday school resource was produced to have 'Sunday School' at home this included a bible story, video link, activities and craft. Families were encouraged to share the work they had done on our children and youth WhatsApp chat.

When in person services resumed an activity, pack was provided each Sunday for every child and young person to complete during the service.

In May Sunday school groups resumed with children and youth now able to meet in their classrooms.

In addition, Limitless Youth was launched at the end of May, as a result of partnering with Elim Pioneers. Elim pioneers offers support and provides a youth leader for a 12 month period to run the youth nights as well as train and support a developing youth team. From May to December Jamie ran a youth night from the church on Sunday evenings, this was with the view to launch Limitless Wythall a Youth Club for the local community on Thursday evenings, this had to be delayed until 2022 due to the restrictions. In December we purchased an Xbox, Games & Controllers ready for the Launch.

## **Pastoral Care**

The Pastor maintained weekly phone calls with all church members, offering support and guidance where needed and made personal visits when required.

## **Community**

Unfortunately, due to Government restrictions and guidance that was implemented during 2021 we were unable to run the following community projects/events from January to May, New Life Baby & Toddler Group visits to local primary school and nursing home.

As of June 2021, our weekly Baby & Toddler Group started back with restricted numbers, using an online booking system to manage this.

We launched Café Connect on Thursday afternoons, a space to provide those living alone or wanting to meet people a place to have a cup of tea, piece of a cake and a chat.

## **Outreach**

### **In Their Shoes (Homeless outreach)**

Following the announcement of the national lockdown our weekly visits to Birmingham ceased, a number of our volunteers were classed as vulnerable and required to shield.

Although we were unable to continue with In Their shoes, we were able to use what donations we had stored from In Their Shoes to support another local church who provided a food bank in our local community. We were able to give food provisions and toiletries to support them.

In May In Their shoes took the decision to focus the outreach to surrounding areas of Birmingham. Donations from church members resumed and small bags of toiletries and snacks were made up and distributed through the church members. The aim now to provide these bags to someone in need while out shopping or out and about.

In December we ran a 'Gift Bag' appeal where church members and people from our local community donated essential items and gift bags. These bags were filled with essentials, gift wrapped chocolates and Christmas cards and distributed by church members in the run up to Christmas, focusing on the homeless in their own local areas. A total of 35 bags were given out along with 20 £5 Greggs gift cards.

During this time our leaders, volunteers and members have stepped up and it is the trustees' great joy to report on the work that has been done during the year; and we look to continue all we do and further develop our church program as well as looking forward with anticipation to a full year without any restrictions.

### **Wider Missionary Work**

CFAN-We continued to support and sponsor the ministry Cfan by giving a monthly donation of £50. Their mission is to spread the gospel through print, television and web initiatives, they also provide resources and help with development projects around the world. Its mission is fulfilling the very command of Jesus "to go into all the world and preach the gospel". We also made a donation of £100 to Asia Link when they visited.

### **Social Media**

We have continued to use Youtube and Facebook as platforms to share with the wider community our events, online services, updates on church life as well as share encouragements. The Sunday services premiere on Youtube and live stream on Facebook at 10.30am every Sunday. We have seen an increase throughout the year with people choosing to engage and watch our online content. Our Services have been viewed by people near and far, even nationally.

The church has continued to use WhatsApp throughout 2021 to share updates, links to online services and zoom meetings. Church members can make prayer requests and support one another as well as links to Christian resources and music.

During the year we had a cost for Namesco, this is for the website name renewal and hosting for the next 2 years.

The Trustees would like to express their sincere thanks to the leadership team for their hard work throughout 2021, it has been a difficult year, but they have worked tirelessly to ensure the provision of weekly online services, up to date risk assessments and ensuring Covid compliance throughout allowing us to run a weekly programme of events and services.

## **The Church Centre**

In the first quarter the building was not hired out due to the lockdown. In May hire resumed by a local business, Funky Monkeys that offers stay and play sessions for children aged 0-4 years to attend along with their parents. These sessions provide local families a space to meet new parents where children can play and socialise. These sessions ran weekly on three mornings per week.

These stay and play sessions had 40-50 families in attendance across the three sessions and was made up of local families and those that travel from outside Wythall.

The hire of the building to a local business that meets the need of the local community providing a space to attend with preschool children, it is a great way for the church to open its doors to our local community in a practical way and as a result local families got to know about the church and its location.

## **Church Building**

At the end of May there was a bee infestation in the upstairs store room and side room, pest control attended and resolved the problem.

A new dishwasher was purchased following the breakdown of the existing one and being unrepairable.

In October the prayer room was repainted.

In November stage lighting, cables and radio mics were purchased to upgrade existing equipment and improve quality of recording online services.

During the year we also had roof repairs following some leaks during heavy rainfall.

## **Fire Safety**

Following the previous service action was needed to adhere to full fire safety compliance. In January additional extinguishers were purchased along with fixing brackets and new fire safety signage.

## **Covid Compliance**

Our Associate Leader was responsible for ensuring that all in person events adhered to and complied with guidance set out by the government. This involved carrying out

risk assessments for all the various events which continued to be reviewed as restrictions were slowly lifted.

Our aim was to regather the church as soon as it was safe to do so, still maintaining all the government guidance. Although we could reopen on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April the decision was made to wait until Easter Sunday. We are proud to have been able to have consistently offered our church members the opportunities to come together.

The Trustees are also proud of how our church members supported each other and still faithfully gave towards the mission of the church.

## **Church Partners**

We are in partnership with Elim, a movement of Pentecostal churches that provide resources, training, ministry, consultancy and support.

The covenant agreement is a covenant between New Life Church Centre and the Elim Network to work together with other member Churches, ministries and their various departments to develop common vision and values and to achieve common goals. The Elim Network commits, by this covenant, that New Life Church Centre shall be a member of the Elim Network and a partner with its members, including the Elim Pentecostal Church, but shall have independent governance. This covenant and agreement has been finalised in February 2021.

## **Income and Endowments**

The funds are provided by regular giving of church members and those who attend regularly. All church funds are administered through the Trust for the benefit of the church, and other Christian work.

Funds are raised by church members tithes/giving, either from cash/cheque given during in person services or by online giving. Total tithes/offerings/giving in 2021 was £33,594 with £23,229 from online payments therefore 69% was from online giving and 31% from in person giving during services. This compares to 60% of online payments and 40% of in person payments in 2020. So, we have seen a further increase of 9% moving to online giving during the year.

## **Reserves Policy**

There is currently no reserves policy, this is to be discussed and addressed in the future.



## **Financial Summary**

### **Statement of Liabilities and assets:**

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities includes the cash at bank and fixed assets, the only liability we have is the accountancy fee which is paid straight after accounts production.

### **Financial Overview**

Again, despite the challenges presented by the Pandemic through the faithful giving of our members our total receipts for the year were £49,970 of which £34,980 came from Tithes, Offerings, Donations & Gifts, this is compared to £31,785 in 2020. Gift Aid was not claimed in 2020, therefore the amount received in 2021 which totalled £14,160, was covering April 2019-April 2021, which is mainly the reason for the spike in total receipts, as well as increased giving by some members.

Our expenses during the year were £32,997, which was up from £27,167 in the prior year, this is due to higher repairs and maintenance, including a roof repair, the purchase of fire extinguishers etc and the replacement of some lighting, cables and sundry equipment. An Xbox was purchased for the launch of our Youth work Limitless - Wythall. We also had increased website expenditure as we paid for the renewal of the website name and hosting for the next two years and increased Sundry expenses incurred by having to use different resources and be creative in supporting our members throughout the restrictions.

Pastor Malcolm still continued to work during the lockdowns and restrictions, but due to the uncertainty of the financial impact the pandemic would have on our income he did not take any payment as he did in 2020, which saved just over £10,000 in comparison to 2019.

Overall, despite what has been a challenging year in many ways, our Cash in Bank remains strong at £99,061 after making a surplus of £16,973. Trustees will be in discussion of how and where to utilise some of the remaining funds in various areas in the coming year. These discussions have been held off due to the planned retirement of Pastor Malcolm and the appointment of a new Pastor in the coming year, therefore some funds will be designated accordingly as changes take place under the new Pastor.

### **Restricted Funds**

There are no restricted funds.

### **Future Designated Funds**

As a result of the pandemic and moving our content online we have seen a real need for this resource and has been a great benefit, even for members that are unwell and not able to meet physically, it enables them to stay connected and not miss the weekly Sunday services. Although we have managed over the past year, even using the leader's own equipment to record services, there is a necessity to purchase a new computer, software and camera to maintain a professional online presence moving forward. This has been agreed by The Trustees and will be purchased in 2022.

### **Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by The Charity**

The Trustees declare that the charity has given no guarantee where potential liability is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities.

### **Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt**

The Trustees declare that the charity has no outstanding debts which are secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the charity at the date of the statement of assets & liabilities

### **Responsibilities of trustees**

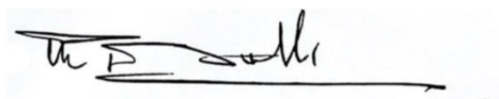
Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

### **Approval**

This report is approved by the trustees on 25th October 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Bull', is written over a horizontal line.

Malcolm Bull  
Senior Pastor

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HEADLEY HEATH NEW LIFE CHURCH**  
for the year ended 31st December 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2021

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no 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.



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28th October 2022

## HEADLEY HEATH NEW LIFE CHURCH

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

for the year ended 31st December 2021

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
<b>Receipts</b>				
Offerings and tithes		33,594		31,032
Bank interest		3		27
Donations, gifts and gift aid		15,543		181
Room hire		830		270
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>49,970</u>		<u>31,510</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
Ministry payments and expenses	7,706		7,884	
Ministry gifts	450		380	
Associate leader remuneration	7,950		7,800	
Donations made	500		600	
Heat and light	3,117		2,414	
Telephone	1,137		881	
Printing and stationery	1,695		1,022	
Repairs and maintenance	4,331		3,724	
Insurance	1,378		1,027	
Accountancy	420		336	
Website expenditure	569		91	
Professional fees	-		(275)	
Sundries	2,213		1,010	
Asset purchases	1,531		-	
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>(32,997)</u>		<u>(26,894)</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS) for the year</b>		<u>16,973</u>		<u>4,616</u>
<b>CASH FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		<u>82,088</u>		<u>77,472</u>
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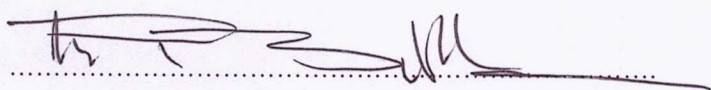
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### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

for the year ended 31st December 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>		
Current account	71,386	54,532
Deposit account	27,559	27,556
Cash in hand	116	-
	<u>99,061</u>	<u>82,088</u>
 <b>ASSETS RETAINED FOR THE CHARITY'S OWN USE</b>		
<b>Building alterations - at cost</b>	<u>182,821</u>	<u>182,821</u>
 <b>Carpark - at cost in 2018</b>	<u>35,850</u>	<u>35,850</u>
 <b>Equipment and fixtures - at net book value</b>		
Brought forward	2,764	4,146
Additions	1,531	-
Depreciation	(815)	(1,382)
Carried forward	<u>3,480</u>	<u>2,764</u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accountancy fee	<u>462</u>	<u>420</u>

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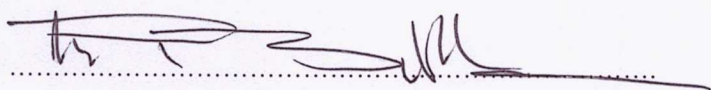
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