

# CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1129878

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Previously excepted

**Registered** 2009-05-29

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** 121 Clapham High Street  
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## Activities

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**Objects:** The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of union the advancement of -(a) the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church;(b) any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, district, circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church;(c) any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church;(d) any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

**Activities:** Worship, Bible Study, Social Activities, Music Group, Junior Church, Choir, Fellowship Groups.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Lambeth

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£112,752	£113,675	-	-
2023-08-31	£103,385	£88,615	-	-
2022-08-31	£121,188	£109,467	-	-
2021-08-31	£328,646	£157,368	-	-
2020-08-31	£162,022	£161,901	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Antonia Buamah		2017-09-01
CHARITY TUFUOR		
Clement Cofie		2011-09-06
DOROTHY BLINCOE		
Edna Efah		2015-09-01
Elizabeth Adenike Junaid		2021-09-01
Elizabeth Marin-Curtoud		
Elizabeth Oyeledun		2016-09-01
Fiona Owuru		2013-09-01
GLORIA LEACH		
Gloria Domale		2021-09-01
HILMA DUNN		2011-09-06
John Amoah		2016-09-01
John Ntow		2021-09-01
Karen Turner		2016-09-01
LYNDA-ANNE GARWOOD-WARREN		2021-09-01
Marcia Valerie Green		2020-09-01
Michelle Wilson		2018-09-01
Morinola Soremekun		2017-09-01
OLUBA LILLEY		
Ola Fadugba		2021-09-01
Olabisi Olorunfemi		2021-09-01
REGINA CATHERINE CARRENA		2011-09-06
Rev ANDREW JOHN DART		2021-09-01
Rita Addai		2018-09-01
SHARON ANTA BRYAN		
SOLOMON QUAYE		

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Samuel Arthur Gyesi		2021-09-01
TERESA JOHNSON		
Veronica Nunoo		2021-09-01
Vivian Korley		2018-09-01

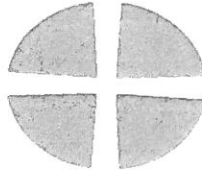
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# Accounts

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Church  
Accruals Accounts  
2023-2024

**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**(ACCRUALS BASIS)**  
for the year ended 31 August 2024

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1129878

Lambeth Circuit	Circuit No	35/06
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Minister

Revd Dr Andy Lyons

Church Srewards

Rita Addai
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Agatha Aarkah Hub Coordinator

Lay Workers

Church Treasurer

Dorothy Blincoe

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church  
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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**Introduction**

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**Aims and organisation**

The Church Mission statement is attached

**Review of the year**

2023-24 has been a very challenging year for the church and the circuit.  
Revd Andy Lyons was welcomed at the beginning of the year to take the place of

Revd Andy Dart who retired due to ill health. Revd Andy Lyons acted as Superintendent and Minister of Clapham along with his previous work. We thank him for all his support. With him we were struggling to cope with all the management issues of the church. We were preparing for our 150th Anniversary to be held in October 24.

**Income trends**

Church income is primarily drawn from the Sunday collections and Gift aid tax credit , and lettings income from external users of the building

The rental income relates to the hire of the church halls to various groups in the community.

**Expenditure trends**

The major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Clapham Circuit. The Circuit assessment was reduced by £4000.

A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers.

The other expenditure includes general running expenses, high gas and electricity charges, and high boiler repairs.

**Fund balances**

As at 31 August 2024 the net current assets of the Church were K24,

**Plans for 24-25**

Church plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis of the assessment of £41000 taking into account higher utility prices

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**  
**Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

**Basis of preparation and legal framework**

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Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Ms Dorothy Blincoe  
acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Name and address*  
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### Public Benefit

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### Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

### Safeguarding

*Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.*

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Clapham Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Clapham Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
£		£	£	£	£

## Tangible Fixed Assets\*

	Notes				
Land & Buildings		4,052,362			
Equipment		13,642			
Investment properties					
Investments					
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>13,642</b>			

## Current Assets

Debtors and Prepayments		5,325			
Cash at Bank and in hand		18,377			
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits			14,553		
Central Finance Board Deposits			1,445		
Other		72,115	1,164		
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>95,817</b>	<b>17,162</b>		
<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>		<b>10,811</b>			
<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>					
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>4,151,010</b>	<b>17,162</b>		

## Loans and creditors due after 1 year

Provisions for liabilities and charges					
<b>Net assets</b>					

## Funds of the Church

Unrestricted funds		4,151,010			
Restricted funds					
Endowment funds			17,162		
<b>Total Funds</b>					

\*Details - see Note 12

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Closing balances
Internal Organisations-						
Ghana Fellowship	6714	3650	1742	1908		8622
Senior Friends	818					818
1 o'clock Fellowship	277	443	414	29		306
Mens Fellowship	1315	180	50	130		1445
Womens Fellowship	832		189	-189		643
Junior Church	2762	850	314	536		3298
Benevolence	956	615	75	540		1496
Hub	4880	17500	23291	-5791		-911
<b>Total</b>	<b>18554</b>	<b>23238</b>	<b>26075</b>	<b>-2837</b>		<b>15717</b>

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward. Transfer Totals of Receipts and Payments to the SOFA





Restricted breakdown		2023-24										
	Benevolence	Model Trust	Hub	Junior Church	TOTAL	Other internal groups	Total					
Opening balance	956	1445	4880	2762	10043	9956	19999					
<u>Receipts</u>												
collections	615				615		615					
interest		76		58	134		134					
grants			17193		17193		17193					
donations			307	792	1099	4273	5372					
<b>Total</b>	<b>1571</b>	<b>1521</b>	<b>22380</b>	<b>3612</b>	<b>29084</b>	<b>14229</b>	<b>43313</b>					
<u>Payments</u>												
Donations	75	72			147							
wages			21171		21171							
Exoenses		4	2120	314	2438							
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>23291</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>23756</b>	<b>2395</b>	<b>26151</b>					
Final balance	1496	1445	-911	3298	5328	11834	17162					
Bank				2134	2134	10067	12201					
CFB				1164	1164		1164					
TMCP		1445			1445		1445					
General A/c	1496		-911		585	1767	2352					
<b>Total</b>	<b>1496</b>	<b>1445</b>	<b>-911</b>	<b>3298</b>	<b>5328</b>	<b>11834</b>	<b>17162</b>					
transfer	540		-5791		-5251	89	-5191					

2023 - 24

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	7,113	4,426,366	200,000		1,133		4,634,612
Additions					14,150		14,150
Revaluations (+/-)		115,101					115,101
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	7,113	4,541,467	200,000		15,283		4,749,743

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	2%	2%	10%	10%
Balance brought forward	1,880	603,367		113
Depreciation charge for year (-)	142	90,829		1,528
Revaluations (+/-)				
Disposals (-)				
Transfers* (+/-)				
Balance carried forward	2,022	694,196		1,641

Net book value	
Brought forward	4,029,252
Carried forward	4,066,004

\* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

\*\* Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

## **Members of Church Council September 2023 to August 2024**

*Minister in pastoral charge*  
Revd Dr Andy Lyons

*Superintendent Minister*  
(Revd Dr Andy Lyons)

*Circuit Steward*  
Raymonde Chintoh

### *Church Stewards*

Solomon Quaye  
Rita Addai  
John Amoah  
Antonia Buamah  
Valerie Green

Veronica Nunoo  
Michelle Wilson

### *Representatives to the Church Council elected by Annual General Church Meeting*

Henrietta Amponsah  
Sharon Bryan  
Regina Carrena  
Gloria Domale  
Hilma Dunn  
Ola Fadugba (died April 2024)

Lynda-Anne Garwood-Warren  
Sam Gyesi  
Teresa Johnson  
John Ntow  
Bisi Olorunfemi  
Morinola Sorekum-Sobogun

*Secretary of Church Council (also Safeguarding Officer)*  
Liz Marin-Curtoud

*Treasurer*  
Dorothy Blincoe

*Secretary Pastoral Working Group*  
Vacant

### *Representatives appointed by Church Council*

Clement Cofie (*Circuit Steward and Local Preacher*)  
Vivian Korley  
Karen Turner  
Fiona Owuru  
Elizabeth Oyeledun (*Circuit Steward*)  
Charity Tufour (*Secretary Worship Prayer & Christian Growing Group*)  
Edna Efah (*Junior Church Superintendent*)  
Gloria Leach (*Communion Steward*)

(indicates dual membership)



**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**  
Clapham High Street, Clapham, London SW4 7JR

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**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**Our basis is in Jesus Christ. We shall therefore...**

- expect our faith to change our life
- take seriously issues raised by our faith and life in Christ

**We shall speak and act for truth and justice and tell the good news of Jesus...**

- in the communities around the Church building, in particular we shall support the Churches Together in Clapham projects
- in the communities represented in our congregation

**We shall care for each other and share in life and faith together especially...**

- we shall welcome and encourage newcomers
- we shall enable and empower children and young people to reach their potential
- we shall encourage each member to be fully involved in the life for the Church as she/he wishes regardless of race, gender, age or disability
- we recognise our responsibility to promote the welfare of children and young people and to prevent them being physically, sexually or emotionally abused

In our Worship Services, we shall seek to combine the traditions of all members of our congregation and to seek ways of enabling both regulars and newcomers to worship God and come to a deeper faith and commitment.

Clapham Methodist Church

### DECLARATIONS

#### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2019 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council .

Signature of Treasurer D. Blincoe Date 29.04.2025

Name of Treasurer DOROTHY BLINCOE

Address 28 Fernside Rd. Balham  
London SW12 8LL

#### Presentation to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 Aug 2019 were, ~~or will be~~\* presented to the Church Council at its meeting on 24.06.2025

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Anewby

Name of the Chair of the meeting Revd Dr. A. LYONS

Date

#### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

CLAPHAM METHODIST Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 20~~19~~<sup>24</sup>

#### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 20~~19~~<sup>24</sup> present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Clapham Methodist Church

**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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 (other than as disclosed below\*)

(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 Charities Act 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

MARCUS DUNTOYE

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FFA, FTA, FCA, MSc.

Name of firm (where appropriate)

ALEX MARC ASSOCIATES & Co.

Address

P.O. BOX 22, 2 POLSTEN MEWS  
ENFIELD EN3 6YF

Date

26. MAY. 2025

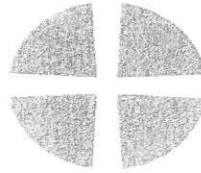
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**Review of the year**

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**Income Trends**

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## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	£		£	£	£	£
<b>Tangible Fixed Assets*</b>						
	Notes					
Land & Buildings	4,028,232				4,028,232	3,987,980
Equipment	1,020				1,020	
Investment properties						
Investments						
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>4,029,252</b>				<b>4,029,252</b>	<b>3,987,980</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors and Prepayments	5,006				5,006	3,316
Cash at Bank and in hand	37,341		10,503		47,844	45,819
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits			1,445		1,445	1,447
Central Finance Board Deposits	52,070		1,106		53,176	53,303
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>94,417</b>		<b>13,054</b>		<b>107,471</b>	<b>103,885</b>
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)	2,366				2,366	15,408
<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>						
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>						<b>4,076,475</b>
<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
Provisions for liabilities and charges						
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>4,121,303</b>		<b>13,054</b>		<b>4,134,357</b>	
<b>Funds of the Church</b>						
Unrestricted funds	4,121,303					4,064,279.00
Restricted funds			13,054			12,178.00
Endowment funds						
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>4,121,303</b>		<b>13,054</b>		<b>4,134,357.00</b>	<b>4,076,457.00</b>

\*Details - see Note 12

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Closing balances
Internal Organisations-						
Ghana Fellowship	6351	1580	1217	363		6714
Senior Friends	527	291		291		818
1 o'clock Fellowship <i>In Gen. Fds</i>	265	258	246	12		277
Mens Fellowship	945	470	100	370		1315
Womens Fellowship <i>In Gen Fds</i>	942		110	110		832
Junior Church	2644	698	580	118		2762
Benevolence <i>In general Fds</i>	782	469	295	174		956
Hub <i>In general Fds</i>	3446	21747	20313	1434		4880
<b>Total</b>	<b>15902</b>	<b>25513</b>	<b>22861</b>	<b>2652</b>		<b>18554</b>

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward. Transfer Totals of Receipts and Payments to the SOFA



Table 1

General Breakdown		2022-2023			
		General	Music	Development	total
Offeratories		43173.9		3073.75	46247.65
gift aid		8043.07		1093.75	9136.82
Donations				8476.70	8476.70
Interest	13896	45.88			
	6027020				
	6027010	118.76		1584.95	1749.59
Lettings		30247.00			30247
Other Income		758.20		2425.00	3183.20
Revaluation gain		130054.00			130054
Fund raising/gifts/grants		75.00		1167.69	1242.69
Total		212515.81	2425.00	15396.84	230337.65
Expenditure					
Salaries					
Assessment		41000.00			41000.00
grants/donations					
Repairs		14559.77		575.94	15135.71
insurance and utilities		15096.13			15096.13
Depreciation		88782.00			88782.00
Office		7755.07		1132.91	8887.98
TMCP Admin		2.56			2.56
other expenditure		3562.27		562.00	6549.27
TOTAL		170757.80	2425.00	2270.85	175453.65
Balance		41758.01		13125.99	54884

Restricted breakdown		2022-23					
	Benevolence	Model Trust	Hub	Junior Church	TOTAL	Other internal groups	Total
Opening balance	782	1447	3446	2644	8319	2579	10718
<u>Receipts</u>							
collections	469			698	1167		
interest		45					
grants			20485		20485		
donations			1262		1262		
<b>Total</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>21747</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>22959</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>23978</b>
<u>Payments</u>							
Donations	295				295		
wages			14572		14572		
Exoenses		47	5741	580	6368		
<b>Total</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>20313</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>21235</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>21691</b>
<b>Final balance</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>1445</b>	<b>4880</b>	<b>2762</b>	<b>10043</b>	<b>3142</b>	<b>13185</b>
Bank				1656	1656	2133	3789
CFB				1106	1106		1106
TMCP		1445			1445		1445
General A/c	956		4880		5836	1009	6845
<b>Total</b>					<b>10043</b>	<b>3142</b>	<b>13185</b>
transfer	-174		-1435		-1609	-277	
						-110	
						-126	-2122

*Benevolence, Hub, 10'clock fellowship, Womens fellowship included in General Funds - f6845*

## 12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	7,113	4,297,445	200,000				4,504,558
Additions		128,921			1,133		130,054
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	7,113	4,426,366	200,000		1,133		4,634,612

	2%	2%	10%	10%	
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>					
Balance brought forward	1,738	514,840			516,578
Depreciation charge for year (-)	142	88,527		113	88,782
Revaluations (+/-)					
Disposals (-)					
Transfers* (+/-)					
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	1,880	603,367		113	605,360

<b>Net book value</b>				
Brought forward	5,375	3,782,605	200,000	3,987,980
Carried forward	5,233	3,822,999	200,000	4,030,272

\* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

\*\* Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

## Members of Church Council September 2022 to August 2023

*Minister in pastoral charge*

Rev **Andy Dart**

*Superintendent Minister*

Rev. Andy Dart

*Circuit Steward*

Raymonde Chintoh

*Church Stewards*

Solomon Quaye (2016) (Senior)

Rita Addai (2017)

John Amoah (2016)

Antonia Buamah (2017)

Valerie Green (2020)

Nikki Junaid (2021)

Oluba Lilley (2018)

Veronica Nunoo (2021)

Michelle Wilson (2019)

*Representatives to the Church Council elected by Annual General Church Meeting*

Henrietta Amponsah

Sharon Bryan

Regina Carrena

Gloria Domale

Hilma Dunn

Ola Fadugba

Lynda-Anne Garwood-Warren

Sam Gyesei

Teresa Johnson

John Ntow

Bisi Olorunfemi

Morinola Sorekum-Sobogun

*Secretary of Church Council (also Safeguarding Officer)*

Liz Marin-Curtoud

*Treasurer*

Dorothy Blincoe

*Secretary Pastoral Working Group*

(Oluba Lilley)

*Representatives appointed by Church Council*

Clement Cofie (*Circuit Steward and Local Preacher*)

Vivian Korley

Karen Turner

Fiona Owuru

Elizabeth Oyeledun (*Circuit Steward*)

Charity Tufour (*Secretary Worship Prayer & Christian Growing Group*)

Edna Efah (*Junior Church Superintendent*)

Gloria Leach (*Communion Steward*)

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**  
**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH, CLAPHAM. LONDON SW4 7JR**

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**Our basis is Jesus Christ. We shall therefore...**

- expect our faith to change our life.
- take seriously issues raised by our faith and life in Christ.

**We shall speak and act for truth and justice and tell the good news of Jesus...**

- in the communities around the Church building (in particular we shall support the Churches Together in Clapham's projects.
- In the communities represented in our congregation.

**We shall care for each other and share in life and faith together especially...**

- we shall welcome and encourage newcomers.
- we shall enable and empower children and young people to reach their full potential.
- we shall encourage each member to be as fully involved in the life of the Church as he/she wishes regardless of race, gender, age or disability.
- we recognise our responsibility to promote the welfare of children and young people and to prevent them from being physically, sexually or emotionally abused.

On our Worship Services we shall seek to combine the traditions of a member of our congregation and to seek ways of enabling both regulars and newcomers to worship God and come to a deeper faith and commitment.

Clapham Methodist Church

## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 20~~18~~<sup>23</sup> have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\*.

Signature of Treasurer

J. Bliscoe

Date

4<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Name of Treasurer

Address

28 Fernside Rd.  
Balham. LONDON SW12 8LL

### Presentation to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 Aug 2016 were, or will be\* presented to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* at its meeting on

06/02/2024

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

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Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev. Dr. Andhyant.

Date

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

CLAPHAM METHODIST

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

20~~18~~<sup>23</sup>

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 20~~18~~<sup>23</sup> present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Clapham Methodist Church

**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 the accounting records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, and explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 (other than as disclosed below)

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements of the Charities Act 2006 have not been met; or
- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2006
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

- (3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees of Clapham Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) as at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

MARCUS DUNTOYE

Signature of independent examiner

Marcus

Relevant Professional qualification or body

FFA, FTA, FCA, MSc.

Name of firm (where appropriate)

ALEX MARC ASSOCIATES & Co.

Address

P.O. Box 22, 2 POLSTEN MEWS  
ENFIELD, EN3 6YF

Date

08.04.2024

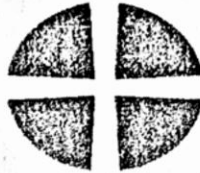
**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1129878

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# Accounts

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Church  
Accruals Accounts  
2021-2022

**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**(ACCRUALS BASIS)**  
for the year ended 31 August 2022

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1129878

Lambeth Circuit	Circuit No	35/06
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Minister

Revd Dr. Eleanor Jackson

Church Stewards

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John Amoah
Antonia Buamah
Valerie Green
Adenike Junaid
Oluba Lilley
Veronica Nunoo
Solomon Quaye
Michelle Wilson

Lay Workers

Sabrina Dessi- Makin	Administrator
Alistair Macfarlane	Hub Coordinator

CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church  
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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**Introduction**

*Clapham Methodist Church stands on Clapham High Street in a very prominent position. It has a membership of 172 with a thriving Junior Church. There are many activities for children and young people and church groups meet regularly. The night time hub is open on Friday and Saturday nights to meet the needs of the young people enjoying a night out in Clapham. The hall is used daily by community groups.*

**Aims and organisation**

The Church Mission statement is attached

**Review of the year**

*2021-2022 has been a very challenging year for the Church. We have been working to return to normal after the pandemic. Evening services, bible studies and many meetings have continued on zoom. The Junior Church has restarted and the various groups meeting in the hall are now back. Revd. Eleanor Jackson was away for three months on sabbatical and moved to another Circuit at the end of August. Revd Andy Dart will be welcomed in September.*

**Income trends**

Church income is primarily drawn from the Sunday collections, Gift aid tax credit, and lettings income from external users of the building

The rental income relates to the hire of the church hall to various groups in the community.

**Expenditure trends**

The major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Lambeth Circuit. This amounts to 59% of our total costs this year. The Circuit assessment reduces next year to £41000

A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers. The other expenditure includes general running expenses and high utility charges.

**Fund Balances**

As at 31 August 2022 the net current assets of the Church were £76K, giving approximately Months' cover for expenditure.

**Plans for 2022-23**

Church plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis of a circuit assesment of £41000

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**  
**Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

**Basis of preparation and legal framework**

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2019 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2019

Full Name of Charity / Church: Clapham Methodist Church.....

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): ...1129878.....

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 2009.....

Main communication address (Church office)  
Church Office, Clapham Methodist Church, London SW4 7JR

The members of the Clapham Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual general Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Ms Dorothy Blincoe  
acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Name and address*  
Marcus Duntoye, AJP House, 152-154 Coles Green Road, London NW2 7HD

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

### Aims and organisation

Charity objective is .....:..... *Mission statement attached*

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

- a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

*(This section is to explain the main activities of the church. please change as appropriate)*

Worshipping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship.

The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.

The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.

The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.

Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.

Outreach to the community through coffee mornings and through partnership with the local business community to provide space and hub pastors for the night hub on Friday and Saturday nights

### Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Council along with the Minister.

The representatives to the Church Council are appointed at the AGM of the church. Office holders are elected at the Church Council.

**Trustee Training**

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions .

**Related Parties**

The Church is part of the Lambeth Circuit which is part of the London District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisations linked to this church i are ..The Junior Church, Men's Fellowship, Women's Fellowship, 1 o'clock fellowship, Senior friends, Ghana Fellowship, Scout troupe, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides, Music Group., Night Hub.....

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## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

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### Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to ..2.. months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
£		£	£	£	£

## Tangible Fixed Assets\*

	Notes				
Land & Buildings		3,987,980		3,987,980	3,539,741
Equipment					
Investment properties					
Investments					
<b>Total fixed assets</b>				3,987,980	3,539,741

## Current Assets

Debtors and Prepayments		3,316		3,316	9,535
Cash at Bank and in hand		36,157	9,662	45,819	28,977
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits			1,447	1,447	39,820
Central Finance Board Deposits		52,234	1,069	53,303	1,064
Other					
<b>Total current assets</b>		91,707	12,178	103,885	79,396
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)		15,408		15,408	2,461
<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>					
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		4,064,279	12,178	4,076,457	3,616,676
Loans and creditors due after 1 year					
Provisions for liabilities and charges					
<b>Net assets</b>				4,076,457	3,616,676

## Funds of the Church

Unrestricted funds		4,064,279			3,616,907.00
Restricted funds			12,178		14,769.00
Endowment funds					
<b>Total Funds</b>		4,064,279	12,178	4,076,457.00	3,616,676.00

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Internal Organisations-						
Ghana Fellowship	7571	2600	3820			6351
Senior Friends	567		40	-40		527
1 o'clock Fellowship	264					264
Mens Fellowship	40	1755	850			945
Womens Fellowship	1096		254			842
Junior Church	3945	605	1906			2644
Benevolence	695	277	190			782
Hub	-854	21189	16889			3446
<b>Total</b>	13324	26426	23949			15801
		<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>			

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward. Transfer Totals of Receipts and Payments to the SOFA

	A	C	D	E	F	G
1	Clapham Methodist Church					
2	Analytical Review of Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31			Aug-22		
3						
4		General Funds	Restricted F	Totals this year	last year	
5		Unrestricted		2022	2021	
6	<b>Incoming resources</b>					
7	Offerings	45417	883	46300	40391	
8	Donations	433	2243	2676	4787	
9	Gift Aid	7219		7219	11313	
10	Interest and Investment income	191	7	198	77	
11	Lettings	22806		22806	2060	
12	Other income	5430		5430	7022	
13	Grants		18946	18946		
14	Revaluation gain	534329		534329	256043	
15	Fundraising	13259		13259	200	
16	Internal organisations		4355		6753	
17	Adjustment	-1		-1		
19	<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	629083	26434	655517	328646	
22						
23	<b>Resources Expended</b>					
24	Salaries costs		15641	15641	17874	
25	Circuit assessment	50360		50360	37770	
26	Grants and donations				120	
27	Repairs and Maintenance	6560		6560	3075	
28	Insurance, Utilities	11563		11563	8448	
29	Depreciation	86090		86090	75461	
30	Loan repayment					
31	Other expenditure	9500	3344	12844	2585	
32	Office	7530		7530	7863	
33	TMCP Admin		5		4172	
34	Internal organisations		4964	4964	157368	
35	<b>Total Resources expended</b>	171603	23954	195557	171278	
36	<b>Net incoming resources</b>	457480	2480	459960		
37	Transfers between funds					
38			3446	-3446	0	
39			854	W. Feil -842	12	
40			Ben. 782	-782	0	
40		Foreign Flowers	-190		-190	
41	<b>Sub Total</b>					
42	<b>Net investment in Funds</b>	462372	-2590	459782		
43	<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	3601907	14768	3616675	3461111	
44	<b>Total Funds carried forward at end of year</b>	4064279	12178	4076457	3616676	
48						
49						
50	Collections for and payments to External organisations		21-22		20-21	
53	Balance brought forward					
54	Offerings/gifts received		1923		770	
55	Offerings/gifts paid over		1923		770	
56	Balance still to be paid					

General Breakdown

21-22

Table 1

	General	Music	Development	Total
Offertories	42474.67		2942.18	45416.85
gift aid	5777.54		1441.75	7219.29
Donations	433.49		433.49	433.00
Interest	13896			
	6027020			
	6027010		175.07	
Lettings	14.24			190.60
Other Income	22806.50			22806.00
Fund raising/gifts/grants	2609.63	2820.00		5429.63
Revaluation gain	122.00		13137.08	13259.08
	534329.00		534329	534329
Expenditure	608568.36	2820.00	17696.08	629084.44
Salaries				
Assessment	50360.00			50360.00
grants/donations				
Repairs	6559.87			6559.87
insurance	3581.43			3581.00
utilities	7981.72			7982
Depreciation	86090.00			86090.00
Office	7530.54			7530.00
TMCP Admin				
other expenditure	6679.78	2820.00		9499.78
TOTAL	168783.34	2820.00	171603.34	171603
Balance	439785.02		17696.08	457481.10
transfer	8500.00		-8500.00	457418

Restricted breakdown		2021-22							
	Benevolence	Model Trust	Hub	Junior Church	TOTAL	Other internal groups	Total		
Opening balance	694	1445	-854	3945	5230	9538	14768		
Receipts									
collections	278			605	883				
interest		7			7				
grants			18946		18946				
donations			2243		2243				
Receipts	278	7	21189	605	22079	4355	26434		
Total	972	1452	20335	4550	27309	13893	41202		
Payments									
Donations									
wages			15641		15641				
Exoenses	190	5	128	1906	3349				
Total	190	5	16889	1906	18990	4964	23954		
Final balance	782	1447	3446	2644	8319	8929	17248		
Bank				1575		8087			
CFB				1069					
TMCP		1447							
General A/c	782		3446						
Total	782	1447	3446	2644	8319	8929	17248		
transfer	-782		-3446			-842			

**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	7,113	3,763,116	200,000				3,970,229
Additions		534,329					534,329
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	7,113	4,297,445	200,000				4,504,558

	2%	2%	10%
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
Balance brought forward	1,596	428,892	430,488
Depreciation charge for year (-)	142	85,948	86,090
Revaluations (+/-)			
Disposals (-)			
Transfers* (+/-)			
Balance carried forward	1,738	514,840	516,578

	2%	2%	10%
<b>Net book value</b>			
Brought forward	5,517	3,334,224	200,000
Carried forward	5,375	3,782,605	200,000
			3,539,741
			3,987,980

\* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

\*\* Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

## **Members of Church Council September 2021 to August 2022**

### *Minister in pastoral charge*

Rev Eleanor Jackson

### *Superintendent Minister*

Rev. Andy Dart

### *Circuit Steward*

Raymonde Chintoh

### *Church Stewards*

Solomon Quaye (2016) (Senior)

Rita Addai (2017)

John Amoah (2016)

Antonia Buamah (2017)

Valerie Green (2020)

Nikki Junaid (2021)

Oluba Lilley (2018)

Veronica Nunoo (2021)

Michelle Wilson (2019)

### *Representatives to the Church Council elected by Annual General Church Meeting*

Henrietta Amponsah

Sharon Bryan

Regina Carrena

Gloria Domale

Hilma Dunn

Ola Fadugba

Lynda-Anne Garwood-Warren

Sam Gyesi

Teresa Johnson

John Ntow

Bisi Olorunfemi

Morinola Sorekum-Sobogun

### *Secretary of Church Council (also Safeguarding Officer)*

Liz Marin-Curtoud

### *Treasurer*

Dorothy Blincoe

### *Secretary Pastoral Working Group*

(Oluba Lilley)

### *Representatives appointed by Church Council*

Clement Cofie (*Circuit Steward and Local Preacher*)

Vivian Korley

Karen Turner

Fiona Owuru

Elizabeth Oyeledun (*Circuit Steward*)

Charity Tufour (*Secretary Worship Prayer & Christian Growing Group*)

Edna Efah (*Junior Church Superintendent*)

Gloria Leach (*Communion Steward*)

# CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH

CLAPHAM HIGH STREET, CLAPHAM, LONDON, SW4

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Our basis is in Jesus Christ. We shall therefore

- expect our faith to change our life
- take seriously issues raised by our faith and life in Christ

We shall speak and act for truth and justice, and tell the good news of Jesus

- in the communities around the Church building (in particular, we shall support the Churches Together in Clapham *projects*).
- in the communities represented in our congregation

We shall care for each other and share in life and faith together, especially

- we shall welcome and encourage newcomers
- we shall enable and empower children and young people to reach their full potential
- we shall encourage each member to be as fully involved in the life of the Church as s/he wishes, regardless of race, gender, age, or disability
- we recognise our responsibility to promote the welfare of children and young people, and to prevent them being physically, sexually, or emotionally abused

In our Worship Services we shall seek to combine the traditions of all members of our congregation and to seek ways of enabling both "regulars" and "new-comers" to worship God and come to a deeper faith and commitment.

Church

## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\*.

Signature of Treasurer

D. Blincoe

Date

13.02.2023

Name of Treasurer

DOROTHY BLINCOE

Address

28 Fernside Rd.  
BALHAM, LONDON SW12 8LL

### Presentation to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 Aug 2021 were, ~~or will be~~\* presented to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* at its meeting on

14.02.2023

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Andrew Jart.

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev. ANDREW JART.

Date

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

CLAPHAM METHODIST

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2022

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2016 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

\* Please delete or circle as appropriate

Clapham Methodist Church

**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 the original records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, and explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 (other than as disclosed below)

(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 Charities Act 2006
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

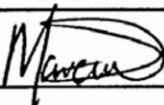
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees of Clapham Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) as at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

MARCUS DUNTOYE

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCA, FCIT, MSc.

Name of firm (where appropriate)

ALEX MARC ASSOCIATES & CO.

Address

P.O. BOX 22, 2 POLSTEN MEWS  
ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX EN3 6YF

Date

23.3.2023

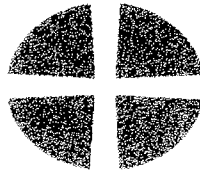
**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1129878

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# Accounts

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**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**(ACCRUALS BASIS)**  
for the year ended 31 August 2021

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1129878

Lambeth Circuit	Circuit No	35/06
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Minister

Revd Dr. Eleanor Jackson

Church Stewards

- Rita Addai
- John Amoah
- Antonia Buamah
- Valerie Green
- Oluba Lilley
- Fiona Owuru
- Solomon Quaye
- Michelle Wilson

Lay Workers

- Sabrina Dessi- Makin Administrator
- Alistair Macfarlane Hub Coordinator

Church Treasurer

Dorothy Blincoe

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**  
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

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**Introduction**

*Clapham Methodist Church stands on Clapham High Street in a very prominent position. It has a membership of 172 with a thriving Junior Church. There are many activities for children and young people and church groups meet regularly. The night time hub is open on Friday and Saturday nights to meet the needs of the young people enjoying a night out in Clapham. The hall is used daily by community groups.*

**Aims and organisation**

The Church Mission statement is attached

**Review of the year**

*2020-21 has been a very challenging year for the Church. For 4 months the building was completely closed. When it was open the numbers attending the morning service were limited.*

*to 30. There have been 15 deaths of members since the pandemic began. Throughout the year evening services, bible studies and church meetings were held on zoom. Some of the church groups were able to meet on zoom. Lettings to community groups were very few. A small group was formed to oversee the organisation required to follow Covid restrictions and agree risk assessments.*

**Income trends**

Church income is primarily drawn from the Sunday collections, Gift aid tax credit, and lettings income from external users of the building

The rental income relates to the hire of the church hall to various groups in the community.

**Expenditure trends**

The major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Lambeth Circuit. This amounts to 28% of our total costs this year. We were unable to pay the full assessment. The Circuit assessment remains the same for next year.

A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers. The other expenditure includes general running expenses and high utility charges. The reduction of £3356 in offerings and £13702 in property lettings is due to the closure of the Church buildings

**Fund Balances**

As at 31 August 2021 the net current assets of the Church were £64k, giving approximately 5 Months' cover for expenditure.

**Plans for 2021-2022**

Church plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis of a circuit assessment of £50360

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**  
**Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

**Basis of preparation and legal framework**

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015

Full Name of Charity / Church: Clapham Methodist Church.....

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): ...1129878.....

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 2009.....

Main communication address (Church office)  
Church Office, Clapham Methodist Church, London SW4 7JR

The members of the Clapham Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual general Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Ms Dorothy Blincoe  
acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Name and address*  
Marcus Duntoye, AJP House, 152-154 Coles Green Road, London NW2 7HD

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

### Aims and organisation

Charity objective is .....:..... *Mission statement attached*

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

- a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

*(This section is to explain the main activities of the church, please change as appropriate)*

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship.

The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.

The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.

The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.

Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.

Outreach to the community through coffee mornings and through partnership with the local business community to provide space and a hub coordinator for the night hub on Friday and Saturday nights

### Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Leadership team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church. Office holders are elected at the Church Council.

## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

### Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

### Safeguarding

*Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.*

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Clapham Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Clapham Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

### Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to ..2.. months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	£		£	£	£	£
<b>Tangible Fixed Assets*</b>						
	Notes					
Land & Buildings	3,539,741				3,539,741	3,359,102
Equipment			~			57
Investment properties						
Investments						
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>3,539,741</b>				<b>3,539,741</b>	<b>3,359,159</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors and Prepayments	9,535				9,535	19,045
Cash at Bank and in hand	16,717		12,260		28,977	16,834
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits	38,375		1,445		39,820	1,445
Central Finance Board Deposits			1,064		1,064	52,893
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>64,627</b>		<b>14,769</b>		<b>79,396</b>	<b>90,217</b>
<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>	<b>2,461</b>				<b>2,461</b>	<b>1,572</b>
<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>						<b>73,664</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>62,166</b>		<b>14,769</b>		<b>3,616,676</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>
<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
Provisions for liabilities and charges						
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>3,601,907</b>		<b>14,769</b>		<b>3,616,676</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>
<b>Funds of the Church</b>						
Unrestricted funds	3,601,907				3,601,907.00	3,432,823.00
Restricted funds			14,769		14,769.00	14,981.00
Endowment funds						
<b>Total Funds</b>					<b>3,616,676.00</b>	<b>3,447,804.00</b>

\*Details - see Note 12

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Closing balances
<b>Internal Organisations-</b>						
Ghana Fellowship	4640	5038	2107	2931		7571
Senior Friends	932		365			567
1 o'clock Fellowship	264					264
Mens Fellowship	95	1645	1700			40
Womens Fellowship	1096					1096
Junior Church	3944	1		1		
Benevolence	1018	338	661			695
Hub	14854	70	15778	-15708		-854
<b>Total</b>	<b>26843</b>	<b>7092</b>	<b>20611</b>			<b>9379</b>
		<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>			

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward. Transfer Totals of Receipts and Payments to the SOFA

	A	C	D	E	F	G
1	<b>Clapham Methodist Church</b>					
2	Analytical Review of Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2021					
3						
4		General Funds	Restricted F	Totals this year	last year	
5		Unrestricted		2020	2019	
6	<b>Incoming resources</b>					
7	Offerings	40391		40391	43747	
8	Donations	4449	338	4787	2632	
9	Gift Aid	11313		11313	345	
10	Interest and investment income	74	3	77	459	
11	Lettings	2060		2060	15762	
12	Other income	7022		7022	3980	
13	Grants				22152	
14	Revaluation gain	256043		256043	92966	
15	Fundraising	200		200		
16	Internal organisations		6753	6753	5037	
17	Adjustment				5	
19	<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<b>321552</b>	<b>7094</b>	<b>328646</b>	<b>187085</b>	
22						
23	<b>Resources Expended</b>					
24	Salaries costs	2240	15634	17874	15650	
25	Circuit assessment	37770		37770	50360	
26	Grants and donations		120	120	1770	
27	Repairs and Maintenance	3075		3075	6917	
28	Insurance, Utilities	8448		8448	15232	
29	Depreciation	75461		75461	78271	
30	Loan repayment					
31	Other expenditure	1898	687	2585	5658	
32	Office	7863		7863	6467	
33	TMCP Admin				3	
34	Internal organisations		4172	4172	6443	
35	<b>Total Resources expended</b>	<b>136755</b>	<b>20613</b>	<b>157368</b>	<b>186771</b>	
36	<b>Net incoming resources</b>	<b>184797</b>	<b>-13519</b>	<b>171278</b>	<b>314</b>	
37	Transfers between funds	448	-15713		-83	
38					-894	
39					-198	
40	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>169084</b>				
41	<b>Net investment in Funds</b>					
42	<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>3432823</b>	<b>28288</b>	<b>3461111</b>	<b>3448665</b>	
43	<b>Total Funds carried forward at end of year</b>	<b>3601907</b>	<b>14769</b>	<b>3616676</b>	<b>3447804</b>	
47						
48						
49	Collections for and payments to External organisations		20-21		19-20	
52	Balance brought forward					
53	Offerings/gifts received		770		265	
54	Offerings/gifts paid over		770		265	
55	Balance still to be paid					

**Table 1**

**General Breakdown**

	General	Music	Development	total
Offertories	40391.03			40391.03
gift aid	9986.58		1326.50	11313.08
Donations	110.00		4339.38	4449.38
Interest	13896		1.78	1.78
	6027020		67.52	67.52
	6027010		4.69	4.69
Lettings	2060.00			2060.00
Other Income	4481.75	2540.00		7021.75
Revaluation gain	256043.00			256043
Fund raising/gifts/grants			200.00	200.00
Total	313078.83	2540.00	5933.40	321552.23
Expenditure				
Salaries		2240.00		2240.00
Assessment	37770.00			37770.00
grants/donations				
Repairs	3075.15			3075.15
insurance and utilities	8448.15			8448.15
Depreciation	75461.00			75461.00
Office	7862.40			7862.40
TMCP Admin				
other expenditure	1897.67			1897.67
TOTAL	134514.37	2240.00	0.00	68754.37
	178564.46	300.00	5933.40	184797.86
Transfer to Hub	-15713			-15713
				<u>169084.86</u>

Restricted breakdown		2020-2021								
	Benevolence	Model Trust	Hub	Junior Church	TOTAL	Other internal groups	Total			
Opening balance	1018	1445	14854	3944	21261	7027	28288			
Receipts										
collections	338				338		338			
interest		2		1	3		3			
grants										
donations			70		70	6683	6753			
Total	1356	1447	14924	3945	21672	13710	35382			
Payments										
Donations	120				120		120			
wages			15634		15634		15634			
Exoenses	541	2	144		687		687			
Total	661	2	15778		16441	4172	20613			
Final balance	695	1445	-854	3945	5231	9538	14769			
Bank	695			2881	3576	8442	12018			
CFB				1064	1064		1064			
TMCP		1445			1445		1445			
General A/c			-854		-854	1096	242			
	695	1445	-854	3945	5231	9538				
transfer							14769			

## 12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

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Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
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	2%	2%	10%	
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>				
Balance brought forward	1,454	353,630	79,825	434,909
Depreciation charge for year (-)	142	75,262	57	75,461
Revaluations (+/-)				
Disposals (-)				
Transfers* (+/-)				
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	1,596	428,892	79,882	510,370

<b>Net book value</b>					
Brought forward	5,659	3,153,443	200,000	57	3,359,159
Carried forward	5,517	3,334,224	200,000	-	3,539,741

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Rev. Andy Dart

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John Ntow

Hannah Sarpong

Morinola Sorekum-Sobogun

### *Secretary of Church Council (also Safeguarding Officer)*

Liz Marin-Curtoud

### *Treasurer*

Dorothy Blincoe

### *Secretary Pastoral Working Group*

(Oluba Lilley)

### *Representatives appointed by Church Council*

Clement Cofie (*Circuit Steward and Local Preacher*)

Vivian Korley

Karen Turner

Elizabeth Oyeledun (*Circuit Steward*)

Charity Tufour (*Secretary Worship Prayer & Christian Growing Group*)

Edna Efah (*Junior Church Superintendent*)

Gloria Leach (*Communion Steward*)

Eric Green (*Property Steward*)

(indicates dual membership)

**LM-C revised 12.11.20**

Church

## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\*.

Signature of Treasurer

D. Blincoe

Date

15.02.2022

Name of Treasurer

DOROTHY BLINCOE

Address

28 FERNSIDE ROAD  
BALHAM LONDON SW12 8LL

### Presentation to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 Aug 2021 were, or will be\* presented to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* at its meeting on

15.2.22.

and were approved. *Subject to Independent Examination*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Eleanor Jackson

Name of the Chair of the meeting

ELEANOR JACKSON

Date

23.2.22.

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

CLAPHAM METHODIST

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2021

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2016 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

*(This is a new addition to the form)*

Clapham Methodist Church

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An exam includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with the It also includes consideration of any unusual items, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanation the Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view. My report is limited matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than as disclosed below\*);

(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 Charities Act 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

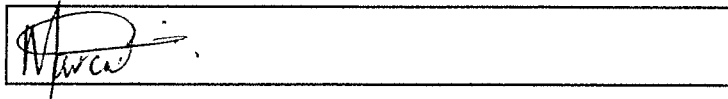
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of Clapham Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance date.

Name of independent examiner

MARCUS DUNTOYE

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FFA, FCA, MSc.

Name of firm (where appropriate)

ALEX MARC ASSOCIATES & CO.

Address

P.O. Box 22, 2 POLSTEN MEWS  
ENFIELD EN3 6YF

Date

15.3.2022

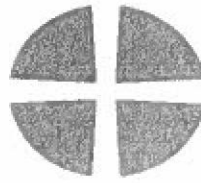
**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1129878

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# Accounts

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**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**(ACCRUALS BASIS)**  
for the year ended 31 August 2020

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1129878

Clapham Circuit	Circuit No	35/17
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Minister

Revd Dr. Eleanor Jackson

Church Stewards

- Rita Addai
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- Gloria Domaley
- Beatrice Donkoh
- Hilma Dunn
- Sam Gyesi
- Oluba Lilley
- Solomon Quaye
- Hannah Sarpong
- Michelle Wilson

Lay Workers

- Sabrina Dessi- Makin Administrator
- Alistair Macfarlane Hub Coordinator
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Church Treasurer

Dorothy Blincoe

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**  
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

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**Introduction**

*Clapham Methodist Church stands on Clapham High Street in a very prominent position. It has a membership of 199 with a thriving Junior Church. There are many activities for children and young people and church groups meet regularly. The night time hub is open on Friday and Saturday nights to meet the needs of the young people enjoying a night out in Clapham. The hall is used daily by community groups.*

**Aims and organisation**

The Church Mission statement is attached

**Review of the year**

*Established work continued until 16th March 2020 when the Church was closed due to the Covid pandemic. A morning service resumed on 16th August with a much reduced attendance and social distancing in place. Other activities and community use could not restart.*

**Income trends**

Church income is primarily drawn from the Sunday collections, Gift aid tax credit, and lettings income from external users of the building

The rental income relates to the hire of the church hall to various groups in the community.

**Expenditure trends**

The major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Clapham Circuit. This amounts to 60% of our total costs this year. The Circuit assessment remains the same for next year when we move into the Lambeth Circuit.

A significant amount of the Circuit assessment is used to pay the District assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers. The other expenditure includes general running expenses and high utility charges. The reduction of £12329 in offerings and £12521 in property lettings is due to the closure of the Church buildings

**Fund Balances**

As at 31 August 2020 the net current assets of the Church were £75k, giving approximately 5 Months' cover for expenditure.

**Plans for 2020-2021**

Church plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis of a circuit assessment of £50360

**CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church**

**Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

**Basis of preparation and legal framework**

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full Name of Charity / Church: Clapham Methodist Church.....

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): ...1129878.....

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 2009.....

Main communication address ( Church office )  
Church Office, Clapham Methodist Church, London SW4 7JR

The members of the Clapham Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual general Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Ms Dorothy Blincoe  
acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Name and address*  
Marcus Duntoye, AJP House, 152-154 Coles Green Road, London NW2 7HD

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

### Aims and organisation

Charity objective is .....:..... *Mission statement attached*

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

- a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of The Methodist Church;
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church

*(This section is to explain the main activities of the church. please change as appropriate)*

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship.

The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.

The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.

The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.

Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.

Outreach to the community through coffee mornings and through partnership with the local business community to provide space and hub pastors for the night hub on Friday and Saturday nights

### Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Church Leadership team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church. Office holders are elected at the Church Council.

## **Trustee Training**

A range of guidance produced by the Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of the trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and/or training sessions.

## **Related Parties**

The Church is part of the Clapham Circuit which is part of the London District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisations linked to the Church are:-

The Junior Church, Men's fellowship, Women's fellowship, 1 o'clock fellowship, Senior friends, Ghana fellowship, Scout troupe, Brownies and Guides, Young People's music group.

## **Update on the Ghana Fellowship Meetings in 2020**

The first Ghana Fellowship Zoom Meeting was held on 24 May 2020 at 1pm.

We usually start with an opening prayer, with bible readings. We then invite members to pause for reflection and discussion about what they have heard.

It is only then we move onto the business of the Fellowship.

Members were asked to call each other and check on their welfare, as a means of keeping in touch, especially our older members, and those who have been unwell. Updates are then given at each meeting.

We decided to defer monthly subscriptions for those who could not afford it, and urged those who could to keep paying their monthly contributions and any donations they may have directly into the Fellowship's bank account.

Members were also reminded that their first duty is to the church and to pay where possible, their weekly offering directly into the Clapham Methodist Church Bank Account, the account details were circulated on the Fellowship's WhatsApp group.

We launched our Helping Hands Scheme along with a phone number for any of our members who satisfied the following criteria

- Are over 70 years of age
- Have long term health issues
- Are currently shielding
- Recently become unemployed due to the Covid-19 lockdown

Members gladly donated to the Scheme, however, many members were reluctant to come forward to ask for help due to various reasons, so the sub-committee was formed to come up with a list of members who we thought would appreciate a helping hand.

We also donated to the London families of members, who due to pandemic were stuck abroad, as well as members of the wider church.

Our main highlight of the meetings was when Revds. Roy and Eleanor kindly accepted an invitation to attend our meeting on 19 July 2020. We really

appreciated them joining us and would like to thank them both for valuing our contributions and making us feel an important part of the church.

Unfortunately, due to our church reopening during August, meetings were postponed as members of the Executive committee were attending church and could not also attend Zoom meetings.

And as the lockdown 2 is now upon us, we recommenced our meetings last Sunday 15 November 2020, and spent time discussing how to best celebrate the Festive Season without getting together.

## CLAPHAM METHODIST CHURCH Church

### Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

### Safeguarding

*Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.*

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Clapham Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Clapham Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

### Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to ..2.. months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
£		£	£	£	£

## Tangible Fixed Assets\*

Notes

Land & Buildings	3,359,102			3,359,102	3,359,102
Equipment	57			57	57
Investment properties					
Investments					
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>3,359,159</b>			<b>3,359,159</b>	<b>3,359,159</b>

## Current Assets

Debtors and Prepayments	19,045			19,045	19,045
Cash at Bank and in hand	4,361		12,473	16,834	16,834
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits			1,445	1,445	1,445
Central Finance Board Deposits	51,830		1,063	52,893	52,893
Other					
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>75,236</b>		<b>14,981</b>	<b>90,217</b>	<b>90,217</b>

Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)	1,572			1,572	1,572
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<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>	<b>73,664</b>			<b>73,664</b>	<b>88,645</b>
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>3,432,823</b>		<b>14,981</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>
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Loans and creditors due after 1 year					
Provisions for liabilities and charges					

<b>Net assets</b>	<b>3,432,823</b>		<b>14,981</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>	<b>3,447,804</b>
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## Funds of the Church

Unrestricted funds	3,432,823			3,432,823.00	3,433,877.00
Restricted funds			14,981	14,981.00	14,788.00
Endowment funds				-	-
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>3,432,823</b>			<b>3,447,804.00</b>	<b>3,448,665.00</b>

\*Details - see Note 12

	Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Closing balances
<b>Internal Organisations</b>						
Ghana Fellowship	5605	3200	4185	965		4640
Senior Friends	788	144		144		932
1 o'clock Fellowship	247	775	758	17		264
Mens Fellowship	895	600	1400	800		95
Womens Fellowship	898	298	100	198		1096
Junior Church	3751	419	226	193		3944
Benevolence	2057	731	1770	1038		1018
Hub	12409	31273	16419	14854		14854
<b>Total</b>	<b>26650</b>	<b>37440</b>	<b>24858</b>	<b>12602</b>		<b>26843</b>

Total Receipts	Total Payments
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Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward. Transfer Totals of Receipts and Payments to the SOFA



Table 1

General Breakdown

	General	Music	Development	TOTAL
Offeratories	40011.62		2256.33	42267.95
gift aid	345.67			345.67
Donations			1992.18	1992.18
Interest	13896	12.42		
	6027020		403.51	
	6027010	24.17		440.10
Revaluation gain	92966.00			92966.00
Lettings	15762.00			15762.00
Other Income	1548.06		2432.18	3980.24
Fund raising/gifts/grants			4263.78	4263.78
<b>Total</b>	<b>150669.94</b>		<b>8915.80</b>	<b>162017.92</b>
Expenditure				
Salaries				
Assessment	50360.00			50360.00
grants/donations				
Repairs	5330.57		1587.00	6917.57
insurance	3315.33			3315.33
utilities	11916.81			11916.81
Depreciation	78271.00			78271.00
Office	6467.46			6467.46
TMCP Admin	2.89			2.89
other expenditure	1918.59		2732.18	4650.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>157582.65</b>		<b>1587.00</b>	<b>161901.83</b>
Balance	-6912.71		7328.80	116.09
transfer	21600.00		-21600.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14687.29</b>		<b>-14271.20</b>	<b>116.09</b>

### Restricted breakdown

	Benevolence	Model Trust	Hub	Junior Church	TOTAL	Other internal groups	Total
Opening balance	2057	1445	12409	3751	19662	8433	28095
Receipts							
collections	731		336	412	1479	5037	6516
interest		12		7	19		19
grants			17888		17888		17888
donations			640		640		640
Total	2788	1457	31273	4170	39688	13470	25063
Payments							
Donations	1770				1770		1770
wages			15650		15650		15650
Exoenses		12	769	226	1007		7450
Total	1770	12	16419	226	18427	6443	24870
Final balance	<u>1018</u>	1445	14854	3944	21261	7027	28288
Bank	1018			2881	3899	5931	
CFB			13307	1063	14370		
TMCP		1445			1445		
General A/c			1547		1547	1096	
	1018	1445	14854	3944	21261	7027	28288
transfer							

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<b>Balance brought forward</b>	7,113	3,418,192	200,000		75,797		3,701,102
Additions					4,085		4,085
Revaluations (+/-)		88,881					88,881
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
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<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>			
Balance brought forward	1,312	283,489	71,837
Depreciation charge for year (-)	142	70,141	7,988
Revaluations (+/-)			
Disposals (-)			
Transfers* (+/-)			
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	1,454	353,630	79,825

<b>Net book value</b>			
Brought forward	5,801	3,134,703	200,000
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**14. Analysis of current assets**

	This year	Last year
	£	£
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Pre paid assessments	12590	12590
Accrued income		
Other debtors	6455	86
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>19,045</b>	<b>12,676</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

HSBC 60026808	4,361	27,276
HSBC 70028711		
Various internal groups		
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>4,361</b>	

**15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors**

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	1,572	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>10,944</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31 st August 2018 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2018.

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## **Members of Church Council September 2019 to August 2020**

*Superintendent Minister and Minister in pastoral charge*  
Rev Eleanor Jackson

*Circuit Minister*  
Rev. Rita King

*Circuit Steward*  
Raymonde Chintoh

### *Church Stewards – elected by General Church Meeting*

Solomon Quaye (2016) (Senior)	Hilma Dunn (2018)
Rita Addai (2017)	Sam Gyesi (2016)
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Gloria Domaley (2019)	

### *Representatives to the Church Council elected by Annual General Church Meeting*

Henrietta Amponsah	Teresa Johnson
Sharon Bryan	John Ntow
Regina Carrena	Fiona Owuru
Ola Fadugba	Morinola Sorekum-Sobogun

*Secretary of Church Council (also Safeguarding Officer)*  
Liz Marin-Curtoud

*Treasurer*  
Dorothy Blincoe

*Secretary Pastoral Working Group*  
(Oluba Lilley)

### *Representatives appointed by Church Council*

Clement Cofie (*Circuit Steward and Local Preacher*)  
Vivian Korley  
Karen Turner  
Elizabeth Oyeledun (*Circuit Steward*)  
Charity Tufour (*Secretary Worship Prayer & Christian Growing Group*) *Tufour*  
Edna Efah (*Junior Church Superintendent*)  
Gloria Leach (*Communion Steward*)  
Eric Green (*Property Steward*)

(indicates dual membership)

**LM-C revised 09.10.19**

## DECLARATIONS

**Treasurer**

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2016 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\*.

Signature of Treasurer

D. Blincoe

Date

26 4 2021

Name of Treasurer

DOROTHY BLINCOE

Address

28 FERNSIDE RD  
BALHAM LONDON SW12 8LL**Presentation to the Church Council / Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\* for approval.**

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 Aug 2016 were, ~~or will be~~\* presented to the Church Council / ~~Members' Meeting / Leadership Group\*~~ at its meeting on

8.7.2021

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Fleetnor Jackson

Name of the Chair of the meeting

FLEETNOR JACKSON

Date

18.7.2021.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the**

CLAPHAM METHODIST

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2016 2020

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2016 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Clapham Methodist Church**

**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 the actual records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for a full audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view. My report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than as disclosed below\*);

(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 Charities Act 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of Clapham Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

MARCUS JUNTOTE

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FFA, ACA, MSc.

Name of firm (where appropriate)

ALEX MARC ASSOCIATES & CO.

Address

P. O. Box 22, 2 POLSTEN MEWS  
ENFIELD EN3 6YF.

Date

17-5-2021