

Independent Examiner's Report

For the Trustees of

WESTGATE EVANGELICAL CHAPEL

I have examined the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024. Based on my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 221 of the Companies Act, 1985, or that the accounts presented do not accord with those records, or comply with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 1985. No matter has come to my notice in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

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18 February 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Summary Income and Expenditure Account

	£	£	£
	Current Account	Savings Account	Total Funds 2024
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Voluntary Income	37,207	0	37,207
Investment Interest		820	820
Total Incoming Resources	37,207	820	38,027
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities	25,562		25,562
Total Resources expended	25,562	0	25,562
Net Movement in Funds	11,645	820	12,465
Transfers between Funds	-10,000	10,000	0
Fund Balances at 1 Jan 2024	8,461	64,067	72,529
Fund Balances at 31 Dec 2024	10,107	74,887	84,994

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TRUSTEES' REPORT 2024

Psalm 105 v 1...4

Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Lord! Seek the Lord and His strength; Seek His face evermore!

Ministry & fellowship at Westgate

For the whole of 2024, we are thankful to the Lord that we were able to meet together for worship for morning and evening services on each Lord's day. We are so thankful to so many Godly visiting preachers who have been willing to preach throughout the year. We have received wonderful ministry. However, we continue to seek the Lord regarding the calling of a full time Pastor to Westgate. We would ask all in the Fellowship to make this a matter of prayer.

Special thanks must go to Pieter in particular, for bringing us the Word of God, in such a profound and understandable way and on such a regular basis. We have been blessed with his ministry 2 Sundays a month, providing a consecutive ministry from which we all benefit.

Along with Pieter's ministry of the Word of God is his support, and encouragement of individuals within the fellowship, particularly in times of sadness, bereavement, times of joy and Christian growth. We cannot thank him and Lynne enough for all their support to many in the Fellowship. We are indeed, a truly blessed fellowship.

We have continued to meet mid-weekly for Bible Study and Prayer. The Sunday school has increased in number attending. The Friday Night Kids Club has also seen an increase in attendance. The weekly Toddler Group maintains regular high attendance and all youngsters are presented with a Children's Bible when they leave the group to commence school. Our bi-monthly Fellowship lunches have continued throughout the year and prove to be very popular.

Finances

Regarding our Finances, God has blessed us with so many blessings over the years. All of Westgate's income, comes from the giving of those who attend the fellowship and from those who visit us occasionally or whilst on holiday. A special thank you to all of you.

We cannot thank you enough for your continued support for the witness here at Westgate. Without regular committed giving, we would not be able to provide the support necessary to provide ministry, support mission and continue to run the church activities.

The Scriptures emphasise the need to support those who work for the Lord and we are given good guidance about financial provision. In 1 Corinthians 16:2 we read, "Upon the *first day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as *God* has prospered him". We are encouraged to set aside at the start of the week, a portion of that which God has prospered us with.

As with any registered charity, the government allows us to claim back some tax already paid on any offering given to Westgate, through a scheme called "Gift Aid". Many within the fellowship already allow the church to benefit from this provision. If you pay tax, providing the basic information of address, postcode and date, just once and signing, is all that needs to be done.