

Rev 7vs 9-17 Minister Report

In this triumphant vision of heaven, we are led to see the vast crowd of witnesses crying out in worship 'salvation belongs to our God'.

And then, with all the angels that hymn of thanksgiving vs12.

And then there is the promise of eternal shelter and God's provision and guidance.

This is the 200th Anniversary of the building of the first church and a fitting time to give thanks for the saints who have gone before us. The visionaries who stepped out in faith to buy this land and open the first church. Only a small band of saints in Christ. I wonder what they would have thought as they look upon the work of the church today?

We give thanks for the Saints of the past, we stand on their shoulders with a desire to serve our community and proclaim Christ in order to make disciples and make a difference with the practical love of God in our community.

And it is fitting to think about the Saints who have gone before us, because this year has been a sad year when we have lost some of our dearest members and friends.

We remember before God ; Jean Hibbert, Alan Burton, Dorothy Easthorpe, Les Snowden and Shirley Ellins- whose thanksgiving takes place on May 17th.

They are now part of that vast crowd worshipping God and face to face with their Shepherd.

In our sadness and loss, let us be inspired by their faith in Jesus and in their service to God with us in this church. May we pick up the baton and continue to follow our Shepherd, the Lamb upon the throne, proclaiming Christ and practically serving our community in the love of Christ.

And in our sadness may God wipe the tears from our eyes.

As we look to the present, we give thanks for the 3 people who were baptised and the two who renewed their baptism and the one who became a member on Easter day: Tom, James, David, Debbie, Emily and Lucy

We give thanks for the Alpha Course that we had this year and for those who became Christians through it.

And we give thanks for emerging leaders and their influence locally and nationally. For Hannah Caval, whose testimony of faith is going to be shared at the National Alpha conference at the Albert Hall. And... news hot off the press... Andy Gordon-McKibbin who is going to candidate for the Methodist Ministry. We pray Hannah, Andy and Naomi and their family. This is the sign of a growing and fruitful church when we can empower growing ministry and witness in the next generations.

This all starts with our evangelism and our welcome into Church. You will hear from Scott about how we are trying to build bridges with those who we welcome into the life of the church. We need to remain intentional in all that we do. We want to bring people into the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. In the last year we had our first welcome meal and we will be planning the next one soon. This is an opportunity to invite newer people for a meal and to share what it means to be part of the church and what difference it makes that we are part of the Methodist Church. The first one was very successful and we hope to build on that.

We are also still working on a discipleship course and I personally want to get that up and running in the coming year. In the meantime, discipleship continues to be fed through our house groups and in the last year two new housegroups have started. If you are not part of a group please speak to Graham Pettinger.

And another area that we are working on is to improve our communication and it is hoped that you will notice different ways that we are trying to keep people informed.

As I close, I want to bring us back to consider this year bi-centenary year. We started the year with a 24 hour prayer room. We will continue our celebrations with the coronation concert on 6th May. Any profit made from that concert will go towards the repayment of outstanding interest free loans for the building project.

In June we will be attempting a bible marathon. Reading the bible from Genesis to Revelation. As we do, we are declaring that as a church we stand on the Word of God. "Let the word be heard". We need as many people as possible to join in by reading in relay style non stop for 4 days. There are over 300 individual reading slots – so we need over 100 readers over the 4 days to be willing to share in the 15 minute reading slots. Its an amazing experience and more information will follow.

Then around 25th November we hope to have another Gala Dinner and gift day to sow into the future mission of the church. This will include entertainment and a time to celebrate the witness of this church in the past and pray for it witness in the next 200 hundred years.

Finally, I want to thank every person who has offered themselves in whatever way to enable the work and witness of this church to continue. There is a culture of willingness to help in this church and we are blessed for that.

Thank you

Jonathan

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Greenhill Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

Sheffield	Circuit	Circuit no.	25/1
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1130675

If not a registered charity **Her Majesty's Revenue and
Customs Gift Aid number**

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Rev. Jonathan Haigh

Church Stewards:

Mr. Andy Gordon-McKibbin

Mr. Neil Grant

Mrs. Elaine Hollings

Mrs. Hannah Luxton-Caval

Mrs. Rhiannon Pettinger

Mr. Greg Unwin

Mrs. Sam Wallace

Treasurer:

Dr. Ken Dutton

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		108,775	6,396	115,172	124,040
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		276	0	276	11
a4	Lettings		20,792	0	20,792	11,907
a5	Other receipts		15,013	45,175	60,188	53,737
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		144,857	51,571	196,428 (a7)	189,695

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		75,000	0	75,000	69,000
b3	Donations		0	0	0	4,570
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		28,517	0	28,517	29,435
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		15,232	0	15,232	13,912
b6	Salaries, NIC and Pensions		0	29,056	29,056	26,771
b7	Other payments		14,548	27,388	41,936	84,237
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		133,297	56,444	189,740 (b9)	227,925

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	11,560	(4,872)	6,688	(38,230)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		35,352	30,963	66,315 (c6)	104,545
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	46,912	26,091	73,003	66,315
c4	Transfers and adjustments					(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	46,912	26,091	73,003 (c8)	66,315 (c6)

SECTION D					
d	FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS				
	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		£		£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		0		0
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		919		4,917
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		919		4,917
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	0		0

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**SECTION E****Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page**

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1	Bookstall	434	517	(84)		555	471
e2	Toddler Group (a/c closed)	0	1,945	(1,945)		1,945	0
e3	Women's Network	298	332	(34)		431	397
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	731	2,794	(2,063)		2,931 (e11)	868 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	196,428 (a7)	189,740 (b9)	6,688	(c7)	66,315 (c6)	73,003 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	197,159	192,534	4,625		69,246 (x)	73,871 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023**

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	Cash in hand	50	466
f2	Bank Current Account (HSBC + CAF)	23,317	6,012
f3	Bank Deposit Account	42,947	66,523
f4	Central Finance Board		
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		
f6	Other funds		
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	66,314 (c6)	73,001 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	2,931 (e11)	868 (e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	69,245 (x)	73,869 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1	Investments (include Endowments)	0	0
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	4,294,422	4,530,691
g3	Other Assets	222,007	224,014
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	32,000	8,000
g5	Other Liabilities	0	0

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Name of ChurchGreenhill..... No ...25/1...

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer Date.....

Name and address of treasurer Dr Ken Dutton

..... 41 Hemper Lane, Sheffield Post Code...S8 7FA.....

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Greenhill Methodist Church

Charity Number 1130675

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of theGreenhill Methodist.... Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 1 to 3. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

* delete or circle as appropriate

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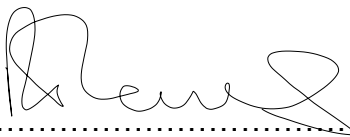
Independent Examiner’s Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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.

Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examinerRichard Thomas.....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ...ACA.....

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address ...12 Grasmere Road, Dronfield Woodhouse, Dronfield.....

..... Post Code S18 8PS...

Date ...10/01/2024.....

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GREENHILL METHODIST CHURCH, SHEFFIELD

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE 2022-23 ACCOUNTS

(This is a copy of page 5 of the accounts document)

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