

GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 31 December 2024

**GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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**GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

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GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees of Gomer Faith Ministries hereby submit their Report, together with the Financial Statements of the Charity for the year ending 31st December 2024. The financial statements have been prepared on the accounting policies as set out in note 1, and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, Applicable Law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities."

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Gomer Faith Ministries is a non-denominational Church, which was registered as a charity on 25th June 2009. It is governed by a Declaration of Trust, sealed on the 2nd November 2007 and operates in accordance with its Constitution.

The policy and operating decisions of the Charity rest with the Trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

New trustees are appointed by the Elders of the Church/the Trustees.

A minimum of three trustees are required by the Declaration of Trust unless one of the trustees is a trust corporation. Trustees are appointed or removed by a majority vote of all trustees present.

New trustees are provided with a copy of the declaration of trust and the constitution together with the latest report and accounts and are expected to attend appropriate seminars, meetings and conferences held in the year.

Trustee Induction and Training

The trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity having been involved in other capacities or because of experience gained in their own churches or organisations.

New trustees are provided with a copy of the Declaration of Trust and the Constitution, together with the latest report and accounts. They are expected to attend appropriate seminars, meetings and conferences held throughout the year.

Organisational Structure

At meetings, the Trustees agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the Charity, including consideration of grant-making applications, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance.

The Charity consists of Gomer Faith Ministries. The overseer of the Charity is Pastor Michael A Lewis who is also a Trustee. The day-to-day administration of the Charity is delegated to the Pastor and the Administrator. The trustees wish to express their sincere appreciation and thanks to all volunteers and supporters for their dedication and hard work.

Risk Management

The trustees have continued to assess the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity. The trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

Objectives of the Charity

The objectives of Gomer Faith Ministries are to promote the Kingdom of God through Christian faith and values; and to assist individuals and families to live effective and successful lives. Our values are entrenched in our very clear mission to restore families and change lives. We aim to achieve this goal through weekly sermons and teachings, which are held on Sunday mornings in conjunction with weekly Bible Study and Prayer Meetings. Other ministry groups have been created to specifically target the needs of our growing congregation. Sunday school was for children aged 4-12 years and youth 13-18.

For new converts we offer specially designed classes called Milk to Meat. We also have both a Women's and Men's Ministry which aims to provide a support network for spiritual growth. There are topical seminars to address matters such as core family values also held throughout the year. There is a well established annual Family Focus conference with invited speakers of distinction.

Review of Activities

The Trustees, Elders and Members of Gomer Faith Ministries are committed to, 'restoring families and changing lives.' One of the ways that the ministry reaches out to the wider community is via a weekly one hour radio programme. We also started a 30 minute program on World Faith TV, Both shows address topics of concern such as: family values, parenting; confidence building, career choices; fear, spiritual growth and community involvement. We aim to unravel the complexities of these issues and suggest a range of practical solutions for Christians and non-Christians alike.

Throughout the year respected speakers of note were invited to minister sermons, run training workshops on general topics of interest as well as current socio-political issues. The speakers eloquently dissect the Word of the Lord, for all audiences and levels of understanding. Church members, visitors and invited community guests have found it informative, supportive and empowering.

Corporate Prayer and Fasting was held in January, April and again in September.

At the premises at Destiny Centre which we share with other churches, we begin church at 13:00 to 14:30 with time for fellowship afterwards. We also have the space available every other Friday which is used for Worship practice.

We recognised International Women's Day in March followed by an Afternoon Tea event at Mulberry House in Ongar. We also celebrated Mother's Day in March.

The Annual Easter program was held in April in the sanctuary and on YouTube with the Easter Sunday service led by Pastor Michael A Lewis.

August the church was blessed to come together for a Family Fun Day at Hainault Forest Country Park.

September began with prayer and fasting with the theme "Having A Renewed Mindset" On the 22nd September we celebrated Harvest Festival

In October we held Family Focus over four weeks. The theme was *Committed to the Family*. We invited Pastor Andrew to teach on Singles, Pastor Andrew on Couples, Pastor Michael on Children, and Dwight McCook on Young people. It was a great time of learning how God wants us to focus on the family.

On Friday the 6th December we held our "Winter Ball". The evening opened and closed with a selection of festive songs from our Praise and Worship team, a beautiful time was enjoyed by members of the ministry, our families and friends.

For Christmas we celebrated the Saviour's birth with a wonderful Carol Service. Hampers were passed out to the homeless charity Branches, Lyndon Children Family Hub and individuals in need.

The Church

Gomer Faith Ministries continues to baptise new believers. Sunday school and Youth Ministry continue to grow and develop spiritually. Also the church assisted families by dedicating their newborns to the Lord.

The Mission

This year Gomer Faith Ministry continued to support missionary work in Kenya with a donation to The Apostolic Church Walthamstow who organised a trip entitled "The love Mission to Keyna" from the 21st November to 13th December 2024. The trip was a success, lives were changed by the Word of God and the gifts they received.

Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's General Guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, The Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Total receipts for the year were £61,552 and total payments for the year were £64,161 giving a net deficit for the year of (£2,609).

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity Law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the Charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper account records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1991. In preparing the accounts, the Trustees should follow best practice and confirm that they have:

- (a) selected suitable account policies and applied them consistently;
- (b) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) followed applicable accounting standards, and;
- (d) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

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Approval

This Report was approved by the Trustees on ~~20~~ October 25

And signed on their behalf by:

Signed 

Michael Lewis
Chairman

Independent Examiners Report

Report to the trustee / Members of: Gomer Faith Ministry. Charity no:1130357.

On accounts for the year ended: 31 December 2024

Set out on pages 9 and 10, and notes to the accounts on pages 11 to 14

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of the report:

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

We report in respect of the examination of the Charity's account carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and in carrying out our examination, we followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement:

We have completed the examination of your accounts. We can confirm that no material matters have come to our attention in connection with the examination which give us cause to believe that in any material aspect:

- (a) Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act
- (b) The accounts do not accord with the accounting records

In our opinion, we have no concerns, and we have not come across matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature.....
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24 October 25

**GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	Restated 2023 Total £
Income and endowment from:					
Donations and legacies	1	45,756	-	45,756	40,182
Charitable activities		4,933	7	4,940	2,827
Other		10,857	-	10,857	15,572
TOTAL		<u>61,545</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>61,552</u>	<u>58,581</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds					
Charitable activities	2	64,011	150	64,161	62,775
Other		-		-	-
Total		<u>64,011</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>64,161</u>	<u>62,775</u>
Net Income/(expenditure)		<u>- 2,466</u>	<u>(143)</u>	<u>(2,609)</u>	<u>(4,194)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		<u>15,584</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,584</u>	<u>19,778</u>
Total Funds carried forward		<u>13,118</u>	<u>(143)</u>	<u>12,975</u>	<u>15,584</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities. The prior year figures have been restated to transfer the correct figures under the category of donations and legacies.

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**GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS	3	£ 197	£ 413
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtor		1,100	1,200
Bank and Cash		<u>12,178</u>	<u>14,721</u>
		13,278	15,921
Current Liabilities			
Creditors	4	<u>(500)</u>	<u>(750)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>12,778</u>	<u>15,171</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>12,975</u>	<u>15,584</u>
FUNDS			
Restricted	5	12,975	15,584
Unrestricted		<u>12,975</u>	<u>15,584</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>12,975</u>	<u>15,584</u>

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 20 October 2025



Michael Lewis (Chairman)

1. Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

1.2 Income

Income resources are recognised in the year for which they are receivable.

1.3 Grant, donation and other gifts

Grants, donations and other gifts receivable for the general purposes of the Charity are credited to unrestricted funds. Donations for purposes restricted by the wishes of the donor are taken to restricted funds.

2. Resources expended

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income. Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the deliverance of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance cost include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory Requirements of the charity and include the Independent Examiners fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly; others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

3. Fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets, except for land and building, are stated at cost less where applicable, amounts written off on a straight line basis.

Rates of depreciation:

Computer equipment 20% straight line

4. Taxation

The charity has received charitable exemption under Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

5. Expenditure

Expenditure is included in the financial statements on an accrual basis.

**GOMER FAITH MINISTRIES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

1. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total
	£	£				£
Donations	45,756	-	45,756	40,182	-	40,182
Totals	45,756	-	45,756	40,182	-	40,182

2. Charitable activities	Church	Missions	Building	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£		£	£
Rent	19,500	-	-	19,500	19,375
Accountancy Cost	250	-	-	250	250
Pastor allowance	11,800	-	-	11,800	9,800
Admin Salary	-	-	-	-	1,350
Evangelism Cost	755	-	-	755	1,454
Mission Cost	-	150	-	150	890
Musician Cost	15,470	-	-	15,470	12,890
Travel Exp	354	-	-	354	449
Children/Youth Ministry	183	-	-	183	116
Telephone	816	-	-	816	304
Tuckshop	1,517	-	-	1,517	2,284
Insurance	520	-	-	520	484
Repairs and Renewals	360	-	-	360	1,175
Gift and Donation	570	-	-	570	2,364
Depreciation	216	-	-	216	216
Sundries	451	-	-	451	1,210
Building Maintenance	-	-	-	-	175
Men's ministry	75	-	-	75	100
Women's Ministry	100	-	-	100	300
PA & Media	8,866	-	-	8,866	7,587
Event	2,209	-	-	2,209	-
Totals	64,011	150	-	64,161	62,776

3. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Total £
Cost at 1st January 2024	1,079	1,079
Additions	-	-
Cost at 31st December 2024	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,079</u>
Depreciation at 1st January 2024	666	666
Charge for the year	<u>216</u>	<u>216</u>
Depreciation at 31st December 2024	<u>882</u>	<u>882</u>
Net Book Value at 31st December 2024	<u>197</u>	<u>197</u>
Net Book Value at 31 st December 2023	<u>413</u>	<u>413</u>

4. CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accrual	500	750
	<u>500</u>	<u>750</u>

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	2024 £
Fixed Assets	197		197
Current Assets	13,278	-	13,278
Current Liabilities	- 500	-	- 500
Long term liabilities	-	-	-
	<u>12,975</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,975</u>

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	B/F 01/01/2024	Income	Expenses	C/F 31/12/2024
	£	£	£	£
Building Fund	-	-	-	-
Missions	636	7	(150)	493
	<u>636</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>(150)</u>	<u>493</u>

7. TRUSTEES' EMOLUMENTS

	2024 £	2023 £
M. Lewis (Pastor)	11,800	9,800