



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2024	Day 31	Month 12	Year 2024

### Section A

### Reference and administration details

Charity name

GOSPEL OUTREACH MINISTRY

Other names charity is known by

GOM

Registered charity number (if any)

1133640

Charity's principal address

2 Dukes Avenue, Muswell

Muswell Hill

London

Postcode

N10 2PT

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sharmaine Francique	Administrator/Church Secretary		
2	Mr Wallace	Deacon		
3	Ms Sandra Edwards	Sunday School Superintendent		
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year


#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

#### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting held in January.

#### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees.
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties.
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Our appointed trustees act as both stewards and guardians, responsible for the church's resources while ensuring our mission is managed with integrity and compliance. Within the Gospel Outreach Ministry, the trustees' role blends practical management with spiritual accountability. All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

Throughout the course of the year, our trustees work in partnership with the appointed ministers as well as the members to ensure the smooth running of the church. For instance, the trustees seek the views of members while monitoring progress. We actively encourage constructive scrutiny and feedback from ministers and members through open dialogue when deciding activities.

Moreover, the church takes seriously the protection of vulnerable adults as well as children. To ensure the safety of children and vulnerable adults attending the fellowship, Criminal Records Bureau checks are carried out in line with statutory requirements.

## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

- To minister the Gospel for the advancement of spiritual growth, mental development, and the social welfare of people of all ages, backgrounds, and nationalities through social cohesion.
- Preaching the Gospel to reach those who are affected by social disorder, with the intent to bring about reform through the preaching of the Gospel.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

During the year 2024, the church sought to promote spiritual growth as well as the social welfare of diverse communities by offering regular fellowship, pastoral support, and activities that foster an inclusive community. Activities were designed with the intent to encourage followership and build a welcoming environment.

When planning our yearly activities, we kept in mind the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit at our trustee and ministers’ meetings.

The main activities are as follows:

- Regular church services
- Pastoral care

The following activities benefit the church’s followership as well as the wider community:

Regular worship services involve praying with individuals in need of support and faith-based study groups that nurture both personal and collective spiritual development. The church plays an important role in nurturing new believers in the faith, offering ongoing teaching, encouragement, and a supportive environment for the public to integrate.

Pastoral care is also one of the main focuses within this ministry. It provides holistic support to the public, nurtures emotional well-being, builds resilience, and promotes a sense of belonging. It ensures individuals feel safe, valued, and supported in both their personal and spiritual journeys.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment.
- contribution made by volunteers.

We acknowledge the work of the ministers, trustees and members. We express our deepest gratitude for their invaluable contributions of time, energy and wisdom. The dedication and commitment of our leaders and trustees have been a true blessing to both the community and instrumental in fulfilling our mission.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

The year 2024 was a great success for the Gospel Outreach Ministry. The main achievements during the year include the following:

- **Regular outreach services** promoted regular attendance by members, friends, family, and the wider community. Our services involved praying for those experiencing health issues and faith-based study groups that nurtured personal and collective spiritual development. The church played an important role in nurturing new believers in the faith, offering ongoing teaching, encouragement, and providing a supportive environment. For instance, the ministry addressed needs such as isolation and social exclusion through home visits and regular meetings, with the intent of building bridges between the church and the wider community.
- **Women's meetings** were incorporated within this ministry to strengthen spiritual growth, social bonds, inclusivity, and collaboration among women of all cultures and backgrounds. We provided a welcoming space for women of all ages to share faith, build relationships, and support one another across diverse backgrounds. Women shared life experiences, which built empathy and resilience through personal testimonies.
- **Prayer breakfasts** focused on addressing issues such as mental and emotional well-being. These events provided a space for collective prayer, gratitude, and encouragement for people of all ages. Prayers were offered for families experiencing long-term illnesses, financial difficulties, and social exclusion. During the planning process, members were involved in decision-making, which enabled a greater sense of shared responsibility.
- **Pastoral care** offered emotional and spiritual support sessions for individuals, families, and the wider community. We continued to minister to and welcome people from diverse communities who experienced mental illness, loss of loved ones, family breakdown, financial difficulties, and other issues that may bring about major changes in their lives.
- **Community dinner (black-tie event)** took place in August. This event was designed to bring together people of all ages, backgrounds, and nationalities who might otherwise feel disconnected, such as the elderly or newcomers to the community. The dinner benefited the wider community by encouraging individuals to engage with new people, build lasting friendships, and develop a stronger support network. Overall, the event was very successful in addressing loneliness and social exclusion.

- **Baptism ceremony** was held on 2nd November. This event was well attended by the church community as well as the local community. Three candidates were baptised: a father and his daughter, and a young person. All made a public declaration of their Christian faith. The act of baptism unified all and reinforced the idea that faith is a shared journey requiring a supportive environment for both spiritual and personal growth. The presence of the community acted as a witness to the public declaration of faith, inspiring and deepening the faith of existing members as well as non-Christian attendees.
- **Weekly light refreshments** on a weekly basis, immediately following the conclusion of each worship service, the church provides light refreshments as part of its commitment to fostering fellowship, social interaction, and community care. These gatherings serve not only as opportunities for members of the congregation to strengthen bonds with one another, but also as occasions to extend hospitality to visiting guests and members of the wider public.

During these sessions, auxiliary leaders together with appointed ministers take an active role in facilitating conversation, offering welfare check-ins, and ensuring that all participants feel welcomed, supported, and valued. This practice reflects the ministry's dedication to nurturing both spiritual and social well-being, while reinforcing the church's mission of inclusivity and pastoral care.

- **Support for the Soup Kitchen** The Gospel Outreach Ministry has continued to demonstrate its commitment to community service through active support of the local soup kitchen. This support has taken a variety of forms, reflecting both practical assistance and a spirit of hospitality.

On occasion, members of the ministry have prepared and served authentic Caribbean meals, bringing cultural richness and warmth to the fellowship shared around the table. In addition to food provision, the ministry has contributed generously by donating clothes, books, and toys, ensuring that service users and their families benefit from resources that nurture both physical well-being and social inclusion.

Beyond the provision of meals and material donations, volunteers have offered their time and presence before the kitchen opens, engaging with service users to provide encouragement, welfare check-ins, and a listening ear. This early support helps to foster trust and a welcoming environment, ensuring that individuals feel valued and cared for even before the formal service begins.

- **Trustees' Volunteering in Recovery Services (Haringey)** Members of The Gospel Outreach Ministry have continued to devote their time tirelessly in support of the Haringey Recovery Services. Their voluntary commitment reflects

both compassion and responsibility, as they work diligently to promote the well-being of service users and to encourage sustained abstinence from alcohol and drugs.

Through their active involvement, trustees provide guidance, encouragement, and oversight that ensures recovery services remain rooted in integrity, accountability, and care. They engage with individuals on their recovery journeys, offering practical support, spiritual encouragement, and a listening ear, while also helping to shape programmes that foster resilience and long-term stability.

This voluntary service is not only an expression of governance but also a demonstration of lived experience and faith-based values in action. By giving freely of their time and energy, trustees strengthen the partnership between the ministry and the wider community, ensuring that recovery services in Haringey remain a beacon of hope, empowerment, and transformation for those seeking freedom from addiction.





## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

There are no specific requirements to keep church reserves above a specific level. However, it is recommended to keep at least £20,000.00 in the bank for the purpose of covering minibus costs and building rent, as the most important expenses.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

n/a

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity.
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Sharmaine Francique</i>	
Full name(s)	Mrs Sharmaine Francique	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	
Date	,,,/,12/2025	

2024 expenses - with receipts

Date	Item	Company	Amount	Invoice Ref
06/11/2024	servicing the van	TSG motors	£ 946.00	1041876
04/11/2024	Van parking fine		£ 80.00	
23/08/2024	Church dinner catering	private caterer	£ 100.00	
23/08/2024	church banner	Art for arts sake	£ 5.98	
30/12/2024	Annual church building rent		£ 2,770.00	
25/08/2024	residence car permit	Newham council	£ 215.00	

Total period

1 payment from Jan 2024 - December 2024

## **Independent examiners report on the accounts**

Report to the Trustees/members of: Gospel Outreach Ministries

**Charity Number: 1133640**

**On Accounts for the year ended: 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

The church's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the charity Act
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general direction given by the charity commission under section 145(5)(b) of the charities act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the charity commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

### **Recommendations:**

To ensure the church remains compliant with the Charity commission and makes the next independent examination as smooth as possible, it is highly recommended to modernise the record keeping process. Moving away from paper-heavy systems reduces the risk of lost data, and ensures the audit trail is easy to follow.

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the charities Act; or
2. The accounts did 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: *E Francique*

**Mrs. Esther Francique**

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