

# Knowle and Dorridge Christadelphian Ecclesia

## Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

*The ecclesia was registered with the Charity Commission with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> January 2010 in accordance with the requirements of the 2006 Charity Act. The report follows the guidelines set out by the Commission and was presented for approval by the ecclesia at the Annual General Meeting (Ecclesial Members Meeting) held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023.*

### Trustees Annual Report

#### Section A: Reference and administration details

**Charity Name:** Knowle and Dorridge Christadelphian Ecclesia

**Registered Charity Number:** 1133454

**Charity's principal address:** 5 Home Farm Barns, Birdingbury Road, Bourton-on-Dunsmore, CV23 9RA

#### **Names of the trustees:**

##### **For 2022**

Michael Brown	Treasurer
Mark Guyatt	Secretary
Luke Ogden	
Paul Ogden	Assistant Secretary
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#### Section B: Structure, Governance and Management

**Type of Governing Document:** Constitution comprising Governing Document and Practices and Procedures statement approved 31<sup>st</sup> May 2009 and amended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2013 following a ballot of members.

**The Charity is an unincorporated association with an annual turnover of less than £25,000**

**Trustee selection methods:** Annual election by members

**Additional information:**

The Trustees form an arranging committee responsible for the activities of the ecclesia. They are chosen from members familiar with the objectives and activities of the ecclesia. The ecclesia is part of a worldwide community of Christadelphian ecclesias.

## Section C: Objectives and Activities

### **The objects of the Charity:**

To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Christadelphian Statement of Faith for the benefit of the public, through the holding of meetings for worship, prayer and the preaching of the Gospel, providing religious teaching and publications, the promotion of charitable works and the provision of pastoral care.

### **Ways of carrying out these objects**

1. The propagation of the faith held by Christadelphians through regular weekly Sunday services for communal worship, for prayer and for the preaching of the Gospel.
2. The provision of religious teaching and the nurturing of faith in all who will hear, including Bible School and the Christadelphian Youth Circle for young people and Bible seminars and other Bible classes for adults.
3. The publication of booklets, leaflets and other materials to help members of the congregation and of the public to understand the teaching of the Bible.
4. Charitable activities involving the pastoral care of the elderly, support for families and for individual members with particular physical or spiritual needs and contributions to a wide range of other charities and good causes.
5. Activities to promote the building up of the Christadelphian community by social and communal activities in the context of the propagation and maintenance of our faith through word and deed.

With the exception of meetings of the members of the charity known as Ecclesial Members Meetings, all our activities are open to all. No fees are charged. No-one receives private benefits from the charity other than as a legitimate beneficiary. There is no public detriment in any of our activities.

## Section D: Achievements and performance

The ecclesia began the year with a membership of 68 adult members.

The ecclesia ended the year with 45 members.

The average attendance of members at services and other activities remained steady.

### **Summary of activities**

Our regular meetings include one meeting each Sunday morning, for sharing of the bread and wine. A meeting is held each Thursday evening for the study of the Bible. Other proclamation meetings are held from time to time.

There are regular activities for fellowship and recreation.

There is a network of practical support for elderly members, the sick and those with particular needs. There are regular activities with new Iranian members which provide religious teaching, social and networking activities.

## Section E: Financial Review

The cash movements and balances are summarised in the receipts and payments accounts and Balance Sheet below.

The ecclesia does not have a reserves policy. All funds are held in instant access bank accounts. The balance in these funds at the end of the year was considered sufficient to meet the ongoing expenses of the ecclesia. Most contributions from members are made through weekly or monthly standing orders, with taxpayers encouraged to use Gift Aid provision. Funds donated specifically for external charities are forwarded to the relevant organisation at least 3 times each year.

# Knowle and Dorridge Christadelphians

## Receipts and Payments Accounts for 2022

	Unrestricted General Fund £	Preaching Fund £	Welfare Fund £	Restricted Refugee Support £	External Organisations £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Ecclesial Funds</b>							
<b>Receipts</b>							
<b>Voluntary Sources</b>							
Members Contributions (incl. net Tax refund on Gift Aid contributions)	9,666.34	100.00	540.00	5,092.61	8,539.83	23,938.78	14,137.85
Christadelphian ALS				2,368.10		2,368.10	919.78
Sales of magazines & diaries	76.68					76.68	159.00
Christadelphian CBF				4,850.00		4,850.00	360.00
Bank Interest	17.08					17.08	1.22
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>9,760.10</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>540.00</b>	<b>12,310.71</b>	<b>8,539.83</b>	<b>31,250.64</b>	<b>15,577.85</b>
<b>Payments</b>							
Refugee Support				7,571.89		7,571.89	7,305.92
Preaching costs		0.00				0.00	0.00
<b>Accommodation Costs</b>							
Memorial Wine / Coffee	33.50					33.50	21.00
Sunday School costs	0.00					0.00	0.00
Rent	3,028.00					3,028.00	1,910.50
Insurance	561.74					561.74	544.00
Catering Costs	425.00					425.00	85.45
Ledbury camping weekend	2,576.17					2,576.17	0.00
Translation & speakers expenses	1,567.13					1,567.13	903.21
Ukraine DEC Appeal	500.00					500.00	
<b>Sundry</b>	<b>420.76</b>					<b>420.76</b>	<b>96.00</b>
Printing, Magazines	205.84					205.84	498.22
Welfare Grants			0.00			0.00	59.99
<b>Donations and Grants</b>							
Appeals - other Christadelphian ecclesias					350.00	350.00	1,395.00
Preaching Organisations					3,953.28	3,953.28	4,221.64
Welfare Organisations					3,121.58	3,121.58	2,492.80
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>9,318.14</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7,571.89</b>	<b>7,424.86</b>	<b>24,314.89</b>	<b>19,533.73</b>
<b>Opening Balances</b>	<b>10,282.45</b>	<b>231.51</b>	<b>3,071.82</b>	<b>1,723.99</b>	<b>2,651.11</b>	<b>17,960.88</b>	<b>21,916.76</b>
<b>Surplus / (- Deficiency) for the Period</b>	<b>441.96</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>540.00</b>	<b>4,738.82</b>	<b>1,114.97</b>	<b>6,935.75</b>	<b>-3,955.88</b>
<b>Closing Balances</b>	<b>10,724.41</b>	<b>331.51</b>	<b>3,611.82</b>	<b>6,462.81</b>	<b>3,766.08</b>	<b>24,896.63</b>	<b>17,960.88</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted General Fund £	Preaching Fund £	Welfare Fund £	Restricted Refugee Support £	External Organisations £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>10,724.41</b>	<b>331.51</b>	<b>3,611.82</b>	<b>6,462.81</b>	<b>3,766.08</b>	<b>24,896.63</b>	<b>17,960.88</b>



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	<b>Knowle and Dorridge Christadelphians</b>		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	31 December 2022	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1133454
<b>Set out on pages</b>	3		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report** As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**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 gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:** 

**Date:** 7 March 2023

**Name:** Michael Ward

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):**

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West Midlands B91 1PN