

IN HIS PRESENCE WORSHIP MINISTRY

Charity Registration No: 1123050

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: In His Presence Worship Ministry

Registered Charity Number: 1123050

Principal Office: 27 Bennington close, Luton, LU2 7YJ

Trustees (Management Board):

- Chairman: D. Foh-Amoaning
- Secretary: K. Lewis-Flinch
- Treasurer: F. Wedulo
- Member: M. Foh-Amoaning

Independent Examiner:

Mrs Z. Shiri

Bankers:

Lloyds Bank plc, George Street, Luton, LU1

2. Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

In His Presence Worship Ministry operates under an order from the Charity Commission dated **3 March 2008** and is governed by the **Constitution and Rules** initially adopted on **1 June 2007** and amended on **4 March 2009**.

Trustee Appointment and Management

The charity is overseen by a **Management Board**, which also serves as the **Board of Trustees**. Trustees are appointed by the **Director**, who is also the **Senior Minister** of the church.

The Board meets **quarterly** to review financial performance, project developments, and budget allocations. The **Treasurer** presents the annual financial accounts to the membership at the **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** following an independent examination. The **Chairperson** is elected **biannually** by the trustees and confirmed at the AGM.

Risk Management

The trustees regularly assess potential risks to the charity, including financial, operational, and safeguarding risks. Appropriate internal controls and financial monitoring are in place to mitigate these risks.

3. Objectives and Activities

Charitable Objectives

In His Presence Worship Ministry is established to:

- Advance the Christian faith;
- Relieve poverty and distress; and
- Support individuals facing hardship, illness, or distress, both within the UK and abroad.

Key Activities in Pursuit of Objectives

1. **Christian Worship Platform** – Providing an environment for worship, teaching, and spiritual development.
2. **Community Outreach** – Delivering food, clothing, and essential support to those in need, particularly the homeless.
3. **Lend a Hand Project**-Voluntary service assisting the widows, elderly and other less fortunate people in the community with gardening and other DIY projects
4. **Counselling Services** – Offering guidance and emotional support to individuals and families in the community.
5. **Cultural Integration** – Hosting events to promote understanding, inclusion, and unity among diverse communities.
6. **Youth Engagement** – Developing programmes to inspire, educate, and empower young people.

4. Achievements and Performance (2024)

Public Benefit Activities

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Key highlights for 2024 include:

- **Hybrid Worship Services:**
Continued offering in-person and online services to ensure accessibility for all, including those with mobility challenges.
- **Events:**
Hosted events, drawing strong community participation.
- **Outreach and Food Support:**
 - Weekly Food Kitchen serving 30–40 individuals.
 - Provision of shelter (gazebo) during adverse weather.

- Annual Christmas Homeless Dinner and holiday meal distribution.
 - Partnership with *Hand on Heart* to distribute winter packs to the homeless.
 - Lend a Hand project assisting those in need with gardening, clearing rubbish, DIY projects and any other assistance requested.
- **Fundraising Events:**
Various fundraising activities including the fundraising walk, raised funds towards the ministry's building acquisition project and fostered fellowship.
 - **Spiritual Development:**
 - Regular Sunday services and monthly communion.
 - Weekly Bible studies and prayer meetings focusing on real-life applications of biblical teachings.
 - Seasonal services for Christmas, New Year, Easter, and *First Fruits*.
 - October designated as *Prayer Month*, with intensive weekend prayer gatherings.
 - **Membership Growth:**
"Bring a Friend" initiatives encouraged community integration and expansion.

Monthly street evangelism and **online presence** brought new members to the ministry.

5. Departmental Reports

- **Women's Ministry:**
Hosted a *Mother's Day Celebration* and online prayer meetings, empowering women in faith and service. Members also engaged in inter-ministry fellowship events.
 - **Men's Ministry:**
Led the *Father's Day Service*, organised weekly prayer meetings, and held a *bonding breakfast* focusing on men's spiritual growth and wellbeing.
 - **Youth Ministry:**
Commission Service, uniting local and international youth groups, including international participants. The event achieved excellent attendance.
 - **Evangelism Ministry:**
Conducted weekly outreach in Luton, distributing church materials and offering prayer and encouragement to the public.
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Financial Position

IHP INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024							
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds		Total 2024	
		£	£	£		£	
INCOME							
Voluntary receipts							
Receipts from donors							
Tithes and offering	2	27167.89				27167.89	
Donations			4557.00			4557.00	
Income generating activities							
Gift Aid		14206.86				14206.86	
TOTAL INCOME		41374.75	4557.00	0.00		45931.75	
EXPENDITURE							
Welfare Assistance		4464.00				4464.00	
Outreach(Soup Kitchen)			1656.00			1656.00	
Church running expenses							
Building Lease		12015.00				12015.00	
Communion		165.00				165.00	
Telephone & Internet		360.00				360.00	
Storage		870.00				870.00	
Music & Media		162.00				162.00	
Insurance&Subscriptions		621.00				621.00	
Travelling expenses		1694.00				1694.00	
Printing & Stationery		229.13				229.13	
Catering Expenses		887.00				887.00	
Volunteer Expenses		3261.00				3261.00	
Church Donations		2050.00				2050.00	
Miscellaneous		400.00				400.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		27178.13	1656.00	0.00		28834.13	
Excess of Income over Expenditure		14196.62	2901.00	0.00		17097.62	
Transfer between funds		-1200.00	0.00	1200.00		0.00	
		12996.62	2901.00	1200.00		17097.62	
Balance b/foward 1st Jan 2024		1248.00	0.00	10500.00		11748.00	
Balance c/foward 31 Dec 2024		14244.62	2901.00	11700.00		28845.62	

IHP STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DEC 2024							Page 2
			Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2024	
Cash Funds							
Bank current account			£ 14,245.00	£ 2,901.00	£ 11,700.00	£ 28,846.00	
Cash			£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
			£14,245.00	£2,901.00	£ 11,700.00	£ 28,846.00	
Assets retained for church use							
Televisions			✓				
Musical Equipment			✓				
Computers			✓				
Furniture and fittings			✓				
Kitchen electricals			✓				
Liabilities			£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
<i>The attached notes form part of the financial statement</i>							

Notes

- 1 The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice; Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) issued by the Charities Commission and IHP Guidance using the accrual basis of accounting. The income and expenditure are added to the year to which they relate.
2. Unrestricted funds can be used for anything towards meeting the church objectives. These include regular offering and tithes from church members and donations. These funds are used for the operational costs of the church.
- 3 Designated funds are donated for a special cause like for soup kitchen or outreach projects.
4. Restricted funds are restricted to the cause to which the donors have donated for.
 - The charity maintained sound financial management throughout the year, ensuring resources were used effectively to meet its charitable aims.

Principal Funding Sources

- Regular giving and donations from members and supporters
- Fundraising events, gifts in kind and community initiatives

7. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the charity's governing document. They are also responsible for ensuring that:

- Proper accounting records are maintained;
- Financial statements give a true and fair view of the charity's financial position;
- The charity acts in compliance with its legal obligations and charitable objectives.

8. Future Plans

In the coming year, the trustees plan to:

- Pursue opportunities for building acquisition to provide a permanent base for worship and outreach.
- Expand community support services, including food distribution and counselling.
- Strengthen youth engagement through training and leadership initiatives.
- Develop digital ministry capacity to extend reach and accessibility.

9. Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- *examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 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 report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements;

- *to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and*
- *to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or*

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature: Z Shiri **07/04/25**

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Mrs Z Shiri
