

CHURCHCENTRAL TRUST

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 March 2021

CHURCHCENTRAL TRUST
COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Trustees	J Bell T Brown M Haskell C King M Kusicka R Lowman
Key Management staff	J Bell - Lead Elder T Brown - Operations Manager
Governing Document	Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 1st June 2006
Company Registration Number	05834930
Charity Registration Number	1118562
Registered Office and Principal Address	Central House 13 Ravenhurst Street Birmingham B12 0HD
Independent Examiner	Ajay Rajani FCIE Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd Nationwide Building Society National Westminster Bank Plc
Solicitors	Shakespeare Martineau LLP

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (INCORPORATING THE DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year.

Objects of the charity

The charity is a charitable company and is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The objects of the charity, as set out in the governing document are:

- a) the advancement of the Christian religion in the United Kingdom and overseas
- b) the advancement for the public benefit of religious and other education
- c) the relief of the aged poor sick and disabled
- d) such other charitable purposes as the Directors in their absolute discretion think fit.

The trustees note that the Church is not a building, but a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ, were also committed to love and care for each other and to bring a blessing to the area in which they lived. Churchcentral, its trustees, elders and members are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. It is not alone in this, it is one of many Churches in the area, country and all over the world that is re-discovering the excitement of knowing Jesus Christ. The vision is to see the people of Birmingham come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

The advancement of the Christian faith is accomplished through Sunday services in four congregations across the city of Birmingham as well as small group meetings on weekday evenings. In addition, we work with other Birmingham churches to see these aims furthered in Birmingham and further afield.

As the nation went into lockdown in the first half of 2020, nearly all the activities of the church transitioned to being offered online. This necessitated a huge effort from a small team of those producing and publishing the web content. The church responded admirably to the different worship context. As well as streamed Sunday services, midweek small groups on Zoom became a vital form of connecting for church members. It came as a great encouragement that nearly all our church members were connecting regularly for these weekly gatherings.

Recognising the way in which the pandemic was affecting large sections of the community in many different ways, we developed a Wellbeing Course which addresses peoples' physical, mental, relational, emotional and spiritual health. This course was provided for the benefit of those inside and outside the church and was very well received. It was picked up and used by other organisations in the city.

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Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements continued

Through 2019 and the start of 2020, we had been planning for the launch of a fourth congregation in the east of the city. A small core group started meeting in midweek to prepare for this venture. With the onset of covid, these plans seemed likely to be put on hold. Even through lockdown, however, people were added to the group and by September, when physical meetings were permitted, there existed the nucleus of a new site. This work has continued to grow, attracting families and individuals from many different backgrounds. Now, more than 10 nations are represented and worship is regularly conducted in different languages.

The year on which we are reporting was a year of huge challenges due to the covid pandemic, but also a year of great opportunity for the church to reach out to and serve the communities around us. In cooperation with another local charity, Karis Neighbour Scheme, and with the aid of retailers such as Waitrose, the church was able to assist with the deliveries of groceries to over 60 elderly and isolated people in the Ladywood and Edgbaston areas of the city.

In addition, we are working with many asylum seekers and refugees in Birmingham. The various periods of lockdown were particularly difficult for those who were already isolated from friends and family. Visiting in whatever contexts were permitted at the time – either on doorsteps, walking in parks, meals in gardens, we tried to ensure they were cared for and that their daily needs were met.

Digital poverty was a particular issue for asylum seekers as everything from college to church went online. The church responded to this by furnishing second hand smartphones and laptops to those who needed them, and by providing pre-paid data hubs so that they could access education, worship and entertainment online.

ESOL classes are another means of supporting and serving asylum seekers and refugees as well as others for whom English is not their first language. Free classes are conducted weekly in our church building with mainly women attending.

The areas surrounding our building are areas of particular deprivation, the local wards all being ranked in the lowest 10% nationally. The church is looking to meet local needs through various provisions including a stay and play for local mothers and toddlers. In addition to the normal activities, this group has also run more focussed activities such as the Wellbeing Course mentioned above.

Another vulnerable section of our community we are working to serve are those newly released from prison. We have a ministry making up bags containing some basic essentials such as toiletries which are then provided to those re-adjusting to life back in the community.

As one of the charity's key objectives is the advancement of the Christian faith, Churchcentral has a particular focus on furthering this in the Middle East. Consequently we have made significant grants to individuals and organisations working in Turkey, Lebanon and Egypt. We receive regular updates from these individuals and organisations to enable monitoring the use of these charitable funds.

In planning these activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

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Volunteers

The activities of the charity are all carried out with the active engagement of volunteers. These volunteers work in teams focussed on different events and areas of service. The number of volunteers was reduced in the reporting year due to lockdown, but was still in excess of 60.

Structure, Governance and Management

Responsibility for setting policy and for determining the parameters within which the charity should operate rests with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity.

The Trustees of Churchcentral have overall legal and financial responsibility for the charity. They have delegated responsibility for the spiritual and strategic direction of the church as well as its day to day running to a senior management team led by Jonathan Bell.

The Trustees are regularly apprised of the financial position of the charity and at their formal meetings discuss and review any major changes in the direction of the charity or on policy issues as they evolve and develop.

New trustees are selected by existing Trustees. They are responsible people who demonstrate a strong Christian faith. They are those with a particular area of expertise / acumen in their secular workplace which is relevant in overseeing a significant charity which is also a Christian church. The composition of the trustee body has remained the same during the year.

Existing Trustees will also attend organised training from time to time to refresh their knowledge and skills as well as learning informally from one another, their own external networks and the Company Secretary.

The management team meets weekly to discuss and oversee the affairs of the church. They work with the other full and part time members of staff and a wide range of volunteers to implement the vision, values, and objects of the charity.

During the year, the church had six full-time employees and three persons employed part-time.

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £44,381 to £604,595, and expenditure decreased by £15,729 to £589,280. As a result, surplus for the year was £15,315 (2020: £43,966) and the charity's net assets increased by £15,315 to £504,242. The charity's net current assets, which are a measure of liquidity, increased by £13,920 to £224,940. Net current assets included cash of £238,371, of which £102,469 was unrestricted.

The trustees have implemented enhanced monitoring of income and reserves due to the effect of the covid pandemic. To date, the crisis has not had a significant negative effect on the financial health of the charity.

Fundraising

About 80% of the charity's income comes through giving by its members and related gift aid. No fundraising activities beyond the encouragement for members to give generously is undertaken.

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Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £100,000 (which equates to about 3 months of usual unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £102,469 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

Investments

The charity currently has no investments.

Pension liabilities

The charity's financial position is not liable to be impacted by pension liabilities.

Funds in deficit

None of the charity's funds are in a state of material deficit.

Staff Pay and Remuneration

Staff pay and remuneration is reviewed and set by a remuneration committee comprising the non-executive directors.

Key risks and uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial, or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

The most significant identified risk at the date of reporting is the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 crisis.

The trustees have taken the following actions to mitigate this risk:

1. Increased monthly reporting of income and expenditure.
2. Monthly analysis of giving from church members to facilitate early recognition of reductions.
3. Re-budgeting to minimise discretionary expenditure.
4. Use of the government furlough scheme to protect jobs.

In addition to the financial risk, the pandemic poses a significant risk to the ongoing work of the church as the requirements of lockdown and social distancing have restricted the ability to carry out its activities in their normal format. In response to this, the church has rapidly transitioned to online meetings backed up by a comprehensive small group pastoral structure to ensure that all church members are cared for and the connection is maintained.

Special online provision has been made for teenagers and children.

The church's work serving the local community has been maintained as many church members have been engaged in delivering food and other essentials to the elderly and to other vulnerable families. English classes for refugees and asylum seekers have continued to be delivered through zoom.

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Related Organisations

Churchcentral works within the Catalyst Network of Churches and makes regular monthly financial contributions to their work. Churchcentral also has a close working relationship with a local charity, Karis Neighbour Scheme, supporting its work with vulnerable families and the elderly in Birmingham.

Plans for the future and events that will affect next year's results

By the year-end a new independent charity was established to continue the charity's international work. The name of this new charity is Noor International Trust (charity registration number 1187144) ('Noor'). At the year end most of the money held by the charity to support this work was paid over as a grant to Noor. The income received, and the expenditure incurred, in respect of this ministry is shown separately in the Statement of Financial Activities under the column heading 'Discontinued'. The charity does not expect to receive any significant income, or incur any significant expenditure, in respect of this ministry in the new financial year.

The church is currently considering the possibility of running a food pantry for the benefit of local residents. Food pantries provide a long term and sustainable solution to the problem of food poverty. They take usable but unsaleable food supplies, as well as fresh fruit and vegetable and supply them to local communities. They also help to tackle social isolation by providing a community hub.

Responsibilities of trustees under company law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

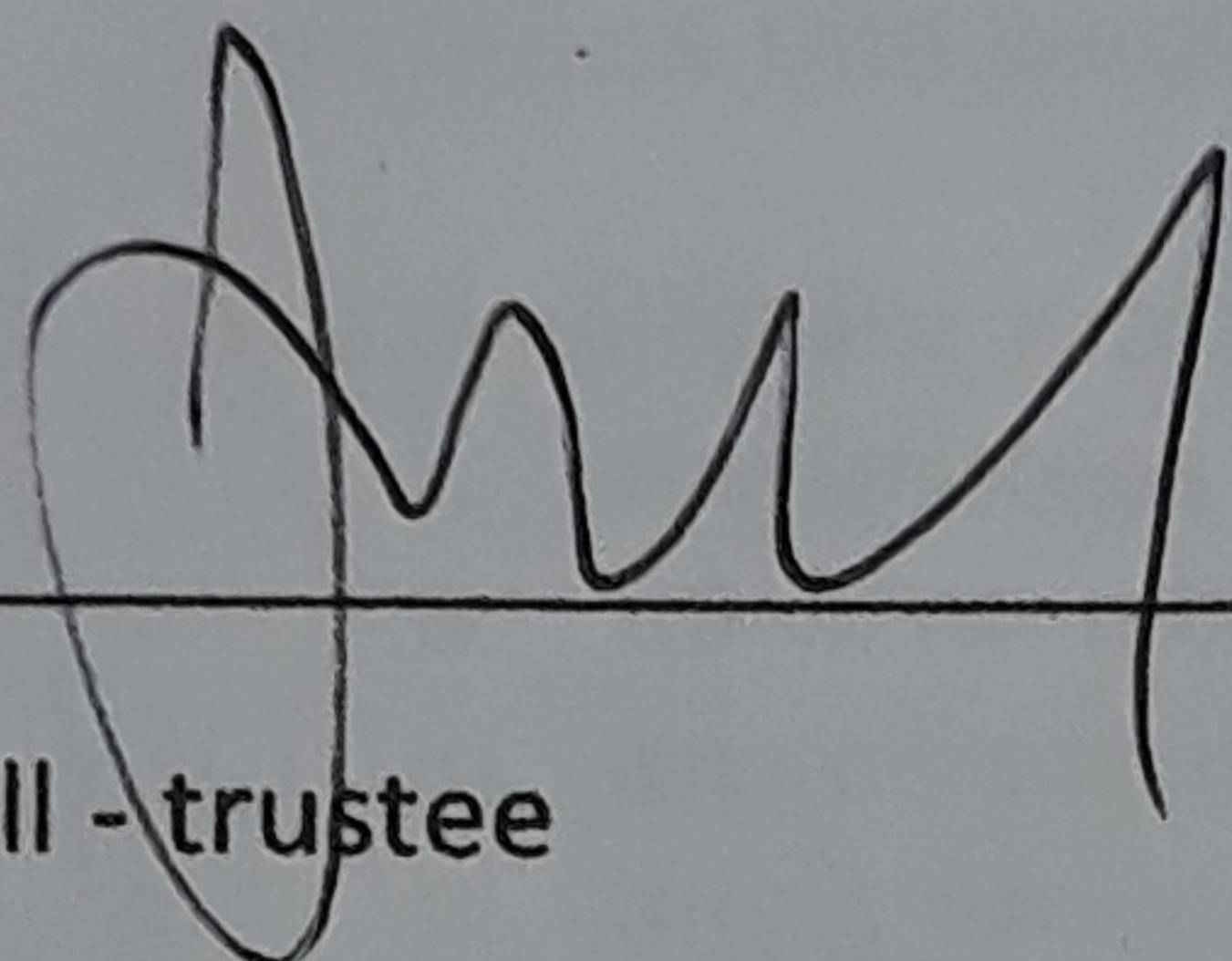
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J Bell', written over a horizontal line.

J Bell - trustee

Date: 15/12 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHURCHCENTRAL TRUST ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021 on pages 9 to 21 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 12 and 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Ajay Rajani
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17 December 2021

CHURCHCENTRAL TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

		Unrestricted	<u>Restricted funds</u>		Total	Total
		Funds	Continuing	Discontinued	Funds	Funds
		2021	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:						
Donations and legacies	3	366,350	166,608	70,855	603,813	631,951
Charitable activities	4	782	-	-	782	17,025
Total income and endowments		<u>367,132</u>	<u>166,608</u>	<u>70,855</u>	<u>604,595</u>	<u>648,976</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable activities:	5	337,621	153,980	97,678	589,280	605,009
Total expenditure		<u>337,621</u>	<u>153,980</u>	<u>97,678</u>	<u>589,280</u>	<u>605,009</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		29,511	12,628	(26,823)	15,315	43,966
Transfers between funds	14	1,761	1,239	(3,000)	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>31,272</u>	<u>13,867</u>	<u>(29,823)</u>	<u>15,315</u>	<u>43,966</u>
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		337,846	120,493	30,588	488,927	444,961
Total funds carried forward	14	<u>369,118</u>	<u>134,360</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>504,242</u>	<u>488,927</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

At the year end the charity transferred most of its international work to a new independent charity. The name of this new charity is Noor International Trust (charity registration number 1187144). The income received, and the expenditure incurred, by this ministry is shown as a discontinued activity in the above Statement of Financial Activities. All of the charity's other income and expenditure in both the current year and the preceding year is from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 12 to 21 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	<u>429,107</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>429,107</u>	<u>435,279</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	7,062	618	7,679	9,983
Cash at bank and in hand	9	<u>102,469</u>	<u>135,902</u>	<u>238,371</u>	<u>221,823</u>
		109,530	136,520	246,050	231,806
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(19,714)	(1,396)	(21,110)	(20,786)
Net current assets / (liabilities)		<u>89,816</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>224,940</u>	<u>211,020</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>518,923</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>654,047</u>	<u>646,298</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(149,805)	-	(149,805)	(157,371)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>369,118</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>504,242</u>	<u>488,927</u>
FUND BALANCES	14				
Unrestricted Funds		369,118	-	369,118	337,846
Restricted Funds		<u>-</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>151,081</u>
		<u>369,118</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>504,242</u>	<u>488,927</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

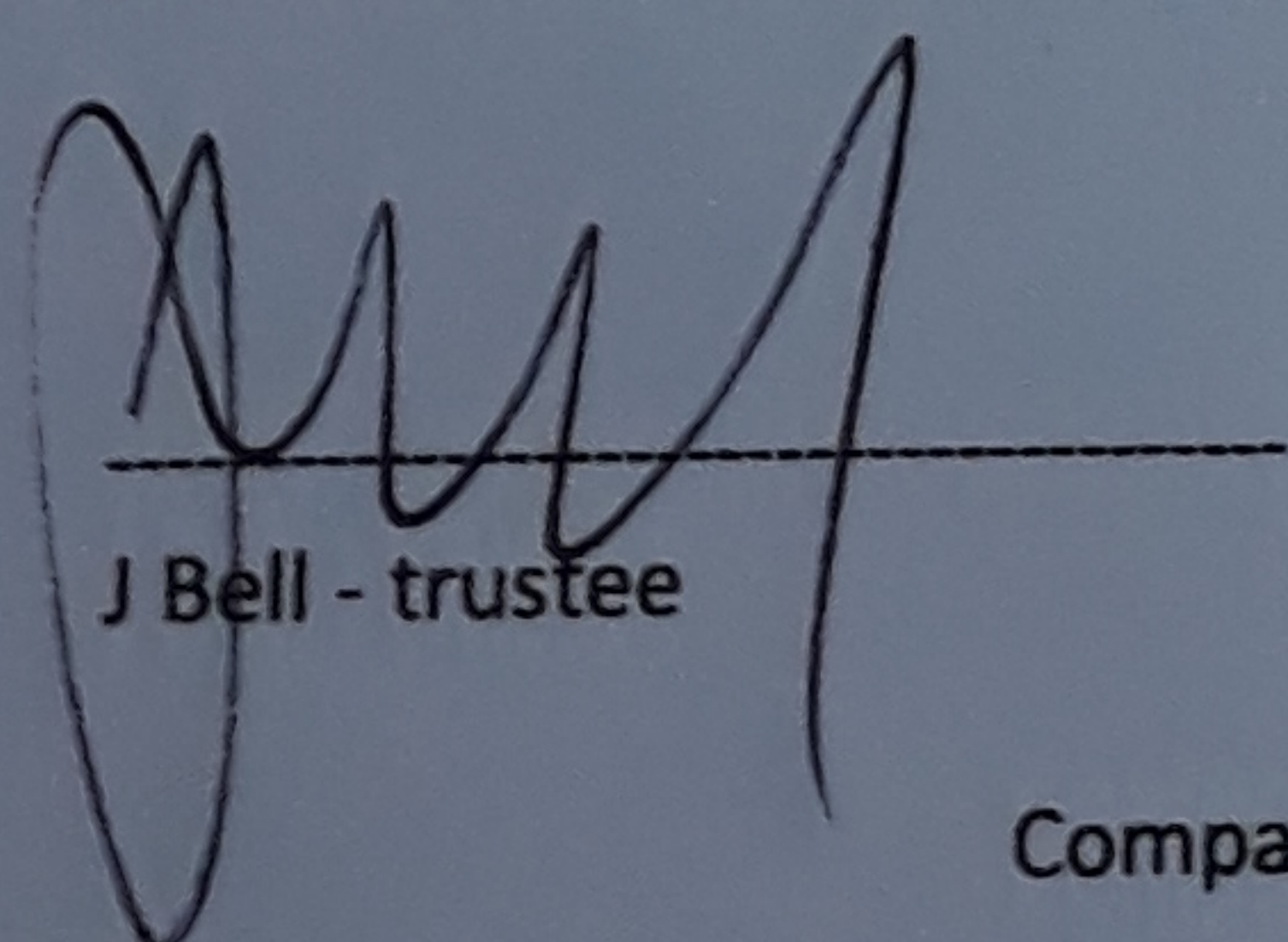
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

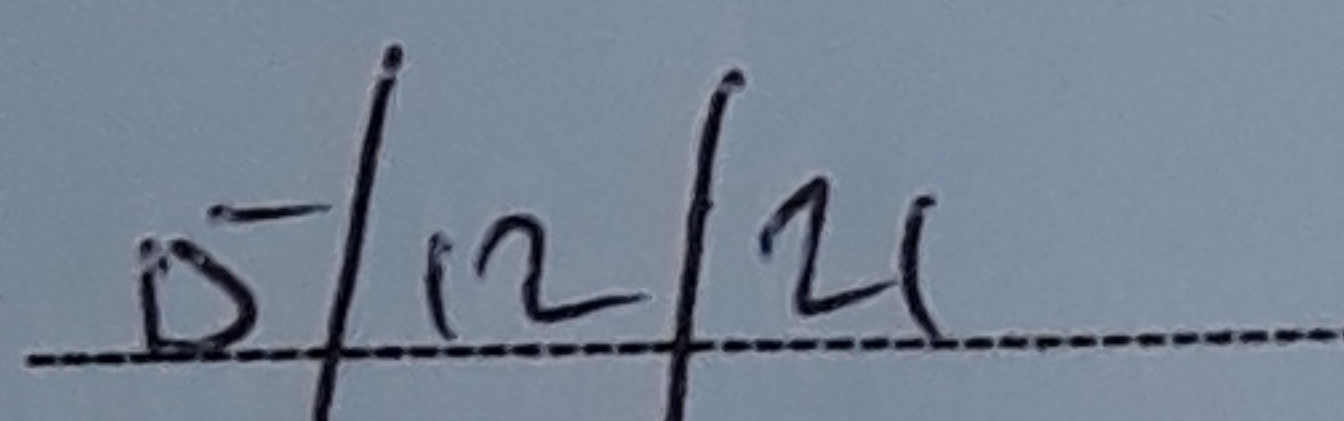
The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:


J Bell - trustee


Date

Company number: 05834930

Charity number: 1118562

The notes on pages 12 to 21 form part of these accounts.

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	A	<u>23,797</u>	<u>43,921</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayments of borrowing		(7,249)	(6,251)
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		<u>(7,249)</u>	<u>(6,251)</u>
Change in cash and equivalents in the reporting period		<u>16,548</u>	<u>37,670</u>
Cash and equivalents at the beginning of the year	B	<u>221,823</u>	<u>184,153</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	B	<u>238,371</u>	<u>221,823</u>

Analysis of changes in net debt:

	At start of year £	Cash-flows £	At end of year £
Cash	221,823	16,548	238,371
Bank loans:			
Falling due within one year	(7,429)	(317)	(7,746)
Falling due after one year	(157,371)	7,566	(149,805)
Total net funds / (debt)	<u>57,023</u>	<u>23,797</u>	<u>80,820</u>

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Note A: Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	15,315	43,966
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges and provisions for impairment	6,172	7,708
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	2,303	203
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	7	(7,956)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>23,797</u>	<u>43,921</u>

Note B: Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank with immediate access	238,371	221,823
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>238,371</u>	<u>221,823</u>

CHURCHCENTRAL TRUST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1 Statutory Information

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2 Accounting Policies

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements. In making this assessment, the trustees have considered how Covid-19 might affect projections.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

When donated goods are distributed an expense in respect of those items is included in the Statement of Financial Activities. At the year end any goods that have not been distributed are recognised as stock.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from church retreats and other events and courses.

The charity has taken the view that it has only one charitable activity, namely the advancement of the Christian faith, and all income from donations, legacies and charitable activities is in respect of this one activity.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

The Charities SORP requires charities with income over £500,000 to allocate costs to the various activities undertaken by the charity. The nature of the work of the charity is considered to be so integrated that the core charitable activity costs are considered to be for the one activity.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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2 Accounting Policies continued

d) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Leasehold property	Over the shorter of the remaining term of the lease and useful life
Equipment	Over 3 to 7 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

f) Stocks:

Stocks of donated items held for distribution to beneficiaries are measured at fair value.

g) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

h) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

i) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Donations of cash and similar	294,451	133,691	428,142	466,271
Donated goods	-	-	-	1,250
Government grants: Job Retention Scheme	15,216	-	15,216	-
Other grants receivable	-	93,610	93,610	92,373
Income tax recoverable	56,683	10,162	66,845	72,058
	<u>366,350</u>	<u>237,463</u>	<u>603,813</u>	<u>631,951</u>

Donated goods are hampers received for distribution to users of the Christians Against Poverty service.

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Church retreats and events	<u>782</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>782</u>	<u>17,025</u>

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5 Charitable expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
a Costs incurred directly on specific activities				
Church staff costs	244,078	69,637	313,715	299,736
Church staff expenses	4,314	-	4,314	11,161
Manse rental	12,000	-	12,000	12,000
Community outreach	681	-	681	3,076
Church retreat	-	-	-	20,350
Student work and weekend away	231	-	231	4,616
Events and training	3,681	-	3,681	12,715
Church meeting costs	7,595	-	7,595	54,676
Other costs	1,752	-	1,752	1,745
Building expenditure	7,551	31,509	39,060	8,992
CAP costs	-	1,146	1,146	8,147
International ministry support	-	3,554	3,554	8,092
Creative ministry expenses (Sputnik initiative)	-	12,111	12,111	15,556
Prison Bags expenses	-	340	340	-
Is Faith Reasonable event expenses	-	-	-	5,946
Distributions of donated goods (namely hampers - see note 3)	-	-	-	1,250
Grants payable (note 5c)	24,600	127,363	151,963	101,074
	<u>306,482</u>	<u>245,660</u>	<u>552,142</u>	<u>569,132</u>
b Costs incurred on support & administration				
Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fee for examining the accounts	3,120	-	3,120	3,066
Legal and professional fees	4,712	-	4,712	-
	<u>7,832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,832</u>	<u>3,066</u>
Mortgage interest	-	5,999	5,999	6,181
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	6,172	-	6,172	7,708
Office costs	17,135	-	17,135	18,922
	<u>31,139</u>	<u>5,999</u>	<u>37,138</u>	<u>35,877</u>
Total expenditure	<u>337,621</u>	<u>251,659</u>	<u>589,280</u>	<u>605,009</u>

c Grants payable

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2021 £
Grants for UK and overseas mission	60,357	85,805	146,162
Grants to help relieve hardship	1,100	4,701	5,801
	<u>61,457</u>	<u>90,506</u>	<u>151,963</u>

The comparatives for the previous year are as follows:

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2020 £
Grants for UK and overseas mission	45,323	55,750	101,074

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5c Grants payable continued

The charity's principal grants to institutions comprised:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Karis Neighbour Scheme	2,400	2,400
Catalyst Oxford Hub	19,500	26,064
The Bridge	2,400	2,400
Run4Refugees	-	5,554
Urban Devotion	1,000	-
CAP grants	-	2,466
Churches in Turkey	2,020	6,240
Noor International Trust : for international ministry generally	14,969	-
Noor International Trust : to help support churches in Turkey	18,068	-
Other small grants	1,100	200
	<u>61,457</u>	<u>45,323</u>

During the year a new independent charity called Noor International Trust (charity registration number 1187144) was established to continue some of the charity's international work and at the year-end grants totalling £33,037 were paid across to this new charity.

6 Analysis of staff costs, the cost of key management personnel and trustee remuneration

	2021	2020
	£	£
Gross wages and salaries	274,887	261,503
Social security	25,158	23,516
Pension costs	13,670	14,717
	<u>313,715</u>	<u>299,736</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 8.5 (2020: 8). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the key staff named on the Company Information page. Total employment benefits payable to key management for the year were as follows:

	Wages & salaries	Employer pension contributions	2021 £
Trustees:			
Jonathan Bell	39,275	2,545	41,820
Timothy Brown	44,801	2,240	47,041
			<u>88,861</u>

The following amounts were charged in the previous year:

	Wages & salaries	Employer pension contributions	2020 £
Trustees:			
Jonathan Bell	38,452	2,523	40,975
Timothy Brown	44,434	2,222	46,655
			<u>87,631</u>

J Bell was employed as a church leader and T Brown was employed as operations manager. They received the above payments for serving in those capacities, not for serving as trustees; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

In addition the charity leased a property from J Bell for £12,000 (2020: £12,000), which it then provided to him so that he could better perform his duties (as is customary for church leaders).

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7 Tangible fixed assets

	Long Leasehold Property £	Fixtures & Fittings £	PA and music equipment £	Office Equipment & Trailer £	Total 2021 £
Cost					
At 1 April 2020	456,758	2,350	33,257	9,506	501,871
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>456,758</u>	<u>2,350</u>	<u>33,257</u>	<u>9,506</u>	<u>501,871</u>
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 April 2020	21,479	2,350	33,257	9,506	66,592
Charge for the year	6,172	-	-	-	6,172
At 31 March 2021	<u>27,651</u>	<u>2,350</u>	<u>33,257</u>	<u>9,506</u>	<u>72,764</u>
Net book value					
At 31 March 2021	<u>429,107</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>429,107</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>435,279</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>435,279</u>

The long leasehold property is a lease for Central House, which expires in October 2090.

8 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Tax recoverable	6,460	7,104
Other debtors	1,219	2,879
	<u>7,679</u>	<u>9,983</u>

9 Cash at bank and in hand

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank and in payment processing accounts (such as iKnow)	238,371	221,823
	<u>238,371</u>	<u>221,823</u>

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Taxation and social security	7,084	6,798
Accruals	3,120	3,520
Other creditors	3,160	3,039
Mortgage liability	7,746	7,429
	<u>21,110</u>	<u>20,786</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Mortgage liability	149,805	157,371
	<u>149,805</u>	<u>157,371</u>

The mortgage liability is secured on the building shown in note 7.

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12 Loans and finance leases

The mortgage liabilities referred to in notes 10 and 11 fall due for repayment as follows:

	By	<u>Mortgage</u>	
	instalments	2021	2020
		£	£
Repayable:			
Within one year	7,746	7,746	7,429
Between one and five years	33,832	33,832	32,445
After five years	115,973	115,973	124,927
	<u>157,551</u>	<u>157,551</u>	<u>164,800</u>

The mortgage referred to in the above notes is secured on charity's long leasehold property. Interest is payable at a fixed rate, which at the balance sheet date was 3.49%. The loan is being repaid in monthly instalments and must be repaid in full by 2036.

13 Pension commitments

During the year employer's pension contributions totalling £13,670 (2020: £14,717) were payable to defined contribution personal pension schemes. No pension contributions were owing at the balance sheet date (2020: £nil).

14 Funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2021 £	Incoming resources 2021 £	Outgoing resources 2021 £	Transfers in the year 2021 £	Closing balance 2021 £
<i>Restricted Funds</i>					
Missionary Support Fund	57,942	55,071	(50,126)	6,600	69,487
International Church Plants	16,055	3,290	(20,088)	-	(743)
Other Funds	2,717	3,120	(340)	-	5,496
Building Fund	41,265	26,550	(37,510)	(7,249)	23,057
New Frontiers Regional Support	250	1,000	(1,000)	-	250
Hardship Fund	9,997	250	(2,650)	-	7,597
International Ministry Fund	14,533	67,565	(77,590)	(3,000)	1,508
Run4Refugees Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Coronavirus Fund	1,650	5,478	(3,051)	3,206	7,283
Is Faith Reasonable Fund	754	-	-	-	754
Sputnik Fund	1,976	12,661	(12,111)	1,000	3,527
CAP Project Fund	-	-	(656)	656	-
CAP Life Skills Fund	258	-	(490)	232	-
Beirut Friendship Fund	-	38,628	(35,000)	-	3,628
Weekend Away Fund	3,684	-	(478)	(3,206)	-
Cross Cultural Fund	-	12,486	(10,569)	-	1,917
2020 Birmingham Fund	-	11,364	-	-	11,364
	<u>151,081</u>	<u>237,463</u>	<u>(251,659)</u>	<u>(1,761)</u>	<u>135,124</u>
Unrestricted funds	337,846	367,132	(337,621)	1,761	369,118
Aggregate of funds	<u>488,927</u>	<u>604,595</u>	<u>(589,280)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>504,242</u>

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14 Funds continued

The transfers referred to above were made for the following reasons:

- a) £7,249 was transferred from the restricted Building Fund to unrestricted funds in respect of mortgage repayments made during the year for a loan that was taken out to help purchase the charity's property.
- b) £3,600 was transferred from the unrestricted funds to the Missionary support fund after it was decided that the charity would use some of its unrestricted funds to supplement the support given to a person working in Beirut. £3,000 was transferred from the Restricted Fund International Ministry after it was decided a specific grant would be used to support a person working in Beirut.
- c) £3,206 was transferred from the restricted Weekend Away fund to the Coronavirus fund when the retreat was cancelled and donors asked for their donations to be moved to the Coronavirus fund.
- d) £1,000 was transferred from unrestricted funds to the Sputnik fund after it was decided that the charity would use some of its unrestricted funds to help support this initiative.
- e) £888 was transferred from unrestricted funds to the CAP Project and CAP Life Skills funds so that this restricted fund was not in deficit at the year end.

Analysis of net assets by fund

At the end of the year the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted	
	General	Designated	funds	2021
	funds	funds		
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	429,107	-	-	429,107
Debtors	7,062	-	618	7,679
Cash at bank and in hand	102,469	-	135,902	238,371
Creditors falling due within one year	(19,714)	-	(1,396)	(21,110)
Creditors falling due after one year	(149,805)	-	-	(149,805)
	<u>369,118</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,124</u>	<u>504,242</u>

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Closing
	balance	resources	resources	in the year	balance
	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Restricted Funds</i>					
Missionary support fund	39,169	60,537	(49,564)	7,800	57,942
International church plants	7,828	16,418	(6,240)	(1,950)	16,055
Other funds	4,165	2,621	(4,521)	452	2,717
Building fund	8,426	32,839	-	-	41,265
New Frontiers regional support	200	5,750	(8,064)	2,364	250
Hardship fund	11,151	625	(1,779)	-	9,997
International ministry	250	77,890	(65,557)	1,950	14,533
Run4Refugees	4,311	1,263	(5,574)	-	-
Coronavirus	-	1,650	-	-	1,650
Is Faith Reasonable	-	67	-	687	754
Sputnik	-	16,457	(15,556)	1,075	1,976
CAP Project	-	11,933	(22,495)	10,562	-
CAP Life Skills	-	-	(448)	706	258
Weekend Away	-	24,034	(20,350)	-	3,684
	<u>75,500</u>	<u>252,082</u>	<u>(200,148)</u>	<u>23,646</u>	<u>151,081</u>
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	369,461	396,894	(404,862)	(23,646)	337,846
<i>Aggregate of funds</i>	<u>444,961</u>	<u>648,976</u>	<u>(605,009)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>488,927</u>

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Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			2020
	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	435,279	-	-	435,279
Debtors	8,389	-	1,594	9,983
Cash at bank and in hand	69,296	-	152,527	221,823
Creditors falling due within one year	(17,746)	-	(3,039)	(20,786)
Creditors falling due after one year	(157,371)	-	-	(157,371)
	<u>337,846</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>151,081</u>	<u>488,927</u>

The charity's restricted funds comprise:

Missionary Support Fund	Created from donations received to help support the activities of individuals engaged in advancing the Christian faith.
International Church Plants	Created from donations received to support the work of two churches operating in Turkey.
Other Funds	Created from donations received for a variety of other small projects.
Building Fund	Created from donations received to help finance the future purchase of, or expenditure on, property and related capital expenditure.
New Frontiers Regional support	Created from donations received for pastoral and training support within the Newfrontiers Catalyst network of Churches.
Hardship Fund	Created from donations received to provide short- to mid-term practical assistance to those in financial hardship within the Church.
International Ministry Fund	Created from donations and grants received to support international ministry, including pastoral work.
Run4Refugees Fund	Created from monies received from an event organised to raise money for refugees in both Birmingham and Turkey. Half of the money received was given to a Birmingham charity working with refugees called Restore, and the other half to a Catalyst Church in Yalova, Turkey who work with refugees.
Coronavirus Fund	Created from donations received to help support those impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic.
Is Faith Reasonable Fund	Created from monies received to help pay for larger evangelical events in Birmingham; this initiative is supported by a number of churches across the city.
Sputnik Fund	Created from donations and grants received to support the work of Sputnik, which aims to support and promote Christian artists across the UK.
CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Project	Created from donations received to help support the work of a CAP Debt Counselling Centre.
CAP Life Skills Fund	Created from donations received to help run the CAP life skills course; the course is designed to help those on low incomes.
Beirut Friendship Fund	Created from donations received to help the mission teams in Beirut support those in Beirut affected by recent crises in the area, for example through the provision of food parcels.
Weekend Away	Created from monies received for church retreats.
Cross Cultural Fund	Created from donations received to help employ a cross cultural worker.
2020 Birmingham Fund	Created from donations received to help promote church planting in Birmingham as part of a city wide initiative called 2020 Birmingham.

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15 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- a) received donations totalling £41,930 (2020: £41,250) from related parties (which includes trustees, key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- b) except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity and incurred when undertaking employment duties, no expenses were paid to, or for, the trustees.

Except as disclosed in note 6 'Analysis of staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

16 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £10.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES
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	Note	Unrestricted Funds				Unrestricted Funds			
		General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		2021	2021	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020	2020
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:									
Donations and legacies	3	366,350	-	237,463	603,813	385,022	-	246,929	631,951
Charitable activities	4	782	-	-	782	11,872	-	5,153	17,025
Total income and endowments		367,132	-	237,463	604,595	396,894	-	252,082	648,976
EXPENDITURE ON:									
Charitable activities:	5	337,621	-	251,659	589,280	404,862	-	200,148	605,009
Total Expenditure		337,621	-	251,659	589,280	404,862	-	200,148	605,009
Net income/(expenditure)		29,511	-	(14,196)	15,315	(7,968)	-	51,934	43,966
Transfers between funds	14	1,761	-	(1,761)	-	(23,646)	-	23,646	-
Net movement in funds		31,272	-	(15,957)	15,315	(31,615)	-	75,581	43,966
Reconciliation of funds:									
Total funds brought forward		337,846	-	151,081	488,927	369,461	-	75,500	444,961
Total funds carried forward	14	369,118	-	135,124	504,242	337,846	-	151,081	488,927