

MACCLESFIELD FAMILY CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1110560

Details

Other names	SILKLIFE CHURCH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2005-07-25
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Silklife Church Silklife Centre George Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6HS
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Activities

Objects: 3.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS SET OUT IN THE ANNEX TO THIS DOCUMENT PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN MACCLESFIELD (HEREINAFTER KNOWN AS THE "AREA OF BENEFIT");3.2 THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THE ELDERLY AND THOSE PERSONS IN CONDITION OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT BY THE PROVISION OF GRANTS, LOANS, OR ANY OTHER SUCH ASSISTANCE GIVEN AT THE TRUSTEES ABSOLUTE DISCRETION; AND 3.3 TO ADVANCE PUBLIC EDUCATION IN PARTICULAR THAT OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT.

Activities: 1.The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the ?Area of Benefit?)2.Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit3.To advance public education in the area of benefit.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** MACCLESFIELD.
- Cheshire East
- Cheshire West & Chester

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£279,369	£232,159	-	-
2024-03-31	£231,774	£223,986	-	-
2023-03-31	£197,167	£214,076	-	-
2022-03-31	£243,678	£142,463	-	-
2021-03-31	£157,019	£100,434	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAIN KYD	Chair	
Alicia Coronada		2025-03-03
Anneke Renken		2025-03-03
CHRISSIE THOMPSON		2013-12-31
David Atkinson		2020-01-01
MR CLIFF BRADBROOK		

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**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2025**

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CHARITY REGISTRATION No:1110560

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1110560
START OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	1 st April 2024
END OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	31 st March 2025
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2025	Cliff Bradbrook Alain Kyd Chrissie Thompson David Atkinson Alicia Rossell Anneke Renken

The existing Trustees appoint any new Trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
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GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Deed dated 28th June 2005
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OBJECTIVES

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the "Area of Benefit")
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees' absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Silklife Church The Silklife Centre George Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6HS
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PRIMARY BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank 12 Castle Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6AF
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	C J Allies FCCA 1 Spinney Mead Macclesfield SK10 2BY
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Macclesfield Family Church on the accounts for the period ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages 7 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I have carried out my examination in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My examination was carried out in accordance with the Directions, and involved a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not constitute an audit and I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. 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 Charities Act 2011; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

C J Allies FCCA
1 Spinney Mead
Macclesfield
SK10 2BY

Date:

SILKLIFE CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

Macclesfield Family Church has been meeting regularly in Macclesfield since April 2003 as a church plant of Burnage Family Church (N0. 1021798). With effect from 25th July 2005 it became registered as a charity in its own right with its own Trust Deed. In September 2009 it changed name from Macclesfield Family Church to Silklife Church.

Over the last year this is how we have endeavoured to fulfil our Trust Deed Objectives:

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the “Area of Benefit”)
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

Objective 1.

1. Sunday morning services (including teaching of children referred to in Objective 3) during which the bible is preached and taught.
2. The Church continued to run Sunday services and a range of mid-week meetings for 1:1s and small groups.
3. Midweek “Growth Groups” where people build friendships and encourage each other. Bible-based teaching is discussed and applied.
4. Publicity including the church website advertising the church and furthering the gospel and bible teaching.
5. Teaching from Sunday morning is available online through Youtube and Soundcloud.
6. Special events like Open Air services, bridge events and lessons in school.
7. Silklife have a thriving children’s work and youth ministry with approximately 60-70 under 18s.

Objective 2.

1. Hope in North East Cheshire Initiatives - in partnership with over 30 other churches in Macclesfield and also in partnership with local agencies including the police, council and fire services. We have provided a practical and financial contribution to Hope In North East Cheshire.
2. Silklife continue to provide relief for hardship in the form of emergency food parcels, nappies and baby supplies, feminine hygiene products, sleeping bags and basic clothing for the homeless.
3. Silkilife runs a weekly Community Hub for the vulnerable adults in our community. This consists of a warm space, hot meal, befriending, games and music. Clients can access specialist services including housing, counselling, health and hair cutting at the Community Hub.
4. We continue to employ a full time Foodbank manager and have around 80 volunteers who contribute towards our social action work. These volunteers are from Churches, businesses, third sector organisations and independent members of the community.
5. Silklife has opened an additional warehouse space to meet the consistently high need for emergency provisions.

Objective 3.

1. Silklife have a thriving children’s work and youth ministry with approximately 60-70 under 18s.
2. We offer various Sunday school clubs for children aged 0-11. This includes education in the Christian religion and general education is achieved simultaneously.

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3. Our Youth Club meets midweek, weekends and Sunday mornings depending on the activity and setting. This includes education in the Christian Religion for 11-18 year olds.
4. Each Summer Silklife takes a youth group of around 25 young people to New Day Christian Festival.
5. In April 2024 the Church partnered with Saltmine Theatre Company who performed the Rhyming Bible to four schools in Macclesfield. Saltmine returned to Macclesfield in October 2024 to perform for nine more schools.
6. Silklife partners with Sowing Roots who offer education services to Primary schools in Macclesfield and the surrounding towns and villages.

Risk management

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserve stated combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

Financial review

During the year, the charity's income increased to £279,369, reflecting growth in special collections. Expenditure remained aligned with charitable objectives, and the charity ended the year with a surplus. Reserves are monitored to ensure they support ongoing commitments and provide resilience against future uncertainties.

Reserves Policy

An amount of £50,000 has been designated as a reserve fund to cover regular commitments which would be unavoidable if income were to suddenly cease. The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31st MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024/2025	Total 2023/2024
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	146,352	21,100	167,452	112,595
Investment Income	2b	0	0	0	0
Other Receipts	2c	82,880	29,037	111,917	119,179
TOTAL RECEIPTS		229,232	50,137	279,369	231,774
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts	3a	9,800	50,137	59,937	30,055
Cost of Charitable Activities	3b	111,818	0	111,818	136,377
Governance Costs	3c	60,404	0	60,404	57,554
TOTAL PAYMENTS		182,022	50,137	232,159	223,986
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES				47,210	7,788
Balances Brought Forward				167,449	159,661
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD				214,659	167,449

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31st MARCH 2025

	Notes	31/3/2025 £	31/3/2024 £
ASSETS			
Cash Funds:			
Current Account		<i>176,312</i>	<i>150,863</i>
Total Assets		176,312	150,863
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:			
Equipment		7,072	7,086
Motor vehicles		8,550	9,500
Leasehold improvements		22,725	0
		38,347	16,586
Total Net Assets		214,659	167,449
Represented by:			
General Fund		164,659	100,863
Reserve fund		50,000	50,000
		214,659	150,863

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) and applicable UK accounting standards. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Income Recognition

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably. Donations and grants are included when receivable. Income from fundraising events is recognised gross.

Expenditure Recognition

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Charitable activities include direct and support costs.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions imposed by donors or grant-makers.

Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and depreciated on a straight-line basis. Equipment and motor vehicles over 5 years. Items costing less than £500 are not capitalised. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over 10 years.

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2. RECEIPTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024/25	Total 2023/24
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Tithes and collections		71,188	0	71,188	74,337
Special Collections and gifts		52,205	11,100	63,305	14,967
Children's/youth worker		0	10,000	10,000	1,576
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		22,959	0	22,959	21,715
		<u>146,352</u>	<u>21,100</u>	<u>167,452</u>	<u>112,595</u>
b) Investment Income					
Bank Interest		0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
c) Other Receipts					
Rental income		400	0	400	980
Youth and outreach		9,108	0	9,108	5,366
Foodbank – donations and grants		73,372	29,037	102,409	112,833
		<u>82,880</u>	<u>29,037</u>	<u>111,917</u>	<u>119,179</u>

3. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Asset category	Brought forward £	Additions £	Depreciation £	Carried forward £
Equipment	7,086	1,754	1,768	7,072
Motor Vehicles	9,500		950	8,550
Leasehold improvements		25,250	2,525	22,725
Total	<u>16,586</u>	<u>27,004</u>	<u>5,243</u>	<u>38,347</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

4. PAYMENTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024/25	Total 2023/24
a) Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts					
Overseas and Mission		0	11,100	11,100	9,000
Foodbank		0	29,037	29,037	18,055
Children's/youth worker		0	10,000	10,000	0
Christ Central Churches		9,800	0	9,800	3,000
		9,800	50,137	59,937	30,055
b) Costs of Charitable Activities					
Church Resources		3,871	0	3,871	2,104
Youth and Newday		9,347	0	9,347	5,330
Outreach		9,580	0	9,580	12,463
Retreat		149	0	149	11,976
Staff Costs	5&6	81,425	0	81,425	98,497
Personal pension		1,163	0	1,163	1,163
Training		483	0	483	1,385
DBS costs		268	0	268	446
Membership fees and subscriptions		1,424	0	1,424	1,083
Visiting Guest Gifts and Expenses		4,108	0	4,108	1,930
		111,818	0	111,818	136,377
c) Governance Costs					
Independent examiners costs		400	0	400	400
Light, heat and water		11,170	0	11,170	15,363
Insurance		3,302	0	3,302	2,967
Cleaning and hygiene		7,370	0	7,370	6,027
Other, including repairs and phone		6,294	0	6,294	3,362
Rent		26,500	0	26,500	26,500
Motor expenses		125	0	125	2,935
Depreciation		5,243	0	5,243	0
		60,404	0	60,404	57,554

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2025**

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

During the financial year trustee Mr D Atkinson received £20,484 (2024: £19,512) in salary in furthering the charity's objects.

No other payments were made to Trustees during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee.

6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2024/25	2023/24
Gross Wages and Salaries	<u>81,425</u>	<u>98,497</u>
Employees who were engaged in activities in furtherance of organisation's objects at 31/3/2025	4	5

No employees received emoluments in the range of over £50,000. The payroll is operated under the PAYE scheme with the Inland Revenue.

7. ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	General fund	Reserve fund
Brought forward	167,449	50,000
Surplus for the year	23,790	0
Carried forward	191,239	50,000

The general fund is unrestricted, the reserve fund was created to comply with the reserves policy in note 7 and does not move in the year.

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TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2024	Cliff Bradbrook Alain Kyd Chrissie Thompson Katy Nyman David Atkinson

The existing Trustees appoint any new Trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Deed dated 28th June 2005

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Macclesfield Family Church on the accounts for the period ended 31st March 2024 set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 explanations from the 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 examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
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Date:

SILKLIFE CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

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2. The Church continued to run Sunday services and a range of mid-week meetings for 1:1s and small groups.
3. Midweek "Growth Groups" during which bible-based teaching is discussed and applied.
4. Publicity including the church website advertising the church and furthering the gospel and bible teaching.
5. Teaching from Sunday morning is available online through Youtube and Soundcloud.
6. Special events like Open Air services, bridge events and lessons in school.
7. Silklife have a thriving children's work and youth ministry with approximately 70 under 18s.
8. In September 2023 Silklife ran a very successful weekend away with around 130 participants of all ages.

Objective 2.

1. Hope in North East Cheshire Initiatives - in partnership with over 30 other churches in Macclesfield and also in partnership with local agencies including the police, council and fire services. We have provided a practical and financial contribution to Hope In North East Cheshire.
2. In December 2010 we opened a Foodbank in Macclesfield relieving those in particular need with a short-term food parcel. Demand for food parcels increased significantly with the onset of the COVID pandemic. During the COVID pandemic our referral rate escalated to over 200 referrals each month. Referrals have remained high due changes in the benefit system and the cost of living and fuel crisis.
3. In June 2020 we appointed a part time paid foodbank coordinator to lead our team of volunteers. In January 2022 the foodbank coordinator role became a full time post with additional support from a foodbank support worker two days a week.
4. During the pandemic we significantly enhanced our warehouse facilities and delivery procedures to meet the spiralling need.
5. Silklife launched a Community Support Programme in March 2022 to support vulnerable adults in the community.
6. Silklife offers a mid-week Community Hub where vulnerable members of the community can keep warm, enjoy a free meal and refreshments, play pool and table tennis, access professional services and befriending.
7. Silklife Foodbank offers a range of subsidiary services including feminine hygiene and baby products, shoes and clothes, varied food options for refugees, allergies and intolerances.
8. Silklife offers volunteering opportunities in a range of functions and settings. Our volunteer base is approximately 70 people. These volunteers are from Churches, businesses, third sector organisations and independent members of the community.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

Objective 3.

1. Silklife have a thriving children's work and youth ministry with approximately 70 under 18s.
2. We offer various Sunday school clubs for children aged 0-11. This includes education in the Christian religion and general education is achieved simultaneously.
3. Our Youth Club meets midweek, weekends and Sunday mornings depending on the activity and setting. This includes education in the Christian Religion for 11-18 year olds.
4. Each Summer Silklife takes a youth group of around 25 young people to New Day Christina Festival.
5. In December 2023 the Church partnered with Saltmine Theatre Company to provide a Christmas theatre experience to the local community. In April 2024 Saltmine performed the Rhyming Bible to four schools in Macclesfield. Saltmine will return to Macclesfield in October 2024 to perform for nine more schools.
6. Silklife partners with Sowing Roots who offer education services to Primary schools in Macclesfield and the surrounding towns and villages.

Reserves Policy

An amount of £50,000 has been designated as a reserve fund to cover regular commitments which would be unavoidable if income were to suddenly cease.

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31st MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023/2024	Total 2022/2023
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	97,628	14,967	112,595	104,678
Investment Income	2b	0	0	0	0
Other Receipts	2c	6,346	112,833	119,179	92,489
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<i>103,974</i>	<i>127,800</i>	<i>231,774</i>	<i>197,167</i>
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts	3a	3,000	27,055	30,055	43,445
Cost of Charitable Activities	3b	136,377	0	136,377	121,414
Governance Costs	3c	57,554	0	57,554	49,217
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<i>196,931</i>	<i>27,055</i>	<i>223,986</i>	<i>214,076</i>
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES				<i>7,788</i>	<i>(16,909)</i>
Balances Brought Forward				159,661	176,570
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD				<i>167,449</i>	<i>159,661</i>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES **AS AT 31st MARCH 2024**

	Notes	31/3/2024 £	31/3/2023 £
ASSETS			
Cash Funds:			
Current Account		150,863	143,075
Total Assets		150,863	143,075
Represented by:			
General Fund		100,863	140,075
Reserve fund		50,000	3,000
		150,863	143,075
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:			
Equipment		7,086	7,086
Motor vehicles		9,500	9,500
		16,586	16,586
Total Net Assets		167,449	159,661

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the “Receipts and Payments” basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements. The accounts are prepared on a “going concern” basis.

2. RECEIPTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023/24	Total 2022/23
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Tithes and collections		74,337	0	74,337	72,154
Special Collections and gifts		0	14,967	14,967	13,910
Community Support reimbursement		1,576	0	1,576	0
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		21,715	0	21,715	18,614
		<u>97,628</u>	<u>14,967</u>	<u>112,595</u>	<u>104,678</u>
b) Investment Income					
Bank Interest		0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
c) Other Receipts					
Rental income		980	0	980	2,060
Noah’s Ark, youth and outreach		5,366	0	5,366	6,888
Food Bank – donations and grants		0	112,833	112,833	83,541
		<u>6,346</u>	<u>112,833</u>	<u>119,179</u>	<u>92,489</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

3. PAYMENTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023/24	Total 2022/23
a) Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts					
Overseas and Mission		0	9,000	9,000	14,355
Food Bank		0	18,055	18,055	23,090
Christ Central Churches		3,000	0	3,000	6,000
		<u>3,000</u>	<u>27,055</u>	<u>30,055</u>	<u>43,445</u>
b) Costs of Charitable Activities					
Church Resources		2,104	0	2,104	1,548
Noah's Ark, Youth and Newday		5,330	0	5,330	5,604
Outreach		12,463	0	12,463	16,345
Retreat		11,976	0	11,976	0
Staff Costs	5&6	94,522	0	94,522	88,784
Personal pension		5,138	0	5,138	5,345
Training		1,385	0	1,385	1,274
Child Protection Bureau		446	0	446	358
Membership fees and subscriptions		1,083	0	1,083	884
Visiting Guest Gifts and Expenses		1,930	0	1,930	1,272
		<u>136,377</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>136,377</u>	<u>121,414</u>
c) Governance Costs					
Accountancy		400	0	400	400
Light, heat and water		15,363	0	15,363	10,500
Insurance		2,967	0	2,967	2,833
Cleaning and hygiene		6,027	0	6,027	4,479
Other, including repairs and phone		3,362	0	3,362	4,505
Rent		26,500	0	26,500	26,500
Motor expenses		2,935		2,935	0
		<u>57,554</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>57,554</u>	<u>49,217</u>

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2024**

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

During the financial year trustee Mr D Atkinson received £19,512 (2023: £18,240) in salary in furthering the charity's objects.

No other payments were made to Trustees during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee.

6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2023/24	2022/23
Gross Wages and Salaries	<u>94,522</u>	<u>88,784</u>
Employees who were engaged in activities in furtherance of organisation's objects at 31/3/2024	5	5

No employees received emoluments in the range of over £50,000. The payroll is operated under the PAYE scheme with the Inland Revenue.

7. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserve stated combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

8. RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

MACCLESFIELD FAMILY CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1110560

Accounts

**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2023**

**SILKLIFE
CHURCH**

CHARITY REGISTRATION No:1110560

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1110560
START OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	1 st April 2022
END OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	31 st March 2023
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2019	Cliff Bradbrook Alain Kyd Chrissie Thompson Matthew Godwin Katy Nyman David Atkinson

The existing Trustees appoint any new Trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Deed dated 28th June 2005

OBJECTIVES

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the "Area of Benefit")
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees' absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Silklife Church The Silklife Centre George Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6HS
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PRIMARY BANKERS	Royal Bank of Scotland Macclesfield Chestergate Branch 56 Chestergate Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6BA
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	C J Allies FCCA 178 Buxton Road Hazel Grove Stockport SK7 6LY
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SILKLIFE CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Macclesfield Family Church on the accounts for the period ended 31st March 2023 set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 explanations from the 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 examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) 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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

C J Allies FCCA
178 Buxton Road
Hazel Grove
Stockport
SK7 6LY

Date:

SILKLIFE CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

Macclesfield Family Church has been meeting regularly in Macclesfield since April 2003 as a church plant of Burnage Family Church (NO. 1021798). With effect from 25th July 2005 it became registered as a charity in its own right with its own Trust Deed. In September 2009 it changed name from Macclesfield Family Church to Silklife Church.

Over the last year this is how we have endeavoured to fulfil our Trust Deed Objectives:

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the "Area of Benefit")
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

Objective 1.

1. Sunday morning services (including teaching of children referred to in Objective 3) during which the bible is preached and taught from.
2. The Church continued to run Sunday services and a range of mid week meetings for 1:1s and small groups.
3. Midweek "Growth Groups" during which bible based teaching is discussed and applied.
4. Publicity including the church website advertising the church and furthering the gospel and bible teaching.
5. Teaching from Sunday morning is available online through Youtube and Soundcloud.

Objective 2.

1. Hope in North East Cheshire Initiatives - in partnership with over 30 other churches in Macclesfield and also in partnership with local agencies including the police, council and fire services. We have provided a practical and financial contribution to Hope In North East Cheshire.
2. In December 2010 we opened a Foodbank in Macclesfield relieving those in particular need with a short-term food parcel. Demand for food parcels increased significantly with the onset of the COVID pandemic. During the COVID pandemic our referral rate escalated to over 200 referrals each month. This has reduced slightly to between 160 and 180 separate referrals each month (many of these are for families or couples). In June 2020 we appointed a part time paid foodbank coordinator to lead our team of volunteers. In January 2022 the foodbank coordinator role became a full time post with additional support from a foodbank support worker two days a week.
3. During the pandemic we significantly enhanced our warehouse facilities and delivery procedures to meet the spiralling need.
4. The foodbank has expanded to serve a larger geography in North East region of Cheshire East in partnership with local providers. The foodbank also offers our of hours food distribution for those in food crisis over the weekend.
5. Silklife launched a Community Support Programme in March 2022 to support vulnerable adults in the community.

Objective 3.

1. Various Sunday school clubs for children aged 0-11. This includes education in the Christian religion and general education is achieved simultaneously.
2. Youth Club on Friday evenings and Sunday mornings which again includes education in the Christian Religion for 11-18 year olds.
3. In December 2022 the Church partnered with Saltmine Theatre Company to provide a Christmas theatre experience to the local community.

SILKLIFE CHURCH

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

Reserves Policy

An amount of £3,000 has been designated as a reserve fund to cover regular commitments which would be unavoidable if income were to suddenly cease.

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31st MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022/2023	Total 2021/2022
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	90,768	13,910	104,678	93,538
Investment Income	2b	0	0	0	8
Other Receipts	2c	8,948	83,541	92,489	150,132
TOTAL RECEIPTS		99,716	97,451	197,167	243,678
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts	3a	6,000	37,445	43,445	37,023
Cost of Charitable Activities	3b	121,414	0	121,414	60,846
Governance Costs	3c	49,217	0	49,217	44,594
TOTAL PAYMENTS		176,631	37,445	214,076	142,463
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES				(16,909)	101,215
Balances Brought Forward				176,570	75,355
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD				159,661	176,570

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES **AS AT 31st MARCH 2023**

	Notes	31/3/2023 £	31/3/2022 £
ASSETS			
Cash Funds:			
Current Account		143,075	169,484
Total Assets		143,075	169,484
Represented by:			
General Fund		140,075	166,484
Reserve fund		3,000	3,000
		143,075	169,484
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:			
Equipment		7,086	7,086
Motor vehicles		9,500	0
		16,586	7,086
Total Net Assets		159,661	176,570

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the “Receipts and Payments” basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements. The accounts are prepared on a “going concern” basis.

2. RECEIPTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022/23	Total 2021/22
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Tithes and collections		72,154	0	72,154	62,612
Special Collections and gifts		0	13,910	13,910	13,869
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		18,614	0	18,614	17,057
		<u>90,768</u>	<u>13,910</u>	<u>104,678</u>	<u>93,538</u>
b) Investment Income					
Bank Interest		0	0	0	8
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>
c) Other Receipts					
Rental income		2,060	0	2,060	380
Noah’s Ark and Youth		6,888	0	6,888	650
Food Bank – donations and grants		0	83,541	83,541	149,102
		<u>8,948</u>	<u>83,541</u>	<u>92,489</u>	<u>150,132</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

3. PAYMENT S

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022/23	Total 2021/22
a) Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts					
Overseas and Mission		0	14,355	14,355	6,750
Food Bank		0	23,090	23,090	21,773
Christ Central Churches		6,000	0	6,000	8,500
		6,000	37,445	43,445	37,023
b) Costs of Charitable Activities					
Church Resources		1,548	0	1,548	3,744
Noah's Ark, Youth and Newday		5,604	0	5,604	1,446
Outreach		16,345	0	16,345	5,006
Staff Costs	5&6	88,784	0	88,784	45,207
Personal pension		5,345	0	5,345	1,139
Training		1,274	0	1,274	967
Child Protection Bureau		358	0	358	243
Membership fees and subscriptions		884	0	884	800
Visiting Guest Gifts and Expenses		1,272	0	1,272	2,294
		121,414	0	121,414	60,846
c) Governance Costs					
Accountancy		400	0	400	400
Light, heat and water		10,500	0	10,500	6,065
Insurance		2,833	0	2,833	2,700
Cleaning and hygiene		4,479	0	4,479	4,695
Other, including repairs and phone		4,505	0	4,505	4,234
Rent		26,500	0	26,500	26,500
		49,217	0	49,217	44,594

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2023**

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

During the financial year trustee Mr D Atkinson received £18,240 (2022: £17,880) in salary in furthering the charity's objects.

No other payments were made to Trustees during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee.

6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2022/23	2021/22
Gross Wages and Salaries	<u>88,784</u>	<u>45,327</u>
	<u>45,327</u>	<u>27,952</u>
Employees who were engaged in activities in furtherance of organisation's objects (FTE) at 31/3/2023	5	5

No employees received emoluments in the range of over £50,000. The payroll is operated under the PAYE scheme with the Inland Revenue.

7. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserve stated combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

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MACCLESFIELD FAMILY CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1110560

Accounts

**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
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**SILKLIFE
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CHARITY REGISTRATION No:1110560

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1110560
START OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	1 st April 2021
END OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	31 st March 2022
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2019	Cliff Bradbrook Alain Kyd Chrissie Thompson Matthew Godwin Katy Nyman David Atkinson

The existing Trustees appoint any new Trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Deed dated 28th June 2005

OBJECTIVES

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CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Silklife Church The Silklife Centre George Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6HS
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SILKLIFE CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Macclesfield Family Church on the accounts for the period ended 31st March 2022 set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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Basis of independent examiners statement

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C J Allies FCCA
178 Buxton Road
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Date:

SILKLIFE CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

Macclesfield Family Church has been meeting regularly in Macclesfield since April 2003 as a church plant of Burnage Family Church (NO. 1021798). With effect from 25th July 2005 it became registered as a charity in its own right with its own Trust Deed. In September 2009 it changed name from Macclesfield Family Church to Silklife Church.

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3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

Objective 1.

1. Sunday morning services (including teaching of children referred to in Objective 3) during which the bible is preached and taught from.
2. The Church continued to run a hybrid of face to face and online meetings as the country recovered from the COVID pandemic.
3. Midweek "Growth Groups" during which bible based teaching is discussed and applied.
4. Publicity including the church website advertising the church and furthering the gospel and bible teaching.

Objective 2.

1. Hope in North East Cheshire Initiatives - in partnership with over 30 other churches in Macclesfield and also in partnership with local agencies including the police, council and fire services. We have provided a practical and financial contribution to Hope In North East Cheshire.
2. In December 2010 we opened a Foodbank in Macclesfield relieving those in particular need with a short-term food parcel. Demand for food parcels increased significantly with the onset of the COVID pandemic. During the COVID pandemic our referral rate escalated to over 200 referrals each month. This has reduced slightly to between 160 and 180 separate referrals each month (many of these are for families or couples). In June 2020 we appointed a part time paid foodbank coordinator to lead our team of volunteers. In January 2022 the foodbank coordinator role became a full time post with additional support from a foodbank support worker two days a week.
3. During the pandemic we significantly enhanced our warehouse facilities and delivery procedures to meet the spiralling need.
4. The foodbank has expanded to serve a larger geography in North East region of Cheshire East in partnership with local providers. The foodbank also offers our of hours food distribution for those in food crisis over the weekend.

Objective 3.

1. Various Sunday school clubs for children aged 0-11. This includes education in the Christian religion and general education is achieved simultaneously.
2. Youth Club on Friday evenings and Sunday mornings which again includes education in the Christian Religion for 11-18 year olds.
3. During the pandemic we sought to maintain our children and youth provision through various online and remote methods. This included an online nativity in December 2020.
4. In December 2021 the Church partnered with Saltmine Theatre Company to provide a Christmas theatre experience to the local community.

SILKLIFE CHURCH

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

Reserves Policy

An amount of £3,000 has been designated as a reserve fund to cover regular commitments which would be unavoidable if income were to suddenly cease.

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31st MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021/2022	Total 2020/2021
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	79,669	13,869	93,538	77,565
Investment Income	2b	8	0	8	22
Other Receipts	2c	1,030	149,102	150,132	79,432
TOTAL RECEIPTS		80,707	162,971	243,678	157,019
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts	3a	8,500	28,523	37,023	28,736
Cost of Charitable Activities	3b	60,846	0	60,846	34,063
Governance Costs	3c	44,594	0	44,594	37,635
TOTAL PAYMENTS		113,940	28,523	142,463	100,434
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES				101,215	56,585
Balances Brought Forward				75,355	18,770
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD				176,570	75,355

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES **AS AT 31st MARCH 2022**

	Notes	31/3/2022 £	31/3/2021 £
ASSETS			
Cash Funds:			
Current Account		169,484	68,269
Total Assets		169,484	68,269
Represented by:			
General Fund		166,484	65,269
Reserve fund		3,000	3,000
		169,484	68,269
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:			
Equipment		7,086	7,086
		7,086	7,086
Total Net Assets		176,570	75,355

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the “Receipts and Payments” basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements. The accounts are prepared on a “going concern” basis.

2. RECEIPTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021/22	Total 2020/21
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Tithes and collections		62,612	0	62,612	53,329
Special Collections and gifts		0	13,869	13,869	14,138
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		17,057	0	17,057	10,098
		<u>79,669</u>	<u>13,869</u>	<u>93,538</u>	<u>77,565</u>
b) Investment Income					
Bank Interest		8	0	8	22
		<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>22</u>
c) Other Receipts					
Rental income		380	0	380	0
Noah’s Ark and Youth		650	0	650	0
Food Bank – donations and grants		0	149,102	149,102	79,432
		<u>1,030</u>	<u>149,102</u>	<u>150,132</u>	<u>79,432</u>

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

3. PAYMENTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021/22	Total 2020/21
a) Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts					
Overseas and Mission		0	6,750	6,750	7,820
Food Bank		0	21,773	21,773	15,916
Christ Central Churches		8,500	0	8,500	5,000
		8,500	28,523	37,023	28,736
b) Costs of Charitable Activities					
Church Resources		3,744	0	3,744	1,710
Noah's Ark, Youth and Newday		1,446	0	1,446	497
Outreach		5,006	0	5,006	1,845
Staff Costs	5&6	45,207	0	45,207	26,401
Personal pension		1,139	0	1,139	1,424
Training		967	0	967	86
Child Protection Bureau		243	0	243	345
Membership fees and subscriptions		800	0	800	797
Visiting Guest Gifts and Expenses		2,294	0	2,294	958
		60,846	0	60,846	34,063
c) Governance Costs					
Accountancy		400	0	400	400
Light, heat and water		6,065	0	6,065	3,224
Insurance		2,700	0	2,700	2,838
Cleaning and hygiene		4,695	0	4,695	2,494
Other, including repairs and phone		4,234	0	4,234	2,179
Rent		26,500	0	26,500	26,500
		44,594	0	44,594	37,635

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2022**

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

During the financial year trustee Mr D Atkinson received £17,880 (2021: £17,520) in salary in furthering the charity's objects.

No other payments were made to Trustees during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee.

6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2021/22	2020/21
Gross Wages and Salaries	<u>45,327</u>	<u>27,952</u>
	<u>45,327</u>	<u>27,952</u>
Employees who were engaged in activities in furtherance of organisation's objects (FTE) at 31/3/2022	5	2

No employees received emoluments in the range of over £50,000. The payroll is operated under the PAYE scheme with the Inland Revenue.

7. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserve stated combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

8. RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

MACCLESFIELD FAMILY CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1110560

Accounts

**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST MARCH 2021**

**SILKLIFE
CHURCH**

CHARITY REGISTRATION No:1110560

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1110560
START OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	1 st April 2020
END OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	31 st March 2021
TRUSTEES AT 31ST MARCH 2019	Cliff Bradbrook Alain Kyd Chrissie Thompson Matthew Godwin Katy Nyman David Atkinson

The existing Trustees appoint any new Trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
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GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust Deed dated 28th June 2005
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OBJECTIVES

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the "Area of Benefit")
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees' absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Silklife Church The Silklife Centre George Street Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6HS
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PRIMARY BANKERS	Royal Bank of Scotland Macclesfield Chestergate Branch 56 Chestergate Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 6BA
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	C J Allies FCCA 178 Buxton Road Hazel Grove Stockport SK7 6LY
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Macclesfield Family Church on the accounts for the period ended 31st March 2021 set out on pages 6 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 explanations from the 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 examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) 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 Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

C J Allies FCCA
178 Buxton Road
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Date:

SILKLIFE CHURCH
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

Macclesfield Family Church has been meeting regularly in Macclesfield since April 2003 as a church plant of Burnage Family Church (NO. 1021798). With effect from 25th July 2005 it became registered as a charity in its own right with its own Trust Deed. In September 2009 it changed name from Macclesfield Family Church to Silklife Church.

Over the last year this is how we have endeavoured to fulfil our Trust Deed Objectives:

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the statement of beliefs set out in the annex to this document particularly but not exclusively in Macclesfield (Hereinafter known as the "Area of Benefit")
2. The Relief of those in need in particular but not exclusively the elderly and those persons in condition of financial hardship in the area of benefit by the provision of grants, loans or any other such assistance given at the trustees absolute discretion
3. To advance public education in particular that of children and adults in the area of benefit.

Objective 1.

1. Sunday morning services (including teaching of children referred to in Objective 3) during which the bible is preached and taught from.
2. In March 2020 the Church was unable to meet face to face because of the COVID pandemic. We responded with an online programme. As the pandemic restrictions have lifted we have run a hybrid schedule of online and face to face meetings.
3. Midweek "Growth Groups" during which bible based teaching is discussed and applied.
4. Publicity including the church website advertising the church and furthering the gospel and bible teaching.
5. We ran a course named Alpha in Summer 2020 which explains Christianity to people who are exploring faith.

Objective 2.

1. Hope in North East Cheshire Initiatives - in partnership with over 30 other churches in Macclesfield and also in partnership with local agencies including the police, council and fire services. Sam Little participated as a member of Hope's Finance & Administration Group, and we have provided financial contribution to Hope In North East Cheshire.
2. In December 2010 we opened a Foodbank in Macclesfield relieving those in particular need with a short term food parcel. Demand for food parcels increased significantly with the onset of the COVID pandemic. During the COVID pandemic our referral rate escalated to over 200 referrals each month. This has reduced slightly to between 160 and 180 separate referrals each month (many of these are for families or couples). In June 2020 we appointed a part time paid foodbank coordinator to lead our team of volunteers.
3. During the pandemic we significantly enhanced our warehouse facilities and delivery procedures to meet the spiralling need.

Objective 3.

1. Various Sunday school clubs for children aged 0-11. This includes education in the Christian religion and general education is achieved simultaneously.
2. Youth Club on Friday evenings and Sunday mornings which again includes education in the Christian Religion for 11-18 year olds.
3. During the pandemic we sought to maintain our children and youth provision through various online and remote methods. This included an online nativity in December 2020.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2021

Reserves Policy

An amount of £3,000 has been designated as a reserve fund to cover regular commitments which would be unavoidable if income were to suddenly cease.

Approved by the Trustees on

Signed on their behalf by

Trustee

SILKLIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31st MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020/2021	Total 2019/2020
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	77,265	300	77,565	70,718
Investment Income	2b	22	0	22	4
Other Receipts	2c	0	79,432	79,432	10,148
TOTAL RECEIPTS		77,287	79,732	157,019	80,870
PAYMENTS					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts	3a	12,820	15,916	28,736	619
Cost of Charitable Activities	3b	34,063	0	34,063	34,422
Governance Costs	3c	37,635	0	37,635	38,123
TOTAL PAYMENTS		84,518	15,916	100,434	73,164
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES				56,585	7,706
Balances Brought Forward				18,770	11,064
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD				75,355	18,770

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31st MARCH 2021

	Notes	31/3/2021 £	31/3/2020 £
ASSETS			
Cash Funds:			
Current Account		68,269	11,684
Total Assets		68,269	11,684
Represented by:			
General Fund		65,269	8,684
Reserve fund		3,000	3,000
		68,269	11,684
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:			
Equipment		7,086	7,086
		7,086	7,086
Total Net Assets		75,355	18,770

Approved by the Trustees on

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SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the “Receipts and Payments” basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements. The accounts are prepared on a “going concern” basis.

2. RECEIPTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020/21	Total 2019/20
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Tithes and collections		53,329	0	53,329	42,180
Special Collections and gifts		13,838	300	14,138	16,211
Gift Aid Tax Reclaimed		10,098	0	10,098	12,327
		<u>77,265</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>77,565</u>	<u>70,718</u>
b) Investment Income					
Bank Interest		22	0	22	4
		<u>22</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>4</u>
c) Other Receipts					
Rental income		0	0	0	2,208
Noah’s Ark and Youth		0	0	0	340
Food Bank – donations and grants		0	79,432	79,432	7,600
		<u>0</u>	<u>79,432</u>	<u>79,432</u>	<u>10,148</u>

SILKLIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

3. PAYMENTS

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020/21	Total 2019/20
a) Cost of Generating Voluntary Receipts					
Overseas and Mission		7,820	0	7,820	300
Food Bank		0	15,916	15,916	319
Christ Central Churches		5,000	0	5,000	0
		12,820	15,916	28,736	619
b) Costs of Charitable Activities					
Church Resources		1,710	0	1,710	441
Noah's Ark, Youth and Newday		497	0	497	1,217
Outreach		1,845	0	1,845	294
Staff Costs	5&6	26,401	0	26,401	27,952
Personal pension		1,424	0	1,424	1,244
Training		86	0	86	551
Child Protection Bureau		345	0	345	234
Membership fees and subscriptions		797	0	797	677
Visiting Guest Gifts and Expenses		958	0	958	1,812
		34,063	0	34,063	34,422
c) Governance Costs					
Accountancy		400	0	400	400
Light, heat and water		3,224	0	3,224	4,658
Insurance		2,838	0	2,838	2,705
Cleaning and hygiene		2,494	0	2,494	3,281
Other, including phone		2,179	0	2,179	1,022
Rent		26,500	0	26,500	26,057
		37,635	0	37,635	38,123

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st MARCH 2021**

5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES

During the financial year trustee Mr S Little received £nil (2020: £22,906) and Mr D Atkinson received £17,520 (2020: £4,380) in salary in furthering the charity's objects.

No other payments were made to Trustees or any person connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

6. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2020/21	2019/20
Gross Wages and Salaries	<u>26,401</u>	<u>27,952</u>
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