FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1120795

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	2007-09-06
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	4 Smith Barry Road Upper Rissington Cheltenham GL54 2QT
Phone	01451822910
Email	wpreston@faithalive.uk.com
Website	www.faithalive.uk.com

Activities

Objects: A. THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH; ANDB. THE RELIEF OF SICKNESS AND THE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH.C. THE RELIEF OF POVERTY

Activities: Sunday servicesFriday teachings/servicesBible studiesChildrens Church

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, EUROPE
- Malta
- Scotland
- United States
- Buckinghamshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£106,381	£89,314	-	-
2023-12-31	£156,020	£88,732	-	-
2022-12-31	£87,217	£77,173	-	-
2021-12-31	£76,208	£86,672	-	-
2020-12-31	£84,921	£85,090	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Lee St John Reynolds		2025-02-12
GEORGE ABRAHAM		2023-06-15
Joanne Martin		2016-01-01
Michael Potter		2024-10-11

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

as at

31st DECEMBER 2024

WILKINS & CO Ltd
Accountants
Bicester, Oxon.

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Treasurer:	Mr. George Abraham
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Principal Office:	4 Smith Barry Road, Upper Rissington, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. GL54 2QT
Bankers:	Metro Bank Plc., One Southampton Row, London. WC1B 5HA
Independent Examiners:	Wilkins & Co Ltd 25a Market Square, Bicester, Oxon. OX26 6AD

The Trustees present their annual report together with the charity's financial statements for the year ended 31 December
2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March
2019.

1. Reference and administration information

The charity was established by a trust deed on 6th September 2007 and is registered with the Charities Commission (No. 1120795).

The charity's Registered Office is: 4 Smith Barry Road, Upper Rissington
Cheltenham,
GL54 2QT

The trustees during the year were as follows:

Rev Wendy Preston (Chairman)

Joanne Martin

Sarah Etches

Philip Ridgway

George Abraham (Treasurer)

Michael Potter (from 11th October 2024 onwards)

The charity's professional advisers during 2024 were as follows:

Accountants: Wilkins & Co Ltd, 25A Market Square, Bicester OX26 6AD

Bankers: Metro Bank plc, Unit 1, Shopping Centre, 2 St. Anns Rd, Harrow HA1 1AS

2. Structure and management

The trustees meet, usually by Zoom Meetings. throughout the year to oversee and administer the running and direction of the Trust in accordance with its objects and the benefit and public requirements of the Charities Act
2011.

All of the trustees give their time freely and none of them receive any remuneration in their role as Trustees. Rev Wendy Preston, Andrew Reynolds and George Abraham were employed by the Church in their capacities as Pastor, Assistant Pastor and Treasurer/Admin during 2024. In the event that any decision could involve a conflict of interest, it is the policy of the Trust to require the affected trustee to withdraw from any part of such discussion.

3. **Objectives and activities**

The objects of the Trust are to

a) The advancement of the Christian Faith.
b) The relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of physical and mental health.

The main activities in relation to the above objects are:

i) Holding regular weekly Sunday services.
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iv) Promoting a weekly children's church meeting.
v) Providing pastoral care where necessary.
vi) Seeking to increase excellence in every area of church life.

4. **Achievements and performance**

The Trust continued to support Faith Alive Church with both its running and outreach costs, via the Faith Alive Church Ltd Metro Bank Acct.

During 2024 Faith Alive Church carried out the following key activities: -

(a) During the year Sunday meetings were held at The Anthony Hall, Aston Clinton, Bucks (10am till approx. 12:45pm). These meeting have a varied attendance of between 22 to 30 adults and a few young children. After the meetings there is time for attendees to have some refreshments and have fellowship for around 1hr.
    a. In 2024 Faith Alive Church gave some financial help, as a gift, to members who needed this assistance.
(b) On most Thursday evenings there have been a smaller group meeting (7 to 10 adults) held at Moreton-on-the Marsh (the Swan Inn). These meetings eventually changed location to a meeting room in Upper Rissington.
(c) January 2024 - Baptism service held at Aston Clinton Baptist Church at which a few adults and a teenager were Baptised.
(d) March 2024 - A visit from Paul & Karen Brady at the Faith Alive Church meeting held on a Thursday in Moreton-on-the Marsh (Glos).
(e) June 2024 – Michael Potter visited the church to minister on 'The Last Days'. There were two meetings held with supporting notes handed out for those interested in looking into this area further.
(f) Ad-hoc Zoom Prayer Calls on Sunday evenings – Both ReJeanna Jolliff and Cathy Creek each ministered for one evening.
(g) November 2024 – Paul & Karen Brady were the main speakers at a Sat Conference (Pendley Manor) and then at the Sun Faith Alive Church meeting.
    a. About 50 adults attended the Saturday Conference event.

b. An offering was taken for the Brady's and the amount together with a smaller donation from Faith Alive Church Trust came to £1000 which was then sent to the P & K Brady's UK bank account.

The Trustees are satisfied that any gifts given towards or in support of the above activities/meetings satisfy the applicable requirements of the Charities Act 2011 regarding benefit and public benefit.

5. Plans for future periods

Some objectives for 2025 are as follows:

Plans are in development for Rev Wendy Preston to step down as the Lead Pastor of Faith Alive Church with Andrew Reynolds taking her place as Pastor of the Church.

There are necessary adjustments that will be taking place during the year as roles change, and resultant re-structuring takes place. These decisions are requiring careful thought, with appropriate consultation, to ensure that the structure and governance going forward is both robust, compliant and is a best fit for Faith Alive Church and the ministries that may operate as part of it or alongside.

The services of Stewardship will be engaged, and these will initially involve Consulting them about various organisational changes and how these are best managed going forward, documenting basic governance etc... During 2025 further Stewardship's services may be taken up by Faith Alive Church to better position us for the future.

At this time there are no definite plans to change meeting location for Sunday meetings, but this will be reviewed during 2025 to ensure that we have the best solutions for future growth of both the Church and wider ministries.

6. Financial review

The trustees consider the result for 2024 to be good in light of our size and the expenses we had during the year.

On behalf of the board of trustees

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Rev Wendy Preston
Chairman/Trustee

Date: 13/10/2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
(Charity No 1120795)

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of Faith Alive Church (the Church) for the year ended 31st December 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

We report in respect of our examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2) The accounts do not accord with those records; or

3) The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

We 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.

Wilkins and Co

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25A Market Square,
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted Funds	2023 Unrestricted Funds
Income			
Charitable Activities	2 (a)	89,658	156,020
Investment Income	2 (b)	16,723	-
		106,381	156,020
Expenditure			
Charitable Activities	3 (a)	87,245	84,014
Other – Governance Costs	3 (b)	2,069	4,714
Total Expenditure		89,314	88,732
Net Surplus for the year		17,067	67,287
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)		-	-
Net Movement of Funds		17,067	67,287
Total Funds brought forward 1st January 2024		82,668	15,381
Total Funds carried forward 31st December 2024		£ 99,735	£ 82,668

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2024.

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted Funds	2023 Unrestricted Funds
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	892	1,342
Current Assets			
Debtors	5	-	-
Cash at Bank		101,651	85,197
		101,651	85,197
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due Within one year.	6	3,267	3,871
Net Current Assets		98,384	81,326
Total Net Assets		£ 99,276	£ 82,668
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds		99,276	82,668
Total Charity Funds		£ 99,276	£ 82,668

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees .FAITH ALIVE CHURCH........and signed on its behalf by:

30th OCTOBER 2025

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G. ABRAHAM - TRUSTEE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2024.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Faith Alive Church is a registered Charity, incorporated in England and Wales and governed by Trust Deed. The principal office address is Cotswold Business Centre, 2 A. P. Ellis Road, Upper Rissington, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL54 2QB.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2015) – (Charities SORPFRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and applicable regulations. The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the function currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these accounts are rounded to the nearest £.

The Charity constitutes a public entity as defined by FRS102.

The Charity has a reasonable expectation that there are adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. It has therefore continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a) Fund Accounting
The Charity's general fund consists of funds, which the Charity may use for its purpose, at its discretion, under the terms of the objects clause of the Trust Deed. There are no restricted funds.

b) Income Recognition
All income is recognised when there is entitlement, sufficient certainty that receipt of income is probable and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Investment income is recorded upon notification by the Charity's Bankers.

c) Expenditure Recognition
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

d) Governance Costs
This comprises all costs incurred in the management and administration of the Charity during the year under review.

e) Charitable Activities
Gifts, tithes and donations payable are accounted for when the Charity is committed to paying them, with further details given in Notes 3(a) and 6 to Financial Statements.

f) Tangible Assets
Tangible Assets for charity use are capitalised at cost, where acquired, or at market value as determined by the Board of Trustees, where donated. Depreciation is calculated on the reducing balance basis to write off the cost or valuation of Tangible Fixed Assets over their expected useful lives. The following rates are used:

Office Equipment 25%

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2024

g) Other Recognised Gains and Losses
Any gains or losses that might arise are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities if, and as they arise.

h) Debtors
Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount.

i) Cash at bank
Cash at bank includes cash held at bank current and deposit account.

j) Creditors and provisions
Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are stated at their settlement amount.

k) Commitments
Legally binding and non-legally binding commitments are shown in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Where financial support is promised, but not contracted, the amount is shown in the Financial Statements when paid.

l) Reserves
The Trustee will not commit funds for any donations, unless monies are in place or the receipt of same is definite.

2. INCOME

a) Charitable Activities

		2024		2023
Offerings		89,658		126,240
Gift Aid Refund		16,723		29,780
	£	106,381	£	156,020

b) Investment Income

Interest	£	-	£	-

3. EXPENDITIURE
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a) Charitable Activities

		2024		2023
Rent		-		-
Pastor & Ministerial Salaries		42,199		39,479
Ministerial Pension Contributions		394		389
Guest Speakers & Visiting Ministers		-		600
Travelling & Accommodation		352		2,400
Gifts & Tithes - General		-		-
- Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd		-		-
- Faith Alive Church Ltd		38,900		38,750
Church Members' Refreshments		-		-
Church Family		-		-
Social Activities		-		-
Music, Books etc		-		-
Training, Courses & Conferences		-		-
Church Decoration & Flowers		-		-
Pastoral Expenses		5,400		2,400
	£	87,245	£	84,018

b) Other – Governance Costs

		2024		2023
Repairs		-		-
Insurance & Licences		-		-
Office and IT Expenses		201		1,958
Independent Examiner's Fee		1,383		2,140
Depreciation		335		447
Manse Costs		-		-
Subscriptions		150		169
	£	2,069	£	4,714

Pastor and Ministerial salaries include a salary paid to Rev. W. J. Preston of £23,322 (2022 £22,102). Rev. W. J. Preston is also a Trustee of the Charity. In addition, a ministerial salary was paid to a non-Trustee of £12,957 (2022 £12,280) and to G. Abrahm, a Trustee, of £3,200.

5. DEBTORS

		2024		2023
Other – prepayments	£	-	£	-

6. LIABILITIES

Amounts falling due within one year

		2024		2023
Trade creditors		-		-
Other tax & Social Security		767		455
Accruals		2,500		3,416
	£	3,267	£	3,871

7. ACCRUED COMMITMENTS- GIFTS, TITHES & DONATIONS

In accordance with policy Note 1(e) contracted gifts, tithes & donations are acknowledged for at their inception. If there are any known gifts, tithes & donations not committed to be paid in the future, they are shown in the Accounts as and when paid.

8. RELATED PARTIES

The Rev. Mrs. W. J. Preston is a Trustees of Faith Alive Church and a Director of Limited Companies known as Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd and Faith Alive Church Ltd. By virtue of this the parties are related. The Charity provides working capital to the Companies by way of tithes to enable them to carry out their objectives.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2024.

9. TANGIBLE ASSETS

		Office Equipment
Cost		
At 1st January 2023		15,695
Additions		-
	£	15,695
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2024		14,353
Provided in the year		450
	£	14,803
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2024	£	892
At 31st December 2023	£	1,342

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FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
CHARITY NO: 1120795

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

as at

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and applications of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

a. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

c. State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

d. Prepare the financial statement on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue to function.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity, and to enable them to ensure that where applicable, the financial statements comply with the applicable law, regulations and trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Governance & Management

The Charity's trust deed was adopted on the 1st February 2007 and the Church registered as a charity as from 6th September 2007.

The appointment of new Trustees is subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees at an appropriate Meeting. New Trustees are given an appropriate induction programme to the workings of the Charity, and receive training as necessary.

The Board of Trustees meet at various intervals to administer the Charity.

Certain aspects of the day to day running of the Charity are delegated to specific Trustees as detailed in the Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring the Charity has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. These systems should provide reasonable assurance that:

- The charity is operating efficiently and effectively;
- Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use of disposition;
- Proper records are maintained and financial information used within the charity, or for publication, is reliable, and
- The charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss, they include.

- Regular consideration by Trustees of financial results, and
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties as defined above.

Risk Review

The Board of Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity may be exposed, in particular those related to the operation and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to the major risks.

The Board of Trustees take legal and other professional advice wherever necessary and will always continue to do so.

Objectives and Activities

The Objectives of the Charity are as follows:

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a) The advancement of the Christian Faith.
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Achievements and Performance.

Overall, income increased this year by £68,803 with offerings increasing by £39,023 and gift aid recovery increasing by £29,780. There was no investment income (2022 – None).

The Church has continued with its Services, Weekly Bible Studies and Sunday Children's activities with attendances continuing to improve. These services and activities have been carried out from various locations including Aston Clinton, the Cotswolds and Zoom.

The increase in offerings from £87,217 to £116,240 is mainly due to one significant donation of £32,500 coupled with a continued increase in weekly offerings from Church members.

Overheads have increased by £11,559 to £88,732. Overall, the Church has net surplus for the year of £62,287, compared with a net surplus in 2022 of £15,381

Membership has remained consistent in 2024.

Financial review

Reserves Policy

The Charity's financial position has continued to be totally secure, in that at no time have commitments been made before funding is in place and the Board of Trustees intend that this policy will continue for the protection of Trustees.

Investment Policy

The monies and property of the Charity not immediately required for the purpose of the Charity may be held or vested in such persons, whether Members of the Charity or not, as the Committee may from time to time determine as Holding Trustees.

Plans for the Future

It is the intention of the Charity to continue to raise funds via its various services and meetings to further enhance the objects and activities detailed above.

WENDY PRESTON

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REV. MRS. W. PRESTON – PASTOR/CHAIRMAN

.... 04/11/ 2024

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

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6TH NOVEMBER 2024.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2023

	Notes		2023 Unrestricted Funds		2022 Unrestricted Funds
Income					
Charitable Activities	2 (a)		156,020		87,217
Investment Income	2 (b)		-		-
			156,020		87,217
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities	3 (a)	84,014		73,693	
Other – Governance Costs	3 (b)	4,714		3,481	
Total Expenditure			88,732		77,173
Net Surplus for the year			67,287		10,044
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)			-		-
Net Movement of Funds			67,287		10,044
Total Funds brought forward 1st January 2023			15,381		5,337
Total Funds carried forward 31st December 2023			£ 82,668		£ 15,381

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2023.

	Notes		2023 Unrestricted Funds		2022 Unrestriced Funds
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	8		1,342		1,789
Current Assets					
Debtors	4	-		-	
Cash at Bank		85,197		15,379	
		85,197		15,379	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due Within one year.	5	3,871		1,787	
Net Current Assets			81,326		13,592
Total Net Assets		£	82,668	£	15,381

The Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted Funds		82,668		15,381
Total Charity Funds	£	82,668	£	15,381

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees ...15th November 2024.....and signed on its behalf by:

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G. ABRAHAM - TRUSTEE

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Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount.

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Cash at bank includes cash held at bank current and deposit account.

j) Creditors and provisions
Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are stated at their settlement amount.

k) Commitments
Legally binding and non-legally binding commitments are shown in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Where financial support is promised, but not contracted, the amount is shown in the Financial Statements when paid.

l) Reserves
The Trustee will not commit funds for any donations, unless monies are in place or the receipt of same is definite.

2. INCOME

a) Charitable Activities

		2023		2022
Offerings		126,240		87,217
Gift Aid Refund		29,780		-
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	£	156,020	£	87,217
		======		======

b) Investment Income

Interest	£	-	£	-
		======		======

3. EXPENDITIURE
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a) Charitable Activities

			2023		2022
Rent			-		1,200
Pastor & Ministerial Salaries			39,479		34,382
Ministerial Pension Contributions			389		228
Guest Speakers & Visiting Ministers			600		2,479
Travelling & Accommodation			2,400		3,200
Gifts & Tithes	- General		-		2,329
	- Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd		-		-
	- Faith Alive Church Ltd		38,750		28,800
Church Members' Refreshments			-		368
Church Family			-		496
Social Activities			-		-
Music, Books etc			-		127
Training, Courses & Conferences			-		183
Church Decoration & Flowers			-		-
Pastoral Expenses			2,400		-
			---------		---------
		£	84,018	£	73,692
			======		======

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b) Other – Governance Costs

		2023		2022
Repairs		-		678
Insurance & Licences		-		-
Office and IT Expenses		1,958		809
Independent Examiner's Fee		2,140		1,397
Depreciation		447		597
Manse Costs		-		-
Consultancy Fees		169		-
	£	4,714	£	3,481

Pastor and Ministerial salaries include a salary paid to Rev. W. J. Preston of £23,322 (2022 £22,102). Rev. W. J. Preston is also a Trustee of the Charity. In addition, a ministerial salary was paid to a non-Trustee of £12,957 (2022 £12,280) and to G. Abrahm, a Trustee, of £3,200.

5. DEBTORS

		2023		2022
Other – prepayments	£	-	£	-

6. LIABILITIES

Amounts falling due within one year

		2023		2022
Trade creditors		-		-
Other tax & Social Security		455		-
Accruals		3,416		1,787
	£	3,871	£	1,787

7. ACCRUED COMMITMENTS- GIFTS, TITHES & DONATIONS

In accordance with policy Note 1(e) contracted gifts, tithes & donations are acknowledged for at their inception. If there are any known gifts, tithes & donations not committed to be paid in the future, they are shown in the Accounts as and when paid.

8. RELATED PARTIES

The Rev. Mrs. W. J. Preston is a Trustees of Faith Alive Church and a Director of Limited Companies known as Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd and Faith Alive Church Ltd. By virtue of this the parties are related. The Charity provides working capital to the Companies by way of tithes to enable them to carry out their objectives.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2023.

9. TANGIBLE ASSETS

		Office Equipment
Cost		
At 1st January 2023		15,695
Additions		-
	£	15,695
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2023		13,906
Provided in the year		447
	£	14,353
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2023	£	1,342
At 31st December 2022	£	1,789

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1120795

Accounts

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
CHARITY NO: 1120795

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

as at

31st DECEMBER 2022

WILKINS & CO
Accountants
Bicester, Oxon.

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FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees:	The Rev. Mrs. Wendy Preston (Pastor & Chairman) Mrs. Janice Walliker (resigned 15th June 2023) Mr. Philip Ridgeway Mrs. Sarah Etches Mrs. Joanne Martin Mr George Abraham (appointed 15th June 2023)
Treasurer:	Mrs. Janice Walliker (resigned 31st January 2022) Mr. George Abraham (appointed 31st January 2022)
Charity Number:	1120795
Principal Office:	4 Smith Barry Road, Upper Rissington, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. GL54 2QT
Bankers:	Metro Bank Plc., One Southampton Row, London. WC1B 5HA
Independent Examiners:	Wilkins & Co., 25a Market Square, Bicester, Oxon. OX26 6AD

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and applications of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

a. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

c. State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

d. Prepare the financial statement on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue to function.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity, and to enable them to ensure that where applicable, the financial statements comply with the applicable law, regulations and trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Governance & Management

The Charity's trust deed was adopted on the 1st February 2007 and the Church registered as a charity as from 6th September 2007.

The appointment of new Trustees is subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees at an appropriate Meeting. New Trustees are given an appropriate induction programme to the workings of the Charity, and receive training as necessary.

The Board of Trustees meet at various intervals to administer the Charity.

Certain aspects of the day to day running of the Charity are delegated to specific Trustees as detailed in the Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring the Charity has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. These systems should provide reasonable assurance that:

- The charity is operating efficiently and effectively;
- Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use of disposition;
- Proper records are maintained and financial information used within the charity, or for publication, is reliable, and
- The charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss, they include.

- Regular consideration by Trustees of financial results, and
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties as defined above.

Risk Review

The Board of Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity may be exposed, in particular those related to the operation and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to the major risks.

The Board of Trustees take legal and other professional advice wherever necessary and will always continue to do so.

Objectives and Activities

The Objectives of the Charity are as follows:

(I)

a) The advancement of the Christian Faith.
b) The relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of physical and mental health.
c) The relief of poverty.

The main activities in relation to the above objects are:

(II)

a) Holding regular weekly Sunday services.
b) Holding weekly bible study meetings via Zoom and in person.
c) Holding periodical healing services.
d) Promoting a weekly children's church.
e) Providing pastoral care where necessary.
f) Seeking to increase excellence in every area of church life.

Achievements and Performance.

Overall, income increased this year by £11,009 with offerings increasing by £18,110, gift aid recovery decreasing by £7,087 and investment income decreasing by £14.

The Church has continued with its Services, Weekly Bible Studies and Sunday Children's activities which have been better attended and operated since the move of Sunday meetings (mid-July 2022 onwards) from the Odeon, Aylesbury to the Athony Hall, Aston Clinton. Theses have been supplemented by other virtual meetings (Zoom) and mid-week service in the Cotswold area.

Income increased from £76,208 in 2021 to £87,217 this year, which is attributable to new Church members and the change of location of the Sunday meetings.

Overheads have decreased by £9,499 to £77,173. Overall, the Church has net surplus for the year of £10,044, compared with a net deficit in 2011 of £10,464.

A steady growth in membership, activities and revenue is anticipated during 2023.

Financial review

Reserves Policy

The Charity's financial position has continued to be totally secure, in that at no time have commitments been made before funding is in place and the Board of Trustees intend that this policy will continue for the protection of Trustees.

Investment Policy

The monies and property of the Charity not immediately required for the purpose of the Charity may be held or vested in such persons, whether Members of the Charity or not, as the Committee may from time to time determine as Holding Trustees.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (Continued)

Plans for the Future

It is the intention of the Charity to continue to raise funds via its various services and meetings to further enhance the objects and activities detailed above.

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REV. MRS. W. PRESTON – PASTOR/CHAIRMAN

....07/10..............2023
On behalf of the Board of Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
(Charity No 1120795)

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of Faith Alive Church (the Church) for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Church you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements to the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

We report in respect of our examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2) The accounts do not accord with those records; or

3) The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

We 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.

Wilkins & Co
Accountants

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9/10 2023.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2022

	Notes		2022 Unrestricted Funds		2021 Unrestricted Funds
Income					
Charitable Activities	2 (a)		87,217		76,194
Investment Income	2 (b)		-		14
			87,217		76,208
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities	3 (a)	73,692		80,442	
Other – Governance Costs	3 (b)	3,481		6,210	
Total Expenditure			77,173		86,672
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year			10,044		(10,464)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)			-		-
Net Movement of Funds			10,044		(10,464)
Total Funds brought forward 1st January 2022			5,337		15,801
Total Funds carried forward 31st December 2022			£ 15,381		£ 5,337

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2022.

	Notes		2022 Unrestricted Funds		2021 Unrestriced Funds
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	8		1,789		2,386
Current Assets					
Debtors	4	-		-	
Cash at Bank		15,379		8,706	
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		15,379		8,706	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due Within one year.	5	1,787		5,755	
		--------		--------	
Net Current Assets			13,592		2,951
			--------		--------
Total Net Assets		£	15,381	£	5,337
			=====		=====
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds			15,381		5,337
			--------		---------
Total Charity Funds		£	15,381	£	5,337
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Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees ....and signed on its behalf by:

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G. ABRAHAM - TRUSTEE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2022.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Faith Alive Church is a registered Charity, incorporated in England and Wales and governed by Trust Deed. The principal office address is Cotswold Business Centre, 2 A. P. Ellis Road, Upper Rissington, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL54 2QB.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2015) – (Charities SORPFRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 and applicable regulations. The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the function currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these accounts are rounded to the nearest £.

The Charity constitutes a public entity as defined by FRS102.

The Charity has a reasonable expectation that there are adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. It has therefore continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a) Fund Accounting

The Charity's general fund consists of funds, which the Charity may use for its purpose, at its discretion, under the terms of the objects clause of the Trust Deed. There are no restricted funds.

b) Income Recognition

All income is recognised when there is entitlement, sufficient certainty that receipt of income is probable and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Investment income is recorded upon notification by the Charity's Bankers.

c) Expenditure Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

d) Governance Costs

This comprises all costs incurred in the management and administration of the Charity during the year under review.

e) Charitable Activities

Gifts, tithes and donations payable are accounted for when the Charity is committed to paying them, with further details given in Notes 3(a) and 6 to Financial Statements.

f) Tangible Assets

Tangible Assets for charity use are capitalised at cost, where acquired, or at market value as determined by the Board of Trustees, where donated. Depreciation is calculated on the reducing balance basis to write off the cost or valuation of Tangible Fixed Assets over their expected useful lives. The following rates are used:

Office Equipment 25%

g) Other Recognised Gains and Losses
Any gains or losses that might arise are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities if, and as they arise.

h) Debtors
Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount.

i) Cash at bank
Cash at bank includes cash held at bank current and deposit account.

j) Creditors and provisions
Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are stated at their settlement amount.

k) Commitments
Legally binding and non-legally binding commitments are shown in the Notes to the Financial Statements. Where financial support is promised, but not contracted, the amount is shown in the Financial Statements when paid.

l) Reserves
The Trustee will not commit funds for any donations, unless monies are in place or the receipt of same is definite.

2. INCOME

a) Charitable Activities		2022		2021
Offerings		87,217		69,107
Gift Aid Refund		-		7,087
	£	87,217	£	76,194

b) Investment Income				
Interest	£	-	£	14

3. EXPENDITURE

a) Charitable Activities		2022		2024
Rent		1,200		708
Pastor & Ministerial Salaries		34,382		33,600
Ministerial Pension Contributions		228		360
Guest Speakers & Visiting Ministers		2,479		1,606
Travelling & Accommodation		3,200		3,586
Gifts & Tithes				
- General		2,329		4,705
- Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd		-		1,573
- Faith Alive Church Ltd		28,800		27,258
Church Members' Refreshments		268		3,116
Church Family		496		3,350
Social Activities		-		288
Music, Books etc		127		196
Training, Courses & Conferences		183		-
Church Decoration & Flowers		-		116
	£	73,692	£	80,462

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2022.

b) Other – Governance Costs

		2022		2021
Repairs		678		497
Insurance & Licences		-		182
Office Supplies & Postage		809		2,952
Independent Examiner's Fee		1,397		1,172
Depreciation		597		795
Manse Costs		-		612
	£	3,481	£	6,210

Pastor and Ministerial salaries include a salary paid to Rev. W. J. Preston of £22,102 (2021 £21,600). Rev. W. J. Preston is also a Trustee of the Charity. In addition, a ministerial salary was paid to a non-Trustee of £12,280 (2021 £12,000).

4. DEBTORS

		2022		2021
Other – prepayments	£	-	£	-

5. LIABILITIES

Amounts falling due within one year

		2022		2021
Trade creditors		-		-
Other tax & Social Security		-		1,770
Accruals		1,787		3,985
	£	1,787	£	5,755

6. ACCRUED COMMITMENTS- GIFTS, TITHES & DONATIONS

In accordance with policy Note 1(e) contracted gifts, tithes & donations are acknowledged for at their inception. If there are any known gifts, tithes & donations not committed to be paid in the future, they are shown in the Accounts as and when paid.

7. RELATED PARTIES

The Rev. Mrs. W. J. Preston and Mrs. J. Walliker, who was a Trustee until 15th June 2023, are both Trustees of Faith Alive Church and Directors of Limited Companies known as Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd and Faith Alive Church Ltd. By virtue of this the parties are related. The Charity provides working capital to the Companies by way of tithes to enable them to carry out their objectives.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2022.

8. TANGIBLE ASSETS

		Office Equipment
Cost		
At 1st January 2022		15,695
Additions		-
	£	15,695
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2022		13,309
Provided in the year		597
	£	13,906
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2022	£	1,789
At 31st December 2021	£	2,386

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1120795

Accounts

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
CHARITY NO: 1120795

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

as at

31st DECEMBER 2021

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FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss, they include.

- Regular consideration by Trustees of financial results, and
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties as defined above.

Risk Review

The Board of Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity may be exposed, in particular those related to the operation and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to the major risks.

The Board of Trustees take legal and other professional advice wherever necessary and will always continue to do so.

Objectives and Activities

The Objectives of the Charity are as follows:

(I)

a) The advancement of the Christian Faith.
b) The relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of physical and mental health.
c) The relief of poverty.

The main activities in relation to the above objects are:

(II)

a) Holding regular weekly Sunday services.
b) Holding weekly evening bible study meetings.
c) Holding periodical healing services.
d) Promoting a weekly children's church and bible teaching school.
e) Providing pastoral care where necessary.
f) Continuing the church's tithe and offerings to other ministries.
g) Giving training in pastoral care and helping the ministry to increase excellence in every area of church life.

Achievements and Performance.

Overall, income decreased this year by £8,713 with offerings decreasing by £5,503 and gift aid recovery decreasing by £3,210.

The Church has continued with its Services, Children's Activities and Prayer Meetings, which have become more regular following the gradual lifting of Covid restrictions. These Services have been supplemented by virtual Meetings and Services whenever this has been practical.

Training for church leadership has continued during the year for the benefit and growth of the church.

Income decreased from £84,921 in 2020 to £76,208 this year, which again is a direct result of the Covid-19 pandemic. Also, overheads have also increased by £1,582 to £86,672. Overall, the Church has a net deficit for the year of £10,464 compared with a deficit in 2020 of £169. Although there was a relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions Church Membership only slowly returned to pre-covid levels and having now reached this position, the current year will hopefully will show an improvement over 2020.

Financial review

Reserves Policy

The Charity's financial position has continued to be totally secure, in that at no time have commitments been made before funding is in place and the Board of Trustees intend that this policy will continue for the protection of Trustees.

Investment Policy

The monies and property of the Charity not immediately required for the purpose of the Charity may be held or vested in such persons, whether Members of the Charity or not, as the Committee may from time to time determine as Holding Trustees.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (Continued)

Plans for the Future

It is the intention of the Charity to continue to raise funds via its various services and meetings to further enhance the objects and activities detailed above.

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REV. MRS. W. PRESTON – PASTOR/CHAIRMAN

23/09 2022

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAITH ALIVE CHURCH (Charity No 1120795)

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of Faith Alive Church (the Church) for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Church you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements to the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

We report in respect of our examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2) The accounts do not accord with those records; or

3) The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

We 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.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2021

	Notes		2021 Unrestricted Funds		2020 Unrestricted Funds
Income					
Charitable Activities	2 (a)		76,194		84,907
Investment Income	2 (b)		14		14
			76,208		84,921
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities	3 (a)	80,442		75,661	
Other – Governance Costs	3 (b)	6,210		9,429	
Total Expenditure			86,672		85,090
Net Deficit for the year			(10,464)		(169)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)			-		-
Net Movement of Funds			(10,464)		(169)
Total Funds brought forward 1st January 2021			15,801		15,970
Total Funds carried forward 31st December 2021			£ 5,337		£ 15,801

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2021.

	Notes		2021 Unrestricted Funds		2020 Unrestricted Funds
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	8		2,386		3,181
Current Assets					
Debtors	4	-		-	
Cash at Bank		8,706		16,543	
		8,706		16,543	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due Within one year.	5	5,755		3,923	
Net Current Assets			2,951		12,620
Total Net Assets		£	5,337	£	15,801

The Funds of the Charity

Unrestricted Funds		5,337		15,801
Total Charity Funds	£	5,337	£	15,801

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees 23/09 and signed on its behalf by:

J E Walliker

MRS. J. WALLIKER – TRUSTEE

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The Trustee will not commit funds for any donations, unless monies are in place or the receipt of same is definite.

2. INCOME

a) Charitable Activities

		2021		2020
Offerings		69,107		74,610
Gift Aid Refund		7,087		10,297
	£	76,194	£	84,907

b) Investment Income

Interest	£	14	£	14

3. EXPENDITURE

a)

Charitable Activities		2021		2020
Rent		708		7,156
Pastor & Ministerial Salaries		33,600		33,600
Ministerial Pension Contributions		360		-
Guest Speakers & Visiting Ministers		1,606		250
Travelling & Accommodation		3,586		11,872
Gifts & Tithes				
- General		4,705		6,612
- Wendy J. Preston Ministries Ltd		1,573		1,500
- Faith Alive Church Ltd		27,258		7,080
Church Members' Refreshments		3,116		5,543
Church Family		3,350		2,920
Social Activities		288		-
Music, Books etc		196		131
Training, Courses & Conferences		-		312
Church Decoration & Flowers		116		-
	£	80,462	£	75,661

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b) Other – Governance Costs

		2021		2020
Repairs		497		269
Insurance & Licences		182		693
Office Supplies & Postage		2,952		1,753
Independent Examiner's Fee		1,172		1,260
Depreciation		795		1,060
Manse Costs		612		865
Storage Charges		-		845
Office Facilities – Hire & Repair		-		2,684
	£	6,210	£	9,429

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4. DEBTORS

		2021		2020
Other – prepayments	£	-	£	-

5. LIABILITIES

Amounts falling due within one year

		2021		2020
Trade creditors		-		-
Other tax & Social Security		1,770		923
Accruals		3,985		3,000
	£	5,755	£	3,923

6. ACCRUED COMMITMENTS- GIFTS, TITHES & DONATIONS

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8. TANGIBLE ASSETS

		Office Equipment
Cost		
At 1st January 2021		15,695
Additions		-
	£	15,695
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2021		12,514
Provided in the year		795
	£	13,309
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2021	£	2,386
At 31st December 2020	£	3,181

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1120795

Accounts

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
CHARITY NO: 1120795

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

as at

31st DECEMBER 2020

WILKINS & CO
Accountants
Bicester, Oxon.

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

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FAITH ALIVE CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees:	The Rev. Mrs. Wendy Preston (Pastor & Chairman) Mrs. Janice Walliker Mr. Philip Ridgeway Mrs. Sarah Etches Mrs. Joanne Martin
Treasurer:	Mrs. Janice Walliker
Charity Number:	1120795
Principal Office:	Southcourt Baptist Church, Penn Road, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 8HW
Bankers:	Nationwide Building Society, 11 Kingsbury Square, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 2JA
Independent Examiners:	Wilkins & Co., 25a Market Square, Bicester, Oxon. OX26 6AD

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and applications of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

a. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.

c. State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

d. Prepare the financial statement on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue to function.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity, and to enable them to ensure that where applicable, the financial statements comply with the applicable law, regulations and trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Governance & Management

The Charity's trust deed was adopted on the 1st February 2007 and the Church registered as a charity as from 6th September 2007.

The appointment of new Trustees is subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees at an appropriate Meeting. New Trustees are given an appropriate induction programme to the workings of the Charity, and receive training as necessary.

The Board of Trustees meet at various intervals to administer the Charity.

Certain aspects of the day to day running of the Charity are delegated to specific Trustees as detailed in the Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring the Charity has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. These systems should provide reasonable assurance that:

- The charity is operating efficiently and effectively;
- Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use of disposition;
- Proper records are maintained and financial information used within the charity, or for publication, is reliable, and
- The charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss, they include.

- Regular consideration by Trustees of financial results, and
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties as defined above.

Risk Review

The Board of Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity may be exposed, in particular those related to the operation and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to the major risks.

The Board of Trustees take legal and other professional advice wherever necessary and will always continue to do so.

Objectives and Activities

The Objectives of the Charity are as follows:

(I)

a) The advancement of the Christian Faith.
b) The relief of sickness and the preservation and protection of physical and mental health.
c) The relief of poverty.

The main activities in relation to the above objects are:

(II)

a) Holding regular weekly Sunday services.
b) Holding weekly evening bible study meetings.
c) Holding periodical healing services.
d) Promoting a weekly children's church and bible teaching school.
e) Providing pastoral care where necessary.
f) Continuing the church's tithe and offerings to other ministries.
g) Giving training in pastoral care and helping the ministry to increase excellence in every area of church life.

Achievements and Performance.

Overall, income decreased this year by £7,599 with offerings decreasing by £4,357 and gift aid recovery decreasing by £3,242.

The Church has continued to use Southcourt Baptist Church, Aylesbury to continue its Services, Children's Activities and Prayer Meetings, as far as the Covid-19 pandemic has allowed. These Services have been supplemented by virtual Meetings and Services whenever this has been practical.

Training for church leadership has continued during the year for the benefit and growth of the church.

Income decreased from £92,529 in 2019 to £84,921 this year, which is a direct result of the Covid-19 pandemic. However, overheads have also decreased by £20,229 to £85,090. Overall, the Church has a net deficit for the year of £169 compared with a deficit in 2019 of £12,790. The aim of preserving reserves was achieved during the last year, in view of the problems arising from Covid-19 pandemic. In view of the current relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions it is now hoped that the increase in Church Membership desired in earlier years can now be achieved with a resultant restoration of Church income to earlier levels.

Financial review

Reserves Policy

The Charity's financial position has continued to be totally secure, in that at no time have commitments been made before funding is in place and the Board of Trustees intend that this policy will continue for the protection of Trustees.

Investment Policy

The monies and property of the Charity not immediately required for the purpose of the Charity may be held or vested in such persons, whether Members of the Charity or not, as the Committee may from time to time determine as Holding Trustees.

Plans for the Future

It is the intention of the Charity to continue to raise funds via its various services and meetings to further enhance the objects and activities detailed above and these activities will be expanded as the Covid-19 restrictions are relaxed.

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REV. MRS. W. PRESTON – PASTOR/CHAIRMAN

22/09 2021

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAITH ALIVE CHURCH
(Charity No 1120795)

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of Faith Alive Church (the Church) for the year ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Church you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements to the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

We report in respect of our examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out our examination we have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

We have completed our examination. We confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2) The accounts do not accord with those records; or

3) The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

We 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.

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Accountants

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OX26 6AD

27th september 2021.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2020

	Notes		2020 Unrestricted Funds		2019 Unrestricted Funds
Income					
Charitable Activities	2 (a)		84,907		92,506
Investment Income	2 (b)		14		23
			84,921		92,529
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities	3 (a)	75,661		92,002	
Other – Governance Costs	3 (b)	9,429		10,317	
Total Expenditure			85,090		105,319
Net Deficit for the year			(169)		(12,790)
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)			-		-
Net Movement of Funds			(169)		(12,790)
Total Funds brought forward 1st January 2020			15,970		28,760
Total Funds carried forward 31st December 2020			£ 15,801		£ 15,970

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2020.

	Notes		2020 Unrestricted Funds		2019 Unrestriced Funds
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	8		3,181		4,241
Current Assets					
Debtors	4	-		84	
Cash at Bank		16,543		15,678	
		16,543		15,762	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due Within one year.	5	3,923		4,033	
Net Current Assets			12,620		11,729
Total Net Assets		£	15,801	£	15,970
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds			15,801		15,970
Total Charity Funds		£	15,801	£	15,970

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Gift Aid Refund	10,297	13,539
	£ 84,907	£ 92,506

b) Investment Income

	2020	2019
Interest	£ 14	£ 23

3. EXPENDITURE

a) Charitable Activities

	2020	2019
Rent	7,156	15,710
Pastor & Ministerial Salaries	33,600	33,600
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Travelling & Accommodation	11,872	15,852
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Church Members' Refreshments	4,228	5,543
Church Family	2,920	1,404
Social Activities	-	118
Music, Books etc	131	266
Training, Courses & Conferences	312	250
Church Decoration & Flowers	-	35
	£ 75,661	£ 95,002

b) Other – Governance Costs

		2020		2019
Bank Charges		-		-
Repairs		269		270
Insurance & Licences		693		766
Office Supplies & Postage		1,753		1,626
Independent Examiner's Fee		1,260		1,726
Depreciation		1,060		1,415
Manse Costs		865		792
Storage Charges		845		845
Office Facilities – Hire & Repair		2,684		2,402
Advertising		-		475
	£	9,429	£	10,317

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4. DEBTORS

		2020		2019
Other – prepayments	£	-	£	84

5. LIABILITIES

Amounts falling due within one year

		2020		2019
Trade creditors		-		-
Other tax & Social Security		923		1,133
Accruals		3,000		2,900
	£	3,923	£	4,033

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Additions		-
	£	15,695
Depreciation		
At 1st January 2020		11,454
Provided in the year		1,060
	£	12,514
Net Book Value		
At 31st December 2020	£	3,181
At 31st December 2019	£	4,241