GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1132238

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-10-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	16 Fairfields Gravesend Kent DA12 4QG
Phone	01474357681
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Website	www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk

Activities

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 subsiduary 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: Christian worship, teaching, personal growth and community works including working with children, youth, vulnerable adults, the homeless, the disadvantaged, night clubs and other churches.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

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Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£160,351	£166,950	-	-
2024-08-31	£156,241	£132,890	-	-
2023-08-31	£137,409	£120,091	-	-
2022-08-31	£122,976	£118,917	-	-
2021-08-31	£131,396	£237,433	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anne Downs		2021-01-01
Claudette Bramble		2021-01-01
David Edem Avi		2022-04-24
ERIC ANDREW DAVIS		
Emmanuel Eshun		2021-01-01
HAZEL ANN DAVIS		
JOYCE MARIAN WOODCRAFT NNEB,RGN		
KATHRYN ANNE HARDY		
LINDA BRERETON		
MARRY RAURIKUA ONISIMO		
MR STEVE BRERETON		
PHEBE POVEY		
ROSEMARY SHEILA ALLISON		
Rev Alexandra Jean Terrett		2022-10-18
Robert Hardy		2021-01-01
SARAH ANNE SMITH B.ED.HONS		
Velma Williams		2021-01-01
Vic Downs		2021-01-01

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Organisation – Our present minister is the Rev Alexandra Terrett who also cares for 3 other local Methodist churches. Our only other employee, now part time, is Vicki Clarke - our Community Centre Manager - who runs our Community Centre and homeless programme. Our governance consists of a Church Council (trustees) below which sits a Leadership Team to take day to day decisions and a number of committees and working groups.

Changes for 2024/2025 – We have now put our "Daytime Hub", (working with homeless and vulnerable people), on a more stable and sustainable financial footing. As a result, we have changed its structure and re-employed the Community Centre Manager on a part-time basis. We have been encouraging our members to take a more active role in running the church so that the more elderly may step down from positions of responsibility.

Worship – We are encouraging our Sunday congregation to take a more active role in services and the number and diversity of people attending worship is slowly growing. In the summer we had a number of joint services with our group churches and had one Sunday at the seaside.

Personal growth – We need to put a greater emphasis in this area of church life and have been looking at what courses and fellowship groups are needed.

Children's work – Our "Explorers" children's/youth group meets on Sunday mornings and following steady growth in numbers attending we are now at a plateau. A group of our youth attended the Methodist '3Generate', Youth event in October at the NEC in Birmingham.

Pastoral – We are always looking for experienced and appropriate people to join our Pastoral Visitors who give pastoral support to our church community. This vital work includes visiting the sick, keeping contact with housebound members and dealing with other pastoral matters. Our Pastoral Committee meets when necessary to assess our community's needs.

Helping the needy – an important part of our calling is "helping the needy in our town and community". We continue to work with partner organisations in our area with an emphasis on helping local homeless people. Our project "The Daytime Hub" provides cooked breakfasts, showers, new clothes, laundering peoples clothing, dealing with health issues and helping signpost them to outside help. This important work is continually being recognised by the local community and is now seen as a "warm spaces" project. Under the Warm Spaces "banner" we also offer coffee and appropriate activities for elderly and vulnerable people within the local community in our foyer twice a week.

Home and Overseas Support - We continue to support a number of other charities including Action for Children, Christian Aid, Samaritans Purse Shoe box appeal amongst others. We try to react positively to one off world events, and local situations as they arise.

Property –This year we have refurbished both our community centre kitchen to keep it at local authority 5star standards, but have also completely renovated out community centre main toilets. We are committed to taking forward a number of maintenance issues identified by inspections and produce future maintenance programmes. Where possible we use members DIY skills to keep costs down.

Use of premises – We now share use of the premises with "The Grand"; a healthy living charity with a range of community-based programmes. Our policies for Risk Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Safeguarding and Positive Working Together etc. are regularly reviewed and our two kitchens have been awarded the highest hygiene rating by the Council. Key staff have Food Hygiene certificates and attend catering hygiene courses wherever possible.

Working with other churches and charities- We continue to play an active role in "Churches Together in Gravesham" and help other churches and Christian groups. We could not do our important community work without our wonderful volunteers, who come from a variety of backgrounds. Our partner organisations include Gravesham Borough Council, Gravesham Foodbank, Gravesham Sanctuary, Gravesend Street Pastors, Kent County Council, the N.H.S. Porchlight, Serveco, and The Gr@nd, amongst others.

The future – We are endeavouring to diversify our governance and include a more representative range of our members in key positions and as trustees.

"Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".

Finance – please see separate report.

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH ACCOUNTS				
Sept 2024- Aug 2025				
INCOME				
Cottage Rent	8937.35			
Hall / Church Rent	2415.00			
Rental from The Grand	24000.00			
Gift Aid	13076.55			
Gift Day	5562.94			
Collections/Donations - Lloyds	13965.30			
Collections/Donations - CFB	34638.00			
Autumn Market	1558.83			
Interest	5423.54			
Coffee Mornings at Church	819.86			
From Hub towards kitchen	8000.00			
Grant from circuit for toilets	15000.00			
Warm Spaces Grant	1000.00			
Grant and Donations 3Generate	1125.00			
Grants for CC Manager	5000.00			
Other Income	5975.78			
Donations towards summer coach trip	280.00			
Donation	13000.00			
TOTAL INCOME	**159778.15**			
EXPENSE				
Circuit Assessment	59920.00			
Cleaner	14047.60			
Gas	6106.02			
Electricity	4547.19			
Telephone	559.63			
Insurance	5733.74			
Water	1446.97			
Maintenance/Repairs	20093.31			
Kitchen refurbishment	20103.29			
Toilet refurbishment (half paid)	13221.67			
Community Centre Manager Salary	12597.18			
Donations	1234.21			
TMCP Admin Charge	3.92			
Other Expenses	4005.73			
Summer coach trip	600.00			
3Generate	2157.55			
TOTAL EXPENSE	**166378.01**			
BALANCE	**-6599.86**			
Cash			0	
At Bank - Lloyds			12897.66	
CFB - General			60152.24	
CFB -Planned Maintenance			59217.34	Restricted
CFB - 21st Fundraising			3370.21	Restricted
CFB - Builders Fund			950.45	Restricted
CFB - Youth Fund			751.29	Restricted
CFB - Benevolent Fund			36.6	Restricted
TMCP			1260.68	Restricted

TOTAL AT BANK - 31st August 2025			138636.47	

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

GRAVESEND METHODIST	Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

NORTH KENT	Circuit	Circuit no.	36/21

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1132238
If not a registered charity **His Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number**	

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SHEILA ALLISON	EMMANUEL ESHUN
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STEPHEN BRERETON	

Treasurer:

KATHRYN HARDY

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

	SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year	
			£	£	£		£	
a1	**RECEIPTS**	Note						
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		67,776		**67,776**		67,767	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		2,576	2,848	**5,424**		5,937	
a4	Lettings		35,534		**35,534**		41,013	
a5	Other receipts		22,617	29,000	**51,617**		41,031	
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**128,503**	**31,848**	**160,351**	**(a7)**	**155,748**	
	SECTION B							
b1	**PAYMENTS**							
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		59,920		**59,920**		56,000	
b3	Donations		1,130		**1,130**		958	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		35,626	33,116	**68,742**		29,764	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		17,393	1,000	**18,393**		15,248	
b6								
b7	Other payments		13,761	5,004	**18,765**		30,427	
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**127,830**	**39,120**	**166,950**	**(b9)**	**132,397**	
	SECTION C							
c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR**	**(a6-b8)**	673	(7,272)	**(6,599)**		23,351	
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		72,377	72,859	**145,236**	**(c6)**	121,885	
c3	**Sub total**	**(c1+c2)**	73,050	65,587	**138,637**		**145,236**	
c4	Transfers and adjustments					**(c7)**		
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR**	**(c3+c4)**	**73,050**	**65,587**	**138,637**	**(c8)**	**145,236**	**(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**	£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	341	494
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	341	494
d4	**BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID** (d1+d2-d3)		

GRAVESEND METHODIST **Church**

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 2025 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	
c1	**Sisterhood**	141		150		(9)			31		22	
c2	**Badminton Club**	799		816		(17)			23		6	
c3	**Daytime Hub**	7,413		9,696		(2,283)			12,662		10,379	
c4												
c5												
c6												
e7												
c8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	8,353		10,662		(2,309)			12,716	(e11)	10,407	(e12)
c9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	**160,351**	(a7)	**166,950**	(b9)	**(6,599)**		(c7)	**145,236**	(c6)	**138,637**	(c8)
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**168,704**		**177,612**		**(8,908)**			**157,952**	(x)	**149,044**	(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 2025	OPENING BALANCES		CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand				
f2	Bank Current Account	9,519		12,898	
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	134,510		124,478	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	1,207		1,261	
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**145,236**	(c6)	**138,637**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	**12,716**	(e11)	**10,407**	(e12)
f9	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**157,952**	(x)	**149,044**	(y)

SECTION G

	OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,591,250	5,870,812
g3	Other Assets	171,152	179,710
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5	Other Liabilities		

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 Church Gravesend Methodist No.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 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 K. Hardy Date 4th Nov. '25.

Name and address of treasurer KATHRYN A. HARDY,
16, FAIRFIELDS, GRAVESEND, KENT. Post Code DA12 4QG.

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/~~will be~~* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 4th Nov 25

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev A.J. Terrett Date 4/11/25

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

Charity Number . 1132238

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Gravesend Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 2 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.

Name of Church GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

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 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 examiner Keith Scudder

Address 42 Frobisher Way, Gravesend, Kent DA12 4RA

Date 4th November 2025

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Changes for 2023/2024 – We have been trying to put our "The Daytime Hub" initiative, (working with homeless and vulnerable people), on a more stable and financially sustainable footing. As a result, we have changed its structure and re-employed the Community Centre Manager on updated terms.

Worship – The number and diversity of people attending worship is growing and more of the congregation are now taking an active role in services which is encouraging.

Personal growth –More work is needed in this area. We have in the past run a number of 'Alpha' related courses and are looking into what could follow these. There are also two house fellowship groups regularly meeting.

Children's work – On Sunday mornings, our "Explorers" children's/youth group meets with numbers attending steadily growing as more families join us. A group of our youth attended the Methodist '3Generate', Youth event in October at the NEC in Birmingham.

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Home and Overseas Support - We continue to support a number of other charities including Action for Children, Christian Aid, Samaritans Purse Shoe box appeal, and further afield a Kenyan Street Children's Project which provides education and a loving home for Kenyan street children. We aim to react positively to one off events, such as disaster appeals, as they arise.

Property –We are working on a number of maintenance issues identified by recent inspections and which will guide our future maintenance programmes; if possible, using our DIY team to keep costs down.

Use of premises – "The Grand" healthy living charity now share our premises with a range of community-based programmes delivered each weekday. We regularly review our policies for Risk Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Safeguarding and Positive Working Together etc. Our two kitchens have been awarded the highest hygiene rating by the Council (although one kitchen needs refurbishment) and key staff have Food Hygiene certificates and attend catering hygiene courses wherever possible.

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INCOME				
Cottage Rent	12005.00			
Hall / Church Rent	4879.50			
Rental from The Grand	24000.00			
Gift Aid	13352.04			
Gift Day	6382.12			
Collections/Donations - Lloyds	13345.60			
Collections/Donations - CFB	34409.00			
Autumn Market	1609.57			
Interest	6324.97			
Coffee Mornings at Church	837.75			
Sale of Pens	452.12			
Other	4077.65			
Grant and Donations 3Generate	1844.82			
Grants for CC Manager	15000.00			
Donations	17721.65			
TOTAL INCOME	**156241.79**			
EXPENSE				
Circuit Assessment	56000.00			
Cleaner	12669.42			
Gas	3838.21			
Electricity	4344.75			
Telephone	445.03			
Insurance	5579.84			
Water	1035.61			
Maintenance/Repairs	15220.70			
Purchase of New Chairs	2694.00			
Purchase of Soundboard & Amp	1703.60			
Community Centre Manager Salary	20282.39			
Donations	1452.17			
TMCP Admin Charge	78.46			
Other Expenses	5707.23			
3Generate	1660.00			
Purchase of Pens	179.05			
TOTAL EXPENSE	**132890.46**			
BALANCE	**23351.33**			
Cash			0	
At Bank - Lloyds			9518.7	
CFB - General			62858.57	
CFB -Planned Maintenance			60618.2	Restricted
CFB - 21st Fundraising			3223.96	Restricted
CFB - Builders Fund			7409.2	Restricted
CFB - Youth Fund			365.67	Restricted
CFB - Benevolent Fund			35.01	Restricted
TMCP			1207.02	Restricted
TOTAL AT BANK - 31st August 2024			145236.33	

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

	SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year
			£	£	£		£
a1	**RECEIPTS**	Note					
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		67,767		**67,767**		65,896
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		2,486	3,451	**5,937**		3,252
a4	Lettings		41,013		**41,013**		37,118
a5	Other receipts		23,121	17,910	**41,031**		30,237
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**134,387**	**21,361**	**155,748**	(a7)	**136,503**
	SECTION B						
b1	**PAYMENTS**						
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		56,000		**56,000**		51,000
b3	Donations		958		**958**		2,765
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		26,675	3,089	**29,764**		30,488
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		15,248		**15,248**		13,677
b6							
b7	Other payments		12,571	17,856	**32,305**		21,255
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**111,452**	**20,945**	**132,397**	(b9)	**119,185**
	SECTION C						
c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR**	(a6-b8)	22,935	416	**23,351**		17,318
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		49,442	72,443	**121,885**	(c6)	104,567
c3	**Sub total**	(c1+c2)	72,377	72,859	**145,236**		**121,885**
c4	Transfers and adjustments					(c7)	
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR**	(c3+c4)	**72,377**	**72,859**	**145,236**	(c8)	**121,885** (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		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	494	495
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	494	495
d4	**BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID** (d1+d2-d3)		

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

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e1	**Sisterhood**	196		195		1			29		30	
e2	**Badminton Club**	864		888		(24)			47		23	
e3	**Daytime Hub**	10,202		13,134		(2,932)			15,595		12,663	
e4												
e5												
e6												
e7												
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	11,262		14,217		(2,955)			15,671	(e11)	12,716	(e12)
e9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	**155,748**	(a7)	**132,397**	(b9)	**23,351**		(c7)	**121,885**	(c6)	**145,236**	(c8)
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**167,010**		**146,614**		**20,396**			**137,556**	(x)	**157,952**	(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 2024	OPENING BALANCES		CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand				
f2	Bank Current Account	13,478		9,519	
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	80,878		134,510	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	27,529		1,207	
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**121,885**	(c6)	**145,236**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	**15,671**	(e11)	**12,716**	(e12)
f9	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**137,556**	(x)	**157,952**	(y)

SECTION G

	OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,325,000	5,591,250
g3	Other Assets	163,002	171,152
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5	Other Liabilities		

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 Church Gravesend Methodist Church

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 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 K. Hardy Date 12/11/24

Name and address of treasurer KATHRYN HARDY.

16, FAIRFIELDS, GRAVESEND, KENT Post Code DA12 4QG.

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/~~will be~~* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 12-11-24

Signature of the Chair of the meeting A Powell.

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Alexandra J. Terrett. Date 12th Nov 24

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Gravesend Methodist Church

Charity Number 1132238

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Gravesend Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 2 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.

Name of Church Gravesend Methodist Church

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 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 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 examiner Keith Scudder

Address 42 Frobisher Way, Gravesend, Kent DA12 4RA

Date 12/11/24

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1132238

Accounts

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Trustees Report for 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 (agreed 7 November 2023)
Charity Number 1132238

Organisation –The Rev Alexandra Terrett arrived on 1 September 2022 as our minister and who also cares for 3 other local Methodist churches. Our only other employee is our Community Centre Manager - Vicki Clarke - who runs our Community Centre and homeless programme. Our structure consists of a Church Council (trustees) below which sits a Leadership Team to take day to day decisions and a number of committees and working groups.

Changes for 2022/2023 – Following the covid restrictions we have adopted a measured approach to new activities; rather than repeating activities taking place before covid, we are assessing what is needed in the new post covid climate. Our work with homeless people which adapted throughout the pandemic is under review to ensure that we are achieving all that we can within the resources available. Our major change is that a charity, "The Grand" healthy living project, now has an annual licence to operate from and use our facilities and which is proving to be beneficial to both charities.

Worship – Post covid, the number of people attending worship has dropped slightly, but there are now encouraging signs of new growth with numbers attending Sunday services steadily recovering.

Personal growth – Recognising that more work is needed in this area, we have run a number of 'Alpha' related courses and are looking into what should follow those. There are also two house fellowship groups meeting regularly.

Children's work – Our "Explorers" children's group meets on Sunday mornings and numbers attending are steadily growing as more families join us. A group of our older youth attended a Methodist Youth event in October at the NEC in Birmingham.

Pastoral – We are always looking for experienced and appropriate people to join our Pastoral Visitors who give pastoral support for our church community. Their work includes visiting the sick, keeping contact with housebound members and dealing with other pastoral matters. Our Pastoral Committee meet regularly to assess needs.

Helping the needy –The church ethos of "helping the needy" in our town and community continues to be an important part of our calling; increasingly working with partner organisations in our area focusing on helping local homeless people. Our project "The Daytime Hub" provides cooked breakfasts, showers, new clothes, laundering peoples clothing, dealing with health issues and helping signpost them to outside help. The importance of this work is continually being recognised by the local community and has recently been adapted as a "warm spaces" project.

A new project under the “warm spaces” banner is providing coffee and appropriate activities for elderly and other people within the local community in our foyer following improvements a few years ago.

Home and Overseas Support - We continue to support a number of other charities including Samaritans Purse Shoe box appeal, Action for Children, Christian Aid and further afield a Kenyan Street Children’s Project which provides education and a loving home for Kenyan street children. We aim to react positively to one off events such as disaster appeals as they arise.

Property –With the improved community facilities delivered by our building project a few years ago we are now able to provide modern facilities for community groups etc. We are working on a number of maintenance issues identified by the Quinquennial Inspection in Autumn 2021 which will guide our future maintenance programmes; where possible using our DIY team to keep costs down.

Use of premises – “The Grand” healthy living charity are now sharing our premises with a range of community-based programmes delivered each weekday. We regularly review our policies for Risk Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Safeguarding and Positive Working Together etc. Our two kitchens have been awarded the highest hygiene rating by the Council and key staff have Food Hygiene certificates and attend catering hygiene courses wherever possible.

Working with other churches and charities- We play an active role in “Churches Together in Gravesham” and help other churches and Christian groups wherever possible. We are very grateful for our volunteers who come from a variety of backgrounds and without their help our work would be severely constrained. Some of our partner organisations include Porchlight, Serveco, Gravesham Sanctuary, Gravesend Street Pastors, Gravesham Foodbank, The Gr@nd, Gravesham Borough Council, Kent County Council and the N.H.S.

The future – We aim to diversify our governance to include a more representative range of our members and trialling services for homeless people which are not hindered by school holiday closures.

“Your local Town Centre Church bringing God’s love to the heart of the community”.

Finance – please see separate report.

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Gravesend Methodist Community Centre, 4-9 Wilfred Street, Gravesend. DA12 2HA
Charity no. 1132238 Tel. 01 474 328249 www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk
Facebook – Gravesend Methodist Church email- gravesendmethodistchurch@gmail.com

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH ACCOUNTS				
Sept 2022- Aug 2023				
INCOME				
Cottage Rent	9235.04			
Hall / Church Rent	3882.50			
Rental from The Grand	24000.00			
Gift Aid	12534.20			
Gift Day	5327.94			
Collections/Donations - Lloyds	12975.00			
Collections/Donations - CFB	35059.00			
Autumn Market	1452.73			
Interest	3182.27			
Coffee Mornings at Church	614.77			
21st Project Fundraising	1915.09			
Other	4531.02			
Connexion Grant For CC manager salary	7000.00			
Grant for CC Manager	10700.00			
Donation	5000.00			
TOTAL INCOME	**137409.56**			
EXPENSE				
Circuit Assessment	51000.00			
Cleaner	11911.52			
Gas	3499.22			
Electricity	3667.44			
Telephone	349.88			
Insurance	5301.37			
Water	884.43			
Maintenance/Repairs	18575.57			
Community Centre Manager Salary	16967.45			
Donations	3411.38			
TMCP Admin Charge	88.41			
Other Expenses	4434.53			
TOTAL EXPENSE	**120091.20**			
BALANCE	**17318.36**			
Cash			0	
At Bank - Lloyds			13478.26	
CFB - General			35963.68	
CFB -Planned Maintenance			31171.47	Restricted
CFB - 21st Fundraising			5690.64	Restricted
CFB - Builders Fund			7804	Restricted
CFB - Youth Fund			214.69	Restricted
CFB - Benevolent Fund			33.27	Restricted
TMCP			27528.86	Restricted
TOTAL AT BANK - 31st August 2023			121884.87	

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

GRAVESEND METHODIST	Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

NORTH KENT	Circuit	Circuit no.	36/21

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1132238
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 ALEXANDRA TERRETT

Church Stewards:

SHEILA ALLISON	EMMANUEL ESHUN
MARY ONISIMO	VELMA WILLIAMS
STEPHEN BRERETON	

Treasurer:

KATHRYN HARDY

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Gravesend Methodist Church

	SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year	
			£	£	£		£	
a1	**RECEIPTS**	Note						
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		65,896		**65,896**		91,486	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		889	2,363	**3,252**		388	
a4	Lettings		37,118		**37,118**		12,423	
a5	Other receipts		4,154	26,083	**30,237**		18,680	
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**108,057**	**28,446**	**136,503**	**(a7)**	**122,977**	
	SECTION B							
b1	**PAYMENTS**							
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		51,000		**51,000**		50,810	
b3	Donations		2,765		**2,765**		1,117	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		27,109	3,379	**30,488**		33,212	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		1,478	12,199	**13,677**		11,792	
b6								
b7	Other payments		3,933	17,322	**21,255**		21,986	
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**86,285**	**32,900**	**119,185**	**(b9)**	**118,917**	
	SECTION C							
c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR**	**(a6-b8)**	21,772	(4,454)	**17,318**		4,060	
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		27,670	76,897	**104,567**	**(c6)**	100,507	
c3	**Sub total**	**(c1+c2)**	49,442	72,443	**121,885**		**104,567**	
c4	Transfers and adjustments					**(c7)**		
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR**	**(c3+c4)**	**49,442**	**72,443**	**121,885**	**(c8)**	**104,567**	**(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		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	495	183
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	495	183
d4	**BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID** (d1+d2-d3)		

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

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	**Sisterhood**	168		202		(34)			64		30	
e2	**Badminton Club**	454		414		40			7		47	
e3	**Daytime Hub**	19,188		18,322		866			14,729		15,595	
e4												
e5												
e6												
e7												
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	19,810		18,938		872			14,800	(e11)	15,672	(e12)
e9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	**136,503**	(a7)	**119,185**	(b9)	**17,318**		(c7)	**104,567**	(c6)	**121,885**	(c8)
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**156,313**		**138,123**		**18,190**			**119,367**	(x)	**137,557**	(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				
f2	Bank Current Account	18,803		13,478	
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	54,742		80,878	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	31,022		27,529	
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**104,567**	(c6)	**121,885**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	**14,800**	(e11)	**15,672**	(e12)
f9	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**119,367**	(x)	**137,557**	(y)

SECTION G

	OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,325,000	5,325,000
g3	Other Assets	163,002	163,002
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5	Other Liabilities		

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 Church Gravesend Methodist Church No.....

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 K. Hardy. Date 31/10/23

Name and address of treasurer KATHRYN HARDY

16 FAIRFIELDS, GRAVESEND, KENT Post Code DA12 4QG.

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 7th Nov 23

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Alex Terrett Date 7th Nov 23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

Charity Number .....

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of ~~the~~ GRAVESEND METHODIST Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 2 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

Name of Church GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH No .....

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 examiner KEITH SCUDDER

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ICB

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address 42 FROBISHER WAY, GRAVESEND

KENT Post Code DA12 4KA

Date 20/10/23

* delete or circle as appropriate

Form Review May-23

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1132238

Accounts

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Trustees Report for 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 (agreed 18 October 2022)
Charity Number 1132238

Organisation –The Minister we share with a number of other churches is about to change; The Rev Tony Graff has been on a sabbatical from Easter to the end of August 2022 and is moving on 31 August to another appointment. The Rev Alexandra Terrett has been appointed as the replacement and will be joining us on 1 September 2022. Our only other employee is our Community Centre Manager - Vicki Clarke - who runs our Community Centre. Our structure consists of a Church Council (trustees) below which sits a Leadership Team to take day to day decisions and a number of committees and working groups.

Changes for 2021/2022 – We are slowly emerging from the pandemic whilst starting to use our new Foyer etc. completed during the covid outbreak. We have adopted a measured approach to new activities; rather than repeating activities taking place before covid, we are assessing what is needed in the new post covid climate. Our work with homeless people adapted throughout the pandemic continues.

Worship – Although there are online Sunday services provided by our circuit, we are now back worshipping in person but with sensible post covid restrictions in place. The number of people attending worship has dropped slightly, mainly due to people passing on or becoming housebound, but there are encouraging signs of new growth.

Personal growth – We recognise that more work is needed in this area. We ran an 'Alpha' course during spring and early summer and a follow-up course is proposed for the coming September.

Children's work – post covid, we have now re-established our links with families associated with our church. Our "Explorers" children's group meets on Sunday mornings and although some children have not returned after covid, they have been replaced by new families joining the church.

Pastoral –pastoral support for our church community continues to be an important aspect of our work although we recognise that we need more Pastoral Visitors. Their work includes visiting the sick, keeping contact with housebound members and dealing with other pastoral matters. Our Pastoral Committee meet regularly to assess needs.

Helping the needy –The church ethos of "helping the needy" in our town and community continues as a mainstay of our calling. We increasingly work with partner organisations in our area focusing on helping local homeless people. Our Beacon Project "The Daytime Hub" provides cooked breakfasts, showers, new clothes, laundering peoples clothing, dealing with health issues and helping signpost them to outside help. The importance of this work is continually being recognised, this year receiving a community award and our Community Centre Manager being invited to attend a Buckingham Palace Garden Party in the summer.
In late 2021 we partnered with the elderly care provider – MHA – to run a community coffee shop and programmes for elderly people in our new foyer. The post covid

economic climate proved to work against that and the relationship with MHA sadly ended in the summer. However, some of that work supporting elderly people continues, now being provided directly by the church.

Home and Overseas Support - We continue to support Samaritans Purse Shoe box appeal, Action for Children, Christian Aid and further afield a Kenyan Street Children's Project which provides education and a loving home for Kenyan street children. We aim to react positively to one off events and appeals as they arise.

Property –The second phase of our C21st Project Phase 2 refurbishment project is now in use giving our premises longevity and improved community facilities. We had a Quinquennial Inspection in autumn 2021 which will guide our future maintenance programmes, with as much work being completed by a DIY team as possible to keep costs down.

Use of premises – Use of our premises, constrained by the pandemic is gradually returning. We regularly review our policies for Risk Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Safeguarding and Positive Working Together. Our Community Centre Catering Kitchen has just been awarded the highest hygiene rating by the Council and key staff have Food Hygiene certificates and attend catering hygiene courses wherever possible.
Plans for the future include "The Gr@nd" Healthy Living Project moving into our premises allowing us to jointly support our local community with an increased range of activities. In support of the local Ukrainian population, our local M.P. and others are now using our premises for Ukraine Family support.

Working with other churches and charities- we continue to play an active role in "Churches Together in Gravesham" and assist other churches and Christian groups wherever possible. We continue to be very grateful to our volunteers, coming from a variety of backgrounds and supporters who recognise that without their help our work would be severely constrained. Some of the churches and organisations we now partner with include Porchlight, Serveco, Gravesham Sanctuary, Gravesend Street Pastors, Gravesham Foodbank, The Gr@nd, the Kent Crime Commissioner and the Gravesham Borough and Kent County Councils.

The future – With covid receding and our C21st works complete, we are looking toward a bright future especially the work supporting the wider community in Gravesham. God is good to us.

"Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".

Finance – please see separate report.

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH ACCOUNTS				
Sept 2021- Aug 2022				
INCOME				
Cottage Rent	10007.00			
Hall / Church Rent	2415.50			
Gift Aid	13881.03			
Gift Day	4933.75			
Collections/Donations - Lloyds	12653.69			
Collections/Donations - CFB	40018.00			
Autumn Market	1401.41			
Interest	387.58			
21st Project Fundraising	3358.85			
Other	13920.00			
Donation	20000.00			
TOTAL INCOME	**122976.81**			
EXPENSE				
Circuit Assessment	50810.00			
Cleaner	10262.56			
Gas	3125.63			
Electricity	2856.58			
Telephone	382.74			
Insurance	4789.64			
Water	637.00			
Maintenance/Repairs	22949.47			
Donations	1117.39			
Other Expenses	21986.41			
TOTAL EXPENSE	**118917.42**			
BALANCE	**4059.39**			
Cash			0	
At Bank - Lloyds			18802.63	
CFB - General			8867.38	
CFB -Planned Mainteence			30124.65	Restricted
CFB - 21st Fundraising			4852.61	Restricted
CFB - Builders Fund			9816.57	Restricted
CFB - Youth Fund			894.75	Restricted
CFB - Benevolent Fund			186.53	Restricted
TMCP			31021.52	Restricted
TOTAL AT BANK - 31st August 2022			104566.64	

CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

GRAVESEND METHODIST	Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022

NORTH KENT	Circuit	Circuit no.	36/21

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number 1132238

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 ALEXANDRA TERRETT

Church Stewards:

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EMMANUEL ESHUN
MARY ONISIMO
VELMA WILLIAMS
STEPHEN BRERETON

Treasurer:

KATHRYN HARDY

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

GRAVESEND METHODIST Church

	SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year	
			£	£	£		£	
a1	RECEIPTS	Note						
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		71,327	20,159	**91,486**		63,932	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		45	343	**388**		137	
a4	Lettings		12,423		**12,423**		11,001	
a5	Other receipts		15,321	3,359	**18,680**		56,326	
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**99,116**	**23,861**	**122,977**	**(a7)**	**131,396**	
	SECTION B							
b1	**PAYMENTS**							
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		50,810		**50,810**		56,481	
b3	Donations		900	217	**1,117**		1,100	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		20,666	12,546	**33,212**		9,154	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		11,792		**11,792**		10,073	
b6								
b7	Other payments		19,572	2,414	**21,986**		160,625	
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**103,740**	**15,177**	**118,917**	**(b9)**	**237,433**	
	SECTION C							
c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR**	**(a6-b8)**	(4,624)	8,684	**4,060**		(106,037)	
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		32,294	68,213	**100,507**	**(c6)**	206,544	
c3	**Sub total**	**(c1+c2)**	27,670	76,897	**104,567**		**100,507**	
c4	Transfers and adjustments					**(c7)**		
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR**	**(c3+c4)**	**27,670**	**76,897**	**104,567**	**(c8)**	**100,507**	**(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		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	183	
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	183	
d4	**BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID** (d1+d2-d3)		

GRAVESEND METHODIST **Church**

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

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Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 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	**Sisterhood**	250		311		(61)			125		64	
e2	**Badminton Club**	248		260		(12)			19		7	
e3	**Daytime Hub**	13,570		30,192		(16,622)			31,351		14,729	
e4												
e5												
e6												
e7												
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	14,068		30,763		(16,695)			31,495	(e11)	14,800	(e12)
e9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	**122,977**	(a7)	**118,917**	(b9)	**4,060**		(c7)	**100,507**	(c6)	**104,567**	(c8)
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**137,045**		**149,680**		**(12,635)**			**132,002**	(x)	**119,367**	(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 2022	**OPENING BALANCES**		**CLOSING BALANCES**	
f1	Cash in hand				
f2	Bank Current Account	12,679		18,803	
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	56,864		54,742	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	30,964		31,022	
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**100,507**	(c6)	**104,567**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	**31,495**	(e11)	**14,800**	(e12)
f9	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**132,002**	(x)	**119,367**	(y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

		At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,325,000	5,325,000
g3	Other Assets	163,002	163,002
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5	Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
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Name of Church Gravesend Methodist Church

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 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 K. Hardy Date 18. 10. 22.

Name and address of treasurer KATHRYN ANNE HARDY

16, FAIRFIELDS, GRAVESEND, KENT Post Code DA12 4QG

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/~~will be~~* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 18-10-22

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Alexandra Terrett Date 18/10/22.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Gravesend Methodist Church

Charity Number 1132238

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Gravesend Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages 2 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

Name of Church Gravesend Methodist Church

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 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 examiner Keith Scudder

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ICB

Address 42 Frobisher Way, Gravesend, Kent DA12 4RA

Date 18/10/22

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1132238

Accounts

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Trustees Report for 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 (agreed 22 October 2021)
Charity Number 1132238

Organisation –We continue to share our Minister with a number of other churches and employ a Community Centre Manager to run our Community Centre. Our structure consists of a Church Council (trustees) below which sit a Leadership Team to take day to day decisions and a number of committees and working groups.

Changes for 2020/2021 – Our long awaited C21st Community Building Project - Phase 2 constrained the use of our premises until the builders left in October 2020. However, Covid prevented worship, sending it online. Our work with homeless people adapted and continued throughout the pandemic but it was not until July that we were able to return to worshipping in our building and cautiously re-establishing some activities.

Worship – Worship for most of this period was held online with the other churches in our circuit and we did not return to holding services until July. The congregation are gradually returning to services with two thirds the previous numbers attending by the end of this reporting period.

Personal growth – We recognise that more work is needed in this area, especially due to the covid interruption, and will be looking at ways of addressing this matter.

Children's work – apart from keeping email contact with our children over the pandemic, we now need to re-establish links. Our "Explorers" children's group returned on Sundays in August and so far, two thirds of children have returned.

Pastoral –pastoral support for our church community continues to be an important aspect of our work, e.g. visiting the sick and dealing with other pastoral matters. During the covid lockdown this was achieved mainly via telephone calls. Our Pastoral Committee are now re-establishing direct contact where possible.

Helping the needy –The church ethos has always been to "help the needy" in our town and work with those in need in the community. Our main focus continues to be helping local homeless people, and we increasingly work with partner organisations in our area.
During the pandemic our Daytime Hub for homeless people had to recruit new volunteers as many of the former helpers were shielding. We also had to increase and adapt support for these people giving them full cooked breakfasts and food to take away, in partnership with Gravesham Foodbank, local help groups and supermarkets. This project is now seen as a "Beacon Project" by the government with praise from government advisors and mention during a House of Commons debate.
Looking forward, we are planning to partner with the elderly care provider – MHA – to run a community coffee shop and programmes for elderly people in our new foyer.

Home and Overseas Support - We continue to support a Kenyan Street Children's Project which provides education and a loving home for Kenyan street children. Other initiatives supported are Samaritans Purse Shoe box appeal, Action for Children, Christian Aid and other charities via collection boxes or one-off appeals

Property –The second phase of our £500,000+ refurbishment project – C21st Project Phase 2 – was completed in October 2020 although covid prevented its use until July 2021. Although the pandemic constrained our DIY maintenance activities, we are now catching up on outstanding matters and have a Quinquennial Inspection planned for September 2021 which will guide our future maintenance programmes.

Use of premises –Use of our premises was constrained by the pandemic but we continue to ensure that we have in place policies for Risk Assessment, Fire Risk Assessment, Safeguarding and Positive Working Together, all of which are reviewed and updated regularly. Our Catering Kitchen has been awarded the highest hygiene rating by the Council and key staff have Food Hygiene certificates and attend catering hygiene courses wherever possible. We look forward to future use of the new Foyer/Kitchen area, constructed under our C21st Project, and are looking toward how that area may be used for community benefit.

Working with other churches and charities- Although put on hold during the pandemic, we continue to play our part in "Churches Together in Gravesham" and assist other churches and Christian groups wherever possible. We remain very grateful to our volunteers, especially those who stepped up during the pandemic and who come from a diverse range of backgrounds. Some of the churches and organisations we now partner with include Porchlight, Gravesham Sanctuary, Gravesend Street Pastors, Gravesham Foodbank, the Kent Crime Commissioner and the Gravesham Borough and Kent County councils and as we come out of lockdown, we are looking toward what other partners we may work with.

The future – With covid receding and our building works complete we are looking toward a bright future of using our newly improved facilities for the benefit of our members and the wider community in Gravesham. Exactly what permanent changes will be brought about by the pandemic are something for future consideration.

"**Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".**

Finance – please see separate report.

GRAVESEND METHODIST CHURCH ACCOUNTS				
Sept 2020- Aug 2021				
INCOME				
Cottage Rent	10167.00			
Hall / Church Rent	834.00			
Gift Aid	9157.89			
Gift Day	5388.35			
Collections/Donations - Lloyds	4739.28			
Collections/Donations - CFB	44646.00			
Virtual Bazaar	1471.00			
Interest	137.19			
21st Project Fundraising	9754.86			
Grant from Rank	45000.00			
Compensation from Lloyds Bank	100.00			
TOTAL INCOME	**131395.57**			
EXPENSE				
Circuit Assessment	56481.00			
Cleaner	10702.28			
Gas	1740.43			
Electricity	2657.49			
Telephone	462.21			
Insurance	4550.17			
Water	662.63			
Maintenance/Repairs	9153.34			
Admin/Stationery	6449.19			
Donations	1100.00			
Community Centre Manager Salary	7411.00			
Builders	122726.21			
Kit out new build	9301.98			
Architect	4034.85			
TOTAL EXPENSE	**237432.78**			
BALANCE	**-106037.21**			
Cash			0	
At Bank - Lloyds			12679.31	
CFB - General			19614.88	
CFB - General			10000	Restricted - Repairs Reserve
CFB - 21st Fundraising			5553.44	Restricted
CFB - Builders Fund			20401.02	Restricted
CFB - Youth Fund			1108.38	Restricted
CFB - Benevolent Fund			185.77	Restricted
TMCP			30964.45	Restricted
TOTAL AT BANK - 31st August 2021			100507.3	

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

GRAVESEND	Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

NORTH KENT	Circuit	Circuit no	36/21

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1132238
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 Tony Graff

Church Stewards:

Sheila Allison	Emmanuel Eshun
Marry Onisimo	Velma Williams
Stephen Brereton	

Treasurer:

Kathryn Hardy

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

GRAVESEND Church

	SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year	
			£	£	£		£	
a1	**RECEIPTS**	Note						
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		63,932		**63,932**		75,327	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		137		**137**		2,392	
a4	Lettings		11,001		**11,001**		10,439	
a5	Other receipts		1,571	54,755	**56,326**		108,824	
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**76,641**	**54,755**	**131,396**	**(a7)**	**196,982**	
	SECTION B							
b1	**PAYMENTS**							
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		56,481		**56,481**		56,481	
b3	Donations		1,100		**1,100**		3,472	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		9,154		**9,154**		373,079	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		10,073		**10,073**		11,788	
b6	Stationery & Outreach		6,449		**6,449**		1,694	
b7	Other payments		18,113	136,063	**154,176**		49,973	
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**101,370**	**136,063**	**237,433**	**(b9)**	**496,487**	
	SECTION C							
c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR**	**(a6-b8)**	(24,729)	(81,308)	**(106,037)**		(299,505)	
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		83,892	122,652	**206,544**	**(c6)**	506,049	
c3	**Sub total**	**(c1+c2)**	59,163	41,344	**100,507**		**206,544**	
c4	Transfers and adjustments		(26,869)	26,869		**(c7)**		
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR**	**(c3+c4)**	**32,294**	**68,213**	**100,507**	**(c8)**	**206,544**	**(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)**	£	£
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GRAVESEND Church

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	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts		Payments		Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments		Opening balances		Closing balances	
e1	BADMINTON	112		130		(18)			37		19	
e2	MINI MEALS	12		4,000		(3,988)			4,257		268	
e3	DAYTIME HUB	34,158		8,965		25,194			6,157		31,351	
e4	SISTERHOOD	69				69			56		125	
e5												
e6												
e7												
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	34,350		13,095		21,256			10,507	(e11)	31,763	(e12)
e9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	**131,396**	**(a7)**	**237,433**	**(b9)**	**(106,037)**		**(c7)**	**206,544**	**(c6)**	**100,507**	**(c8)**
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**165,746**		**250,527**		**(84,781)**			**217,051**	**(x)**	**132,270**	**(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 2021	OPENING BALANCES		CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand				
f2	Bank Current Account	30,911		12,679	
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	144,711		56,863	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	30,922		30,964	
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**206,544**	(c6)	**100,507**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	**10,507**	(e11)	**31,763**	(e12)
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SECTION G

	OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
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Name of Church **GRAVESEND** ..... No.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 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 .....K. Hardy..... Date...11.2.2022.

Name and address of treasurer KATHRYN HARDY

16 FAIRFIELDS, GRAVESEND, KENT DA12 4QG

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 ~~were~~/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 18/3/22...

Signature of the Chair of the meeting ....A. J. Graff.....

Name of the Chair of the meeting ....ANTHONY JOHN GRAFF..... Date 22.2.22....

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

.....GRAVESEND METHODIST.....**Church**

Charity Number 1132238

Responsibilities and basis of report

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Signature of independent examiner .....

Name of independent examiner Keith Scudder

Address 42 Frobisher Way
Gravesend
Kent
DA12 4RA

Date 21st February 2022

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