

THE METHODIST CHURCH - LIVERPOOL (SOUTH) CIRCUIT

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022**

Charity Registration No. 1134958

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report for the year ended 31st August 2022.

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

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Circuit Mission Statement: approved by the Circuit Meeting on 4 December 2003 - "To make disciples for Jesus Christ".

Circuit Mission Policy: (approved 2011)

We uphold the Methodist Connexional Policy of 'Our Calling', which through worship, learning, caring, service and evangelism, forms the basis of Christian discipleship.

We recognise the Methodist Connexional Priority to proclaim and affirm God's love for all and the renewal of confidence in God's presence and action in the world.

We affirm Methodism as a discipleship movement shaped for mission.

We affirm that the Methodist Church is committed to being a growing, evangelistic, inclusive, justice-seeking Church – so that new people become disciples of Jesus Christ, faith deepens for everyone, and diverse communities and churches experience transformation.

Circuit Mission Priorities: (2022)

We are working together with God in the power of the Spirit to offer Jesus' invitation to people across our communities to follow him and discover God's way of living life to the full.

- Sharing worship and witness
- Deepening discipleship
- Encouraging the nurturing of children and young people
- Helping churches to identify and deliver mission in their neighbourhoods
- Use our cash, members, buildings and other resources wisely
- Provide a staff team that can lead and enable mission
- Provide outreach to the displaced in the inner city
- Church and Circuit leadership succession planning: developing strategies for seeking Circuit Meeting members, Circuit Stewards, Worship Leaders, Local Preachers, and church officers.
- Within an obligation to provide a safe space for all, meet all our legal and Connexional requirements

Circuit Partnership

We cherish our longstanding relationships with the Church of England and United Reformed Church in our Local Ecumenical Partnerships. We continue to seek to work with the wider Christian family and other agencies where we share common values and aims.

Circuit Mission Action Plan (2022 - 2027)

The Circuit and its mission are led by the Circuit Leadership Team, including our Superintendent, 2 Presbyters, a Deacon (until 31 August 2022) and lay workers.

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Worship: Supporting and training ministers, local preachers and worship leaders to provide a variety of forms of worship using technology, where appropriate, to be inclusive for all.

- For churches able to open for worship, we will provide preachers and leaders of worship or/and online resources to share in worship.
- For those unable to attend worship and those preferring online worship, we will endeavor to provide online and telephone worship, plus written liturgies for those who cannot access the technology
- For our witness and worship amongst our children, youth and school assemblies and after school clubs, we have provided a YouTube Channel with separate weekly worship and resources for children and young people.
- We will encourage the churches to meet in clusters and as a Circuit (twice a year).

Discipleship: Encourage the formation and development of groups for prayer and Bible study.

- We will encourage all levels of leadership to spend time listening to God and conferring together to discern and resource God's mission in each area.
- We will use the Circuit Meeting and weekly notices to share good resources and encourage the growth of small groups.
- We are committed to encouraging participation in ecumenical prayer gatherings, Thy Kingdom Come and Quiet Days. We will circulate prayer requests from Circuit churches for sharing in public worship and private devotions.

Discipleship of Children and Young People:

- We have employed a Circuit Children's worker and a Youth worker, to develop groups in Trinity and Halewood churches and surrounding schools. At Circuit level, they provide oversight of the Circuit youth band and encourage attendance at 3Generate, Connect (South Liverpool youth gathering) and Deanery youth events. A regular 'Youth Matters' meeting shares good practice across the Circuit from the variety of children and youth activities and Messy church programmes.
- We will review our children and youth work with help from the learning network.
- Provide training as requested by the youth and children's workers.

Mission Opportunities:

- Support the Liverpool District's HE Chaplain in her work among students in the South Liverpool area.
- Encourage attendance at Drivers - the young adults' congregation at Elm Hall Drive.
- Support churches in developing buildings for community use and outreach.
- Encourage interdenominational outreach at Farmers' markets, Open Air witness and shared outreach projects.
- Support the work with the Roma and Tamil communities and develop use of Princes Park Methodist Church in outreach to and potentially as a "home" for displaced communities.
- Encourage support of those groups working with addictions, mental health, bereavement, families, luncheon clubs, parenting and other support groups using our buildings and the Huyton café, Trinity Page Moss community shop and Liverpool Zero Food Waste at Elm Hall Drive.
- We adopt the 3Generate manifesto to encourage all ages to engage in matters of climate change, compassion and mercy ministries and social justice projects.

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- We will explore participation in Eco Church Award scheme.

Resourcing Mission:

- The Circuit values the role of the Circuit Administrator in communicating by email and the weekly notices information from the Connexion, District and Circuit to the church members. With a new Superintendent in place from 1 September, we have reviewed PA/administrative support to reflect his needs.
- We thank Rev Paul Wilson for his 4 year ministry and wish him well in his retirement. We also thank Deacon Michaela Doherty for her ministry over the last 9 years and wish her and her family well in her new post in Derbyshire.
- The Circuit has financed the stationing of the Revd Clement Matarirano for 5 years (to August 2025) out of Circuit reserves.
- The Circuit has financed the employment of Andrew Parsons (and his successor) as Circuit Youth Worker, out of Circuit reserves, with aid from Trinity youth fund and possible grants for Trinity being in an area of social deprivation.
- The Circuit is over-viewing plans for the use of churches in the immediate, medium, and long-term future.
- The Circuit has a Safeguarding Officer and 2 trainers to help churches provide safe spaces for all.
- The Circuit has brought all manse up to a good standard and will continue to maintain this standard.
- The Circuit will help to support young people and adults attending 3Generate.
- The Circuit has progressed work to ensure that all churches fulfil their legal obligations of finance, buildings, safeguarding. This includes a willingness to help co-ordinate and finance professional services (finance, property) for the individual churches within the Circuit who have inadequate expertise or capacity to manage these roles, assisting with both compliance and freeing up resources for outward facing mission work.
- The Circuit and individual churches have been developing full risk assessments in line with 2016 Methodist Conference requirements and Covid Guidelines.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

In 2021-22 we continued our theme of 'Push The Boat Out' introduced in October 2016 to encourage Circuit churches to deepen discipleship, focus on local mission opportunities and explore new and more effective uses of their skills, finances and premises.

To help with this, we decided to fully support the initiative launched by the Methodist Conference in 2019, 'Going for Growth'. We welcomed Reverend Clement Matarirano and family from Zimbabwe on 1 September 2020 for 5 years and he now has responsibility for the churches at Court Hey and Trinity.

Likewise, an additional Circuit Youth Worker in Andrew Parsons was recruited on 1 November 2019 and left the post in April 2022. A new Circuit Youth Worker is being sought to succeed him.

Through these strategies and the earlier 'Choosing to Change', we have made the decision to fund the new costs incurred by the Circuit from reserves. The number of full time staff is currently three presbyters and one deacon although the deacon is leaving at year end and not being replaced.

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COVID-19 mostly resulted in the closure of our buildings from 16 March 2020 until they re-opened at Pentecost 2021. The Circuit continued its mission by supporting online worship, facilitating the distribution of written copies of services for those unable to go online and oversee the risk assessments to ensure that buildings were COVID-secure on re-opening.

Together with the experienced and dedicated Circuit Leadership Team, the Superintendent is seeking to bring insights from ministry across the Connexion, develop strategic vision and support for mission initiatives.

The main source of income, the Circuit Assessment, reviewed annually, is an annual assessment upon each church. Ability to pay is taken into account in each of the churches.

The Circuit's strategy of bringing the manse to be retained up to date remains ongoing although progress was negatively impacted by the pandemic. Additionally, those that are determined to be surplus to requirements will be sold or rented promptly. There is no intention to retain surplus property so any lets will be short term.

In this context, 34 Manor Road is let until October 2024 and 39 Holmefield Road is soon to be advertised for sale having become vacant following the departure of the deacon.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £235,657 (2021: £187,758) of which £6,716 (2021: £6,642), related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £400,597 (2021: £363,716), leaving a deficit for the year of £164,940 (2021: deficit £175,958) before gains on investment assets.

At 31st August 2022 the charity's reserves stood at £2,250,413 (2021: £2,415,353) of which £1,611,887 (2021: £1,730,492) represented restricted funds.

Risk Management

The main risks, to which the charity is exposed, as identified by the Trustees, have been considered and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves at a level to cover redundancy provision and six months' running costs should no further funding be received.

As at the end of the financial year the unrestricted funds totalled £638,526. The charity requires £3,411 for redundancy provision and £187,880 for six months' running costs (Total £191,291).

Plans for the future

With declining membership numbers and the fact that staff and District Assessment costs forms the bulk of our expenditure the Circuit is seeking to follow the 'Going for Growth' initiative launched by the Methodist Conference in 2020 and supported by the emerging District Policy at the Spring Synod in 2020. We aim to release resources to encourage worship, learning and discipleship, and mission and evangelism. By sowing the seed of the gospel we look for new disciples to emerge in and through our corporate witness.

Other than fully 'Going for Growth' no new projects are planned in the immediate future and we will continue to review the number of staff needed to function effectively.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Methodist Church – Liverpool (South) Circuit is a registered charity; number 1134958 formed in 16th March 2010 and is governed by The Methodist Church Act 1976 and The Deed of Union 1932.

The Methodist Church – Liverpool (South) Circuit is a formal group (S.O. 500 of the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church) of nine mutually supportive churches across South Liverpool. In accordance with charity law, each constituent church is responsible for producing and presenting its own financial accounts each year.

The Trustees of the charity under the terms of the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church are known as Managing Trustees.

The members of the Circuit Meeting are the Managing Trustees of the charity. They include the Circuit Superintendent, Circuit Ministers including Supernumeraries and appointed Lay workers. Circuit Stewards are elected to serve for six years. The remaining Trustees include the Circuit Administrator, Circuit Treasurer, Circuit Meeting Minute Secretary and nominated representatives from the nine churches of the Circuit.

The Circuit Meeting, held four times a year, has been online during the year. Given the extended lockdown period and despite the demographic of the meeting, an online platform was the only realistic way to connect with our members who actually grew into this medium. In accordance with Connexional guidelines, by email agreement of the churches, the Circuit Leadership Team was authorised to progress any urgent items of business.

The Circuit Leadership Team which consists of the Circuit Superintendent, Circuit Presbyters including Supernumeraries, appointed Lay Workers, Circuit Stewards and Circuit Treasurer also meet four times a year.

The Circuit Stewards meet regularly throughout the year with the Circuit Superintendent.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Name	The Methodist Church - Liverpool (South) Circuit
Charity Number	1134958
Address & Office	Elm Hall Drive Methodist Church Elm Hall Drive Liverpool L18 1LF

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Trustees

During the year members of the Board of Trustees were as follows:

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Shirley Banks
Pamela Bellis
Pamela Boffey
Christine M Bolton
Natasia Bullock
Katherine Cook
Deacon Michaela J Doherty
Gillian Dover
Ralph Dransfield
Stephen Elliot
Andrew Gillespie
Charles R Hardisty
Kate Harrison
Mark Harrison
Margaret P Harvey
Roger Heath
Elizabeth A Hudson
Rev Peter Hughes
Kim J Kershaw
Elizabeth Lloyd
Philip A Lodge
Graham Martin
Clement Matarirano
Janine McGuire
Jayne McLaren
Edward Message
Carolyn Munro
Sandra Patterson
Ada D Peers
Arthur E Pye
Edna M Pye
Rev Jennifer C Rayner
Richard C G Rees
Clive Rigby
Alfred Salami

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Trustees continued

Susan M Steel
Judith M Sutcliffe
Eleanor A Thomas
Jean Wharton
Linda M White
Rev Paul Wilson (Resigned 31/08/2022)
Peter Wood
Martyn Woodsford (Resigned 31/01/2022)

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PO Box 250,
Skelmersdale,
WN8 6WT

Signed on behalf of the Trustees


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Trustee

Date: 9/3/23

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH - LIVERPOOL (SOUTH) CIRCUIT

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2022 which are set out on pages 9 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity'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 Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions 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.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: **Paula Sanchez**



Relevant professional qualification or body: **ACCA**

Address: **c/o LCVS 151 Dale Street, L2 2AH**

Dated: **10th March 2023**

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2a	-	-	-	175
Charitable activities	2b	216,740	4,300	221,040	173,668
Investments	2c	2,345	2,416	4,761	3,240
Other income	2d	9,856	-	9,856	10,675
Total income		228,941	6,716	235,657	187,758
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	375,761	23,416	399,177	363,716
Total expenditure		375,761	23,416	399,177	363,716
Net (expenditure)/income		(146,820)	(16,700)	(163,520)	(175,958)
Transfer between funds	10,11	100,485	(100,485)	-	-
Gain on revaluation of fixed assets	4	-	-	-	-
Gain/(Loss) on investment assets	5	(-)	(1,420)	(1,420)	3,506
Net movement in funds		(46,335)	(118,605)	(164,940)	(172,452)
Total funds brought forward	10,11	684,861	1,730,492	2,415,353	2,578,805
Total fund carried forward	9-11	638,526	1,611,887	2,250,413	2,415,353

The notes on pages 11 to 20 form part of these accounts.

All the above amounts relate to continuing activities of the charity.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST AUGUST 2022

	Notes	31 st August 2022 £	31 st August 2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	4	1,295,305	1,295,458
Investments	5	316,887	435,492
		<u>1,612,192</u>	<u>1,730,950</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	6	13,331	32,155
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	5,134	7,416
Cash at bank and in hand		653,511	707,597
		<u>671,976</u>	<u>747,168</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(33,755)	(62,765)
		<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>
Net current assets		638,221	684,403
		<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		2,250,413	2,415,353
		<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>
Funds:			
Unrestricted funds	10,11	638,526	684,861
Restricted funds	10-12	1,611,887	1,730,492
		<u>2,250,413</u>	<u>2,415,353</u>
		<u>=====</u>	<u>=====</u>

Approved by Trustees on 9/3/23

David Goodwin

Trustee

Roger Heath

Roger Heath, Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (SORP 2019) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2019) and Charities Act 2011.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for Charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Trustees are confident that the levels of liquidity and free reserves will not affect the charity's operations. Thus, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are the charity's free reserves available for the Trustees to apply in accordance with the charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the donor.

Income recognition

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and so it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies comprise of donations which are recognised in the accounts when received, with the exception of known legacies which are accounted for when their receipt is certain.

Income from charitable activities is recognised on an accruals basis except for grants receivable, which are recognised on the date on which their unconditional payment is confirmed by the donor.

Income from investment relates to bank interest and income from investments received and is recognised when the amount is certain.

Other income relates to rental, branch income, and loan interest received is recognised when the amount is certain.

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Fixed assets

Fixed assets (Freehold Property) are stated at valuation and reviewed by the Trustees on an annual basis and a professional valuation of all manse every five years.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of the asset over its expected useful life on the following basis

Fixtures and Fittings	20% per annum reducing balance basis
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Investments

Investments are included at market value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses are reported in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses, including support costs and governance costs, are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings in the Statement of Financial Activities. Support and governance costs are applied to unrestricted funds unless specifically included in the restrictions, as specified by the donor.

Expenditure on charitable activities relate to the operation of the charity comprising of direct charitable expenditure to meet the objectives of the charity. Support and governance costs relate to the management and operation of the organisation and also compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements in producing the annual report. These are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities when payment has been approved by the charity.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses, including support costs and governance costs, are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings in the Statement of Financial Activities. Support and governance costs are applied to unrestricted funds unless specifically included in the restrictions, as specified by the donor.

Cost of charitable activities relate to the operation of the charity comprising of direct charitable expenditure to meet the objectives of the charity. Support and governance costs relate to the management and operation of the organisation and also compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements in producing the annual report. These are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities when payment has been approved by the charity.

Taxation

Income and gains are exempt from taxation as they are received and applied for charitable purposes only. The charity benefits from various exemptions from taxation afforded by tax legislation and is not liable to corporation tax on income or gains falling within those exemptions. The charity is not able to recover Value Added Tax. Expenditure is recorded in the accounts inclusive of VAT.

2. Income and endowments from:

	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
a. Donations and legacies:				
Donations	-	-	-	175
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	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
b. Charitable activities:				
Assessments	216,740	-	216,740	169,365
Grants	-	4,300	4,300	4,303
	216,740	4,300	221,040	173,668
	=====	=====	=====	=====
c. Investments:	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest	2,345	-	2,345	901
Income from UK listed investments	-	2,416	2,416	2,339
	2,345	2,416	4,761	3,240
	=====	=====	=====	=====
d. Other income:	£	£	£	£
Loan interest	88	-	88	79
Rental income	9,768	-	9,768	10,596
	9,856	-	9,856	10,675
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3. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Direct Charitable Expenditure £	Support & Governance Costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Upholding the Methodist Connexional Policy of 'Our Calling', which through worship, learning, caring, service and evangelism, forms the basis of Christian discipleship.	349,684	50,913	400,597	363,716
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a. Analysed as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
<i>Direct charitable expenditure:</i>		
Staff salary costs	163,906	167,141
Pension	30,076	30,326
Ministerial expenses	12,457	9,214
Lay worker expenses	1,702	1,653
Grants	2,000	17,000
District assessment	51,295	51,078
Manse expenses	20,025	22,572
Ministerial Pension fund	64,000	-
United Reform Church fees	4,223	4,100
Gifts and donations	-	865
	349,684	303,949
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7. Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other Debtors	5,134	7,416
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Other Debtors comprise a loan to St James and at the year end 31st August 2022 the outstanding balance is £5,134 (2021: £7,416)) bearing interest at 1.5% + base rate per annum. The base rate per annum as at 31st August 2022 was 1.75%.

8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Creditors	-	11,870
Accruals	1,130	3,520
Deferred income (note 9)	32,625	47,375
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	33,755	62,765
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9. Deferred Income

	2022	2021
	£	£
Balance at 1 st September 2021	47,375	45,875
Amount deferred in the year	32,625	47,375
Amount released to incoming resources	(47,375)	(45,875)
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Balance at 31st August 2022	32,625	47,375
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Deferred income represents Assessment fees which relate to future accounting years.

10. Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

2022	Tangible Fixed Assets	Investments	Net Current Assets	Total
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	305	-	638,221	638,526
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Restricted Funds				
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,295,000	-	-	1,295,000
Fixed Asset Investment	-	316,887	-	316,887
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	1,295,000	316,887	-	1,611,887
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Totals	1,295,305	316,887	638,221	2,250,413
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2021	Tangible Fixed Assets	Investments	Net Current Assets	Total
Unrestricted Funds	£	£	£	£
General Fund	458	-	684,403	684,861
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Restricted Funds			-	
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,295,000	-	-	1,295,000
Fixed Asset Investment	-	435,492	-	435,492
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	1,295,000	435,492	-	1,730,492
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Totals	1,295,458	435,492	684,403	2,415,353
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11. Unrestricted Funds

Movements in the Year

2022	Restated Reserves at Beginning of year	Income	Expenditure	Gain on revaluation of fixed assets	Transfer between funds	Reserves at End of year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	684,861	228,941	(375,761)	-	100,485	638,526
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Movements in the Year

2021	Restated Reserves at Beginning of year	Income	Expenditure	Gain on revaluation of fixed assets	Transfer between funds	Reserves at End of year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	678,023	181,116	(326,593)	-	152,315	684,861
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General Fund - is used to finance the charity's general activities and core costs as outlined in the Trustees' Report.

Transfer between Funds - represents the disposal of assets and the withdrawals from investments

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12. Restricted Funds

2022	Movements in the Year					
	Reserves at Beginning of year	Income	Expenditure	Revaluation And Investment (loss)	Transfer between funds	Reserves at End of year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,295,000	-	(-)	(-)	(-)	1,295,000
Fixed Asset investment	435,492	2,416	(19,116)	(1,420)	(100,485)	316,887
Trinity Church Grant	-	4,300	(4,300)	-	-	-
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	1,730,492	6,716	(23,416)	(1,420)	(100,485)	1,611,887
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2021	Movements in the Year					
	Reserves at Beginning of year	Income	Expenditure	Revaluation And Investment (loss)	Transfer between funds	Reserves at End of year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,295,000	-	(-)	(-)	(-)	1,295,000
Fixed Asset investment	614,782	2,339	(32,820)	3,506	(152,315)	435,492
Trinity Church Grant	-	4,303	(4,303)	-	-	-
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	1,909,782	6,642	(37,123)	3,506	(152,315)	1,730,492
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These are monies given to the Charity to be spent at the discretion of the Board of Trustees for specific charitable purposes as follows:

Tangible Fixed Assets - representing Tangible fixed assets held by the charity and restricted by Methodist rules.

Fixed Asset investment - representing investments held by the charity restricted by Methodist rules.

Transfer between Funds - represents the disposal of assets and the withdrawals from investments

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13. Guarantees and Other Financial Commitments

There are no financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases (2021: £Nil).

14. Related Parties

The following amounts were paid to Trustees, who are also Lay workers and ministers.

Name	2022 £	2021 £
Natashia Bullock	10,216	20,400
Deacon Michaela J Doherty	23,672	25,693
Rev Peter Hughes	25,916	25,693
Lena M Phillips	6,984	6,910
Rev Paul Wilson	27,632	28,245
Clement Matarirano	25,916	25,693
Andrew Parsons	13,736	-
David Goodwin	2,244	-