

**Bessacarr Evangelical Church**

**Company Limited By Guarantee - Company Number 6421374**

**Charity Registration Number 1122138**

**Unaudited Financial Statements - Year to 31 March 2022**

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## **Bessacarr Evangelical Church - Company Number 6421374**

### **Report of the Board for the period ended 31st March 2022**

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their report and the financial statements for the Church for the period ended 31st March 2022.

#### **Constitution**

Bessacarr Evangelical Church was incorporated as a Limited Company on 8th November 2007 (Company No: - 6421374) and registered as a Charity on 31st December 2007 (No:-1122138).

#### **Registered Office**

The registered office of Bessacarr Evangelical Church is Bessacarr Lane, Bessacarr, Doncaster DN4 7PT.

#### **Advisors**

The principal professional advisors to the Church are:

Solicitors: Anthony Collins Solicitors, Birmingham.

Independent Examiners: Smith Craven, Doncaster.

Bankers: National Westminster, 23-25 Market Place, Bawtry, Doncaster.

#### **Objects**

The Company's Object is the advancement anywhere in the world of the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith.

#### **Governance**

The Church's governing documents are its statement of Faith and the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Bessacarr Evangelical Church.

Under charity law, the Elders and Ministers of the church are Trustees and are elected by the church membership.

The elders continue to serve in this capacity until they resign by virtue of age or illness.

The Company members are the Trustees, the elected deacons of the church and one co-opted church member.

Deacons serve for three years and are then eligible for re-election.

The Board meets monthly chaired by the Senior Pastor and the company members meet annually and this meeting is chaired by the Church Secretary.

#### **Staff and volunteers**

The company employs five staff and the Trustees make gifts available to individuals engaged in work in the UK and abroad who are involved in advancing the Christian Faith.

#### **Reserves Policy**

It is the Trustees' policy to maintain a general fund equivalent to at least 6 months of anticipated general expenditure. At 31st March 2022, the general funds stood at £243,086 (excluding fixed assets). This represents approximately 12 months of anticipated general expenditure.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees examine the major risks facing the charity on a regular basis.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in the section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The purpose of the Charity is enshrined in its objects as outlined above. The trustees ensure that this is carried out for the public benefit.

As Trustees of Bessacarr Evangelical Church and Grace Church in Doncaster we give thanks to God for another blessed year.

Please find below the reports from Pastor Mark Harewood (BEC) and Pastor Alastair Gooderham (Grace Church).

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**Report of the Board for the period ended 31st March 2022 - continued**

We continue to praise God for his goodness, faithfulness and blessing over this last year – a year that has seen church life and ministry return to a more normal structure and feel following on from all the challenges and disruption caused by the covid-19 pandemic.

Sunday morning services are now running as normal at Hall Cross; we've been able to reintroduce music and singing, all the Sunday school groups (Crèche, Searchers, Adventurers and Axis) are now operating and we've restarted serving refreshments after the service. The Bible teaching has included series in Colossians, Psalms and James.

The Sunday evening service has now restarted. We have taken the opportunity to revise the format; each week there is a ministry update slot where we hear from a mission partner or someone in the church family who is involved in a specific church ministry. We also set aside services from time to time to look at a 'Big Issue' and see how the Bible speaks into it; topics include the Environment and the Beginning and End of Life.

Prayer meetings continue to run on a Wednesday lunchtime, Friday morning via zoom and a new monthly meeting Altogether Prayer has started. BEC continues to support a variety of mission work both at home and abroad – both prayerfully and financially.

Small groups continue to meet in a variety of different locations throughout the week. Over the past year we've studied together 1 Thessalonians, Parables from Luke and some training resources on personal evangelism.

The church continues to seek to connect and serve the community. The Open the Book team has been able to return to delivering assemblies at some local primary schools. Xcite and Ignite, our children's and youth club restarted in November 2021, a good number of young people come from the community and church family. Wednesday Fellowship continues to support seniors within the church family and community.

The staff, Elders and Deacons remain unchanged from the previous year. The church continues to take its safeguarding responsibilities very seriously. Over the past year the safeguarding team has expanded to include two deputies; one for children and another for adults, both working alongside the Safeguarding Lead. Two safeguarding training sessions have been run for all those in the church working with children and vulnerable adults. The church's financial position continues to be healthy due to the generosity of the congregation with more people now giving by regular standing order.

In all things we continue to look to God for guidance and seek to honour him in all we do.

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**Report of the Board for the period ended 31st March 2022 - continued**

**Grace Church - Report of the Board 2022**

We continue to meet in The Zone which is part of Hayfield Lane Primary School both on Sunday and at various times during the week, as well as having the use of an office in part of the building.

On Sunday mornings we have worked through, Deuteronomy 1-11, Matthew 16-21, 1 Timothy and Psalm 63-67, with gospel group following up the Sunday sermons with Bible study. Everybody who was with us pre-COVID is now back post COVID, though some are a bit more sporadic in their attendance as they catch up with friends and family. In the Summer we baptised two people. Four people have applied for and were welcomed into membership. The biggest change over the last year in terms of numbers is the presence every week of a group of Iranian asylum seekers who are housed at the Ramada Jarvis hotel. We have had families all in together rather than running Sunday school, and this may continue for some time with a lack of Sunday school teachers.

Little Fishes (Parent and Toddlers) is thriving and we are seeing new mum and toddlers as well as the regulars. We are pretty much full as regards the space that we have within the Zone, and may need to think about limiting numbers in the near future, though we are reluctant to do this. We have run a Parenting Course with mums from this group this year and will be doing so again.

Coffee time is back running on Friday afternoon from 2.30-4pm. The biggest change post COVID is that we now mostly have young people coming along, students from years 7, 8, and 11 from The Hayfield School and students who drop in after the Primary School finishes from years 5 and 6. We've adapted to this by having lots of card and board games available for the various groups of youngsters to play with. We have a smaller group of parents who come along with their children.

We meet to pray every week on Zoom on a Tuesday at 7.15pm. Gospel group is on Thursday evenings at 7.45pm at Al & Lucy's house, there is a good group of about 12 coming along, with the hope being in the coming months we divide into two groups or start a day time group. And once a month the Yorkie men's group meet together led by Alex and Tom.

The leadership is currently Al Gooderham as sole elder, and Alex Martin as deacon. We are in desperate need of more leaders to share the burden but as of yet God is teaching us patience and trust in his plans and timings.

Financially things have been more difficult this year with some external givers stopping giving and others within church having to make adjustments, it has left us with a significant deficit each month but which we've been able to cover with our balance, along with BEC's generous donation to Al's wages.

Opportunities in the schools have been limited as they have been cautious about reopening to outside speakers for assemblies. However Al has been able to go in to both year 5 classes twice this year to speak about Easter and what it means and do a Q & A session at the end of their RE topic on Christianity.

Our hope is that this year will bring renewed opportunities in school and in the community.

**Report of the Board for the period ended 31st March 2022 - continued**

**Board Members**

Board members throughout the period were:

Alastair Gooderham	Pastor
Mark Harewood	Pastor
Jonathan Edmonds	Pastor
Henry Arnett	
Christopher Axelby	Secretary
Simon Mair	
Peter Tan	
Lee Potts	

In addition to the above trustees the Company members are:

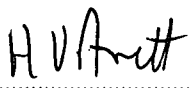
Howard Wickham	Treasurer
Timothy Lawrence	
Charles Mitchell	
Alex Martin	
Ian Clifford	
Matthew Fawkes - resigned September 2021	
David Fawkes	
Katherine Wright	
Raymond Leggett	

**Trustee responsibility**

Trustees are aware of their responsibilities and are up dated on changes in charity law through relevant publications by The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches of which the Company is a member.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 25 October 2022, and has been signed on their behalf by:

 CHRISTOPHER NICHOLAS AXELBY

 HENRY V ARNETT

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

Report to the trustees of Bessacarr Evangelical Church on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 set out on pages 6 to 11.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period (under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the Trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records have been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - accounts are prepared which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Andrew Cribb, FCA  
Smith Craven  
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Date: 25 OCTOBER 2022

**Bessacarr Evangelical Church - Company Number 6421374**

**Statement of Financial Activities - Year to 31 March 2022**

		Unrestricted	Unrestricted
		General	General
		Fund	Fund
		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>			
Gift Aid Offerings		158,059	151,149
General Offerings		18,736	28,147
Missionary Offerings		18,975	11,139
Income Tax Refunds		42,710	41,160
Interest Received		9	38
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>238,489</b>	<b>231,633</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>			
Maintenance of Ministry	3	145,289	138,325
Maintenance of Property	5	6,555	6,276
Youth Work and Other Events	6	1,364	1,360
Donations	7	39,187	41,205
Administration	8	22,451	15,462
<b>TOTAL CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>214,846</b>	<b>202,628</b>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>23,643</b>	<b>29,005</b>
Other Recognised Gains and Losses		-	-
<b>NET MOVEMENT OF FUNDS</b>		<b>23,643</b>	<b>29,005</b>
Balance at 1 April 2021	16	370,195	341,190
<b>Balance at 31 March 2022</b>		<b>393,838</b>	<b>370,195</b>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the net outgoing resources for the above financial period.

All the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The attached notes form part of the financial statements.



**Bessacarr Evangelical Church - Company Number 6421374**

**Balance Sheet at 31 March 2022**

	Note	£	2022 £	2021 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Tangible Assets	9		150,752	150,465
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Investment Account:				
National Westminster Bank	10	94,373		94,364
Sundry Debtors and Prepayments	11	11,507		10,299
Cash at Bank		138,566		116,411
		<u>244,446</u>		<u>221,074</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES (due within one year)</b>				
Sundry Creditors and Accruals	12	<u>1,360</u>		<u>1,344</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			243,086	219,730
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>			<u><u>393,838</u></u>	<u><u>370,195</u></u>
Represented By:				
<b>FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</b>				
Unrestricted - General Fund	13		<u><u>393,838</u></u>	<u><u>370,195</u></u>

For the period ended 31 March 2022, the company was entitled to exemption under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.


No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- i) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with sections 386 and 387; and
- ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss 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 company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 25 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by

  
**Christopher Nicholas**  
 AXELBY

  
 HENRY V ARNETT

**HENRY V ARNETT**

The attached notes form part of the financial statements.

## Notes To The Accounts - Year To 31 March 2022

## 1. Statutory Information

Bessacarr Evangelical Church is an independent evangelical church. It is a private company limited by guarantee and without a share capital, registered in England and Wales. The registered office is at Bessacarr Evangelical Church, Bessacarr Lane Bessacarr, Doncaster DN4 7PT.

## 2. Accounting Policies

## 2.1 Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the 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 (FRS 102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) (effective Jan 2015), Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2.2 Incoming Resources

Voluntary income is received by way of gifts and is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

## 2.3 Restricted and Unrestricted Funds

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

## 2.4 Tangible fixed assets.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Furniture & Equipment	25% on cost
Freehold Property	not depreciated

## 2.5 Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

## 2.6 Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

## 2.7 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

## 2.8 Creditors

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 normally recognised at their settlement after allowing for any trade discounts due.

## 3. Maintenance of Ministry

Staff Costs:		
Salaries	132,337	125,449
Social security	7,968	8,189
Pension	4,985	4,687
	<u>145,289</u>	<u>138,325</u>

The average number of employees during the year was 5 (2020-5)

There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

There was no outstanding pension liability at the year end.

## 4. Directors' Interest

Three directors are also employees and were remunerated under powers in the governing documents.

	Employment Remuneration £	Employer Pension Contributions
A Gooderham	34,455	1,255
J Edmonds	33,042	1,193
M Harewood	33,042	1,193

No other related party transactions were identified in during 2022 (2021 - £300 reimbursed trustee expenses).

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**Notes To The Accounts - Year To 31 March 2022**

	2022	2021
<b>5. Maintenance of Property</b>	£	£
Insurance	2,899	2,680
Utilities	2,103	2,154
Building Maintenance & Equipment	1,553	1,442
	<u>6,555</u>	<u>6,276</u>
<b>6. Youth Work and other Events</b>	£	£
Youth Work	1,163	385
Outreach and other Activities	201	975
	<u>1,364</u>	<u>1,360</u>
<b>7. Donations</b>	£	£
Missions, Missionaries and Home Workers	38,987	40,105
Speakers Expenses	200	1,100
	<u>39,187</u>	<u>41,205</u>
<b>8. Administration</b>	£	£
Printing, Stationery, Literature and Books	1,002	1,688
Copyright Licences	804	751
Memberships and Registrations	3,072	3,078
Conference Fees	279	-
School Hire	12,055	5,563
Independent Examiner's Fees	976	1,044
Bank Charges	487	464
Website and IT costs	1,855	1,533
Sundries	587	877
Depreciation	1,333	464
	<u>22,451</u>	<u>15,462</u>
<b>8a. Governance costs</b>	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fees	976	1,044
	<u>976</u>	<u>1,044</u>

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**Notes To The Accounts - Year To 31 March 2022**

<b>9. Tangible Assets</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>Freehold Property</b>	<b>Furniture and Equipment</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>COST:</b>				
Balance at 1 April 2021	14	147,216	44,456	191,672
Additions		-	1,620	1,620
		<u>147,216</u>	<u>46,076</u>	<u>193,292</u>
Less Disposals		-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2022		<u><u>147,216</u></u>	<u><u>46,076</u></u>	<u><u>193,292</u></u>
 <b>DEPRECIATION:</b>				
Balance at 1 April 2021	14	-	41,207	41,207
Add Charge for the year		-	1,333	1,333
		<u>-</u>	<u>42,540</u>	<u>42,540</u>
Less Disposals		-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2022		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>42,540</u></u>	<u><u>42,540</u></u>
 Net Book Value at 31 March 2022		<u><u>147,216</u></u>	<u><u>3,536</u></u>	<u><u>150,752</u></u>
Net Book Value at 31 March 2021		<u><u>147,216</u></u>	<u><u>3,249</u></u>	<u><u>150,465</u></u>
 <b>10. Investment Asset</b>				
		<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>	
National Westminster Bank		<u>94,373</u>	<u>94,364</u>	
 <b>11. Debtors and Prepayments</b>				
		<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>	
Income Tax Refund		11,507	10,299	
		<u>11,507</u>	<u>10,299</u>	

**Bessacarr Evangelical Church - Company Number 6421374**

**Notes To The Accounts - Year To 31 March 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>12. Creditors and Accruals</b>		
Sundry Creditors	1,360	1,344
	<u>1,360</u>	<u>1,344</u>

**13. Analysis of Net Assets**

The Net Assets are all held within the Unrestricted General Fund.

**14. Company Limited By Guarantee**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital.  
The liability of each member in the event of a winding up is £1.

**15. Tax Status**

The church is a registered charity and accordingly is exempt from taxation on its income and gains where they are applied for charitable purposes.

**16. Transfer Agreement**

A legally binding agreement between the charity (the transferee) and the trustees of a charitable unincorporated association (the transferors) was entered into, whereby on the "effective date" being the close of business on 31 March 2008, all the property assets and rights held on behalf of the unincorporated association by the transferors were duly transferred to the charity. The agreement provided for this to include the liabilities, but to be otherwise free from all liens, charges, encumbrances, equities and claims of any kind whatsoever.