

**Only Believe Christian Assembly
(O.B.C.A)
London
United Kingdom**

Trustees Annual Report

Year ending 31 March 2021

Charity Number 1104080

Introduction

The Trustees present the report of the Only Believe Christian Assembly (OBCA) in accordance with the Charity's Trust Deed, and the reporting requirements of the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

About Us

OBCA is founded on the teachings and doctrines of the Holy Bible as taught by Reverend William Marrion Branham. We firmly believe that the Ministry of this Prophet-Messenger is a fulfilment of the Biblical prophecy in Malachi chapter 4:5-6.

Our mission, performance and achievements for the year to 31 March 2021 are hereby reported.

Our Legal & Reporting Framework

OBCA is a Christian Church. We are registered as a Charity with the Charity Commission for England and Wales in accordance with the consolidated Charities Act, 2011.

The Annual Report and the accompanying Receipt and Payment accounts comply with applicable UK law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

Our Mission

Our primary goal is to win souls for Jesus Christ and to prepare God's people for the soon second coming of the Lord, **The Rapture**, as promised in 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

We believe and practice the sovereignty of the local Church in accordance with the Apostolic doctrine of the Holy Bible. Our stand for the Word of God and practice of The Faith is rooted in five principles ("our pillars") as adopted by the Church. These are;

- 1) Malachi 4:5-6; Rev. William M. Branham - our absolute on the interpretation of Scripture
- 2) The Supernatural
- 3) Sovereignty of the local Church
- 4) Brotherhood
- 5) Vision.

Governance & Management

OBCA is governed by the Board of Trustees in line with our by-laws and UK Charity law. Trustees are elected to serve one-year term. Elections are held at the beginning of each calendar year to either re-elect serving members or to vote newly nominated members to the Board. The vote of the General Assembly follows recommendation and rigorous vetting of candidates by the Board of Officers.

The Trustees govern the administration of the Charity as a business group. They have a responsibility to safeguard the Church from indebtedness, manage expenditure and undertake fund-raising investments in consultation with the Ministry.

The Ministry also appoints Ushers, the Music director, the Song leader and other Helps and Governments who play vital roles in the day-to-day management of the Charity.

Programmes & Activities

Our programmes and activities are designed to further our primary mission of winning souls for Jesus Christ. We invite people from all communities to hear the Gospel good news, to experience the Love of God, and to prepare for Jesus' soon second coming. We pursue the above goals through the preaching of the Word of God, Praise and Worship services, prayer meetings, Bible study and prayer retreats, outreach programmes, Children's Sunday school and youth-targeted activities.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown restrictions, members' last service at our usual place of worship took place on Sunday 15th of March 2020. Subsequently, all church services were broadcast online via our new "Worship at Home" livestream platform for the rest of the year.

Our calendar of programmes and activities (weekly, monthly and yearly) are as follows.

Sunday Worship Service	10:50am - 2:00pm
Friday Prayer Meeting	8:00pm - 10:00pm
Tuesday Prayer Meeting (on hold due to covid)	8:00pm - 9:30pm
Communion Service - 1st Sunday of the month (on hold)	1:00pm - 5:00pm
Youth Session - Saturday before Communion Sunday (on hold)	6:30pm – 10:00pm
Annual Retreat at High Leigh Centre (on hold)	Jul/Aug (summer break)

All our activities, apart from Tuesday prayer meetings take place at our main place of Worship at:

R.O.S.E. Community Clubroom
22 Ascalon Street
Vauxhall
London SW8 4JD
UK

Our Tuesday prayer meetings are held at the: Anerley Methodist Church, Oakfield Road, London, SE20 8QA, UK.

All are welcome.

The trustees can be reached by email via: trustees@obca.org.uk

Public benefit responsibility

The above activities of the Assembly are carried out in line with the Charity Commission public benefit guidance, and the Charity's Trust Deed to benefit the local community and the general public.

Performance and Achievements

The effects of the covid-19 pandemic continued to affect a good number of our activities in the course of the reporting period.

Church activities on hold due to covid

- High Leigh Retreat
- Friday prayer meeting at Rose Hall
- Anerley prayer outpost
- Missionary work
- Youth services and monthly youth sessions
- Sunday school outdoor/educational trips

Sunday School Curriculum

The Sunday school department has continued with the vision to train the younger members of the Assembly on the Word of God. This is based on the teachings of The Holy Bible.

All Sunday school classes continued online in this period using the Zoom platform.

The children and young adult (CYA) classes made good progress under very difficult circumstances imposed by the covid pandemic, thanks to the collective efforts and sacrifices of the Sunday school teachers and the Superintendent.

The teaching staff rose to the challenge with innovative online teaching on weekly basis. To facilitate the new online learning experience, the children were divided into two, instead of the usual three groups;

Ages: 3 - 11

Ages: 12 -17

One of the main changes in this period, necessitated by the covid lockdown was the introduction of Sunday evening Bible classes for the teen class of 12-17 years. The students benefitted from essential lessons on the importance of taking a stand for their Faith, the impact of choices and decisions, preparing for water baptism and the need for a closer walk with God.

The Ministry would like to express heartfelt appreciation to the Sunday school teachers, on behalf of the parents and the General Assembly for the outstanding initiative, commitment and sacrifices in a very unusual and difficult time.

This ensured our children were able to receive vital learning of God's Word, despite the enormous challenges imposed by the global covid pandemic, especially during the various lockdowns in the UK.

Logistics & Equipment Team

The team continued to provide key support in the setting up of IT and other logistics for the smooth running of our weekly services. Having moved our Church services to online streaming in response to covid and lockdown restrictions, the team adapted remarkably by adopting new, innovative, online solutions to meet the needs of the Assembly. This ensured the smooth operation of the logistics needed for our studio broadcast on Fridays and Sundays throughout the year.

The extraordinary work and dedication of the Production, Logistics and Equipment team made it possible for our services to continue without any interruptions, even though most day-to-day activities had generally been curtailed by the pandemic. This was a major feat of achievement by the Grace of God.

The benefits of our streaming services to the membership have been tremendous in this period, as well as other believers who are now able to access and enjoy our online streaming services around the world.

The Ministry and Board of Trustees would like to thank the entire Team for the exemplary dedication, hard work and the consistency of service. The Team went above and beyond the normal call of duty to continue to serve God and His people at OBCA in the most challenging and unprecedented time in our generation during a global pandemic.

ONLY BELIEVE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

RECEIPTS	Notes	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
INCOME FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Voluntary Member Donations	B.1	25,011	83,140
Total Income		25,011	83,140
PAYMENTS			
CHARITABLE PAYMENTS:			
Support Costs	C.1	2,139	18,819
OUTREACH EXPENDITURE:			
High Leigh Retreat		574	23,860
PROCUREMENT:			
Equipment & Accessories		3,413	572
ADMINISTRATION:			
Admin & Volunteers Expenses	C.2	17,204	30,318
SUNDRIES:			
Miscellaneous Expenses		0	409
Total Expenditure		23,330	73,978
Net inflow/outflow of funds		1,681	9,161
Funds brought forward @ 01/04/2020		150,263	141,102
Funds carried forward @31/03/2021		151,944	150,263

All amounts relate to continuing activities and have been rounded to the nearest pound {£}

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

(A) Accounting policies

The Receipts and Payments Account of the Only Believe Christian Assembly have been prepared to comply with the Charity's governing document; the 'Trust Deed', applicable U.K law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' and the Charities Act of 1993. The accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Basis of accounting

The Accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Recognition of income

Income is recognised on receipt and accounted for on a quarterly basis {table B.1}

Classification of income

Total income at the end of the financial year is made up of freewill donations from members and is represented by the closing balances on the offering and building fund accounts.

(B) Receipts:

	2020/21	2019/20
B.1 Voluntary Member Donations	£	£
April – June	3,346	24,891
July – September	4,780	26,601
October – December	6,771	17,529
January – March	10,114	14,119
	25,011	83,140

(C) PAYMENTS:

C.1 Support Costs:

Rent	1,555	17,845
Recording Library	-	333
Bank Charges	69	60
Insurance	515	522
Furniture & Fixtures	-	59
Repairs & Maintenance	-	-
	2,139	18,819

C.2 Admin & Volunteers Expenses

Entertainment	2,585	4,081
Telephone	420	420
Donations	3,900	14,357
Missionary	2,897	3,979
Admin overheads	-	1,145
Volunteers	5,250	4,400
Travel	2,152	1,937
	17,204	30,318

(D) Additional information

Remuneration

The Trustees received no remuneration for their services to the Charity during the year.

Approval of Accounts

The Trustees of the Only Believe Christian Assembly acknowledge their responsibility for;

- ensuring that, the Charity keeps accounting records consistent with its day to day activities,
- preparing accounts which, in their opinion, give a true and fair view of its activities as of 31 March 2021 in compliance with applicable U.K. law for small and medium charities

Having acknowledged the above, the combined Trustees' Annual Report of achievements, performance, and Accounts of the Charity for the reporting period to 31 March 2021 was approved by the Board of Trustees at its general meeting of Wednesday 29th December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



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Rev. Archibald Harold-Brown
(Pastor)



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Br. Christian Dadson
(Chairman)



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Br. Kingston Koraheng
(Finance Overseer)



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Br. Emmanuel Amugi
(Treasurer)