

BETTER LIFE ASSEMBLY BIBLEWAY CHURCH
TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

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Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
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Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Church Information
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023

Company Number	1095131
Head Office	Innovation Centre Medway Maidstone Road Chatham ME5 9FD
Pastor	Pastor Philip Thomas Rev. Candy Thomas
Executive Committee (Trustees)	Irene Franchi Majorie Duncan
Accountants	Westminster Accountancy Limited 9 Chapel Place Rivington Street London England EC2A 3DQ

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Charity No. 1095131
Trustees' Report for The Year Ended 31 May 2023

The trustees present their report and the Financial Statements of the Church for the year ended 31 May 2023.

1. Constitution

The constitution was adopted on 28 November 2002 and amended on 9 April 2006.

2. Objectives

The Church is a Pentecostal assembly based at Chatham to advance the Christian faith.

The Church provides motivational courses, youth conferences to teach people to lead non-believers to Christ and meet other Christians and have fun in the Lord. Women of Destiny courses to equip women and let them know that they are blessed by God, training and development classes to effectively educate and develop individuals, discipleship classes and power session to empower the believer. Better Life Assembly also runs a community Foodbank supporting families and children in the Medway towns.

3. Organisational structure

The Charity governing document stipulates that an executive committee of not less than three members who will meet twice a year with additional meetings when called.

The Church is led by Philip and Candy Thomas who report to the other trustees.

4. Trustees

Those who served during the year were as follow: -

Rev. Candy Thomas
Irene Franchi
Majorie Duncan

Trustees are recruited by personal recommendation and members are elected by majority vote of the members at the annual general meeting of the Church. Members are provided with appropriate training to undertake the role they will occupy within the church council.

5. Review of activities

Better Life Assembly remained a steadfast pillar of faith and community support, navigating a transformative year with unwavering dedication. Driven by a commitment to serve, the ministry deepened its outreach and broadened its impact through a series of impactful community initiatives the church organized workshops tailored for youth, focusing on skills development, personal growth, and spiritual guidance. These sessions aimed to equip young people with the tools needed for successful futures grounded in faith and character.

Ahead of the school year, Better Life Assembly provided backpacks filled with essential supplies to local students. This initiative helped alleviate the burden on families, ensuring that children were well-prepared for the academic year.

Recognizing the challenges many families face, Better Life Assembly extended its counselling services, offering emotional and spiritual support. Families received guidance and encouragement to navigate personal challenges with faith-centered resilience. Focusing on spiritual growth and healing, the church organized quarterly prayer and healing services, open to all community members. These gatherings offered a space for renewal, healing, and strengthening in faith.

Through these initiatives, Better Life Assembly demonstrated a steadfast commitment to embodying the teachings of Jesus, striving to uplift and empower every member of the community. As we look toward the future, we remain dedicated to our mission of fostering deeper connections with God and each other, faithfully serving as a beacon of hope and love in all we do

6. Public Benefit

The trustees believe that the objectives and activities set out above provide public benefit.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

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Rev. Candy Thomas
Trustee

Date

**Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Accountants' Report
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023**

Report to the trustees on the preparation of the unaudited statutory accounts of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church for the year ended 31 May 2023

To assist you to fulfil your duties under the Charity Act 2011 (the Act), we have prepared for your approval the accounts of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes, from the church's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <http://www.accaglobal.com/en/member/professional-standards/rules-standards/acca-rulebook.html>.

This report is made to the trustees of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church, as a charity's accounts carried under section 145 of the Act and following all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the accounts of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the trustees of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church, as a charity, in this report in accordance with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church and its director as a body for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory accounts that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church. You consider that Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the accounts of Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

Signed

Signed by:

Amelie Nyong'o

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Date

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Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME		64,908	47,814
GROSS SURPLUS		64,908	47,814
Distribution costs		(45,794)	(22,016)
Administrative expenses		(22,165)	(30,465)
OPERATING DEFICIT		(3,051)	(4,667)
Other interest receivable and similar income	1		-
DEFICIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(3,050)	(4,667)

The notes on pages 6 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Balance Sheet
As At 31 May 2023

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	4		3,532		4,415
			3,532		4,415
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	9,202		12,600	
Cash at bank and in hand		30		246	
		9,232		12,846	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	6	(13,772)		(15,219)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS (LIABILITIES)			(4,540)		(2,373)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			(1,008)		2,042
NET (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS			(1,008)		2,042
RESERVES					
Other reserves			2,042		6,709
Income and Expenditure Account			(3,050)		(4,667)
MEMBERS' FUNDS			(1,008)		2,042

On behalf of the Trustees

DocuSigned by:
Candy Thomas
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Date

Rev. Candy Thomas

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Notes to the Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023

1. General Information

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church is a charity incorporated in England & Wales, registered number 1095131. The head office is Innovation Centre Medway, Maidstone Road, Chatham, ME5 9FD.

2. Accounting Policies**2.1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**

The financial statements have been prepared on receipts and payments basis in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2.2. Incoming resources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the Church.

2.3. Grants receivable

Grants and donations are only included in the Receipts and Payments account when the Church has received them.

2.4. Resources used

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred and allocated to the appropriate cost centre. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT.

2.5. Debtors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount.

2.6. Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be reliably.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation.

2.7. Funds

The Church only maintains a general fund.

2.7. Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixtures, fittings and office equipment.

Equipment used within the Church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis at 20%.

4. Tangible Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £
Cost	
As at 1 June 2022	60,435
As at 31 May 2023	<u>60,435</u>
Depreciation	
As at 1 June 2022	56,020
Provided during the period	883
As at 31 May 2023	<u>56,903</u>
Net Book Value	
As at 31 May 2023	<u>3,532</u>
As at 1 June 2022	<u>4,415</u>

5. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	<u>9,202</u>	<u>12,600</u>

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023

6. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	10,470	10,885
Other loans	-	982
Other creditors	1,000	-
Taxation and social security	2,302	3,352
	<u>13,772</u>	<u>15,219</u>

Better Life Assembly Bibleway Church
Detailed Income and Expenditure Account
For The Year Ended 31 May 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Rental income		-		225
Grants, HMRC Charities received		13,340		12,937
Donations & Offerings		51,568		34,652
		<u>64,908</u>		<u>47,814</u>
GROSS SURPLUS		64,908		47,814
Distribution Costs				
Storage expenses	918		2,320	
Hire and leasing of other assets	6,246		-	
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	973		10	
Marketing and advertising costs	8,707		6,028	
Administration and support costs	8,893		6,286	
Gifts to Musicians	19,174		1,025	
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings	883		6,347	
	<u>883</u>		<u>6,347</u>	
		(45,794)		(22,016)
Administrative Expenses				
Travel and subsistence expenses	4,292		3,908	
Rent	4,790		5,325	
Light and heat	2,000		-	
Insurance	949		152	
Printing, postage and stationery	107		321	
Telecommunications	1,379		608	
Website costs	3,650		-	
Accountancy fees	2,850		1,086	
Legal fees	10		85	
Other services	450		-	
Bank charges	162		84	
Charitable donations	987		18,100	
Entertaining	73		-	
Sundry expenses	466		796	
	<u>466</u>		<u>796</u>	
		(22,165)		(30,465)
OPERATING DEFICIT		(3,051)		(4,667)
Other interest receivable and similar income				
Bank interest receivable	1		-	
	<u>1</u>		<u>-</u>	
		1		-
DEFICIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>(3,050)</u>		<u>(4,667)</u>