

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1075473

Details

Other names LIFE CHANGERS FAMILY CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1999-05-13

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO CONDUCT RELIGIOUS SERVICES, TO ESTABLISH MISSIONS, AND CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS AND TO PREACH AND TEACH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST AND BY WORDS AND DEED REVEAL THE LOVE OF CHRIST, SO PROMOTING THE SPIRITUAL AND MORAL IMPROVEMENT OF MANKIND AND; TO ESTABLISH MINISTRIES THAT SPIRITUALLY, MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY AFFECT THE AREA AND SURROUNDING AREAS IN WHICH THEY ARE PLACED AROUND THE COUNTRY AND WORLD; AND TO DO ANY OTHER CHARITABLE WORK THAT ADVANCES THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

Activities: 3 meetings a week are being held to reach out to the community and improve spiritual growth, this includes visiting the sick and elderly.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Doncaster

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£181,557	£78,570	-	-
2024-03-31	£190,192	£79,969	-	-
2023-03-31	£182,458	£81,307	-	-
2022-03-31	£119,424	£56,434	-	-
2021-03-31	£88,683	£51,349	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MR P HILLS	Chair	
KATE MAUGHAN		2013-06-13
SARAH MAUGHAN		

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Accounts

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LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

Structure

The charity was established as a Trust on 05th March 1999.

The charity operates from our premises: Life Changers Church, Miracle Centre, Unit 5, Clayfields Estate, Off Tickhill Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN4 8QG.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

The charity's policy regarding the selection of Trustees is to be nominated by an existing trustee for serving and helping within the charity for an extended period. The other trustees then vote and then a majority agreement is required.

Principle Objectives

The objective of the charity is to be a charity of excellence in all that we do. We conduct various Christian services, where we preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, and by words and deeds we reveal the love of Jesus Christ. So promoting the spiritual and moral improvement of mankind. We also maintain our long term aim of establishing Christian schools here in Doncaster.

Review of the Year

This last year has been another great year for the Charity. During the year we have yet again continued to grow rapidly numerically. Attendance at our Sunday Celebration Services have now almost trebled since our pre-COVID attendance levels. We continued to have a high percentage of first time visitors actually become long term/permanent attendees which is always encouraging. So again this year we want to put on record our thanks to our staff, trustees and all of our committed volunteers for the way they have continued to help us run the Charity/Church during the past year. We continued to meet the needs of people here in Doncaster that want a true 'Word of Faith Church' that are wanting to meet at Church in still person, as well as online. We continued to provide and further improve our "online" services/meetings, for all those who do still chose to join us online. Most of our meetings last year were again broadcast LIVE on our Facebook Page, but also last year on our YouTube channel as well. Having an online presence still provides us with a new way to get Church and ourselves known to new people here in Doncaster, who other wise may never step inside a Church building. We know that a lot of our new weekly attenders first started watching us online, before then visiting us in person. So being able to do Church in a more professional hybrid way, (both in person and online) has been very beneficial to the charity. It has really helped us to keep growing last year and reach out to even more new people, both here in Doncaster and around the UK and even abroad! So continuing to develop our 'online' offering continues to be a 'work in progress' for us, with our goal remaining to further improve our filming - with more cameras and our video editing as we go forward. Last year we continued to expand our online activities in all areas - on our website, our YouTube channel and also our existing social media channels -Facebook and Instagram etc. We continued (deliberately) to be active on social media most days, with encouraging messages and reminders of upcoming meetings. This has been a big step up for us again, with only having staff/volunteers with very limited social media backgrounds, but we knew that we had to continue to reach and help and support people. We know that our online activities have continued to help us reach NEW and even more people throughout the year. As stated not only new people here in Doncaster, but we have been able to reach people right around the world and we still now have regular viewers from Europe and as far a field as USA and Africa. We have also continued to have more people regularly interact with us on social media as well as also watching our online services.

Our weekly 'IGNITE' Believers prayer meetings have continued to generate lots of prayer requests with people contacting us each week. We also have our NEW Church 'Prayer Warriors' WhatsApp group, that meets daily at the start of the day to pray for people. Our aim remains that the charity has to be here for our Church family but also to be a voice of hope to our wider community, in a practical way, as many people are still fearful over things and have needs that they want prayer for. So last year we continued to advertise all of our services and how people could contact us. Our plans remain for our online meetings to continue, to enable us to reach even more new people that we can help, especially those not in Doncaster but around the UK and the rest of the world. So we are proud that our hybrid approach meant that last year we were able to keep growing numerically (as well as financially). Last year we were able to hold another 'Water Baptism' service, where several people were water baptised. Sadly last year, we did have a member of our Church family pass away and we held the funeral service here at Church (for which we did not charge) to be a blessing to the family and people/friends in the local community. We also had an invited "Special Guest Sunday", where we held a meeting/service with a visiting speaker coming up to Doncaster from London. We also had a very special weekend Conference, with invited guests from New York, USA. Our conference/special guest events were (free) ticketed events and were real highlights for the Church from last year. Having visitors travel to come and join us from all over the UK. We remain committed to making our Church a full part of the local community. We demonstrated this in many ways, for example by holding a FREE summer BBQ and a fun day for children with a bouncy castle and games etc. This was one of our best attended events by our Church members and also members of the local community. We want the benefits of a thriving local Church to flow out from us into our City. As the Bible teaches us firstly to reach into 'our' Jerusalem - our local community of Balby and then out into our City of Doncaster. Then, as our sphere of influence continues to increase, we want to be able to go onto effect the other "DN" (Doncaster) postcodes and then further afield into Yorkshire and eventually the rest of the UK and even further afield around the world.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

It remains our strong desire to promote the whole mission of the "Church" including evangelistic, pastoral care and the social well being of people. To this end our services and our worship put our faith into practice through various means. For example, through prayer - we are open to all, for prayer requests and regularly (each week as we receive requests from the public - from people here in Doncaster and from other areas of the UK and even from abroad) we pray for the sick and the needy during our weekly corporate prayer meetings. We know that so many people in our City have various health, or financial issues and we know that prayer works. Throughout the year we received testimonies of answers to prayer. So we continued to advertise and actively encourage people to approach us with their prayer requests for their spiritual and physical needs. We continue to have numerous channels for people to contact us in different ways. For example through our Church telephone number, Email, our Church Web Site, or through social media such as our Facebook Page, Twitter (now X) or our Instagram account, (where we have a dedicated lead to help us reach out to new people). This year again, we have continued to dramatically increase the number of followers. A further example of trying to help people is through a strong use of Bible scripture, (our aim is to act and live out what the Bible teaches and to see people grow as they walk in Godly knowledge and wisdom. To achieve this we continued to have practical weekly Bible Teachings last year (both online and in person). Where people can join us in person at Church, or even just watch online at home and still learn and grow in their Christianity walk. We remain committed to build people up and help people reach their full potential in life and become true disciples of Jesus Christ. Our Bible Teachings try to focus on very practical issues, that we know people need help with, such as finances, employment and relationships etc. We also aim to make our all of our meetings including our Praise and Worship relevant and engaging for all, through the use of modern music and lively new songs. This year we have continued to build up and expand further our Praise and Worship band/team. With our worship remaining LIVE, rather than previously relying on CD's/recorded music in the past. We always try to keep our Praise and Worship family orientated with a modern and lively style, which appeals to most people. This continues to help us engage and encourage our "Overcomers" (our young children in Church aged 3 to School year 6) and our "LCC Youth" (our teenagers from School Year 6 up to aged 16). Our Children's and Youth Meetings all continued as weekly face-to-face / in person meetings. Our LCC Youth especially, has again expanded/grown over the last 12 months. We continue to use an audio visual system in the Church building and strive to make the best use of multi media whenever we can, to get our message across and be as relevant to as wide an audience as possible. Our baby/toddler room (for under three's) has been a great success again last year where we have a TV and equipment so that parents can watch/hear the services while being in the baby room, so that they are not missing out on the meeting and our teachings. We always actively look for ways to help people from the local community and be a blessing to our local community. As being a blessing and helping people, putting others first, is the DNA of this charity. Evidence of this was by our "Christmas Appeal". We raised funds from our Church members for 'Divine Favour Ministries', a Christian Charity in Uganda, Africa which runs an orphanage - offering food, a home and an education to children. We continued to work with them throughout the year, as well as at Christmas. We may think that we see poverty here in the UK, but these children in Uganda have literally nothing and they live from meal to meal. The Church was so generous in it's giving to enable us to help them. It was a joy and a real blessing to be able to make a difference in the lives of these children.

We continue to benefit from the fact that we have bought and own our Church building, so not only are we saving on rent payments but having our own permanent local premises means we are able to continue to hold regular weekly meetings (up to 4 meetings a week). Having so many different meetings enables us to continually try and reach out to more people and new demographics. For example having our "Overcomers" Children's meetings for those aged 3-11, our "Adored" Women's Meetings, our "Band of Brothers" Men's Meetings, our "LCC Youth" Meetings for those aged 11-16, or our "Timeless" meetings for those aged 50 or over. Last year we re-launched and started afresh our monthly Timless meetings with new ministry leaders and it has proven to be a great success. So we always try to reach out to as many different demographics as we can. Our ladies have continued to meet in person with their monthly meetings called "Women of Worth" which has been a great way that we have been able to grow and reach out to more and different women this year. The purpose of our "WOW" meetings are also to disciple and help the ladies grow and develop in their relationship with God. For over 'Overcomers' (Children) at Halloween, we also held a FREE 'Light Party'. As well as a Christmas party, all of which were FREE for all children to attend. Also, last year we ran our thriving "Eden" Coffee shop, which was open after all of our meetings. Open to everyone to have some (heavily subsidised) refreshments and some fellowship with us, which continues to be a great help for us in reaching more people and deepening relationships/friendships. We also still have a small dedicated number of people who join us for Church online only, including those not actually living in Doncaster. So again last year, was another great year of growth for the Church. We have continued to see further growth in BOTH our 'Overcomers' Children's Church and our 'LCC Youth' last year, with many families and also single parent's joining us. Our desire remains to equip and disciple our current congregation further, providing even more teachings and wisdom, to empower them through the teaching of life skills, (which sadly so many in our community desperately need). Our daytime "Timeless" meetings for the over 50's were another area we are continuing to grow now. As we really want to continue to help the elderly and people who live alone, to provide them with the opportunity for extra fellowship and relevant meetings just for them. Providing great pastoral care to everyone in the Church is always at the heart of everything we do, this again was a big focus for us last year, as we continued our Pastoral Care team specifically with this aim. Providing friendship and just an informal ear for a chat, being there to offer our help and advice. So in many ways last year was a great success for us with our multiple weekly meetings and offering support to people here in the Church and to our local community here in Balby and across the wider Doncaster postcodes.

Being a Church located in a highly deprived area in our City we know only too well that people need help and support and guidance with various life events. So to help our congregation and the local community at large, we continued to offer free help and counselling to people. Along side our Pastoral Care team, our Pastors were also always available to help people. Everyone was able to book a private appointment with our Pastors /Pastoral care team to gain the advice and support that they desired. This is always widely advertised within the Church, on our website and via our various social media channels. We have continued to try and build up and improve further our Church YouTube channel again last year. YouTube has also been another tool we have used to try to reach out to new and different demographics. We also hold specific monthly prayer meetings where we pray specifically for (Doncaster) our city, it's Council and it's people, in fact we cover the whole of the "DN Postcodes" in our prayers. In everything we do, we always try to put the people of our community and our city first. We have continued to try and expand our outreach ministries again last year, wherever we could, through special events at our Church building. All of our events have been free or heavily subsidised and were advertised and open to all in the local community to join us. Another major financial achievement of the last year has been, that we were again able to maintain the hours of our employed staff. We have employed five members of staff throughout the year. With BOTH of our Pastors - Pastor Philip and Pastor Janet Hills being employed by the Charity full-time. Last year we were able to increase the Pastors wages again slightly, as being able to continue to employ them both full-time makes the day to day running of the Charity so much easier, as they are able to work and concentrate solely on the charity. It continues to give them the freedom to dedicate all of their time and energy to help us move forward with a renewed vision, energy and excitement. Our part-time staff - one who helps out with general admin duties and helps with our social media has really helped benefit the day to day running of the charity. It still our desire (we hope in the next financial year) to increase the part-time hours/employ other staff in the future as we grow and as soon as our finances practically allow this. By having both of our Pastors employed full time and also three other part-time staff (including two part-time cleaners) this has really enabled the Charity to grow further and to reach out to even more people in our community. Our Pastors continue to come and be at our Church building regularly and they have the time to plan for the Charity's future and put actions in place. This enables us to grow and improve things even further for the benefit of our local community. So employed staff remains a huge asset for the charity.

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Last year we again continued to build on our successful weekly Bible Teachings, where we teach people relevant life skills that local people in our local community really need - subjects taught included finances, working and employment and building strong relationships etc. These are areas that we feel really benefit people in their daily lives. So it is not just giving people spiritual food, but also the practical knowledge and skills they can put into action in their daily lives as well. Our aim is always to give people in the community the practical and relevant skills to lead a better life. Last year we continued to encourage other new people from within the Church to step up and train to deliver Bible Teachings, as well as our Senior Pastors. It is always good for people to "see and hear" different people and guest speakers. So we continue to try to encourage and build people up from within the Church. The congregation also enjoys hearing various different people speak and teach on different subjects, in addition to our two Pastors. When planning our activities for the year ahead we carefully consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

From our two Pastors, our trustees, leadership team and our Pastoral Care team we always aim to provide a great level of pastoral care to everyone in the local community. We openly advertise our contact details and welcome all requests for prayer, or practical help. As well as by telephone, Email and our Church web site, in this modern age, we continue to expand our use of social media, such as our growing Facebook page and even Twitter (Now X) and Instagram as well as YouTube too. We also continue to use our 'WhatsApp' groups as a way of communicating with people within the Church. For example of Men's and Women's groups. With the aim of reaching out further in a relevant way to even more people in the local community and further afield. We remain really proud of our Facebook page which has continued to dramatically grow with followers throughout the last year. Many different and new people now regularly post on our Church page with various requests for help and prayer. To encourage people to join us at our events and meetings we always widely advertise them on our website and in our social media channels. In addition we also offer free transportation to people to get to our meetings and events and many of the people who join us at Church we collect and take home each week, as a free service to help the people in our city.

As a Church we also continue to look for opportunities to support Missionary Work, an example being through our relationship with Gerard Vander Vegt who runs "Good Shepherd Homes" which is a Christian rescue charity providing homes for homeless children in India. As well as "Divine Favour Ministries" the Orphanage in Uganda that we continued to help and support. We also sent a lot of our Church tithing money to bless and support various Christian ministries abroad. As well as abroad, we are always keen to reach out to our local community here in Doncaster, whenever we can, especially at Christmas and Easter times etc. As a tithing Church we are committed to tithing (give away) 10% of our Charity income to support BOTH individuals in need and other Ministries in the UK and around the world, as we are led by the Lord to give.

It is our aim to continue to provide our various meetings and offer the support which the community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. As already mentioned, attendance at our weekly Sunday morning Celebration Service has again increased further this year. We also continue to have certain meetings on regular set Sundays or days of the week (e.g. first, or last Sunday of the month etc) which people welcome and find beneficial. We spend a great deal of time and put a lot of thought and effort into our various services making sure that they are relevant to people's needs.

Easter, Christmas and the New Year were again very busy periods for us last year. We organised additional special meetings at these busy/popular times, specifically aimed at reaching out to our local community. With our special Christmas Carol Service again a highlight of the year for us, where we put on a free refreshments after the meeting. Plus, we also held a special Christmas treat for BOTH our "Overcomers" our Children's Church, those aged 3-11 years old and our 'LCC Youth, for those aged 11-16 years old. These events were advertised and open to all in the local area to join us. As a Charity we firmly believe that we are "blessed to be a blessing" so Christmas was a very busy time of the year for us in terms of trying to reach out to people in need in our local community. Christmas time is a great joy for us when we can make a difference to people and bless them with gifts, but also share the love of Jesus with them and letting people know that we are here for them and care about them. We reached out and blessed many people with gifts. We again reached out with gifts to many of the other local businesses on the Clayfields Industrial Estate where the Church is based. Helping us to continue to build good will and great good local relationships with local people and businesses. As this is so important to us as a charity.

As a Church we have an outreach initiative called "hapnin". The aims of which are: To connect with everyone (including non-Christians) in a way that's relevant to them. To reach our local community and grow Life Changers Church as a modern and relevant Church. To spend quality time together as a Church family, getting to know each other on a deeper level. To promote the benefits of a balanced, fun-filled life. To help people integrate into our Church and grow and to make the most of events, places, activities and venues in and around Doncaster. Last year our "hapnins" were limited, but we do hope to arrange a lot more "hapnin" activities this coming year.

The Church also has a Ministry called "Women of Worth" (WOW) which holds regular meetings and special events for ladies. Dealing with relevant topics and issues for the modern woman. At these special meetings we have worship and relevant practical teachings. We also hold other fun events with free refreshments and activities. Our "WOW" meetings held during the day and in the evenings are really popular and are very successful, with several new ladies from outside of the Church joining us. We see this as a great way of reaching out to more women from Doncaster and our local area. Again we hope to expand WOW further again next year.

Building on the success of our "WOW" Ladies Ministry, we also have our Men's Ministry, called "Band of Brothers" (BoB). This is a Ministry open to all of the men in our city. We held various men's meetings, with speakers and various fun events, including FREE food and fellowship and testimony nights to uplift and encourage one another. Just like the ladies meetings our Men's meetings (BoB) are a great way of growing and reaching out to new men in our community, who may not normally think about coming initially to a Church service. Again we hope to continue with more Band of Brothers meetings next year and further developing/helping the men in Church to grow further.

Last year, in addition to our regular weekly services, we hosted guest speakers and weekend events and another Water Baptism service. As our congregation grows we plan to have more water baptisms services next year using our very own baptismal tank. As a local church it is always our aim to provide the services that the local community and our Church congregation requires. Last year we again continued to invest a lot of time and effort in keeping our Church web site up to date as the main method for people to keep in touch with us and find out about our online events etc and we are proud of the look and the content of the site and we know that a lot of people find us and visit us for the first time after visiting our web site. Another major focus of last year was in developing and trying to expand further our live Praise and Worship Team. We continue to have a drummer, guitarist, keyboard and a conga player. We continue to play live music with our team of singers every Sunday and this year they have continued to gel together as a team and continued to improve. So we are really pleased with how our Praise and Worship developed and improved further last year. Our keyboard player has started to write/compose some of his own Praise and Worship songs which we now sing regularly on a Sunday. The Church is really enjoying and responding well to our live praise and worship, rather than just singing to a CD, like we previously used to. The plan still remains (where finances allow) to continue to improve the Church building further next year with repairs/maintenance and buying new equipment that we now need. As the Church continues to grow in number, we are now already at our maximum capacity and are desperately running out of space on a Sunday. Last year we started our "Building Fund2" appeal to raise further funds to enable us to look into the option of buying a new larger Church building. We were previously looking into having a Church extension built to give us some extra room, in the meeting room, that we now need, but we felt that even with an extension to our main meeting room, else where we still don't have enough room in our current building. So we are looking into various other options including buying new land/buildings on the Clayfields Industrial Estate. We went ahead with the initial planning permission and planning permission was actually granted for the extension. But throughout the year we soon realised that the proposed extension would not actually be big enough for our demand. So we are now still in the process of looking at and considering our options. With the favoured option at present being to continue to raise funds through our "Building Fund2" appeal and use these donated funds to actually buy a new/bigger Church building. Ideally still here on the Clayfields Industrial Estate, or if not on another site, ideally still here in our district of Balby.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
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Finally, we express our thanks to our staff, but most importantly to our volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community that it is. We especially thank everyone for helping us deal with our rapid and continued growth.

Reserves Policy

It is the Church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of at least £10,000. Now that we have paid for the Church building in full, we no longer need to keep a reserve as high as £20,000 for the annual payments we had to have to buy our Church building. Restricted funds are in relation to special offerings and these are then immediately distributed accordingly upon the end of the collection period. Therefore restricted funds are generally at a zero balance at any given point.

Future Prospects

As mentioned, even though we now own our Church building, we still have plans to continue to physically improve/update the Church building further next year, with the long term view to actually purchase a new building entirely and sell the existing Church building. We also want to continue to build on the many great achievements of last year, for example our success in doing Church LIVE online. We are now already planning for many more events for next year, ranging from more Water Baptism services to more 'Overcomers' and 'LCC Youth' meetings. We also have plans to hold more 'WOW' Women's meetings, 'Band of Brothers' Men's meetings also more 'Timeless' meetings for the over 50's. We would also like to host an annual Church conference next year, and have more invited special guest weekends/speakers throughout the year. We would also like to continue working with Doncaster Council and/or others to reach out even further to the people and children in need here in our City. We intend to grow further and we plan to keep working on maintaining/improving our Church web site, as well as continuing to use our social media channels to increase our "followers" on our Church Facebook group further. As stated, where funds allow, (from our Building Fund 2 appeal) our long term plans continue to be looking into purchasing a new larger Church building. They also include looking at possibly purchasing some more digital cameras to enable us to record our meetings in a more professional way and to try to get onto Christian television. Also, the long term goal is to be able to employ more staff to work for the Charity. We also want next year to keep developing our new Praise and Worship team further, adding more musicians and instruments to the team - believing for more male vocalists and instruments to join the team. We also want to help grow and develop further the young Children and Youth in the Church. We also want to continue to offer the Church and the local community the help and support that people need through the counselling/practical advice that our pastoral team now offers. We also want to have more "hapnin" events (with "hapnin" being the outreach initiative of the Church) and more fun 'inviting opportunities' at Church for people to invite their friends and family to next year. So that we can reach out to new people even more and grow the congregation and the charity even further. We want to help new people connect with us and feel at home, so we still have plans to further improve our welcome team and the welcome/new to Church experience even further. The greatest desire of all though, is to continue to reach out with love and without judgement and to be able to help our local community and the people of Doncaster and the DN Postcodes and to grow the Church further in all areas next year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

P Hills
Chair of the Trustees

Date: 26th January 2026

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- > examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- > to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- > to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanation from you as 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:

- (a) 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 2011 Act; and
 - > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- have not been met;

or

- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 26th January 2026

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 £	2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations	2	173,534	-	173,534	184,368
Investment Income		4,143	-	4,143	2,814
Charitable Trading		3,880	-	3,880	3,012
		<u>181,557</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>181,557</u>	<u>190,194</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:					
Tithes		18,402	-	18,402	18,902
Ladies Events		280	-	280	821
Men's Events		306	-	306	417
Children & Youth		783	-	783	1,363
Coffee Mornings		254	-	254	-
Conference		977	-	977	-
Christmas & New Year		1,375	-	1,375	3,988
Other Events		461	-	461	120
Outreach		-	-	-	-
Charitable Trading		1,401	-	1,401	1,621
Sound/Media Costs		613	-	613	639
Licences		1,436	-	1,436	1,458
Gifts to Ministers		2,300	-	2,300	900
Wages & Salaries	3	26,068	-	26,068	28,800
Premises Costs					
Rent		3,910	-	3,910	3,602
Water Rates		402	-	402	334
General Rates		156	-	156	110
Heat & Light		2,894	-	2,894	3,034
Insurance		817	-	817	687
Cleaning		2,747	-	2,747	3,543
Gardening costs		5	-	5	-
Repairs		3,506	-	3,506	834
Administration costs					
Postage, Stationery & Advertising		593	-	593	200
Telephone & Internet		678	-	678	660
Depreciation		6,798	-	6,798	7,234
Profit on disposal of Assets		(80)	-	(80)	-
Motor & Travelling		205	-	205	126
Sundry		897	-	897	384
Bank Charges		48	-	48	59
Team Bonding/Training		-	-	-	-
Legal Fees		338	-	338	131
		<u>78,570</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78,570</u>	<u>79,969</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		102,987	-	102,987	110,225
Balance of funds brought forward		538,685	-	538,685	428,459
Balance carried forward		<u>641,673</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>641,673</u>	<u>538,684</u>

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	4		188,027		192,061
Current Assets					
Stock		320		320	
Debtors	5	8,814		8,375	
Bank & Cash		<u>446,186</u>		<u>346,281</u>	
			455,320		354,976
			<u>643,349</u>		<u>547,037</u>
Creditors - Within 1 Year	6		1,678		8,353
Current Assets			<u>641,671</u>		<u>538,684</u>
Creditors - After 1 Year			-		-
			<u>641,671</u>		<u>538,684</u>
Surplus Funds					
B/Fwd	7		538,684		428,459
In Year	7		<u>102,987</u>		<u>110,225</u>
			<u>641,671</u>		<u>538,684</u>
			0		0

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: 26th January 2026

P Hills

S Maughan

K Maughan

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Income

All income is treated as unrestricted income, unless the donor has placed restrictions on the manner in which donation or grant may be spend, in which case it is treated as restricted income.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Property Improvements	- 10% and 20% on cost
Fixture and fittings	- 10% and 20% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2 DONATIONS

	2025	2024
Tithes & Offerings	141,146	152,560
Gift Aid	32,372	31,673
Give as You Live/Other income	16	135
	<u>173,534</u>	<u>184,368</u>

3 STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
Wages & Salaries	26,068	28,800
Social Security	-	-
	<u>26,068</u>	<u>28,800</u>

Remuneration paid to the trustees during the year was £9,000 (2024: £9,000). On average there were 3 employees during the year (2024: 4).

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

4	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
	Property	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
	COST		
At 1st April 2024	170,000	57,791	227,791
Additions	-	2,764	2,764
Disposals	-	(325)	(325)
At 31st March 2025	<u>170,000</u>	<u>60,230</u>	<u>230,230</u>
	DEPRECIATION		
At 1st April 2024	-	35,730	35,730
Charge for year	-	6,798	6,798
Disposal depreciation	-	(325)	(325)
At 31st March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>42,203</u>	<u>42,203</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31st March 2025	<u>170,000</u>	<u>18,027</u>	<u>188,027</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u>170,000</u>	<u>22,061</u>	<u>192,061</u>
	5 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2025	2024
		£	£
Other debtors		684	768
Gift Aid Recoverable		8,130	7,607
		<u>8,814</u>	<u>8,375</u>
	6 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2025	2024
		£	£
Other creditors		1,678	8,353
		<u>1,678</u>	<u>8,353</u>
	7 RESERVES		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
At 1st April 2024	538,685	-	538,685
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	102,987	-	102,987
At 31st March 2025	<u>641,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>641,674</u>

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1075473

Accounts

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

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K Maughan

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Structure

The charity was established as a Trust on 05th March 1999.

The charity operates from our premises: Life Changers Church, Miracle Centre, Unit 5, Clayfields Estate, Off Tickhill Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN4 8QG.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

The charity's policy regarding the selection of Trustees is to be nominated by an existing trustee for serving and helping within the charity for an extended period. The other trustees then vote and then a majority agreement is required.

Principle Objectives

The objective of the charity is to be a charity of excellence. We conduct various Christian services, where we preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, and by words and deeds we reveal the love of Jesus Christ, so promoting the spiritual and moral improvement of mankind. We also maintain our long term aim of establishing Christian schools here in Doncaster.

Review of the Year

2023/2024 has yet again been another great year of growth in many areas for the Charity. We have continued to grow and expand in the number of regular attenders at our Sunday Celebration meetings. Including new many new first time visitors who have then become long term attenders, which is always encouraging. Showing that our outreach strategies and Welcome Team and Pastoral Care support is working. So yet again we want to start by putting it on record our immense thanks to the staff, trustees and all our committed volunteers for the way they continued to help us run the Charity/Church during the past year. We have continued to meet the needs of people here in Doncaster that want a true 'Word of Faith Church'. We have returned to our main focus of in person meetings, while still continuing to provide and improve further our 'online' offering of services/meetings, for all those who still chose to join us online. The vast majority of our meetings last year were broadcast LIVE on our Facebook Page. Having an online presence continues to provide a new to get the Charity and Church known to more/new people, in an increasing online world. People who other wise may never have stepped inside a Church building. We know that a lot of our new weekly attenders first started watching us online, before then visiting us in person. So continuing to do Church in this hybrid way, (in person and online) has been beneficial for the charity. This has really helped us to keep growing and reach out to even more new people! Continuing to develop our 'online' offering further remains a huge 'work in progress' for us, our goal remains to further improve our filming and video editing as we go forward. As well as broadcasting on other networks as well as just Facebook. Last year we vastly improved our online activities in other areas - including on our website, our YouTube channel and also our existing social media (Facebook and Instagram etc). We continued deliberately to be active on social media most days, with encouraging messages and reminders of upcoming meetings. This has been another big step up for us again this year, coming from staff/volunteers with very limited media background, but we know that we have to continue to reach and help to support them in the online world as well. Not only here in Doncaster, but we have been able to reach people right around the world and we still now have regular viewers from a far a field as Australia, USA and Africa. We have also continued to have more people regularly interact with us on social media as well as also watching our online services. With our followers online growing quickly over the last year and we have climbed up the rankings of Churches within Doncaster.

Our weekly 'IGNITE' Believers prayer meetings have continued to generate lots of prayer requests with people contacting us each week. Our aim remains for the Charity to be here to help our Church family but also to be a voice of hope to our wider community in a practical way. So many people are fearful of so many things and and they want us to stand with them in prayer. So we have continued to advertise all of our services and how people can contact us, especially with any prayer requests they may have. Our plans remain for our online meetings to continue, to enable us to reach even more new people that we can help. Especially those not in Doncaster but around the UK and the world. So we our proud that our hybrid approach meant that last year we were able to keep growing numerically (and also financially). Last year we also held another 'Water Baptism' service where several more people were water baptised. We also held several invited "Special Guest Sundays", where we held meetings/services with a visiting speaker coming up to Doncaster from London. Our special guest events were free events and were highlights for the Church from last year. We remain committed to making our Church a full part of the local community. We demonstrated this in many ways, for example by holding a FREE family fun day, with a children's bouncy castle and family games etc. This was a well attended event by our Church members and also members of the local community. We want the benefits of a thriving local Church to flow out from us into our City. As the Bible teaches us firstly to reach out into 'our' Jerusalem - our local community of Balby and then out into our City of Doncaster. Then, as our sphere of influence continues to increase, we want to be able to go onto effect the other "DN" (Doncaster) postcodes and then further afield into Yorkshire and eventually the rest of the UK and even further afield around the world.

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

It is our strong desire to promote the whole mission of the "Church" including evangelistic, pastoral care and the social well being of people. To this end our services and our worship put our faith into practice through various means. For example, as mentioned through prayer - we are open to all, for prayer requests and regularly (each week as we receive requests from the public - from people here in Doncaster, from other areas of the UK and even from abroad) we pray for the sick and the needy during our weekly corporate prayer meetings. We know that so many people in our City have various health, or financial issues and we know that prayer works. Throughout the year we received testimonies of answers to our prayers. So we continued to advertise and actively encourage people to approach us with their prayer requests for their spiritual and physical needs. We continue to have numerous channels for people to contact us in different ways. For example through our Church telephone number, Email, our Church Web Site, or through social media, such as our Facebook Page, on X (formally Twitter) or via our Instagram. This year again, we have continued to dramatically increase the number of followers and the number of people who like the Charity on Facebook/Social Media. A further example of trying to help people is through a strong use of Bible scripture, our aim is to act and live out what the Bible teaches and to see people grow as they walk in Godly knowledge and wisdom. To achieve this we continue to have practical weekly Bible Teachings last year (both online and in person). Where people can join us in person, or even just watch online at home and still learn and grow in their Christianity. We remain committed to build people up and help people reach their full potential in life and become true disciples of Jesus Christ. Our Bible Teachings try to focus on very practical issues, that we know people need help with, such as finances, employment and relationships etc. We also aim to make all of our meetings - including our Praise and Worship, relevant and engaging for all, through the use of modern music and lively new songs. This year we have continued to build up and expand further our Praise and Worship band/team. With our Praise & Worship continuing to be LIVE, rather than relying on CD's/recorded music as we did in the past. We aim to keep our Praise and Worship family orientated with a modern and lively style, which appeals to most people. This continues to help us engage and encourage our "Overcomers" (our young children in Church aged 3 up to School year 6) and our "LCC Youth" (our teenagers from School Year 6 up to aged 16). Our Children's and Youth Meetings are all face-to-face / in person and continue to be held EVERY Sunday. Our LCC Youth especially have continued to expanded/grow over the last 12 months. Last year we ran out of space within our physical Church building for our LCC Youth and so we took the decision to actually hire their own youth room in one of the building on the Clayfield Estate. We also continue to use an audio visual system in the Church building and strive to make the best use of multi media whenever we can, to get our message across, and to be as relevant to as wide an audience as possible. Last year we continued to use our dedicated baby/toddler room for all the babies/children under three, to help support these families who attend further. In our 'Baby room' we continue to broadcast our meetings on the TV so that parents can still watch/hear the services while in the baby room, so that they are not missing out on the meeting and our teachings. We always actively look for ways to help people from the local community and be a blessing to our local community. As being a blessing and helping people, putting others first, is the DNA of this charity. Evidence of this was by our "Christmas Appeal". We raised funds from our Church members for 'Divine Favour Ministries' (DFM) which is a Christian Charity in Uganda, Africa. DFM is a Charity that the Church now regularly supports to help them with finance to help the orphanage. DMF offers food, shelter and an education for many children in need. The money which the charity raised helped to buy mattresses and blankets, so that the Children could have a good nights sleep, not just at Christmas, but all year round. We think we see poverty here in the UK, but in Uganda these children have literally nothing and they live from meal to meal. The Church was so generous in it's giving to enable us to help them. It was a joy and blessing to be able to make a difference in the lives of these children. We even decided to raise money to fund buying them some of their own permanent land to live on. The long term plan is now to raise further funds to be able to buy them a permanent brick house. Rather than the run down, mud hut that they currently live in. Due to their extreme weather and rainy season they are always having to repair the walls and roof. So the first steps the Church has been able to make is to buy them their own permanent land to live on for now, so that they no longer have the worry of having enough money to pay rental costs.

We ourselves continue to benefit from the fact that we now own our Church building and so are continuing to save on annual rent payments. Also, having our own permanent local premises means we are able to continue to hold regular weekly meetings (often up to 4 meetings a week). Having so many different meetings enables us to continually try and reach out to more people and new demographics. For example having our "Overcomers" Children's meetings for those aged 3-11 years old, our "Adored" Women's Meetings, our "Band of Brothers" Men's Meetings, our "LCC Youth" Meetings for those aged 11-16 years old, or our "Timeless" meetings for those aged over 50 years old. This year we actually re-launched our daytime Timeless meetings, bringing down the age from over 60's to include all those who have had 50 or more birthdays. Our plan is to continue to grow and build up our Timeless Ministry further. As we really want to continue to help the elderly and people who live alone, to provide them with the opportunity for extra fellowship and relevant meetings just for them. The plan remains to always try to reach out to as many different people as we can, with our existing resources. Our ladies have continued to meet in person with their fortnightly meetings called "Women of Worth" (WOW) which has been a great way that we have been able to grow and reach out to more and different women this year. The purpose of our "WOW" meetings are also to disciple and help the ladies grow and develop in their relationship with God. For over "Overcomers" (Children) at Halloween, we also held a FREE 'Light Party'. As well as a Christmas party, all of which were FREE for all children to attend. Also, last year we ran our thriving "Eden" Coffee shop, which was open after all of our meetings. Open to everyone to have some (heavily subsidised) refreshments and some fellowship with us, which continues to be a great help to us in reaching more people and deepening relationships/friendships further. We also still have a small dedicated number of people who join us for Church online only, including those not actually living in Doncaster. So again last year, was another great year of growth for the Church. We have continued to see great growth in BOTH our "Overcomers" Children's Church and our "LCC Youth" this year, with many families and also single parent's join us both 'in person' and online. Our desire remains to equip and disciple our current congregation further, providing even more teachings and wisdom, to empower them through the teaching of life skills, (which sadly so many in our community desperately need). Providing great pastoral care to everyone in the Church is always at the heart of everything we do, this again was a big focus for us last year, as we continued to improve the work we do via our dedicated Pastoral Care team. This provides support and friendship and an informal ear for a chat, always being there to offer our help and advice. So in many ways last year was again a big success for us with our multiple weekly meetings and offering support to people here in the Church and to our local community here in Balby and across the Doncaster postcodes.

Being a Church located in a highly deprived area in our City we know only too well that people need help and support and guidance with various life events. So to help our congregation and the local community at large, we continued to offer free help and counselling to people. Along side our Pastoral Care team our Pastors were also always there to help people. Everyone was able to book a private appointment with our Pastors /Pastoral care team to gain the advice and support that they desired. This is always widely advertised within the Church, on our website and via our various social media channels. We have continued to try and build up and improve further our Church YouTube channel last year. YouTube has also been another tool we have used to try to reach out to new and different kinds of people. We also hold specific monthly prayer meetings (on the last week of the month) where we pray specifically for (Doncaster) our city, it's Council and it's people, in fact we cover the whole of the "DN Postcodes" in our prayers. In everything we do, we always try to put the people of our community and our city first. We have continued to try and expand our outreach ministries again last year, where ever we could through special events at our building. All of our events have been free or heavily subsidised and were advertised and open to all in the local community to join us. Another major financial achievement of last year has been, that we were again able to maintain the hours of our employed staff. We have employed four members of staff throughout most of the year. With BOTH of our Pastors - Pastor Philip and Pastor Janet Hills being employed by the Charity full-time. Last year we were again able to slightly increase the Pastors wages, as being able to continue to employ them both full-time makes the day to day running of the Charity so much easier, as they are able to work and concentrate solely on the charity. It continues to give them the freedom to dedicate all of their time and energy to help us move forward with a renewed vision, energy and excitement. Our part-time paid staff, did actually reduce during the year (the one that was in our praise and worship team sally left and moved on from the Church). We also continued to pay some someone part-time (10 hours per week) to help the Charity out with general admin duties and to help cover our social media, which has really helped benefit the charity. Our goal remains that (in the next financial year) we are in a position to increase the part-time hours or employ other staff in the future as we grow and as soon as our finances practically allow us too. But definitely by having both of our Pastors employed full time and also part-time admin staff this really enables the Charity to grow further and to reach out to even more people in our community. Our Pastors continue to come and be at our Church building regularly and they have the time to plan for the Charity's future and put actions in place. This enables us to grow and improve things even further for the benefit of our local community. So employed staff remains a huge asset to the charity.

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

Last year we again continued to build on our successful weekly Bible Teachings, where we teach people relevant life skills that local people in our local community really need - subjects taught included finances and about working and jobs and relationships etc. These are areas that we feel really benefit people in their daily lives. So it is not just giving people spiritual food, but also the practical knowledge and skills they can put into action in their daily lives as well. Our aim is always to give people in the community the practical and relevant skills to lead a better life. Last year we continued to encourage other new people from within the Church to step up and train to deliver Bible Teachings, as well as our Senior Pastors. It is always good for people to "see and hear" different people and guest speakers. So we continue to try to encourage and build people up from within the Church. The congregation also enjoys hearing various different people speak and teach on different subjects, in addition to our two Pastors. When planning our activities for the year ahead we carefully consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

From our two Pastors, our trustees, leadership team and our Pastoral Care team we always aim to provide a great level of pastoral care to everyone in the local community. We openly advertise our contact details and welcome all requests for prayer, or practical help. As well as by telephone, Email and our Church web site, in this modern age we continue to expand our use of social media, such as our growing Facebook Page and even X (formerly Twitter) and on Instagram as well as YouTube too. We also still continue to make use of 'WhatsApp' groups as a way of communicating with people within the Church. With the aim of reaching out further in a relevant way to even more people in the local community and further afield, we remain really proud of our Facebook Page which has continued to dramatically grow in followers/likes throughout last year. Many different and new people now regularly post/comment in our Social Media with various requests for help and prayer. To encourage people to join us at our events and meetings we always widely advertise them on our website and in our social media channels. In addition we also offer free transportation to people to get to our meetings and events and many of the people who join us at Church we collect and take home each week, as a free service to help the people in our city.

As a Church we also continue to look for opportunities to support Missionary Work, an example being through our relationship with Gerard Van Der Vegt who runs "Good Shepherd Homes" which is a Christian rescue charity providing homes for homeless children in India. As well as "Divine Favour Ministries" (DFM) the Orphanage in Uganda that we continued to help and support last year. We also sent some of our tithing money to bless and support various Christian ministries abroad last year. As well as abroad, we are always keen to reach out to our local community here in Doncaster, whenever we can, especially at Christmas and Easter times etc. As a tithing Church we are committed to tithe (give away) 10% of our Charity income to support BOTH individuals in need and other Ministries in the UK and around the world, as we are led by the Lord to give.

It is our aim to continue to provide our various meetings and offer the support which the community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. As already mentioned, attendance at our weekly Sunday morning Celebration Service has again increased further this year. We also continue to have certain meetings on regular set Sundays or days of the week (e.g. first, or last Sunday of the month etc) which people welcome and find beneficial. We spend a great deal of time and put a lot of thought and effort into our various services making sure that they are relevant to people's needs.

Easter, Christmas and the New Year were again very busy periods for us last year. We organised additional special meetings at these busy/popular times, specifically aimed at reaching out to our local community. With our special Christmas Carol Service again a highlight of the year for us, where we put on a free refreshments/food after the meeting. Plus, we also held a special Christmas treat for BOTH our "Overcomers" our Children's Church, those aged 3-11 years old and our LCC Youth, for those aged 11-16 years old. These events were advertised and open to all in the local area to join us. As a Charity we firmly believe that we are "blessed to be a blessing" so Christmas was a very busy time of the year for us in terms of trying to reach out to people in need in our local community. Christmas time is a great joy for us when we can make a difference to people and bless them with gifts, but also share the love of Jesus with them and letting people know that we are here for them and care about them. We reached out and blessed many people with gifts. We again reached out with gifts to many of the other local businesses on the Clayfields Industrial Estate where the Church is based. Helping us to continue to build good will and great local relations with people and businesses. As this is so important to us as a charity.

As a Church we have an outreach initiative called "hapnin". The aims of which are: To connect with everyone (including non-Christians) in a way that's relevant to them. To reach our local community and grow Life Changers Church as a modern and relevant Church. To spend quality time together as a Church family, getting to know each other on a deeper level. To promote the benefits of a balanced, fun-filled life. To help people Integrate into our Church and grow and to make the most of events, places, activities and venues in and around Doncaster. Last year our "hapnins" were limited, but we do hope to arrange a lot more "hapnin" activities next year.

The Church also has a Ministry called "Adored" which holds regular meetings and special events for ladies. Dealing with relevant topics and issues for the modern woman. At these special meetings we have praise and worship and relevant practical teaching. We also hold other fun events with free refreshments and activities. Our "Adored" meetings are really popular and are very successful, with several new ladies from outside of the Church joining us. We see this as a great way of reaching out to more women from Doncaster and our local area. Again we hope to expand Adored further again next year.

Building on the success of our "Adored" Ladies Ministry, we also have our Men's Ministry, called "Band of Brothers". This is a Ministry open to all of the men in our city. We held various men's meetings, with speakers and various fun events, including FREE food. Just like the ladies meetings our Men's meetings are a great way of growing and reaching out to new men in our community, who may not normally think about coming initially to a Church service. Again we hope to continue with more Band of Brothers meetings next year.

Last year, in addition to our regular weekly services, we hosted guest speakers and another Water Baptism service. As our congregation grows we plan to have more water baptisms services next year using our very own baptismal tank. As a local church it is always our aim to provide the services that the local community and our Church congregation requires. Last year we again continued to invest a lot of time and effort in keeping our Church web site up to date as the main method for people to keep in touch with us and find out more about our online events etc and we are proud of the look and the content of the site and we know that a lot of people find us and visit us for the first time after visiting our web site. Another major focus of last year both was in developing and trying to expand further our live Praise and Worship Team. We continue to musicians including drummers, a guitarist, keyboard players and a conga (drum) player. We continue to play live music with our team of singers every Sunday and this year they have continued to gel together as a team and continued to improve. So we are really pleased with how our Praise and Worship developed and improved further last year. Our guitarist/keyboard player actually left the Church to move onto new pastures last year and so we started building the team with a new voluntary praise and worship leader and things have gone really well to date. The Church really enjoys and responds well to our live praise and worship, rather than just singing to a CD, like we previously used to. The plan still remains (where finances allow) to continue to improve the Church building further next year. As the Church continues to grow in number we are now beginning to run out of space, last year we continued with our "Building Fund2" appeal to raise further funds to enable us to buy a new bigger building. This is why the Church is continuing to raise and hold money towards our new building appeal. We have realised that we now need more room than just having a Church extension built (as we were previously considering). So to give us the extra room that we now need, we are actively looking to buy new land/a new Church building, ideally on the existing Clayfields Industrial Estate. As we would not want to move too far away from our existing location here in Balby. So we are no longer actively persuing the planning permission that had already been granted to us. So we are now still in the process of looking at and considering our options, regarding obtaining a larger Church property/building. So we will continue with raising funds through our "Building Fund2" appeal and use these donated funds to buy a new/bigger Church building.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

Finally, we express our thanks to our staff, but most importantly to our volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community that it is. We especially thank everyone for helping us deal with our rapid and continued growth.

Reserves Policy

It is the Church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of at least £10,000. Now that we have paid for the Church building in full, we no longer need to keep a reserve as high as £20,000 for the annual payments we had to buy our Church building. Restricted funds are in relation to special offerings and these are then immediately distributed accordingly upon the end of the collection period. Therefore restricted funds are generally at a zero balance at any given point.

Future Prospects

We still also have plans to continue to physically improve/update our existing Church building further next year. We want to continue to build on the many great achievements of last year, for example our continued success in doing Church LIVE online. We are now already planning for many more events for next year, ranging from more Water Baptism services to more 'Overcomers' and 'LCC Youth' meetings. We also have plans to hold more 'Adored' Women's meetings, 'Band of Brothers' Men's meetings and to continue building up our 'Timeless' meetings for the over 50's. We would also like to host an annual Church conference next year, and have more invited special guest weekends/speakers throughout the year. We would also like to continue working with Doncaster Council and/or others to reach out even further to the people and children in need here in our City. We intend to grow further and we plan to keep working on maintaining/improving our Church web site, as well as continuing to use our social media channels to increase our "followers" on our Church Facebook Page. Where funds allow, our long term plans continue to include looking at possibly purchasing some more digital cameras to enable us to record our meetings in a more professional way and try to get on Christian television. Also, the long term goal is to be able to employ more staff to work for the Charity. We also want next year to keep developing our new Praise and Worship team further, adding more musicians and instruments to the team - believing for a male vocalist etc. We also want to help grow and develop further the young Children and Youth in the Church. We want to continue to offer the Church and the local community the help and support that people need through the counselling/practical advice that our pastoral team now offers. We also want to have more "happin" events (with "happin" being the outreach initiative of the Church) and more inviting opportunities next year. So that we can reach out to new people even more and grow the congregation and the charity even further. We want to help new people connect with us and feel at home, so we still have plans to further improve our welcome team and the welcome/new to Church experience even further. The greatest desire of all though, is to continue to reach out with love and to be able to help our local community and the people of Doncaster and the DN Postcodes and to grow the Church further in all areas next year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

P Hills
Chair of the Trustees

Date: 14 November 2024

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- > examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- > to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- > to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanation from you as 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:

- (a) 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 2011 Act; and
 - > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- have not been met;

or

- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Miss Jodie Whinfrey, FCCA
Whinfrey Briggs Limited
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Date: 15 November 2024

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations	2	184,368	-	184,368	178,123
Investment Income		2,814	-	2,814	300
Charitable Trading		3,010	-	3,010	4,036
		<u>190,192</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,192</u>	<u>182,458</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:					
Tithes		18,902	-	18,902	16,607
Ladies Events		821	-	821	817
Men's Events		417	-	417	371
Children & Youth		1,363	-	1,363	126
Conference		-	-	-	3,769
Christmas & New Year		3,988	-	3,988	2,599
Other Events		120	-	120	850
Outreach		-	-	-	1,612
Charitable Trading		1,621	-	1,621	1,883
Sound/Media Costs		639	-	639	453
Licences		1,458	-	1,458	901
Gifts to Ministers		900	-	900	2,830
Wages & Salaries	3	28,800	-	28,800	29,850
Premises Costs					
Rent		3,602	-	3,602	-
Water Rates		334	-	334	323
General Rates		110	-	110	-
Heat & Light		3,034	-	3,034	2,869
Insurance		687	-	687	631
Cleaning		3,543	-	3,543	2,878
Gardening costs		-	-	-	2
Repairs		834	-	834	1,330
Administration costs					
Postage, Stationery & Advertising		200	-	200	29
Telephone & Internet		660	-	660	624
Depreciation		7,234	-	7,234	7,205
Profit on disposal of Assets		-	-	-	(50)
Motor & Travelling		126	-	126	-
Sundry		384	-	384	75
Bank Charges		59	-	59	127
Team Bonding/Training		-	-	-	85
Legal Fees		131	-	131	2,509
		<u>79,969</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>79,969</u>	<u>81,307</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		110,223	-	110,223	101,151
Balance of funds brought forward		428,459	-	428,459	327,308
Balance carried forward		<u>538,682</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>538,682</u>	<u>428,459</u>

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

	Note	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	4		192,061		199,060
Current Assets					
Stock		320		320	
Debtors	5	8,373		27,397	
Bank & Cash		<u>346,281</u>		<u>209,674</u>	
			354,974		237,390
			<u>547,036</u>		<u>436,450</u>
Creditors - Within 1 Year	6		8,353		7,991
Current Assets			<u>538,682</u>		<u>428,459</u>
Creditors - After 1 Year			-		-
			<u>538,682</u>		<u>428,459</u>
Surplus Funds					
B/Fwd	7		428,459		327,308
In Year	7		<u>110,223</u>		<u>101,151</u>
			<u>538,681</u>		<u>428,459</u>

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: 14th November 2024

P Hills

S Maughan

K Maughan

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Income

All income is treated as unrestricted income, unless the donor has placed restrictions on the manner in which donation or grant may be spend, in which case it is treated as restricted income.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Property Improvements	- 10% and 20% on cost
Fixture and fittings	- 10% and 20% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2 DONATIONS

	2024	2023
Tithes & Offerings	152,560	151,944
Gift Aid	31,673	25,904
Give as You Live/Other income	135	275
	<u>184,368</u>	<u>178,123</u>

3 STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
Wages & Salaries	28,800	29,850
Social Security	-	-
	<u>28,800</u>	<u>29,850</u>

Remuneration paid to the trustees during the year was £9,000 (2023: £9,000). On average there were 4 employees during the year (2023: 4).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

4	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			
		Property	Fixtures and fittings	Totals
			£	£
	COST			
	At 1st April 2023	170,000	57,556	227,556
	Additions	-	235	235
	Disposals	-	-	-
	At 31st March 2024	<u>170,000</u>	<u>57,791</u>	<u>227,791</u>
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1st April 2023	-	28,496	28,496
	Charge for year	-	7,234	7,234
	Disposal depreciation	-	-	-
	At 31st March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>35,730</u>	<u>35,730</u>
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 31st March 2024	<u><u>170,000</u></u>	<u><u>22,061</u></u>	<u><u>192,061</u></u>
	At 31st March 2023	<u><u>170,000</u></u>	<u><u>29,060</u></u>	<u><u>199,060</u></u>
5	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2024	2023
			£	£
	Other debtors		766	807
	Gift Aid Recoverable		7,607	26,589
			<u>8,373</u>	<u>27,397</u>
6	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2024	2023
			£	£
	Other creditors		8,353	7,991
			<u>8,353</u>	<u>7,991</u>
7	RESERVES	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		£	£	£
	At 1st April 2023	428,459	-	428,459
	Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	110,223	-	110,223
	At 31st March 2024	<u>538,683</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>538,683</u>

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1075473

Accounts

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

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S Maughan
K Maughan

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Structure

The charity was established as a Trust on 05th March 1999.

The charity operates from our premises: Life Changers Church, Miracle Centre, Unit 5, Clayfields Estate, Off Tickhill Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN4 8QG.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

The charity's policy regarding the selection of Trustees is to be nominated by an existing trustee for serving and helping within the charity for an extended period. The other trustees then vote and then a majority agreement is required.

Principle Objectives

The objective of the charity is to be a charity of excellence. We conduct various Christian services, where we preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, and by words and deeds we reveal the love of Jesus Christ, so promoting the spiritual and moral improvement of mankind. We also maintain our long term aim of establishing Christian schools here in Doncaster.

Review of the Year

This last year has been another great year for the Charity. We initially started to grow and expand as the COVID-19 lock down restrictions ended and over the last year we have continued to grow rapidly. Attendance at our Sunday Celebration Services has now more than doubled on our pre-COVID numbers. We grew so much that we had to buy further chairs for our meeting room to fit every one in! We continued to have a high percentage of first time visitors actually becoming long term/permanent attenders which is always encouraging. So again we want to put on record our thanks to the staff, trustees and all our committed volunteers for the way they continued to help us run the Charity/Church during the past year. We continued to meet the needs of people here in Doncaster that wanted a true 'Word of Faith Church' that craved to meet at Church in person, as well as being online. We continued to provide and improve our "online" services/meetings, for all those who chose to join us online. Most of our meetings last year were broadcast LIVE on our Facebook Page. Having an online presence has provided us with a new way to get Church and ourselves known to new people, who other wise may never have stepped inside a Church building. We know that a lot of our new weekly attenders first started watching us online, before then visiting us in person. So being able to do Church in this hybrid way, both in person and online has been beneficial for the charity. Really helping us to keep growing and reach out to even more new people! Continuing to develop 'online' remains a huge 'work in progress' for us, our goal remains to further improve our filming and video editing as we go forward. Last year we vastly expanded our online activities in all areas - on our website, our YouTube channel and also our existing social media (Facebook and Instagram etc). We continued deliberately to be active on social media most days, with encouraging messages and reminders of upcoming meetings. This has been a big step up for us again, coming from staff/volunteers with very limited media background, but we knew that we had to continue to reach and help and support people as best as we could. We know that our online activities have continued to help us reach NEW and even more people throughout the year. Not only here in Doncaster, but we have been able to reach people right around the world and we still now have regular viewers from a far a field as Australia, USA and Africa. We have also continued to have more people regularly interact with us on social media as well as also watching our online services.

Our weekly 'IGNITE' Believers prayer meetings have continued to generate lots of regular prayer requests with people contacting us each week. Our aim remains that the charity has to be here for our Church family but also to be a voice of hope to our wider community, in a practical way, as many people are still fearful over things and have needs that they want prayer for. So we continued to advertise all of our services and how people could contact us. Our plans remain for our online meetings to continue, to enable us to reach even more new people that we can help, especially those not in Doncaster but around the UK and the world. So we are proud that our hybrid approach meant that last year we were able to keep growing numerically (and also financially). Last year we were even able to hold another 'Water Baptism' service in August where several people were water baptised. Sadly last year, we did have a member of our Church family pass away and we held a funeral service at Church (for which we did not charge) to be a blessing to the family and people/friends in the local community. We also had an invited "Special Guest Sunday", where we held a meeting/service with a visiting speaker coming up to Doncaster from London. We also had a very special four day Conference, with invited guests from New York, USA. This conference was partly to celebrate purchasing our Church building, which we paid off during the COVID lockdowns and the celebration having to be delayed due to the travel restrictions. Our conference/special guest events were (free) ticketed events and were real highlights for the Church from last year. Having visitors come and join us from all over the UK. We remain committed to making our Church a full part of the local community. We demonstrated this in many ways, for example by holding a FREE summer BBQ and a fun day children with a bouncy castle and games etc. This was a well attended event by our Church members and also members of the local community. We want the benefits of a thriving local Church to flow out from us into our City. As the Bible teaches us firstly to reach into 'our' Jerusalem - our local community of Balby and then out into our City of Doncaster. Then, as our sphere of influence continues to increase, we want to be able to go onto effect the other "DN" (Doncaster) postcodes and then further afield into Yorkshire and eventually the rest of the UK and even further afield around the world.

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

It is our strong desire to promote the whole mission of the "Church" including evangelistic, pastoral care and the social well being of people. To this end our services and our worship put our faith into practice through various means. For example, through prayer - we are open to all, for prayer requests and regularly (each week as we receive requests from the public - from people here in Doncaster, from other areas of the UK and even from abroad) we pray for the sick and the needy during our weekly corporate prayer meetings. We know that so many people in our City have various health, or financial issues and we know that prayer works. Throughout the year we received testimonies of answers to our prayers. So we continued to advertise and actively encourage people to approach us with their prayer requests for their spiritual and physical needs. We continue to have numerous channels for people to contact us in different ways. For example through our Church telephone number, Email, our Church Web Site, or through social media such as our Facebook Page and Group, Twitter (now X) or our Instagram, (where we have a dedicated lead to help us reach out to new people). This year again, we have continued to dramatically increase the number of followers and the number of people who like the Church on Facebook. A further example of trying to help people is through a strong use of Bible scripture, our aim is to act and live out what the Bible teaches and to see people grow as they walk in Godly knowledge and wisdom. To achieve this we continue to have practical weekly Bible Teachings last year (both online and in person). Where people can join us in person, or even just watch online at home and still learn and grow in their Christianity. We remain committed to build people up and help people reach their full potential in life and become true disciples of Jesus Christ. Our Bible Teachings try to focus on very practical issues, that we know people need help with, such as finances, employment and relationships etc. We also aim to make our all of our meetings including our Praise and Worship relevant and engaging for all, through the use of modern music and lively new songs. This year we have continued to build up and expand further our Praise and Worship band/team. With our worship always now being LIVE, rather than previously relying on CD's/recorded music in the past. We try to keep our Praise and Worship family orientated with a modern and lively style, which appeals to most people. This continues to help us engage and encourage our "Overcomers" (our young children in Church ages 3 to School year 6) and our "LCC Youth" (our teenagers from School Year 6 up to aged 16). This year we re-launched / re-branded our Youth Ministry from our previous 'Radical Youth' to being name 'LCC Youth' after the Church. Our Children's and Youth Meetings all returned back to face-to-face / in person and we extended our LCC Youth meetings from once a month to actually start meeting together EVERY Sunday. Our LCC Youth have especially expanded/grown over the last 12 months. We continue to use an audio visual system in the Church building and strive to make the best use of multi media whenever we can, to get our message across and be as relevant to as wide an audience as possible. Last year we continued to work on improving our baby/toddler room for under three's and we installed a TV and equipment so that parents can now watch/hear the services while in the baby room, so that they are not missing out on the meeting and our teachings. We always actively look for ways to help people from the local community and be a blessing to our local community. As being a blessing and helping people, putting others first, is the DNA of this charity. Evidence of this was by our "Christmas Appeal". We raised funds from our Church members for 'Good Shepherd Homes'. A Christian Charity in India which runs an orphanage - offering food, a home and an education. Through out last year we also continued to work with and support a local Christian Ministry in Uganda, Africa that runs another Children's Orphanage in Uganda. We think we see poverty here in the UK, but India and Uganda these children have literally nothing and they live from meal to meal. The Church was so generous in it's giving to enable us to help them. It was a joy and blessing to be able to make a difference in the lives of these children.

We continue to benefit from the fact that we have now paid for our Church building, so not only are we saving on rent payments but having our own permanent local premises means we are able to continue to hold regular weekly meetings (up to 4 meetings a week). Having so many different meetings enables us to continually try and reach out to more people and new demographics. For example having our "Overcomers" Children's meetings for those aged 3-11, our "Adored" Women's Meetings, our "Band of Brothers" Men's Meetings, our "LCC Youth" Meetings for those aged 11-16, or our "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's. (We didn't manage to 'restart' our Timeless meetings, last year, but do plan to re-launch Timeless again very shortly). So we always try to reach out to as many different people as we can. Our ladies have continued to meet in person with their fortnightly meetings called "Women of Worth" which has been a great way that we have been able to grow and reach out to more and different women this year. The purpose of our "WOW" meetings are also to disciple and help the ladies grow and develop in their relationship with God. For over 'Overcomers' (Children) at Halloween, we also held a FREE 'Light Party'. As well as a Christmas party, all of which were FREE for all children to attend. Also, last year we ran our thriving "Eden" Coffee shop, which was open after all of our meetings. Open to everyone to have some (heavily subsidised) refreshments and some fellowship with us, which continues to be a great help for us in reaching more people and deepening relationships/friendships. We also still have a small dedicated number of people who join us for Church online only, including those not actually living in Doncaster. So again last year, was another great year of growth for the Church. We have continued to see great growth in BOTH our 'Overcomers' Children's Church and our 'LCC Youth' this year, with many families and also single parent's join us. Our desire remains to equip and disciple our current congregation further, providing even more teachings and wisdom, to empower them through the teaching of life skills, (which sadly so many in our community desperately need). Our daytime "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's were sadly still postponed last year, but as stated our hope is to be able to start this ministry again in the very near future. As we really want to continue to help the elderly and people who live alone, to provide them with the opportunity for extra fellowship and relevant meetings just for them. Providing great pastoral care to everyone in the Church is always at the heart of everything we do, this again was a big focus for us last year, as we set up a Pastoral Care team specifically with this aim. Providing friendship and just an informal ear for a chat, being there to offer our help and advice. So in many ways last year was a great success for us with our multiple weekly meetings and offering support to people here in the Church and to our local community here in Balby and across the Doncaster postcodes.

Being a Church located in a highly deprived area in our City we know only too well that people need help and support and guidance with various life events. So to help our congregation and the local community at large, we continued to offer free help and counselling to people. Along side our Pastoral Care team our Pastors were also always there to help people. Everyone was able to book a private appointment with our Pastors /Pastoral care team to gain the advice and support that they desired. This is always widely advertised within the Church, on our website and via our various social media channels. We have continued to try and build up and improve further our Church YouTube channel last year. YouTube has also been another tool we have used to try to reach out to new and different kinds of people. We also hold specific monthly prayer meetings where we pray specifically for (Doncaster) our city, it's Council and it's people, in fact we cover the whole of the "DN Postcodes" in our prayers. In everything we do, we always try to put the people of our community and our city first. We have continued to try and expand our outreach ministries again last year, where ever we could through special events at our building. All of our events have been free or heavily subsidised and were advertised and open to all in the local community to join us. Another major financial achievement of the last year has been, that we were again able to maintain the hours of our employed staff. We have employed four members of staff throughout the year. With BOTH of our Pastors - Pastor Philip and Pastor Janet Hills being employed by the Charity full-time. Last year we were able to increase the Pastors wages slightly, as being able to continue to employ them both full-time makes the day to day running of the Charity so much easier, as they are able to work and concentrate solely on the charity. It continues to give them the freedom to dedicate all of their time and energy to help us move forward with a renewed vision, energy and excitement. Our part-time staff - one in our praise and worship team and one to help out with general admin duties and to help cover our social media have really helped benefit the day to day running of the charity. It still our desire (we hope in the next financial year) to increase the part-time hours/employ other staff in the future as we grow and as soon as our finances practically allow this. But by having both of our Pastors employed full time and also two part-time staff this has really enabled the Charity to grow further and to reach out to even more people in our community. Our Pastors continue to come and be at our Church building regularly and they have the time to plan for the Charity's future and put actions in place. This enables us to grow and improve things even further for the benefit of our local community. So employed staff remains a huge asset for the charity.

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

Last year we again continued to build on our successful weekly Bible Teachings, where we teach people relevant life skills that local people in our local community really need - subjects taught included finances, working and jobs and relationships etc. These are areas that we feel really benefit people in their daily lives. So it is not just giving people spiritual food, but also the practical knowledge and skills they can put into action in their daily lives as well. Our aim is always to give people in the community the practical and relevant skills to lead a better life. Last year we continued to encourage other new people from within the Church to step up and train to deliver Bible Teachings, as well as our Senior Pastors. It is always good for people to "see and hear" different people and guest speakers. So we continue to try to encourage and build people up from within the Church. The congregation also enjoys hearing various different people speak and teach on different subjects, in addition to our two Pastors. When planning our activities for the year ahead we carefully consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

From our two Pastors, our trustees, leadership team and our Pastoral Care team we always aim to provide a great level of pastoral care to everyone in the local community. We openly advertise our contact details and welcome all requests for prayer, or practical help. As well as by telephone, Email and our Church web site, in this modern age, we continue to expand our use of social media, such as our growing Facebook group (and our Facebook page) and even Twitter (Now X) and Instagram as well as YouTube too. We also now make the use of 'WhatsApp' groups as a way of communicating with people within the Church. With the aim of reaching out further in a relevant way to even more people in the local community and further afield. We remain really proud of our (open) Facebook group which has continued to dramatically grow in members throughout the last year and also our Facebook Page which has continued to grow in "Followers". Many different and new people now regularly post in our group with various requests for help and prayer. To encourage people to join us at our events and meetings we always widely advertise them on our website and in our social media channels. In addition we also offer free transportation to people to get to our meetings and events and many of the people who join us at Church we collect and take home each week, as a free service to help the people in our city.

As a Church we also continue to look for opportunities to support Missionary Work, an example being through our relationship with Gerard Vander Vegt who runs "Good Shepherd Homes" which is a Christian rescue charity providing homes for homeless children in India. As well as "Divine Favour Ministries" the Orphanage in Uganda that we continued to help and support. We also sent a lot of our tithe money to bless and support various Christian ministries abroad. As well as abroad, we are always keen to reach out to our local community here in Doncaster, whenever we can, especially at Christmas and Easter times etc. As a tithing Church we are committed to tithe (give away) 10% of our Charity income to support BOTH individuals in need and other Ministries in the UK and around the world, as we are led by the Lord to give.

It is our aim to continue to provide our various meetings and offer the support which the community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. As already mentioned, attendance at our weekly Sunday morning Celebration Service has again increased further this year. We also continue to have certain meetings on regular set Sundays or days of the week (e.g. first, or last Sunday of the month etc) which people welcome and find beneficial. We spend a great deal of time and put a lot of thought and effort into our various services making sure that they are relevant to people's needs.

Easter, Christmas and the New Year were again very busy periods for us last year. We organised additional special meetings at these busy/popular times, specifically aimed at reaching out to our local community. With our special Christmas Carol Service again a highlight of the year for us, where we put on a free refreshments/food after the meeting. Plus, we also held a special Christmas treat for BOTH our "Overcomers" our Children's Church, those aged 3-11 years old and our 'LCC Youth, for those aged 11-16 years old. These events were advertised and open to all in the local area to join us. As a Charity we firmly believe that we are "blessed to be a blessing" so Christmas was a very busy time of the year for us in terms of trying to reach out to people in need in our local community. Christmas time is a great joy for us when we can make a difference to people and bless them with gifts, but also share the love of Jesus with them and letting people know that we are here for them and care about them. We reached out and blessed many people with gifts. We again reached out with gifts to many of the other local businesses on the Clayfields Industrial Estate where the Church is based. Helping us to continue to build good will and great good local relations with local people and businesses. As this is so important to us as a charity.

As a Church we have an outreach initiative called "hapnin". The aims of which are: To connect with everyone (including non-Christians) in a way that's relevant to them. To reach our local community and grow Life Changers Church as a modern and relevant Church. To spend quality time together as a Church family, getting to know each other on a deeper level. To promote the benefits of a balanced, fun-filled life. To help people integrate into our Church and grow and to make the most of events, places, activities and venues in and around Doncaster. Last year our "hapnins" were limited, but we do hope to arrange a lot more "hapnin" activities next year.

The Church also has a Ministry called "Adored" which holds regular meetings and special events for ladies. Dealing with relevant topics and issues for the modern woman. At these special meetings we have worship and relevant practical teaching. We also hold other fun events with free refreshments and activities. Our "Adored" meetings are really popular and are very successful, with several new ladies from outside of the Church joining us. We see this as a great way of reaching out to more women from Doncaster and our local area. Again we hope to expand Adored further again next year.

Building on the success of our "Adored" Ladies Ministry, we also have our Men's Ministry, called "Band of Brothers". This is a Ministry open to all of the men in our city. We held various men's meetings, with speakers and various fun events, including FREE food. Just like the ladies meetings our Men's meetings are a great way of growing and reaching out to new men in our community, who may not normally think about coming initially to a Church service. Again we hope to continue with more Band of Brothers meetings next year.

Last year, in addition to our regular weekly services, we hosted guest speakers and weekend events and another Water Baptism service. As our congregation grows we plan to have more water baptisms services next year using our very own baptismal tank. As a local church it is always our aim to provide the services that the local community and our Church congregation requires. Last year we again continued to invest a lot of time and effort in keeping our Church web site up to date as the main method for people to keep in touch with us and find out about our online events etc and we are proud of the look and the content of the site and we know that a lot of people find us and visit us for the first time after visiting our web site. Another major focus of last year both was in developing and trying to expand further our live Praise and Worship Team. We continue to have a drummer, guitarist/keyboard and a conga player. We continue to play live music with our team of singers every Sunday and this year they have continued to gel together as a team and continued to improve. So we are really pleased with how our Praise and Worship developed and improved further last year. Our guitarist/keyboard player continued to write/compose even more of his own copyrighted Praise and Worship songs which we now sing regularly. The Church is really enjoying and responding well to our live praise and worship, rather than just singing to a CD, like we previously used to. The plan still remains (where finances allow) to continue to improve the Church building further next year. As the Church continues to grow in number we are now beginning to run out of space, last year we started the year with our "Building Fund2" appeal to raise further funds to enable us to have a Church extension built to give us the extra room that we now need, or even look to buy new land/buildings on the Clayfields Industrial Estate. We went ahead with the planning permission last year and planning permission was actually granted. But throughout the year we soon realised that the proposed extension would not actually be big enough for our demand. So we are now in the process of looking at and considering our options. With the favoured option at present being to continue to raise funds through our "Building Fund2" appeal and use these donated funds to actually buy a new/bigger Church building. Ideally still here on the Clayfields Industrial Estate, or if not on another site, ideally still here in our district of Balby.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

Finally, we express our thanks to our staff, but most importantly to our volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community that it is. We especially thank everyone for helping us as we came out the other side of the COVID-19 restrictions and dealing with our rapid and continued growth.

Reserves Policy

It is the Church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of at least £10,000. Now that we have paid for the Church building in full, we no longer need to keep a reserve as high as £20,000 for the annual payments we had to buy our Church building. Restricted funds are in relation to special offerings and these are then immediately distributed accordingly upon the end of the collection period. Therefore restricted funds are generally at a zero balance at any given point.

Future Prospects

As mentioned even though the building has now been paid for in full, we still have plans to continue to physically improve/update the Church building further next year. We also want to continue to build on the many great achievements of last year, for example our success in doing Church LIVE online. We are now already planning for many more events for next year, ranging from more Water Baptism services to more 'Overcomers' and 'LCC Youth' meetings. We also have plans to hold more 'Adored' Women's meetings, 'Band of Brothers' Men's meetings and to restart our 'Timeless' meetings for the over 60's. We would also like to host an annual Church conference next year, and have more invited special guest weekends/speakers throughout the year. We would also like to continue working with Doncaster Council and/or others to reach out even further to the people and children in need here in our City. We intend to grow further and we plan to keep working on maintaining/improving our Church web site, as well as continuing to use our social media channels to increase our "members/followers" on our Church Facebook group and Page. Where funds allow, our long term plans continue to include looking at possibly purchasing some more digital cameras to enable us to record our meetings in a more professional way and try to get on Christian television. Also, the long term goal is to be able to employ more staff to work for the Charity. We also want next year to keep developing our new Praise and Worship team further, adding more musicians and instruments to the team - believing for a male vocalist a base guitarist etc. We also want to help grow and develop further the young Children and Youth in the Church. We want to continue to offer the Church and the local community the help and support that people need through the counselling/practical advice that our pastoral team now offers. We also want to have more "hapnin" events (with "hapnin" being the outreach initiative of the Church) and more inviting opportunities next year. So that we can reach out to new people even more and grow the congregation and the charity even further. We want to help new people connect with us and feel at home, so we still have plans to further improve our welcome team and the welcome/new to Church experience even further. The greatest desire of all though, is to continue to reach out with love and to be able to help our local community and the people of Doncaster and the DN Postcodes and to grow the Church further in all areas next year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

P Hills
Chair of the Trustees

Date: 22nd January 2024

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- > examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- > to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- > to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanation from you as 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:

- (a) 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 2011 Act; and
 - > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- have not been met;

or

- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 24th January 2024

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations	2	178,123	-	178,123	116,865
Investment Income		300	-	300	7
Charitable Trading		4,036	-	4,036	2,552
		<u>182,458</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>182,458</u>	<u>119,424</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:					
Tithes		16,607	-	16,607	11,271
Ladies Events		817	-	817	232
Men's Events		371	-	371	78
Children & Youth		126	-	126	148
Conference		3,769	-	3,769	-
Christmas & New Year		2,599	-	2,599	2,190
Other Events		850	-	850	532
Outreach		1,612	-	1,612	468
Charitable Trading		1,883	-	1,883	886
Sound/Media Costs		453	-	453	509
Licences		901	-	901	779
Gifts to Ministers		2,830	-	2,830	2,075
Wages & Salaries	3	29,850	-	29,850	26,800
Premises Costs					
Water Rates		323	-	323	339
Heat & Light		2,869	-	2,869	1,004
Insurance		631	-	631	652
Cleaning		2,878	-	2,878	1,718
Gardening costs		2	-	2	-
Repairs		1,330	-	1,330	241
Administration costs					
Postage, Stationery & Advertising		29	-	29	136
Telephone & Internet		624	-	624	574
Depreciation		7,205	-	7,205	6,230
Profit on disposal of Assets		(50)	-	(50)	(709)
Motor & Travelling		-	-	-	180
Sundry		75	-	75	9
Bank Charges		127	-	127	93
Team Bonding/Training		85	-	85	-
Legal Fees		2,509	-	2,509	-
		<u>81,307</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,307</u>	<u>56,434</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		101,151	-	101,151	62,991
Balance of funds brought forward		327,308	-	327,308	264,318
Balance carried forward		<u>428,460</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>428,460</u>	<u>327,309</u>

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

	Note	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	4		199,060		203,894
Current Assets					
Stock		320		320	
Debtors	5	27,397		12,081	
Bank & Cash		<u>209,674</u>		<u>113,618</u>	
			237,390		126,019
			<u>436,450</u>		<u>329,913</u>
Creditors - Within 1 Year	6		7,991		2,604
Current Assets			<u>428,460</u>		<u>327,309</u>
Creditors - After 1 Year			-		-
			<u>428,460</u>		<u>327,309</u>
Surplus Funds					
B/Fwd	7		327,309		264,318
In Year	7		<u>101,151</u>		<u>62,991</u>
			<u>428,460</u>		<u>327,309</u>
			-		0
			0		0

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: 22nd January 2024

P Hills

S Maughan

K Maughan

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Income

All income is treated as unrestricted income, unless the donor has placed restrictions on the manner in which donation or grant may be spend, in which case it is treated as restricted income.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Property Improvements	- 10% and 20% on cost
Fixture and fittings	- 10% and 20% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2 DONATIONS

	2023	2022
Tithes & Offerings	151,944	89,278
Gift Aid	25,904	27,555
Give as You Live/Other income	275	32
	<u>178,123</u>	<u>116,865</u>

3 STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
Wages & Salaries	29,850	26,800
Social Security	-	-
	<u>29,850</u>	<u>26,800</u>

Remuneration paid to the trustees during the year was £9,000 (2022: £9000). On average there were 4 employees during the year (2022: 4).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Property	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1st April 2022	170,000	55,573	225,573
Additions	-	2,371	2,371
Disposals	-	(388)	(388)
At 31st March 2023	<u>170,000</u>	<u>57,556</u>	<u>227,556</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st April 2022	-	21,679	21,679
Charge for year	-	7,205	7,205
Disposal depreciation	-	(388)	(388)
At 31st March 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>28,496</u>	<u>28,496</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st March 2023	<u><u>170,000</u></u>	<u><u>29,060</u></u>	<u><u>199,060</u></u>
At 31st March 2022	<u>170,000</u>	<u>33,894</u>	<u>203,894</u>

5 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	807	561
Gift Aid Recoverable	26,589	11,520
	<u>27,397</u>	<u>12,081</u>

6 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	7,991	2,604
	<u>7,991</u>	<u>2,604</u>

7 RESERVES

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
At 1st April 2022	327,308	-	327,308
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	101,151	-	101,151
At 31st March 2023	<u>428,461</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>428,461</u>

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1075473

Accounts

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Structure

The charity was established as a Trust on 05th March 1999.

The charity operates from our premises: Life Changers Church, Miracle Centre, Unit 5, Clayfields Estate, Off Tickhill Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN4 8QG.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

The charity's policy regarding the selection of Trustees is to be nominated by an existing trustee for serving and helping within the charity for an extended period. The other trustees then vote and then a majority agreement is required.

Principle Objectives

The objective of the charity is to be a charity of excellence. We conduct various Christian services, where we preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, and by words and deeds we reveal the love of Jesus Christ, so promoting the spiritual and moral improvement of mankind. We also maintain our long term aim of establishing Christian schools here in Doncaster.

Review of the Year

This last year has been an interesting year as we came out of the full-lock down and learnt to operate within the changing Government COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines. So it was another year of great change and learning to adapt as we went on. We are really pleased with how the charity managed things in difficult circumstances and despite this we were still able to grow and expand our attendance and Church congregation size, while many Churches struggled we are proud of our growth through out the year. Our CCLI licences are based on our average attendance figures and this year we moved up a band based on our increased attendance. So our licence fees increased this year, but that is a great thing, as it is evidence of our continued growth. So again we want to put on record our thanks to the staff, trustees and all our committed volunteers for the way they continued to run the Charity/Church to the best of our abilities as we the restrictions thankfully started to lift. For several months of this last year we had to operate under social distancing guidelines and the massive challenges that created. Including how to physically get everyone who wanted to attend our meetings into the building safely, while still following the guidelines. So the restrictions still meant that our ability to "do" Church as normal was restricted for large chunks of the year. In particular our fellowship, or gathering together in our "Eden" Coffee shop or social / fun events were restricted for chunks of the last year. With our "Eden" Coffee shop still being closed, or operating on a take away, take home basis only. Throughout the year we have maintained our view, based on Biblical principals that - "within the rules/guidance" that we should keep the Church open and functioning, as normal as possible, with face-to-face/in person meetings. We believe that (where safe to do so) the Church should not forsake meeting together (be it socially distanced) for meetings, to encourage one another. So throughout the year safely (following all COVID-19 regulations and social distancing) we continued to meet together as often as we could. We put extra safety measures in place, to allow us hold "in person" meetings, as we know that even some form of social contact and meeting together is the way best way to run the Church/Charity to try and help our congregation, being so aware of people's mental health after the lockdown. As stated, continuing to follow this strategy, has actually enabled us to grow numerically again this year, bucking the trend of declining attendances in some Churches. During the last year we had a much higher than usual percentage of first time visitors actually becoming long term/permanent attenders which is always encouraging. As we continued to meet the need of people here in Doncaster that craved the Church to remain open and active with corporate Worship and meetings in person and not just online. So we manoeuvred ourself to meet this need. We were still aware that we still needed to meet the need for people who were still not yet ready to meet back 'in person'. So last year we continued to develop and improve our "online" services/meetings, as we only starting any online meetings in 2020. So we started at a very low basis, but is some thing that we are pleased to have worked on last year, with 'most' of meetings last year being filmed and broadcast LIVE on our Facebook Page. Initially, we no/very basic equipment and next to no experience of how "to do" Church online. So it again has been a huge learning experience for us, having been thrown into the deep end, starting from such a low level to being expected to provide multiple online weekly services. So we are grateful to our volunteers who have upskilled and taught themselves how to meet this online need. This has been a real success and provided us a way to get Church and ourselves known to new people, who other wise may never have stepped inside a Church building. We know that a lot of our new weekly attenders first started watching us online first before then visiting us in person. So being able to do Church in a hybrid way, both in person and online has been great for us. Really helping us to keep growing and reach out to even more people! Online still remains a huge 'work in progress' for us, but this last year we vastly expanded our online activities in all areas - on our website, our YouTube channel and also our existing social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram etc). We continued deliberately to be active on social media most days, with encouraging messages and reminders of upcoming meetings. Again, this is a big step up for us again, coming from staff/volunteers with a very limited media background, but we knew that we had to continue to reach and help and support people as best as we could. Our online activities have continued to help us reach NEW and even more people throughout the year. Not only here in Doncaster, but we have been able to reach people right around the world and we still now have regular viewers from a far a field as Australia, USA and Africa. We have also continued to have more people regularly interact with us on social media as well as also watching our online services.

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Our weekly prayer meetings continued to generate lots of regular prayer requests emailed into us each week. We knew that we had to be here for our Church family but also to be a voice of hope to our wider community, in a practical way, as many people were still fearful of COVID-19, or what might happen next. So we continued to advertise all of our services and how people could contact us. Our plans remain for our online meetings to continue to enable us to reach even more new people that we can help, especially those not in Doncaster and around the world. Our hybrid approach meant that again last year we were able to keep growing numerically (and also financially). Last year we were even able to hold another 'Water Baptism' service in September where several people were water baptised. Sadly last year we did have some members of our Church family pass away and we held several funerals (for which we did not charge) and did to be a blessing to the families and people here in our local community. We also had an invited "Special Guest Sunday" in November where we held a meeting/service with a visiting speaker coming up to Doncaster from London. We also had other "Special Guest meetings" with speakers from 'RISE Nations' and also a Miracle and Healing Night with Evangelist Bill Prankard who joined us from Canada. These were (free) ticketed events and were real highlights for the Church from last year. Having visitors come and join us from all over the UK. Although, due to social distancing and restrictions, less than normal and less than we would like, but we did remain committed to making our Church a full part of the local community. We demonstrated this by holding a summer BBQ and fun day for the children with a bouncy castle and games etc. Which was a well attended event by our Church members and also members of the local community. So as we exited lockdown we wanted the benefits of a thriving local Church (even with social distancing in place) to flow out from us. As the Bible teaches us firstly into 'our' Jerusalem - our local community of Balby and then out into our town of Doncaster. Then, as our sphere of influence continues to increase, we want to be able to go onto effect the other "DN" (Doncaster) postcodes and then further afield into Yorkshire and eventually the rest of the UK and even further afield.

It is our strong desire to promote the whole mission of the "Church" including evangelistic, pastoral care and the social well being of people. To this end our services and our worship put our faith into practice through various means. For example, through prayer - we are open to all, for prayer requests and regularly (each week as we receive requests from the public - from people here in Doncaster, from other areas of the UK and even from abroad) we pray for the sick and the needy during our corporate prayer meeting. This continued to be so important last year as we came out from COVID-19, with so many people still having various health, or financial issues etc. So we continued to advertise and actively encourage people to approach us with their prayer requests for their spiritual and physical needs. We continue to have numerous channels for people to contact us in different ways. For example through our Church telephone number, Email, our Church Web Site, or through social media such as our Facebook Page and Group, Twitter or our Instagram, (where we have a dedicated Social Media lead to help us reach out to new people). This year again, we have continued to dramatically increase the number of followers and the number of people who like the Church on Facebook. A further example of trying to help people is through a strong use of Bible scripture, our aim is to act and live out what the bible teaches us and to see people grow as they walk in Godly knowledge and wisdom. To achieve this we have still had last year practical weekly Bible Teachings (both online and in person), where people can join us in person, or even just watch online at home and still learn and grow in their Christianity. We remain committed to build people up and help people reach their full potential in life and become true disciples of Jesus Christ. Our Bible Teachings try to focus on very practical issues, that we know people always need help with, such as finances, working and relationships etc. We also aim to make our all of our meetings including our Praise and Worship relevant and engaging for all, through the use of modern music and lively new songs. This year we have continued to build up and expand further our relatively new Praise and Worship band/team. With our worship always now being LIVE, rather than previously relying on CD's/recorded music in the past. We try to keep our Praise and Worship family orientated with a modern and lively style, which appeals to most people. This continues to help us engage and encourage our "Overcomers" (our young children in Church) and our "Radical Youth" (our teenagers and young adults in Church). Again for large parts of last year our "Overcomers" (Children's Church) and "Radical Youth" were restricted, but we returned to face-to-face as soon as we could. We continue to use an audio visual system back in the Church building and strive to make the best use of multi media whenever we can, to get our message across and be as relevant to as wide an audience as possible. We are now working on improving our baby/toddler room for under three's and are installing a TV and equipment so that parents can watch/hear the services while in the baby room, so that they are not missing out on the meeting and our teachings. We always actively look for ways to help people from the local community and be a blessing to our local community. As being a blessing and helping people, putting others first, is the DNA of this charity. Evidence of this was by our "Christmas Appeal". We work with and support a local Christian Ministry in Uganda, Africa that runs a Children's Orphanage in Uganda. We think we see poverty here in the UK, but in Uganda these children have literally nothing they live from meal to meal. The Church was so generous in it's giving to enable us to outreach to them. We sent several large boxes by post over to the Ugandan jungle where the Orphanage is based. We sent them essential medical supplies and basics such as soap and toothpaste. But we loved to be able to buy NEW clothes, sweets, toys, books, footballs, colouring sets etc. Many of these children had never received new clothes, let alone toys and games and it was a joy and blessing to be able to make a difference in people's lives.

We are blessed to have now paid for our Church building, so not only are we saving on rent payments but having our own permanent local premises means we are able to continue to hold regular weekly meetings (up to 4 meetings a week). Having so many different meetings enables us to continually try and reach out to more people and new demographics. For example having our "Overcomers" Children's meetings for those aged 0-12, our "Adored" Women's Meetings, our "Band of Brothers" Men's Meetings, our "Radical Youth" Meetings for those aged 11-16, or our "Timeless" meetings for the over 65's. (We didn't manage to 'restart' our Timeless meetings, last year, but do plan to re-launch Timeless again shortly). So we always try to reach out to as many different people as we can. Our ladies have continued to meet in person with their fortnightly meetings called "Women of Worth" which has been a great way that we have been able to grow and reach out to more and different women this year. The purpose of our "WOW" meetings are also to disciple and help the ladies grow and develop in their relationship with God. Also, last year (when we were legally allowed to operate) we still had open our thriving "Eden" Coffee shop open after all of our meetings. Open to everyone to have some (heavily subsidised) refreshments and some fellowship with us, which continues to be a great help for us in reaching more people and deepening relationships/friendships. We continue to have just our morning meeting at 10.30 am EVERY Sunday. Having just the one Sunday meeting has we have been able to consolidate and also grow our attendance last year. We also still have a small dedicated number of people who just join us for Church online only, including those not actually living in Doncaster. So despite the social distancing and restrictions for chunks of last year, it has actually been another great year of growth for the Church last year. We have still seen great growth especially in our Overcomers Children's Church this year, with many families or single parent's join us. Our desire remains to equip and disciple our current congregation further, with even more teachings and wisdom, to empower them through the teaching of life skills, (which sadly so many in our community desperately need). Our daytime "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's were sadly postponed last year and as stated our hope is to be able to start this ministry again in the near future. As we really want to continue to help the elderly and people who live alone, to provide them with the opportunity for extra fellowship and relevant meetings just for them. Providing great pastoral care to everyone in the Church is always at the heart of everything we do, this again was a big focus for us last year due to everything that was going on in the world. Despite all of the restrictions, last year in many ways was still a great success for us with our multiple weekly meetings and offering support to people in the Church and to our local community here in Balby and across the Doncaster postcodes.

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Being a Church located in a highly deprived area in our town we know only too well that people need help and support and guidance with various life events. So to help our congregation and the local community at large, we continued to offer free help and counselling to people. We are also always here to provide friendship and an informal chat if people want our help, or advice. Everyone is able to book a private appointment with our pastoral team to gain the advice and support that they desire. This is always widely advertised within the Church, on our website and via our various social media channels. We have continued to try and build up and improve further our Church YouTube channel last year. During the restrictions we wanted to make sure that we always had lots of relevant material on there that people could watch and be encouraged by, whenever they wanted/needed help and encouragement. This is the latest tool that we have continued to use to reach out to new and different kinds of people. We also hold weekly prayer meetings where we pray specifically for (Doncaster) our town, it's Council and it's people, in fact we cover the whole of the "DN Postcodes" in our prayers. In everything we do, we always try to put the people of our community and town first. We have continued to try and expand our outreach ministries again last year, where ever we could through special events at our building. All of our events have been free or heavily subsidised and were advertised and open to all in the local community to join us. Another major financial achievement of the last year has been, that we were again able to maintain the hours of our employed staff. BOTH of our Senior Pastors - Pastor Philip and Pastor Janet Hills remain employed by the Charity full-time. Being able to continue to employ them both full-time makes the day to day running of the Charity so much easier, as they are able to work and concentrate solely on the charity. It continues to give them the freedom to dedicate all of their time and energy to help us move forward with a renewed vision, energy and excitement. This year we are so pleased that we have now been able to take on two MORE members of staff - paid part-time. Some one in our praise and worship team and some one to help out with general admin duties and to help cover our social media. It still our desire (we hope in the next financial year) to be able to increase the Pastors wages and also to increase the part-time hours/employ other staff in the future as we grow and as soon as our finances practically allow this. But by having both of our Pastors employed full time and now two part-time staff this has really enabled the Charity to grow further and to reach out to even more people in our community. Our Pastors continue to come and be at our Church building on a daily basis and they have the time to plan for the Charity's future and put actions in place. This enables us to grow and improve things even further for the benefit of our local community. So employed staff is a huge asset for the charity.

Last year we again continued to build on our successful weekly Bible Teachings, where we teach people relevant life skills that local people in our local community really need - issues including finances, working and jobs and relationships etc. These are areas that we feel really benefit people in their daily lives. So it is not just giving people spiritual food, but also the practical knowledge and skills they can put into action in their daily lives as well. Our aim is always to give people in the community the practical and relevant skills to lead a better life. Bible Teachings topics last year have covered subjects such as work and employment and how to seek employment and how to be good employees. This year we have again continued to encouraged other new people from within Church to step up and train do deliver Bible Teachings, as well as our Senior Pastors. It is always good for people to "see and hear" different people and guest speakers. So we continue to try to encourage and build people up from within the Church and the congregation enjoys hearing various different people speak and teach on different subjects, in addition to our two Pastors. When planning our activities for the year ahead we carefully consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

From our two Senior Pastors, our trustees and our leadership team, we always aim to provide a great level of pastoral care to everyone in the local community. We openly advertise our contact details and welcome all requests for prayer, or practical help. As well as by telephone, Email and our Church web site, in this modern age, we continue to expand our use of social media, such as our growing Facebook group (and our Facebook page) and even Twitter and Instagram as well as YouTube too. With the aim of reaching out further in a relevant way to even more people in the local community and further afield. We remain really proud of our (open to all to join) Facebook group and also our Facebook Page which has continued to grow in "Friends" and likes/followers during the last year and many people now regularly post in our group with various requests for help and prayer. To encourage people to join us at our events and meetings we always widely advertise them on our website and in our social media channels. In addition we also offer free transportation to people to get to our meetings and events and many of the people who join us at Church we collect and take home each week, as a free service to help the people in our town.

As a Church we also continue to look for opportunities to support Missionary Work, an example being through our relationship with Gerard Vander Vegt who runs "Good Shepherd Homes" which is a Christian rescue charity providing homes for homeless children in India. As well as "Divine Favour Ministries" the Orphanage in Uganda that we help support. We also sent a lot of our tithe money to bless and support various Christian ministries abroad. As well as abroad, we are always keen to reach out to our local community here in Doncaster, whenever we can, especially at Christmas and Easter times etc.

It is our aim to continue to provide our various meetings and offer support which the community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. As already mentioned, attendance at our weekly Sunday morning Celebration Service has again increased further this year. We also continue to have certain meetings on regular set Sundays or days of the week (e.g. first, or last Sunday of the month etc) which people welcome and find beneficial. We spend a great deal of time and put a lot of thought and effort into our various services making sure that they are relevant to people's needs.

Easter, Christmas and the New Year were again very busy periods for us, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we did not celebrate or do as much as we normally would, last year, so we plan to celebrate events more next year. We still did our best, where we could to organise additional special meetings at these busy/popular times, specifically aimed at reaching out to our local community. With our special Christmas Carol Service again a highlight of the year for us, where we put on a free refreshments/food after the meeting. Plus, we also held a special Christmas treat for "Overcomers" our Children's Church, those aged 0-12 years old. These events were advertised and open to all in the local area to join us. As a Charity we firmly believe that we are "blessed to be a blessing" so Christmas was a very busy time of the year for us in terms of trying to reach out to people in need in our local community. Christmas time is a great joy for us when we can make a difference to people and bless them with gifts, but also share the love of Jesus with them and letting people know that we are here for them and care about them. We reached out and blessed many people with gifts. We again reached out with gifts to many of the other local businesses on the Clayfields Industrial Estate round and round about the Church. Helping us to continue to build good will and great good local relations with people and businesses. As this is so important to us as a charity.

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As a Church we have an outreach initiative called "hapnin". The aims of which are: To connect with everyone (including non-Christians) in a way that's relevant to them. To reach our local community and grow Life Changers Church as a modern and relevant Church. To spend quality time together as a Church family, getting to know each other on a deeper level. To promote the benefits of a balanced, fun-filled life. To help people Integrate into our Church and grow and to make the most of events, places, activities and venues in and around Doncaster. This year again for obvious reasons our "hapnins" were sadly limited last year, but we do hope to arrange a lot more "hapnin" activities next year.

The Church also has a Ministry called "Adored" which holds regular meetings and special events for ladies. Dealing with relevant topics and issues for the modern woman. At these special meetings we have worship and relevant practical teaching. We also hold other fun events with free refreshments and activities. Our "Adored" meetings are really popular and are very successful, with several new ladies from outside of the Church joining us. We see this as a great way of reaching out to more women from Doncaster and our local area. Again we hope to expand Adored further again next year with limited events sadly last year.

Building on the success of our "Adored" Ladies Ministry, we also have our Men's Ministry, called "Band of Brothers". This is a Ministry open to all of the men in our town. We held various men's meetings, with speakers and various fun events, including FREE food. Just like the ladies meetings our Men's meetings are a great way of growing and reaching out to new men in our community, who may not normally think about coming initially to a Church service. Again we hope to resume more Band of Brothers meetings again next year.

Last year, we did our best in light of the various physical / social distancing restrictions to still hold as many other meetings as we could, in addition to our regular weekly services. For example hosting a guest speakers and weekends and another Water Baptism service. As our congregation grows and now that all of the restrictions have ended we plan to have more water baptisms services next year using our very own baptismal tank and step things back up again with even more events. As a local church it is always our aim to provide the services that the local community and our Church congregation requires. Last year we again continued to invest a lot of time and effort in keeping our Church web site up to date as the main method for people to keep in touch with us and find out about our online events etc and we are proud of the look and the content of the site and we know that a lot of people find us and visit us for the first time after visiting our web site. Another major focus of last year both was in developing and trying to expand further our live Praise and Worship Team. We continue to have a drummer, guitarist/keyboard and a conga player. We continue to play live music with our team of singers every Sunday and this year they have continued to gel together as a team and continued to improve. So we are really pleased with how our Praise and Worship developed and improved further last year. Our guitarist/keyboard player has continued to write/compose some of his own copyrighted Praise and Worship songs which we now regularly sing. The Church is really enjoying and responding well to our live praise and worship, rather than just singing to a CD, like we previously used to. The plan still remains (where finances allow) to continue to improve the Church building further next year. As the Church continues to grow in number we are beginning to run out of space, so this year we have now started a "Building Fund2" appeal to raise further funds to enable us to have a Church extension built to give us the extra room that we now need, or even look to buy new land/buildings on the Clayfields Industrial Estate.

Finally, we express our thanks to our staff, but most importantly to our volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community that it is. We especially thank everyone for helping us through last year, trying to run a Church/Charity in the middle of all of the social distancing restrictions and guidelines that we had to abide by.

Reserves Policy

It is the Church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of at least £10,000. Now that we have paid for the Church building in full, we no longer need to keep a reserve as high as £20,000 for the annual payments we had to buy our Church building. Restricted funds are in relation to special offerings and these are then immediately distributed accordingly upon the end of the collection period. Therefore restricted funds are generally at a zero balance at any given point.

Future Prospects

As mentioned even though the building has now been paid for in full, we still have plans to continue to improve the Church building further next year. We also want to continue to build on the many great achievements of last year, for example our success in doing Church LIVE online. Our main hope and prayer is that we can truly get back to doing Church once again "as normal" and get back to out reaching properly to our local community. So we are now already planning for many more events for next year, ranging from more Water Baptism services to more "Radical Youth" meetings. We also have plans to hold more "Adored" Women's meetings, "Band of Brothers" Men's meetings and more "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's. We would also like to host an annual Church conference next year, and have more invited special guest weekends/speakers throughout the year. We would also like to continue working with Doncaster Council and/or others to reach out even further to the people and children in need here in our town. We intend to grow further and we plan to keep working on maintaining/improving our Church web site, as well as continuing to use our social media channels to increase our "friends/followers" on our Church Facebook group and Page. Where funds allow, our long term plans continue to include looking at possibly purchasing some more digital cameras to enable us to record our meetings in a more professional way and try to get on Christian television. Also, the long term goal is to be able to employ more staff to work for the Charity. We also want next year to keep developing our new Praise and Worship team further, adding more musicians and instruments to the team - believing for a male vocalist a base guitarist etc. We also want to help grow and develop further the young Children and young adults in our Church. We want to continue to offer the Church and the local community the help and support that people need through the counselling/practical advice that our pastoral team now offers. We also want to have more "hapnin" events (with "hapnin" being the outreach initiative of the Church) and more inviting opportunities next year. So that we can reach out to new people even more and grow the congregation and the charity even further. We want to help new people connect with us and feel at home, so we still have plans to further improve our welcome team and the welcome/new to Church experience even further. The greatest desire of all though, is to continue to reach out with love and to be able to help our local community and the people of Doncaster and the DN Postcodes and to grow the Church further in all areas next year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

P Hills
Chair of the Trustees

Date: 26 January 2023

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- > examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- > to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- > to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanation from you as 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:

- (a) 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 2011 Act; and
 - > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- have not been met;

or

- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Miss Jodie Whinfrey, FCCA
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Date: 26 January 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations	2	116,865	-	116,865	87,423
Investment Income		7	-	7	8
Charitable Trading		2,552	-	2,552	1,252
		<u>119,424</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>119,424</u>	<u>88,683</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:					
Tithes		9,971	-	9,971	10,806
Gifts to Individuals		1,300	-	1,300	7,200
Ladies Events		232	-	232	-
Men's Events		78	-	78	-
Children & Youth		148	-	148	749
Conference		-	-	-	-
Christmas & New Year		2,190	-	2,190	1,428
Other Events		243	-	243	302
Outreach		468	-	468	299
Charitable Trading		886	-	886	645
Sound/Media Costs		509	-	509	631
Licences		779	-	779	474
Gifts to Ministers		2,075	-	2,075	290
Wages & Salaries	3	26,800	-	26,800	17,800
Premises Costs					
Water Rates		339	-	339	242
Heat & Light		1,004	-	1,004	859
Insurance		652	-	652	696
Cleaning		1,718	-	1,718	971
Gardening costs		-	-	-	-
Repairs		241	-	241	2,544
Administration costs					
Postage, Stationery & Advertising		136	-	136	146
Telephone & Internet		574	-	574	370
Depreciation		6,230	-	6,230	4,709
Profit on disposal of Assets		(709)	-	(709)	-
Motor & Travelling		468	-	468	-
Sundry		9	-	9	30
Bank Charges		93	-	93	25
Team Bonding/Training		-	-	-	135
Legal Fees		-	-	-	-
		<u>56,434</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,434</u>	<u>51,349</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		62,991	-	62,991	37,333
Balance of funds brought forward		264,318	-	264,318	226,985
Balance carried forward		<u>327,308</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>327,308</u>	<u>264,318</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	4		203,895		206,118
Current Assets					
Stock		320		320	
Debtors	5	12,081		10,713	
Bank & Cash		<u>113,617</u>		<u>49,735</u>	
			126,018		60,768
			<u>329,913</u>		<u>266,886</u>
Creditors - Within 1 Year	6		2,604		2,568
Current Assets			<u>327,309</u>		<u>264,318</u>
Creditors - After 1 Year			-		-
			<u>327,309</u>		<u>264,318</u>
Surplus Funds					
B/Fwd	7		264,318		226,985
In Year	7		<u>62,991</u>		<u>37,333</u>
			<u>327,309</u>		<u>264,318</u>

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: 26 January 2023

P Hills

S Maughan

K Maughan

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Income

All income is treated as unrestricted income, unless the donor has placed restrictions on the manner in which donation or grant may be spend, in which case it is treated as restricted income.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Property Improvements	- 10% and 20% on cost
Fixture and fittings	- 10% and 20% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2 DONATIONS	2022	2021
Tithes & Offerings	89,278	78,992
Gift Aid	27,555	7,732
Give as You Live	32	699
	<u>116,865</u>	<u>87,423</u>

3 STAFF COSTS	2022	2021
Wages & Salaries	26,800	17,800
Social Security	-	-
	<u>26,800</u>	<u>17,800</u>

Remuneration paid to the trustees during the year was £9,000 (2021: £17,800).

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4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Property	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1st April 2021	170,000	54,185	224,185
Additions	-	4,397	4,397
Disposals	-	(3,009)	(3,009)
At 31st March 2022	<u>170,000</u>	<u>55,573</u>	<u>225,573</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st April 2021	-	18,067	18,067
Charge for year	-	6,230	6,230
Disposal depreciation	-	(2,618)	(2,618)
At 31st March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>21,679</u>	<u>21,679</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st March 2022	<u>170,000</u>	<u>33,895</u>	<u>203,895</u>
At 31st March 2021	<u>170,000</u>	<u>36,118</u>	<u>206,118</u>

5 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	561	448
Gift Aid Recoverable	11,520	10,265
	<u>12,081</u>	<u>10,713</u>

6 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Other creditors	2,604	2,568
	<u>2,604</u>	<u>2,568</u>

7 RESERVES

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
At 1st April 2021	264,318	-	264,318
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	62,991	-	62,991
At 31st March 2022	<u>327,309</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>327,309</u>

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1075473

Accounts

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

TRUSTEES: P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

CHARITY NUMBER: 1075473

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**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Structure

The charity was established as a Trust on 05th March 1999.

The charity operates from our premises: Life Changers Church, Miracle Centre, Unit 5, Clayfields Estate, Off Tickhill Road, Balby, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, DN4 8QG.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year were:

P Hills
S Maughan
K Maughan

The charity's policy regarding the selection of Trustees is to be nominated by an existing trustee for serving and helping within the charity for an extended period. The other trustees then vote and then a majority agreement is required.

Principle Objectives

The objective of the charity is to be a charity of excellence. We conduct various Christian services, where we preach and teach the gospel of Jesus Christ, and by words and deeds we reveal the love of Jesus Christ, so promoting the spiritual and moral improvement of mankind. We also maintain our long term aim of establishing Christian schools here in Doncaster.

Review of the Year

This last year has truly been an unprecedented year, like the Charity/Church has never seen before! We want to put on record our thanks to the trustees and all our committed volunteers for the way they continued to run the Charity/Church to the best of our abilities during a global pandemic. For a good proportion of this last year we have been operating under Government lock down instructions, or in "tiered rules". These restrictions have meant that our ability to "do" Church as normal was vastly restricted last year. As stated we are proud of the trustees and all of our volunteers for steering the Church through this difficult period. Throughout the year we have maintained the view that - "where legally possible" we should keep the Church open and functioning, to continue to help as many people as we could. We are led by our Bible views that (where safe to do so) the Church should not forsake meeting together (for in person, be it socially distanced) meeting. So throughout the year safely (following all COVID-19 regulations and social distancing) we have tried to meet together as often as we could. We put extra safety measures in place, to allow us legally hold "in person" meetings, as we know that even some form of social contact and meeting together is the way best way to run the Church/Charity to try and help our congregation. So we have probably remained open and opened back up earlier than many other Churches here in Doncaster. Following this strategy, has actually enabled us to actually grow numerically this year, even during a global pandemic. With many new people visiting Church and some even joining us long term because we had remained open to the best of our abilities in a safe way. People have craved corporate Worship and meetings and we have tried our best to meet that need. Reviewing the year we entered it already in legal lockdown with Churches unable to meet in person at that time. Unlike many Churches, pre-pandemic we did not offer ANY "online" offering/services/meetings at all. We had no real equipment or experience in how "to do" Church online. We soon realised right from the start of this year that our congregation were requesting (messaging us directly, asking us) to move online instantly online to provide "comfort, reassurance and hope" during these difficult times. So it has been a huge learning experience for us, having been thrown straight into the deep end, starting from nothing, with having to now some how move to provide multiple online weekly services. Which was a great challenge for us. So we started out initially filming Church services on a mobile phone camera and broadcasting onto our Church Facebook page. We soon realised that we that we had to improve the quality of our broadcasting and so invested heavily this year both in time and finances in developing our online presence. We were initially filming live in people's homes, but then as the rules changed a small/limited number of key volunteers were allowed to go back into the Church building (being a place of work). Where we started filming meetings at Church to an empty congregation. We soon decided that we needed more technology to keep improving our online experience. So we brought a brand new video camera, built a new camera/filming station and invested in new software and equipment to enable us to move fully online. So although still a work in progress, this last year we vastly expanded our online activities in all areas - on our website, our YouTube channel and also our existing social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram etc). In the early stages of the pandemic we were deliberately active on social media EVERYDAY, with encouraging messages from our Pastors and other key Church members. Again, this was all a big step up for us, coming from no media background. We knew that we had to continue to help and support people as best as we could. These online activities have actually brought us great fruit though this year, in that we have been able to reach NEW and even more people throughout the year. Not only here in Doncaster, but we have reached people right around the room and now have regular viewers from a far a field as Australia. Where people in a different time zone are getting up early to watch Church with us LIVE. We have also had more people regularly interact with us on social media as well as also watching our online services.

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Our weekly prayer meetings generated lots of regular prayer requests emailed into us each week. We knew that we had to be here for our Church family but also to be a voice of hope to our wider community, in a practical way. So we constantly advertised our services and how people could contact us. During lockdown we regularly kept in contact and helped people via email and on the phone, as well as via social media and through our online broadcasts. In July we were then allowed to re-start "in person" services again and so we re-started Church with a Celebration service. Celebrating everything God had done for us and how He had kept people safe and provided for us during lockdown. We had so many people get up to provide testimonies of their lockdown experiences and how the Church/Charity had actually helped them through it and the service was received in a really positive way, with great feedback. Many people had not realised the great effect that the Church had had during lockdown, seeing all the ways we had still been there to help people. This encouraged us to continue where possible and safely, following all of the local rules to operate Church as close to normal as possible. The next stage for us was then to re-open our midweek meetings back to "in person" meetings as well as on Sundays, whilst still keeping our online presence. The demand from our Church family/the community for "in person" meetings was really strong, while still having a strong following online as well. So we somehow managed to make the hybrid way work of having Church both back "in person" and also online. Our online meetings will probably now remain going forward as we are reaching so many people who may never come and join is in person for example our online Church family from around the world. We also felt it was right to keep advertising that anyone could still watch us LIVE online - those that were still shielding, or did not quite feel ready to return back to Church "in person" at that time. This hybrid approach meant that we did keep growing numerically (and also financially) throughout the year. Last year we were even able to hold another 'Water Baptism' service in August and several people were water baptised. We also had an invited "Special Guest Sunday" where we held a meeting/service with a visiting speaker coming up to Doncaster from London, which was a highlight and a great event for the Church. Although, largely online, we have remained committed to making our Church a full part of the local community. As we exited lockdown we wanted the benefits of a thriving local Church (even with social distancing in place) to flow out from us. As the Bible teaches us firstly into 'our' Jerusalem - our local community of Balby and then to our town of Doncaster. Then, as our sphere of influence continues to increase, we still want to be able to go onto effect the other "DN" postcodes and then further afield into Yorkshire and eventually the rest of the UK.

During lockdown and the long periods that the Church building was physically closed, we put this time to good use by making many physical changes and improvements to the actual building. For example we obtained new external signage - advertising our meeting times and contact details. We improved the main entrance to the Church by installing a new modern front door. This was a wider door helping us to become more accessible for example to wheel chair users. It also made Church look so much more modern and welcoming to new first time visitors. We also had new double glazed windows fitted through out the building. Again upgrading the buildings physical appearance but also helping to save us money on our heating bills. We also painted and had new laminate flooring fitted in the entrance last year. So we used the lock down time wisely to improve several rooms within Church where we could. So our aim is always to look after our Church building and make improvements where we can. Financially one the main achievements of last year was to finally manage to buy and pay for our Church building in full. The last payments on our seven year re-payment plan were paid of early last year. It is now a great achievement for the Charity now actually own it's own building. The money that we were initially paying out in rent, or as part of the repayment plan, we now intend to reinvest back into the Charity, to enable us to do even more to bless our local community.

It is our strong desire to promote the whole mission of the "Church" including evangelistic, pastoral care and the social well being of people. To this end our services and our worship put our faith into practice through various means. For example, through prayer - we are open to all, for prayer requests and regularly (each week as we receive requests from the public - from people here in Doncaster, from other areas of the UK and even from abroad) we pray for the sick and the needy during our corporate prayer meeting. This was even more important during COVID-19. So we continued to advertise and actively encourage people to approach us with their prayer requests for their spiritual and physical needs. We continue to have numerous channels for people to contact us in different ways. For example through our Church telephone number, Email, our Church Web Site, or through social media such as our Facebook Page and Group, and also Twitter and lastly now also through Instagram, where we have a dedicated Social Media lead to help us reach out to new people). This year again, we have dramatically increased the number of Followers and the number of people who like the Church on Facebook. A further example of trying to help people is through a strong use of Bible scripture, our aim is to act and live out what the bible teaches us and to see people grow as they walk in Godly knowledge and wisdom. To achieve this we have still had last year practical weekly Bible Teachings (just mainly they have been online), where people can come in person, or watch online and learn and grow in their Christianity. We remain committed to build people up and help people reach their full potential in life and become true disciples of Jesus Christ. Our Bible Teachings try to focus on very practical issues, that we know people need help with, such as finances, working and relationships etc. We also aim to make our all of our meetings including our Praise and Worship relevant and engaging for all, through the use of modern music and lively new songs. This year we have still continued to build up and expand our relatively new Praise and Worship band/team. For good parts of last year, due to COVID-19 restrictions our team served on a rota to maintain social distancing. We continue to have a generous budget for our Praise and Worship Team. Our worship continues to be LIVE, rather than previously relying on CD's/recorded music in the past. We try to keep our Praise and Worship family orientated with a modern and lively style, which appeals to more people of all ages. This continues to help us engage and encourage our "Overcomers" (our young children in Church) and our "Radical Youth" (our teenagers and young adults in Church). Again for large parts of last year our "Overcomers" (Children's Church) and "Radical Youth" were restricted, or went online. We had weekly online broadcasts for our Children during lock down with various activities (Bible related) that they could take part in and they sent into us their pictures. Our Radical Youth Leaders moved to online meetings and during lockdown 'most of the Church' actually logged on to watch their meetings/broadcasts as well. Just another example of trying to keep people connected and engaged with Church. We continue to use an audio visual projection system back in the Church building and strive to make the best use of multi media whenever we can, to get our message across and be as relevant to as wide an audience as possible. We always actively look for ways to help people from the local community and be a blessing to our local community. As being a blessing and helping people, putting others first, is the DNA of this charity.

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As already stated, the major success of last year was in completing in full the purchase of our Church Building, which we completed last year 27 months ahead of schedule. Through now having our own permanent local premises we are able to continue to hold regular weekly meetings (up to 6 meetings a week) (when not in lockdown). Having so many different meetings enables us to continually try and reach out to more people and new demographics. For example having our "Overcomers" Children's meetings for those aged 0-12, our "Adored" Women's Meetings, our "Band of Brothers" Men's Meetings, our "Radical Youth" Meetings for those aged 11-18, or our "Timeless" meetings for the over 65's. So we always try to reach out to as many different people as we can. Through out last year we did still to have these addition meetings, but rather than bi-monthly we were only able to meet in person once or twice last year. Our ladies have continue to meet in person when they were allowed for fortnightly meetings called "Women of Worth" which has been a great way that we have been able to grow and reach out to more and different women this year. The purpose of our "WOW" meetings are also to disciple and help the ladies grow and develop in their relationship with God. Also, last year (when we were legally allowed to operate) we still had open our thriving "Eden" Coffee shop open after all of our meetings. Open to everyone to have some (heavily subsidised) refreshments and some fellowship with us, which continues to be a great help for us in reaching more people and deepening relationships. Largely due to COVID-19 we took some tough decisions to change some of our meetings this year. We ended our "Double Sunday" evening meeting and we are currently now just meeting at 10.30 am EVERY Sunday. This has really worked as we have seen a continued growth in attendance at our morning meeting. With greater numbers and people attending now, just at our morning meeting than our morning and evening meetings combined. Then there is still the number of people joining us for Church online only, who for whatever reason do not come and meet with us in person. So despite the pandemic, it has actually been a great year of growth for the Church last year. We have still also seen great growth in our Overcomers Children's Church this year as well. To build on this growth we have continued our rewards programme for our "Overcomers" where weekly attendance is rewarded with certificates and prizes. The more frequently the Children attend the higher the level prize they can achieve, with prizes ranging from sweets, to Christian books and CD's etc. We soon came to realised that morning meetings suit some people better, especially those with children, more than maybe just an evening meeting. Our desire remains to equip and disciple our current congregation further, with even more teachings and wisdom, to empower them through the teaching of life skills, (which sadly so many in our community desperately need). Our daytime "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's were sadly postponed last year and our hope is to be able to start this ministry again in the near future. As we really want to continue to help the elderly and people who live alone, to provide them with the opportunity for extra fellowship and relevant meetings just for them. Providing great pastoral care to everyone in the Church is always at the heart of everything we do, this has been our main focus last year due to the pandemic. Despite the lockdown and restrictions, last year in many ways was still a great success for us with our multiple weekly meetings and offering support to people in the Church and to our local community here in Balby and across the Doncaster postcodes.

Being a Church located in a highly deprived area in our town we know only too well that people need help and support and guidance with various life events. So to help our congregation and the local community at large, we continued to offer free help and counselling to people. We are also always here to provide friendship and an informal chat if people want our help, or advice. Everyone is able to book a private appointment with our pastoral team to gain the advice and support that they desire. This is always widely advertised within the Church, on our website and via our various social media channels. We have continued to try and build up and improve further our Church YouTube channel last year. During the pandemic we wanted to make sure that we always had lots of relevant material on there that people could watch and be encouraged by, whenever they wanted/or needed help and encouragement. This is the latest tool that we have continued to use to reach out to new and different kinds of people. We also hold weekly prayer meetings where we pray specifically for (Doncaster) our town, it's Council and it's people, in fact we cover the whole of the "DN Postcodes" in our prayers. In everything we do, we always try to put the people of our community and town first. We have continued to try and expand our outreach ministries again last year, where ever we could through special events at our building. All of our events have been free or heavily subsidised and were advertised and open to all in the local community to join us. Another major financial achievement of the last year has been, that we were again able to maintain the hours of our employed staff. BOTH of our Senior Pastors - Pastor Philip and Pastor Janet Hills remain employed by the Charity full-time. Being able to continue to employ them both full-time makes the day to day running of the Charity so much easier, as they are able to work and concentrate solely on the charity. It continues to give them the freedom to dedicate all of their time and energy to help us move forward with a renewed vision, energy and excitement. It is also still our desire (we hope in the next financial year) to be able to increase the Pastors wages and also to employ other/more admin staff in the future as we grow and as soon as our finances practically allow this. But having both of our Pastors employed full time enables the Charity to grow further and to reach out to even more people in our community. Our Pastors continue to come and be at our Church building on a daily basis and they have the time to plan for the Charity's future and put actions in place. This enables us to grow and improve things even further for the benefit of our local community. So employed staff is a great asset for the charity.

Last year we again continued to build on our successful weekly Bible Teachings, where we teach people relevant life skills that local people in our local community really need - issues including finances, working and jobs and relationships etc. These are areas that we feel really benefit people in their daily lives. So it is not just giving people spiritual food, but practical knowledge and skills they can put into action in their daily lives as well. Our aim is always to give people in the community the practical and relevant skills to lead a better life. Bible Teachings topics last year have covered subjects such as work and employment and how to seek employment and how to be good employees. This year we have again continued to encouraged other new people from within Church to step up and train do deliver Bible Teachings, as well as our Senior Pastors. This was especially the case during lockdown when our meetings were online as it was good for people to "see and hear" different people. So we continue to try to encourage and build people up from within the Church and the congregation often enjoys hearing various different people speak and teach on different subjects, in addition to our two Pastors. When planning our activities for the year ahead we carefully consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

From our two Senior Pastors, our trustees and our leadership team, we always aim to provide a great level of pastoral care to everyone in the local community. We openly advertise our contact details and welcome all requests for prayer, or practical help. As well as by telephone, Email and our Church web site, in this modern age, we continue to expand our use of social media, such as our growing Facebook group (and our Facebook page) and even Twitter #LCCDON and now on Instagram and also YouTube too. With the aim of reaching out further in a relevant way to even more people in the local community and further afield. We remain really proud of our (open to all to join) Facebook group and also our Facebook Page which has continued to grow in "Friends" and likes/followers during the last year and many people now regularly post in our group with various requests for help and prayer. To encourage people to join us at our events and meetings we always widely advertise them on our website and in our social media channels. In addition we also offer free transportation to people to get to our meetings and events and many of the people who join us at Church we collect and take home each week, as a free service to help the people in our town.

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As a Church we also continue to look for opportunities to support Missionary Work, an example being through our relationship with Gerard Vander Vegt who runs "Good Shepherd Homes" which is a Christian rescue charity providing homes for homeless children in India. As well as abroad, we are always keen to reach out to our local community here in Doncaster, whenever we can, especially at Christmas and Easter times.

It is our aim to continue to provide our various meetings and offer support which the community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. As already mentioned, attendance at our weekly Sunday morning Celebration Service has again increased further this year. We also continue to have certain meetings on regular set Sundays or days of the week (e.g. first, or last Sunday of the month etc) which people welcome and find beneficial. We spend a great deal of time and put a lot of thought and effort into our various services making sure that they are relevant to people's needs.

Sadly due to lockdown and COVID-19, we were not able to celebrate Easter, Christmas and the New Year as much as we normally would, but they were still very busy times of the year again for us, as we organised many additional special meetings, specifically aimed at reaching out to our local community. With our special Christmas Carol Service again a highlight of the year for us, where we put on a free refreshments after the meeting. Plus, we also held a special Christmas treat for "Overcomers" our Children's Church, those aged 0-12 years old. These events were advertised and open to all in the local area to join us. As a Charity we firmly believe that we are "blessed to be a blessing" so Christmas was a very busy time of the year for us in terms of trying to reach out to people in need in our local community. Christmas time is a great joy for us when we can make a difference to people and bless them with gifts, but also share the love of Jesus with them and letting people know that we are here for them and care about them. We reached out and blessed many people with gifts. We again reached out with gifts to many of the other local businesses on the Clayfields Industrial Estate round and round about the Church. Helping us to continue to build good will and great good local relations with people and businesses. As this is so important to us as a charity.

As a Church we have an outreach initiative called "hapnin". The aims of which are: To connect with everyone (including non-Christians) in a way that's relevant to them. To reach our local community and grow Life Changers Church as a modern and relevant Church. To spend quality time together as a Church family, getting to know each other on a deeper level. To promote the benefits of a balanced, fun-filled life. To help people Integrate into our Church and grow and to make the most of events, places, activities and venues in and around Doncaster. This year again for obvious reasons our "hapnins" would sadly very limited last year. With the hope of arranging a lot more activities next year.

The Church also has a Ministry called "Adored" which holds regular meetings and special events for ladies. Dealing with relevant topics and issues for the modern woman. At these special meetings we have worship and relevant practical teaching. We also hold other fun events with free refreshments and activities. Our "Adored" meetings are really popular and are very successful, with several new ladies from outside of the Church joining us. We see this as a great way of reaching out to more women from Doncaster and our local area. Again we hope to expand Adored further again next year with limited events sadly last year.

Building on the success of our "Adored" Ladies Ministry, we also have our Men's Ministry, called "Band of Brothers". This is a Ministry open to all of the men in our town. We hold various men's meetings, with guest speakers and various fun events, including FREE food. Just like the ladies meetings our Men's meetings are a great way of growing and reaching out to new men in our community, who may not normally think about coming initially to a Church service. Again we hope to resume more Band of Brothers meetings again next year.

Last year, we did our best in light of the lockdowns and restrictions to still hold as many other meetings that we could, as well as our traditional weekly services. For example hosting a guest speaker and another Water Baptism service. As our congregation grows and restrictions end we plan to have more water baptisms services next year using our very own baptismal tank. As a local church it is always our aim to provide the services that the local community and our Church congregation requires. Last year we again continued to invest a lot of time and effort in keeping our Church web site up to date as the main method for people to keep in touch with us and find out about our online events etc during lockdown and we are proud of the look and the content of the site and we know that a lot of people find us and visit us for the first time after visiting our web site. Another major focus of last year both was in developing and trying to expand further our live Praise and Worship Team. We continue to have a drummer, guitarist/keyboard and a conga player. We continue to play live music with our team of singers every Sunday and this year they have continued to gel together as a team and continued to improve. So we are really pleased with how our Praise and Worship developed and improved further last year. Our guitarist/keyboard player has continued to write/compose some of his own copyrighted Praise and Worship songs which we now regularly sing. The Church is really enjoying and responding well to our live praise and worship, rather than just singing to a CD, like we previously used to. Last year we again continued to physically improve our Church building and the plan remains to again (where finances allow) continue to improve the Church building further next year. As the Church continues to grow in number we are beginning to run out of space, so the trustees are considering whether to embark on a "Building Fund2" to raise further funds to enable us to have a Church extension build to give us the extra room that we now need.

Finally, we express our thanks to our staff, but most importantly to our volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community that it is. We especially thank everyone for helping us through the mindfield that was last year, trying to run a Church/Charity in lockdown in the middle of a global pandemic.

Reserves Policy

It is the Church's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of at least £10,000. Now that we have paid for the Church building in full, we no longer need to keep a reserve as high as £20,000 for the annual payments we had to buy our Church building. Restricted funds are in relation to special offerings and these are then immediately distributed accordingly upon the end of the collection period. Therefore restricted funds are generally at a zero balance at any given point.

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Future Prospects

As mentioned even though the building has now been paid for in full, we still have plans to continue to improve the Church building further next year. We also want to continue to build on the many great achievements of last year, despite the lockdowns, for example our success in doing Church LIVE online. Our main hope and prayer is that there will be no further lockdowns and even restrictions placed on Churches and we can get back to doing Church once again "as normal" and get back to out reaching properly to our local community. So we are now already planning for many more events for next year, ranging from more Water Baptism services to more "Radical Youth" meetings. We also have plans to hold more "Adored" Women's meetings, "Band of Brothers" Men's meetings and more "Timeless" meetings for the over 60's. We would also like to host an annual Church conference next year, and have more invited special guest weekends/speakers throughout the year. We would also like to continue working with Doncaster Council and/or others to reach out even further to the people and children in need here in our town. We intend to grow further and we plan to keep working on maintaining/improving our Church web site, as well as continuing to use our social media channels to increase our "friends/followers" on our Church Facebook group and Page. Where funds allow, our long term plans continue to include looking at possibly purchasing some more digital cameras to enable us to record our meetings in a more professional way and try to get on Christian television. Also, the long term goal is to be able to employ more staff to work for the Charity. We also want next year to keep developing our new Praise and Worship team further, adding more musicians and instruments to the team. We also want to help grow and develop further the young Children and young adults in our Church. We want to continue to offer the Church and the local community the help and support that people need through the counselling/practical advice that our pastoral team now offers. We also want to have more "hapnin" events (with "hapnin" being the outreach initiative of the Church) and more inviting opportunities next year. So that we can reach out to new people even more and grow the congregation and the charity even further. We want to help new people connect with us and feel at home, so we still have plans to further improve our welcome team and the welcome/new to Church experience even further. The greatest desire of all though, is to continue to reach out with love and to be able to help our local community and the people of Doncaster and the DN Postcodes and to grow the Church further in all areas next year.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

P Hills
Chair of the Trustees

Date: 20 January 2022

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- > examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- > to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- > to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 explanation from you as 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:

- (a) 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 2011 Act; and
 - > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
- have not been met;

or

- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mis Jodie Whinfrey, FCCA
Whinfrey Briggs Chartered Accountants
Unit 1, Ashton Farm
4 High Street
Braithwell
Rotherham
S66 7AL

Date: 20 January 2022

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £	2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations	2	87,423	-	87,423	80,543
Investment Income		8	-	8	25
Charitable Trading		1,252	-	1,252	2,633
		<u>88,683</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,683</u>	<u>83,200</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Direct Charitable Expenditure:					
Tithes		10,806	-	10,806	8,175
Gifts to Individuals		7,200	-	7,200	1,140
Ladies Events		-	-	-	8
Men's Events		-	-	-	-
Children & Youth		749	-	749	348
Conference		-	-	-	-
Christmas & New Year		1,428	-	1,428	428
Other Events		302	-	302	230
Outreach		299	-	299	-
Charitable Trading		645	-	645	1,098
Sound/Media Costs		631	-	631	370
Licences		474	-	474	279
Gifts to Ministers		290	-	290	546
Wages & Salaries	3	17,800	-	17,800	15,600
Premises Costs					
Water Rates		242	-	242	291
Heat & Light		859	-	859	1,372
Insurance		696	-	696	644
Cleaning		971	-	971	221
Gardening costs		-	-	-	5
Repairs		2,544	-	2,544	3,745
Administration costs					
Postage, Stationery & Advertising		146	-	146	112
Telephone & Internet		370	-	370	110
Depreciation		4,709	-	4,709	2,715
Profit on disposal of Assets		-	-	-	62
Sundry		30	-	30	59
Bank Charges		25	-	25	7
Team Bonding/Training		135	-	135	90
Legal Fees		-	-	-	-
		<u>51,349</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,349</u>	<u>37,656</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		37,333	-	37,333	45,544
Balance of funds brought forward		226,985	-	226,985	181,441
Balance carried forward		<u>264,319</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>264,319</u>	<u>226,985</u>

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

	Note	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	4		206,118		191,208
Current Assets					
Stock		320		320	
Debtors	5	10,713		8,912	
Bank & Cash		<u>48,360</u>		<u>46,720</u>	
			59,393		55,952
			<u>265,511</u>		<u>247,160</u>
Creditors - Within 1 Year	6		1,193		20,175
Current Assets			<u>264,318</u>		<u>226,985</u>
Creditors - After 1 Year			-		-
			<u>264,318</u>		<u>226,985</u>
Surplus Funds					
B/Fwd	7		226,985		181,441
In Year	7		<u>37,333</u>		<u>45,544</u>
			<u>264,318</u>		<u>226,985</u>
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The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on: 20 January 2022

P Hills

S Maughan

K Maughan

**LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charities Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005).

Income

All income is treated as unrestricted income, unless the donor has placed restrictions on the manner in which donation or grant may be spend, in which case it is treated as restricted income.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Property Improvements	- 10% and 20% on cost
Fixture and fittings	- 10% and 20% on cost

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2 DONATIONS	2021	;2020
Tithes & Offerings	78,894	66,313
Gift Aid	7,732	14,208
Give as You Live	699	24
	<u>87,325</u>	<u>80,545</u>

3 STAFF COSTS	2021	;2020
Wages & Salaries	17,800	15,600
Social Security	-	-
	<u>17,800</u>	<u>15,600</u>

Remuneration paid to the trustees during the year was £17,800 (2020: £15,600).

LIFE CHANGERS CHURCH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Property	Fixtures and fittings	Totals
		£	£
COST			
At 1st April 2020	170,000	34,566	204,566
Additions	-	19,695	19,695
Disposals	-	(76)	(76)
At 31st March 2021	<u>170,000</u>	<u>54,185</u>	<u>224,185</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st April 2020	-	13,358	13,358
Charge for year	-	4,709	4,709
Disposal depreciation	-	-	-
At 31st March 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>18,067</u>	<u>18,067</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st March 2021	<u>170,000</u>	<u>36,118</u>	<u>206,118</u>
At 31st March 2020	<u>170,000</u>	<u>21,208</u>	<u>191,208</u>

5 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	;2020
	£	£
Other debtors	448	427
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,265	8,484
	<u>10,713</u>	<u>8,912</u>

6 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	;2020
	£	£
Other creditors	1,193	175
Building loan	-	20,000
	<u>1,193</u>	<u>20,175</u>

7 RESERVES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
At 1st April 2020	226,985	-	226,985
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	37,333	-	37,333
At 31st March 2021	<u>264,319</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>264,319</u>

	Per TB	2021 JNL	OB JNLS	2020 JNL	Total	
0010	Property	171,611.00		-	(1,611.00)	170,000.00
0011	Property Improvements	27,580.51	(68.99)	(209.90)	1,611.00	28,912.62
0012	Property Improvements Dep'n		(2,913.97)	(424.64)	(1,296.89)	(4,635.50)
0020	Plant & Machinery	12,799.01	2,459.00	(2,459.00)	(12,799.01)	-
0030	Office Equipment	3,689.36	(2,390.01)	-	12,799.01	14,098.36
0031	Office Equipment Dep'n	(3,273.46)	(1,081.69)	(316.73)	(247.45)	(4,919.33)
0040	Furniture & Fixtures	10,048.90		1,863.97	(739.19)	11,173.68
0041	Furniture & Fixtures Dep'n	(7,301.95)	(713.28)	(3.55)	(493.54)	(8,512.32)
1001	Stock	320.00		-		320.00
1101	Gift Aid	6,479.57	1,780.98	-	2,004.84	10,265.39
1103	Prepayments	218.97	20.16	5.41	203.01	447.55
1200	Current Account	7,635.25		-		7,635.25
1210	Deposit Account	50,371.35		-	(8,484.41)	41,886.94
1230	Petty Cash	(1,329.77)				(1,329.77)
1240	Coffee Shop	20.00				20.00
1260	Facebook	150.00				150.00
1280	Tapes					-
1290	Timeless					-
1400	Radical					-
2100	Creditors Control					-
2109	Accruals	(232.44)	(1,017.17)	(7.25)	63.70	(1,193.16)
2300	Loans					-
3200	P&L B/Fwd	(237,526.99)		1,551.69	8,989.93	(226,985.37)