



## CHAWN HILL CHURCH

# Annual Report 2021—2022



### OBJECTIVES AND VISION

#### Objectives

**To advance the Christian faith** in accordance with the statement of beliefs in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit. The trustees must use the income and may use the capital, including the property, of the church in promoting the objects.

#### Vision

**The church's vision is to bring God's Story and Your Story Together.**

#### Mission

Our mission as a church is to play our part in making Christ known to all people through a structure of discovery, discipleship and declaration, enabling everyone to become fully devoted followers of Christ and helping to transform communities. **Bringing God's Story and Your Story Together through Discovery, Discipleship and Declaration**

#### What does success look like?

To be a community of people loved by God who love God and in turn love the world and all who are in it. 1 John 4:11

A community of people in whom God dwells and lives by His Spirit. Eph 2:22

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# Chawn Hill Church

## Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Registered Company number:** 07215827

**Registered Charity number:** 1135757

### Registered Office

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### Trustees/Directors

Mrs Catherine Anderson (retired November 2021)  
Mr Paul Goncalves (appointed January 2022)  
Miss Brenda Hole  
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Mrs Nicola Reeve (appointed January 2022)  
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# STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

## Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, its Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined in the Companies Act 2006.

## The Board of Trustees

The Trustees are legally responsible for the charity which includes ensuring compliance with statutory obligations, maintenance of the buildings, policies, and financial oversight. The Trustees of the charitable company during this period were:

Mrs Catherine Anderson (retired November 2021)  
P Goncalves (appointed January 2022)  
Miss Brenda Hole  
Mr Stephen Knight (Chair)  
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## The Leadership Team

The Leadership Team consist of trustees and two staff members, the Senior Minister and the Operations Manager. The Leadership Team meet in two capacities, four times a year as trustees and twelve times a year as a church leadership.

The Leadership Team provide the spiritual direction and leadership of the church and are responsible for its vision, values and practices. The Leadership Team during this period were:

Mrs Catherine Anderson (retired November 2021)  
Mr Greg Ellis (Senior Minister)  
Paul Goncalves (appointed January 2022)  
Miss Brenda Hole  
Mr Stephen Knight (Chair)  
Mrs Nicola Reeve (appointed January 2022)  
Mrs Sara Sarjeant (Operations Manager)  
Mrs Lynne Tilby  
Mr Mark Titheridge

## Treasurer

Malcolm Moss has continued to fulfil the post of Treasurer throughout this period.

## Public Benefit

The trustees have continued to take due regard of the Charity Commission's guidance related to public benefit, and the specific guidance for charities on the advancement of religion. The benefits arising from the church's activities continue to be related solely to the charity's objectives as confirmed by the review set out in this report.

### **Responsibilities of Trustees under Company Law**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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## LETTER FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER, **Greg Ellis**

**It gives me great pleasure** to write as I do at this time of the year, to **thank you for your commitment to giving and investing in our vision to bring God's story and your story together at Chawn Hill Church.** Even this morning I was informed of a decision by someone new to Chawn to dedicate his life to following Christ. Salvation! Yippie!

**The psalmist wrote how good and how pleasant it is when we live together in unity and our vision brings us to a unifying point.** We all want to see God's story, his Word, the gospel, revealing who he is, what he has done and how we can benefit. John Stott uses three words – Jesus's attributes, actions and accomplishments. I like to add the word alignment, our faith responding to God's revelation, aligning ourselves with God's story. At Chawn we acknowledge that we all come from somewhere and we welcome people from everywhere and every kind of background so that all might come to Christ and receive the benefits that he has prepared for each one of us.

**Even as we continued to journey through the season of covid we have been able to bring God's story to people in our community and beyond.** Our amazing **TLC** group for the bereaved continues to shine out the love of God. The **Peace of Mind group (P.O.M.)** likewise. We have a new group called **PLP (Precious Little People)** for mothers and fathers who have lost a child, this year **we raised funds for a new room at Russells Hall Hospital** for those in the horror of such an occasion.

**We have sown money and services into the foodbank, street pastors, the life debt centre** has helped people through financial crisis. We have sent **support to an orphanage in Uganda** and continued to **support the efforts of Teso** who work with the local church to provide fresh water to villages, bringing a real change in living standards to many people. We are committed to the shared vision of **Love Black Country, to wrap our arms around the next generation.** We have begun supporting Bella's ministry with **Youth For Christ**, and we support a year out program called **"Expand"** for 18-25 year olds in partnership with Amblecote. Our setting up of a **Westminster Theology Center Hub** in Birmingham has been successful and we have 11 students, 3 of whom are from Chawn.

We have supported one person through a **YWAM DTS** and another who has been in a program with **UCCF**. We continue our support of **Saltmine**, and added to that, we hosted a production of Neverland at Christmas in the Town Hall. We support the work of the **Newtons in Gloucester**, the **Koh's in OM** and a **Church planting team in Central Asia**. We started supporting **Safe Families** financially and continued supporting **Open Doors** and the Kelly's ministry "**Bless**" in France. **Future Outlook** headed up by Steve Buck has witnessed much of God's grace among minorities and those who have gotten caught up in life's vices. We all rejoiced at the salvation of Keyvan and his consequent baptism.

The psalmist finishes with the words 'for there the Lord bestows his blessing even life for evermore'. We believe that God has been blessing us and **we have committed 13% of our income, up from 10% to our mission and causes in 2022 – 2023**.

**We are adding a part time pastoral assistant to the staff team** to increase our ability to provide good pastoral care too.

**We give God all the glory, honour and the praise** and we believe that the thanks should go to God first and then to **you**, for your partnership in the gospel as God works it out through those who support and invest in Chawn Hill Church and our vision to bring God's story and your story together.

**Every blessing and with much gratitude**

**Greg Ellis**

**Senior Minister**



# Highlights

**Xplosion** – “Bernadette was talking to us about prophetic painting. We told the children to ask God for a picture etc. Quite a few children had amazing pictures and one child had (with a bit of help) a bible verse from God and seeing their face when they realised God had spoken to them was priceless”

**T4G** – “Seeing the children build strong friendships with each other and enjoying being able to meet up and go out for socials also how they are hearing from God”

**Toddlers** – “Seeing families come to Messy Church from toddler groups and being able to pray for families, support families and seeing them get closer to God”



# Highlights

*Over the last year we've covered a wide range of teaching topics and stories from all over the Bible, learning how we can apply relevant lessons to our lives today. We've also really enjoyed talks and discussions with various other members of the church family too!*

*"I think just getting back to everything and being a part of an accepting environment built by you guys... how you support us so much to grow in our faiths and lives. I also have really enjoyed getting to know everyone and expand the group, and just have fun together... both in spiritual and competitive ways"*

*We've enjoyed some great socials over the last few months including an Escape Room, Laser Quest, Go Karting and Concerts! A personal favourite for one unnamed leader was proving to the group she could get the fastest group lap time in a Go-Kart... ;)*



# Highlights

*“TK”, being supported by Chawn in his student ministry internship in Sheffield - TK has confirmed his next step: as Worship Minister in a C of E church north east of London!”*

*Chawn’s support of the Koh’s ministry providing I.T. oversight for OM’s teams in Europe includes supporting almost all the countries directly affected by the war in Ukraine. “I.T. can be a very routine activity but when crisis strikes, it is gratifying to know that IT infrastructure is in place to help the teams on the ground respond quickly and effectively. A lot of the teams are supporting the refugees from Ukraine, and of course there are teams in the two countries involved in the conflict”*

**- Operation Mobilisation (OM)**

*“Our setting up of a Westminster Theology Centre Hub in Birmingham has been a success and we now have 11 students attending, 3 from Chawn”*

**- WTC**

*“During the first Passion Play performance his daughter’s best friend was shopping in Birmingham and encountered the procession and performance. She rang the minister’s daughter and told her she needed to come with her to the second day’s performance. The both journeyed with The Passion Play from beginning to the resurrection scene and as a result the friend found Jesus as her saviour for the first time and the minster’s daughter re-dedicated her life to Jesus!”*

**- Saltmine Theatre Company**



# REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022, we are very grateful to God for leading us through this unusual period of history and the challenges we faced in the light of Covid 19. The longer we have been in the pandemic the more we are aware that God is with us, has gone before us, and is meeting all our needs to accomplish the vision he has given us.

Here is some of what we achieved this year and the challenges that we met;

## WORSHIP

**We continued to deliver our Sunday service in person and online.** We have been on a steep learning curve to adapt to new ways of delivering online and in covid safe environments.

**We have added a new children's section to our 9.15am Sunday service** which engages the whole church to worship in a child friendly manner (complete with actions of course!)

**Our worship teams continue to produce outstanding songs** keeping us up to date and on the pulse with new songs

**Three new people have been added to our preaching team.**

**We continue to provide a Messy Church experience monthly** (see **KIDS** section)

**We continue to deliver a KIDS and YOUTH Sunday service ministry** (now in person)

**We have a flourishing Prayer Ministry team** who provide prayer support at every service

**We have a stronger participation in our prayer evenings** which are back to meeting in person once a month

**We are excited by the growth of new members; we are committed to meeting as two congregations and remaining one church.** We are starting a new youth band to lead in worship and serve on our tech desk. We continue to provide online access to our services.

*"A highlight for me over the last year has been when I shared a prophetic message to the congregation one Sunday morning which also challenged me and transformed my life! As a result, when I received my cancer diagnosis I was singing and praising the LORD and so full of the joy of the LORD because He has shown me that He is MY STRENGTH"*

*"Knowing just how many situations our Heavenly Father has intervened in and being thankful for a team of people who have stood in the gap, interceding on behalf of those who are facing challenges in life"*



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## Discover. Disciple. Declare.

Three Ds at the heart of everything we do at Chawn Hill Church

### Discover

We're on a journey of discovery: to discover God's story and find our story in His; to discover true meaning in life and the plans that God has for us; to discover more of God's love, power and presence in our lives.

### Disciple

As we journey together, we choose to follow Jesus, His teaching, and become more like Him: to live a life of love and integrity; to grow in faith and relationship with God and encourage one another to do the same.

### Declare

The more we discover God's greatness and experience His life-changing love, power and presence, the more we respond in worship, declaring His goodness through what we say and do so that others may also discover Him.

## DISCIPLESHIP

- \* **Our prayer day** on the first Wednesday of every month has returned to being attended in person and numbers have been very encouraging.
- \* **Our Home Groups** continue to be well attended, we have ten home groups in total which are all open to new comers. We continue to meet three times a year with the leaders for development, training and feedback. **Come To The Well** also continued to meet providing monthly encouragement and discipleship for many women within the church.
- \* **Both the number of regular donors, 72 on average, and the amount they gave remained stable throughout the year.**
- \* **The Senior Minister is co-leading a Bonhoeffer course** designed to help us transition as a church into a disciple making church. He now sits on the leadership team for UK Bonhoeffer.
- \* This year in partnership with Amblecote Christian Centre, **Chawn Hill Church has continued to deliver a Theology night for churches throughout the Black Country** which included hosting a 2 day conference in October on 'Gender Fluidity'.
- \* **Early work had begun on a gap year called 'Expand'** for young people but has been delayed by a year however we continue to financially support this programme.
- \* **An 'Hour of Power' is a new ministry** intended to teach God's story to our church in an engaging way that can be reproduced to reach out to others in our communities and introduce them to God's story. A **6 week course was run in the Autumn** to equip the church with experience of how to run an Hour Of Power. **We now have 5 groups operating within this model**, 2 of which are nearing the point of needing to multiply.
- \* **We sent three of our people on the Bonhoeffer course**, x2 Leadership Team members and x1 Staff member

Discipleship is the major focus for us as a church in the short term. We need to re-discover the skill of making disciples. We are on our way to achieving this but we have some way to go, and we are excited about it!





## NEW MINISTRY!

In an increasingly busy world our church must adapt and provide an accessible means to grow disciples. We must learn God's Story if we are going to be influenced by it and we must learn the value of prayer and how to share each other's burdens and delights. Our home groups have traditionally been a space for that and will continue to be that but for some people who don't have an evening but do have an hour –

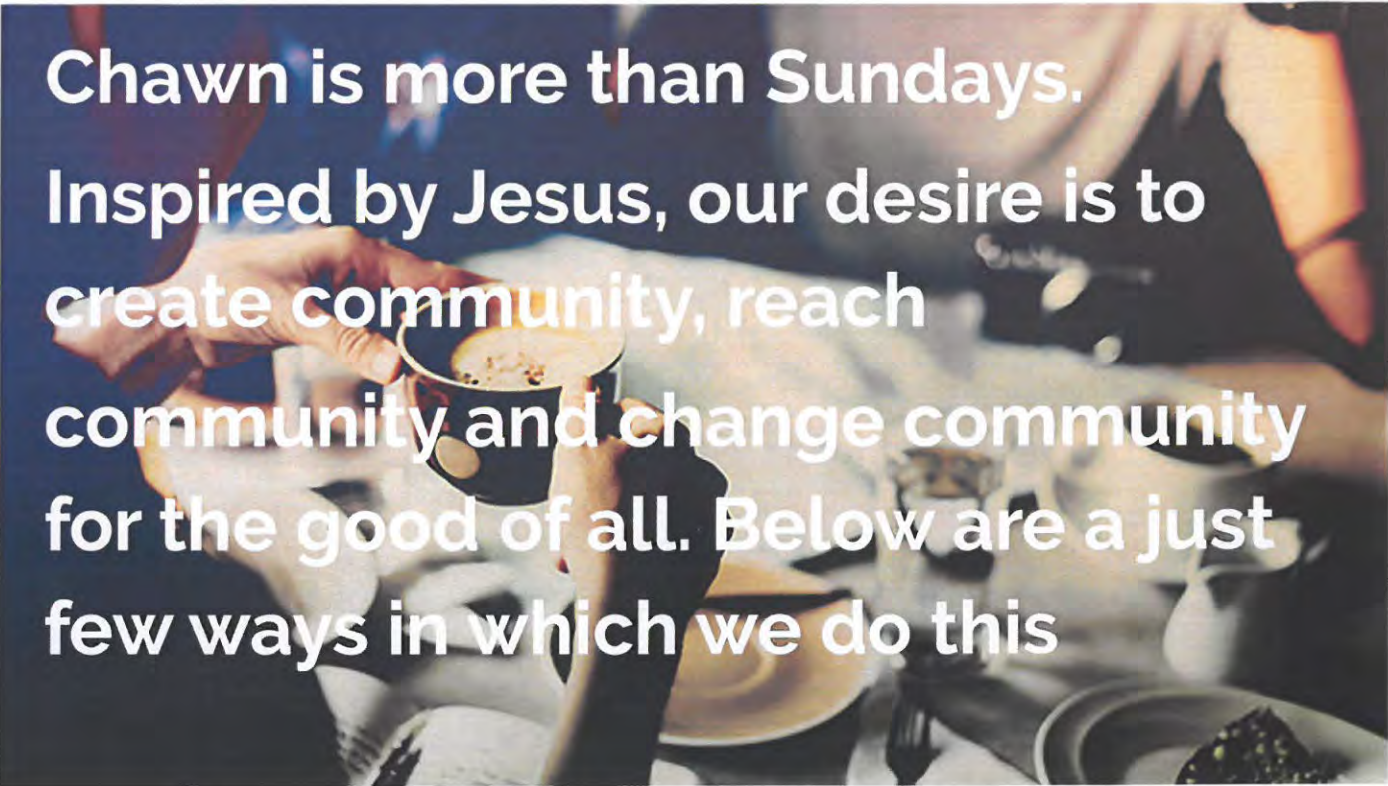
**The Hour of Power** works wonderfully.

The **Hour of Power** is an hour of bringing our story of thankfulness, struggles or stress, sharing them in close community and praying together. Then discovering God and being influenced by God's Story.

**If this interests you and you would like to join a group then please speak to Greg or Sara 01384 397287**

*"Learning that I was born into the kingdom of darkness and through Jesus Christ I have been born again into the Kingdom of Light has been the biggest highlight of the last year for me and it has TRANSFORMED my life. Now I put on the 'armour of God' everyday and pray for other people and enjoy helping with the teas and coffees on a Sunday morning "*





**Chawn is more than Sundays.**  
**Inspired by Jesus, our desire is to**  
**create community, reach**  
**community and change community**  
**for the good of all. Below are a just**  
**few ways in which we do this**

## **FELLOWSHIP**

- \* We ran a number of well-received church events including a **'Saturday Night Takeaway and Quiz'** night led by members of our church congregation.
- \* We hosted a **'Welcome Lunch'** for new attendees of our church
- \* We ran a **'Weekend Away'** at Cefn Lea in mid Wales attended by over 120 people, a time for gathering, fellowship and teaching spread over 3 days. We welcomed Kathy Madavan and her husband Mark this year as our Guest Speakers.
- \* **Our social groups remain active** including Chawn Wheelers, our Walking group and our new Golfing group
- \* **We have continued to use an online communications tool called "Slack"** which was set up during the first lockdown of the pandemic to stay in touch with our fellowship and local community. Social groups have emerged within that that keep us connected even beyond the Church.
- \* **We continued to provide ongoing care and support** for many through times of change, loss and decision-making.
- \* **We continued to deliver service offices** this year including weddings and funerals.

**Our vision is to continue to structure our year of fellowship to include these and new ways to engage the church in fellowship. We look forward to a different 2022/3 where opportunities open up and our togetherness will promote our community spirit both in the church and in our communities.**

***"My highlight has been being together this year as a CHURCH FAMILY especially during tea and coffee time on a Sunday when the kids are running around like crazy!"***



*"For me the highlight of the past 12 months was being able to "WELCOME again properly", with an amazing group of people that have a serving heart for Jesus and are passionate about sharing their love to ensure that anyone who comes through the doors at Chawn instantly feels the love of Christ shining down on them in the mighty name of Jesus"*



*"Being the only Christian in my family it was a real blessing to be surrounded by godly people and the presence of God was truly overwhelming. I was so encouraged and inspired by Kathy the Speaker who definitely gave us food for thought sharing knowledge and wisdom of Gods word and throwing in some comedy of her life experiences as well" (Weekend Away feedback)*

*"Can I just say, I absolutely loved being with you guys for your church weekend away. Everyone was so welcoming and you made myself and the team feel like we were a part of the family. I've heard lots about Chawn Hill over the past 6 years I have lived in the area, and I have always wanted the chance to get to know you guys. Thank you for the invite. It would be a pleasure to work with you guys again sometime! "*

Let's stay **safe**

Let's stay  
**together**

Let's stay  
**connected**

*"Hi, myself and my wife visited your church today for the 11:15am meeting and I would like to say a big thank you to Greg for his warm welcome outside before the meeting started. Hopefully we'll be visiting again in the near future"*

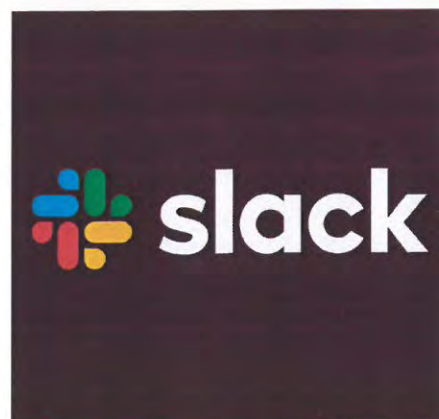


**Identity. Strength.  
Character. Purpose.**

As we approach a post covid different normal these  
foundational attitudes will equip us to  
shine like stars in our difficult world



Chawn Hill Church  
**Weekend Away  
2021**





## KIDS

**Our Sunday group Mini-Cogs (2-5s) continues to meet once a week** in person. We have joined the two groups from the 9.15 and 11.15am service into one group at 9.15am to provide greater interaction with one another



**Our Sunday group Xplosion (6-11s) meeting once a week in person on a Sunday.** We have also joined the two groups from the 9.15 and 11.15am service into one group at 9.15am to provide greater interaction with one another

**We ran a Holiday Club** for children during the first week of the Summer Holiday

**We helped St Mary's with their Christmas nativity scene by providing activity boxes for the children.**

**We ran Messy Church** sessions in person providing children and their parents/ carers with songs, crafts, food & creative Bible stories every month. We also lead a Christmas and Easter Messy Church for Reception class in Ham Dingle School and an Easter Messy Church for year 1 in Rufford Primary School.

**A new ministry called Time For God (T4G)** was started – a group for children in years 5, 6 & 7 at school. They meet on a Thursday night twice a month. It's a time to develop friendships so they can support and encourage each other as disciples of Jesus as well as developing their relationship with God. This replaced 'Love Alive'.

**We continued to run an online parents support group** via WhatsApp which aids community and support

**In conjunction with St Marys Oldswinford and Oldswinford Primary School** we helped to run another trail from St Mary Stevens Park to St Marys Church called '**The Eggstraordinary Trail**' teaching the Easter story and culminating in a chocolate Easter egg at Chawn Hill Church

The Children's Team Leader continued to **provide 1-1 support to families in the community**

**We continued to run Rainbows and Chawn's Little Hearts** - a time and space for carers and their young children to come and make friends and enjoy a morning together. We talk with the adults and offer to pray for them in a relaxed and natural way. This is one way that Chawn can serve and connect with our wider community, families are given invitations to events held at church and are encouraged to come to our Messy Church (preparing young children to discover God).







## YOUTH

After a few years when our youth work seemed to be struggling, the last 18 months have really seen a revival. We are three times bigger than we were 18 months ago. There is energy and direction with a focus to make disciples of our young generation. This has been made possible by our volunteer leaders Josh and Emily who have done an outstanding job and we are so grateful for them.

### ***Our main youth work concentrates on;***

- \* Sunday mornings, with midweek gatherings for fellowship and socials.
- \* Mid-week games nights
- \* A new Youth band starting
- \* Plans for residential weeks away with other churches.

### **Here is a snapshot of what the Youth have covered over the last 6 months;**

- \* **October 21: "Acts"**: An 8/9-week series focused on Acts. We looked at an in-depth study of Paul's missionary journeys and the early church.
- \* **November 21: "With You"**: A 4-week study focused on friendship. We looked at stories of Job, Ruth, Naomi, Elijah, and Eli to see we'll see how God invites us to "be with" people when they need us most.
- \* **December 21: "Good Things"**: A 3-week study on Christmas. We heard the Christmas story from the perspective of the prophets in the Old Testament, who foretold and then waited for the good things God had in store.
- \* **January 22: "Distinct"**: A 4-week series focused on identity. The stories of Jesus and John the Baptist, and the words of Paul, helped us see why discovering who Jesus is helps us discover who we're meant to be.
- \* **February 22: "Justice"**: A 4-week series focused on justice. The story of Joseph helped us see that justice is love in action and that, when we're wronged by others, we can hold on to hope, trust that integrity can withstand injustice, and learn to practice justice that restores what's broken.
- \* **March 22: "Atomic"**: A 4-week series focused on spiritual habits. We discovered principles from Scripture that have the power to help develop tiny habits that can make a big impact.
- \* **April 22: "Break Trail"**: A 5/6-week series focused on Easter. We read the stories of Jesus breaking 'new trails' and discovered that Jesus never gives up on us, understands our pain, shows us love, is alive, can be trusted, and gives us a mission.

**As we move forward with new momentum, we are excited to see what God has planned for our youth and those who serve in this ministry.**



# NEAR & FAR

## Mission and Community engagement

While our mission and community engagement was challenged and many of our regular programs stopped running due to the pandemic, it was great to see the church rise to the occasion and seize the opportunity to serve our community once again.

- \* **We delivered a Love Stourbridge day** in the absence of our usual Churches Together in Stourbridge event in the park – this was held onsite and the local community was invited. The event involved moments to Reflect, Remember and some time to consider Renewal following the losses to the pandemic over the last year, along with family fun games and a BBQ. A similar event was supported by our Senior Minister in a Stourbridge pub called The Bird In Hand.
- \* **We held a Mission Weekend** with guest speaker Simon Guillebaud which was well attended and focused on the bringing of 'God's Story and Your Story Together' linking his testimonies of serving the Lord in Burundi. This also included a sit down meal, a Q&A with Simon and a talk given by him during our Sunday service.
- \* **We returned to our usual Christmas performance in partnership with Saltmine Theatre Company at Stourbridge Town hall** which we run as an 'outreach' event
- \* **We also hosted a Carols by Candlelight Christmas service and Christingle Service** which we invited our local community to. Both were well attended and delivered in a covid secure manner
- \* In the absence of our usual Christmas Schools performance at the Town Hall **we invested in an online performance created by Riverside Performing Arts which we donated to three local primary schools so that they could hear the Christmas Story**
- \* **We ran a weekly bereavement group** at for the community for 30-40 people providing essential support to the bereaved.
- \* **We have started a new group for mothers and fathers who have lost a child.** We also raised funds for a new room at the local hospital for those in the horror of such an occasion
- \* **We continued a mental health group every week** that met for mutual support for eight to ten people.
- \* **We have eighteen people from Chawn Hill Church engaged with a local charity, volunteering with Safe Families,** many times providing love and support to families in need.





**We continued to work with other churches to deliver community projects across the Stourbridge area:**

- \* We continued to support financially and with volunteers, **Replenish**, the Stourbridge distribution point for **Black Country Food Bank**
- \* We continued to support financially and with volunteers, the **Stourbridge Life Centre Debt Advice**
- \* We continued to support financially and with volunteers **Street Pastors** on Saturday nights to help those involved in the night-time economy
- \* We started to support **Safe Families** financially and continued to support them with volunteers
- \* We continued our commitment to the shared vision of **Love Black Country**, to wrap our arms around the next generation, promoting and attending their Together events along with providing financial and planning support for their upcoming Together 22 Festival at Himely Hall, Dudley

**We continued our commitment to give away/invest 10% of our unrestricted income to other organisations and individuals who share our objectives:**

- \* **Local: Replenish/ Black Country Food Bank, Further Outlook** (headed up by Steve Buck who has witnessed much of God's grace among minorities and those who have gotten caught up in life's vices), **Stourbridge Life Centre Debt Advice** (helping people through financial crisis) and **Stourbridge Street Pastors**. The latter having suspended activities for 5 months due to covid meant we temporarily redirected our giving towards the **Black Country Food Bank as additional income for them**.
- \* **National:** We continue our support of **Saltmine**, and added to that, we hosted a production of **Neverland** at Christmas in the Town Hall performed by them also. We also support the work of the **Newtons in Gloucester** and the **Koh's in Operation Mobilisation**.
- \* **World Development:** We have sent support to an **orphanage in Uganda** and continued to support the efforts of **TESO** who work with the local church to provide fresh water to villages, bringing a real change in living standards to many people. We have also supported '**Bless**', a mission in France among the displaced people from middle east who gather there. We also provide financial support for **Open Doors** – a ministry to the persecuted church and a Church planting team linked to **Operation Mobilisation** in Central Asia
- \* **Short-Term Service & Training:** We support a year out program called "**Expand**" for 18 -25 year olds in partnership with Amblecote. Our setting up of a **Westminster Theology Center Hub** in Birmingham has been successful and we have 11 students, 3 of whom are from Chawn. We have also supported one person through a **YWAM DTS** and another who has been in a program with **UCCF**.





# Serving the Community



John 14:27

*"My biggest highlight of the year has been seeing our bereavement group help to raise £3k for the baby bereavement suite at Russell's Hall Hospital. They all chipped into that BEAUTIFULLY. Also, seeing the longer term attendees of our group really encourage new members within the group"*

**J.L.C.**

**Stourbridge Bereavement Support Group**

*"So Much Stronger Together"*



**Life Centre Debt Advice (LCDA)** offers money management, debt advice, guidance and support to local households. Since opening, LCDA has offered support to over 270 households having a combined household debt of over £2.2 million. In **Dudley Borough, 11% of households are among the most deprived in England** and are by and large occupied by people having low financial resilience, being over indebted, and considered to be income deprived and vulnerable. **This equates to around 35,000 Dudley residents.**

Can we help you or someone you know? Perhaps you're interested in helping, or joining the team of volunteers? If you feel you are able to support us through prayer, volunteering support, or by financial gifting then please do get in touch. Your support will change lives, perhaps even your own.

**BLACK COUNTRY  
FOODBANK**

**LOVE . CONNECT . INVEST**

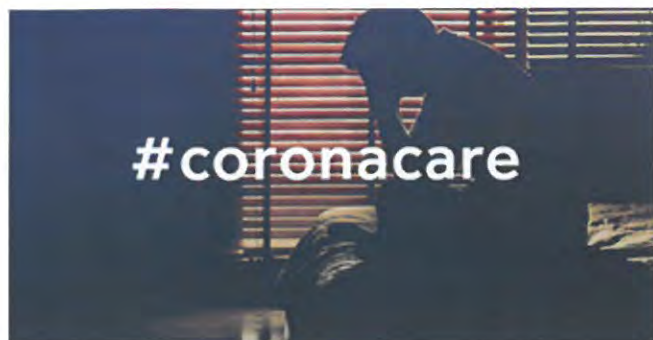
**REPLENISH FOODBANK, STOURBRIDGE**

*"Being able to support our clients in areas of unemployment, debt, mental health, benefits, homelessness, council tax and rent issues etc. is so important as we can refer them onto other agencies in the borough who can successfully assist them. **Replenish has become even more of a gateway for many clients to access the help that they need to move forward in life**"*

**LCDA The Challenge:** Rising Household Debt, Deprivation and Poverty in the West Midlands

**REPLENISH The Challenge:** Going forward, more donations of food and toiletries are needed to meet the rising client numbers across the Black Country Foodbank network. At Replenish, we would also welcome 'as and when' volunteers to fill the gaps when current team members are unable to attend a session





## NEED HELP?

Are you self-isolating and/or stuck indoors at this time due to the coronavirus? If that's you and you are feeling unconnected and isolated, and would like some support, contact us and we'll connect you with an online community group created by Chawn Hill Church where you will get support, encouragement and practical help. We have people ready, willing and able to help you at this time. All you need is an email address. Contact the church office on [admin@chawnhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@chawnhillchurch.org.uk) for more information.



In Jan 22 Safe Families published their first joint report with Home for Good titled, **"More than Sundays: Realising the potential of local church communities to support children and families"**

This report sets out a clear case as to why they believe that the Church across the UK has a unique and important role to play in enabling children and families who engage with the social care system to thrive. **The report is available here, do have a read, do watch their video, do get involved!**

<https://safefamilies.uk/morethansundays/>



*"It has been great to get back out on patrol this year even though our activity was restricted by the Pandemic to 20 patrols. We resumed in late July 2021, stopped in mid-December when the Omicron variant arrived and restarted in March 2022. When we were on patrol, we were welcomed back by the customers, the door-staff and the police. **The night-time economy is still vibrant and is attracting pre-pandemic numbers to Stour-bridge....** The practical help we offer is an on-going demonstration of the unconditional love of God to a group of people who otherwise may not experience it."*

Just as Jesus came to serve the world in which he lived (Mark 10:45), at Chawn Hill Church we also want to serve the community we belong to

**STREET PASTORS The Challenge:** The biggest challenge we face is recruiting new members into the patrol team. We start the new year with only 9 active members and that is too few to maintain a patrol every week. Part of the problem is that the pandemic has reduced the number of people attending churches and this has meant that some people have had to take on more responsibilities on Sunday mornings and that has limited their availability to go out on patrol



## ENABLING The areas of support that enable our activities to happen

### Facilities

We have undergone some **refurbishments** to our Main Church Building including the installation a **new boiler, new radiators** and a **new 70" flat screen TV** for use in our Centre Building Hall. Emily and Josh did an outstanding job **refurbishing the Youth Room** too which has added much fun and value to our young people.

**We continued to resource other community groups** with accessible and affordable meeting spaces. They included Slimming World, Fiona Hill Interiors, Fitbox, Drama Workshop, Primal Sounds Drumming and AA.

### Human Resources

**Our staff team consists of 4 members**, 2 x part time and 2 x Full-Time Employees (FTE): Greg Ellis (Senior Minister, 1.0 FTE); Sara Sarjeant (Operations Manager 0.8 FTE), Emma Carling (Children's Team Leader, 1.0 FTE); Beth Farrance (Office Administrator and Finance Officer, 0.4 FTE).

### Finance

Even with the impact of Covid 19 the **trustees are delighted by the level of commitment** to the church and its clear vision. **God and good governance has kept us very secure financially.** We have **healthy reserves** and **church attendees continue to be our single biggest source of income.** We also continued to make good use Gift Aid. Please see the following section for detailed accounts.

### Reserves

The amount set-aside for reserves is estimated as three months of our running costs and this amounts to £51,640 which is in line with our Reserves Policy.

### Finance Governance

The Finance Group, consisting of Senior Minister, Treasurer and Operations Manager, meet to review the church's finances, including the drafting of the annual budget for review and approval by the Board. The Board receives an update on the church's financial position at each of its meetings.

### Policies

The trustees keep the key church policies under review and update them where appropriate and to ensure they reflect current legislation. In this period, we have reviewed our Safeguarding Policy, Facility Hire Policy, Social Media Policy, Financial Policies (including our Reserves Policy), Data Protection policy and Privacy Notice.





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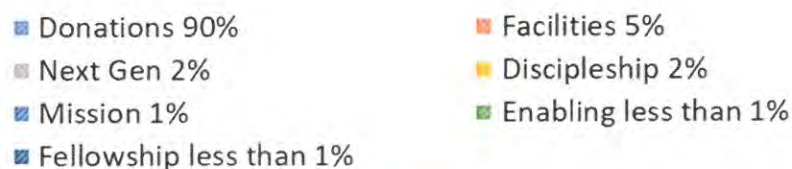


# FINANCE

## Review—how are we financing our charitable objectives, vision and mission?

- **1 Spending on 'charitable activities' bounced back in 21/22** following the suspension of many activities during the previous year due to covid, **doubling from £29,939 in 20/21 to £61,174 in 21/22**. This not only reflects the continuation of a healthy income which saw a £25k increase compared to 20/21, but also our ability to hire out our facilities again and return to activities that generate an income e.g. our toddler groups. We also received a very kind donation of £8k from the closure of The Hope Centre in Halesowen which went towards our TLC and POM ministries, as well as a generous legacy donation of £3.5k, 'restricted' in use for 'propagating the gospel' as per the wishes of the donor.
- **2 Support costs significantly reduced** in 21/22 releasing more funds to spend on our charitable objectives and refurbishment works on our buildings. This was due to careful budgeting and the discontinuation of a paid Youth Team Leader role resulting in a reduction of £39,200 in spend compared to 20/21. This drop has also happened against a back drop of increased utility bills as building use increased. And all whilst still delivering a healthy level of activity. Praise God! **'Enabling' costs now make up less than 50% of our expenditure** (our Children's Team Leader salary has been coded as 'Next Gen' for the purpose of this report). Support costs have been reducing year on year and are now at the lowest level they've been in the last 5 years. Diligent governance by our Leadership Team and the generosity of those who have partnered with God and our vision has enabled this to happen. **Because of this, we have been able to build up a healthy 'reserves' fund** to aid the church charity in times of hardship or additional need, totalling £51,560, **and we've been able to increase our giving to our Near and Far ministries too!**
- **3 Giving to our Near & Far ministries increased** from 10% in 20/21 to 12% in 21/22.

### INCOME ALL FUNDS





## DONATION SPLIT ALL FUNDS

- Regular giving 61%
- HMRC claims 16%
- Non Regular giving 10%
- Weekend Away 7%
- Legacies, other sources less than 1%



## DONATION SPLIT PER FUND

- General Fund - Unrestricted 85%
- Mercy Fund - restricted 2%
- POM fund - Designated 2%
- TLC - Designated 2%
- WilfFund - Restricted 2%
- Wkend Away Fund - Restricted 7%



**General Fund:** our day to day cash flow fund

**Mercy Fund:** one off gifts to those in need (sits within our **'Discipleship'** activities)

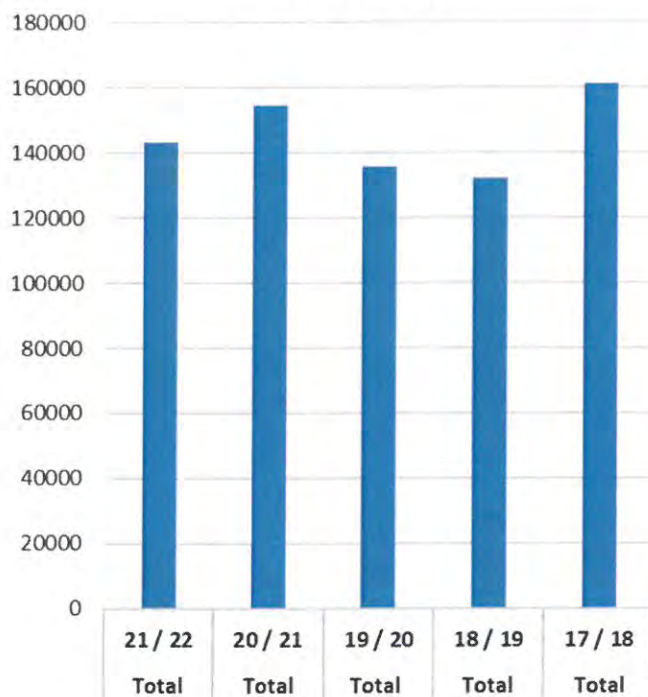
**POM Fund:** Peace of Mind ministry (sits within our **'Fellowship'** activities)

**TLC:** Bereavement ministry (sits within our **'Fellowship'** activities)

**WilfFund:** Legacy gift

**Wkend Away Fund:** our annual Church Weekend Away trip (sits within our **'Fellowship'** activities)

## 'UNRESTRICTED' INCOME LAST 5 YEARS



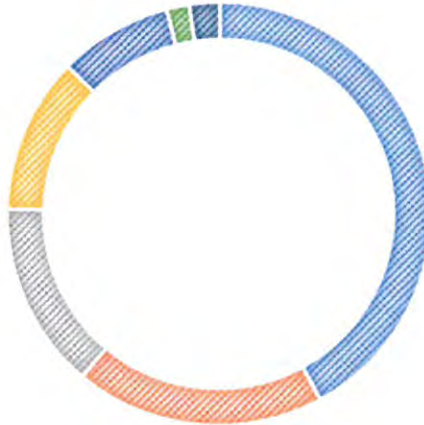
**'unrestricted income'** is income that has no barriers to spending by the Trustees placed on it. Donations from our church attendees fits within this category. Donations we've received with a condition attached to them e.g. to be spent on the church weekend away, to be spent on TLC or POM for example, are not included in the graph above. It is our 'unrestricted income' that enables the 'day to day' activities and costs to flow. In 20/21 we had a very generous one off gift of £8k which went into our General 'unrestricted' fund causing the uplift that you can see in the graph above. This year our one-off larger donations have fitted in within our 'designated fund' or 'restricted fund' categories depending on what the wishes of the donor were.



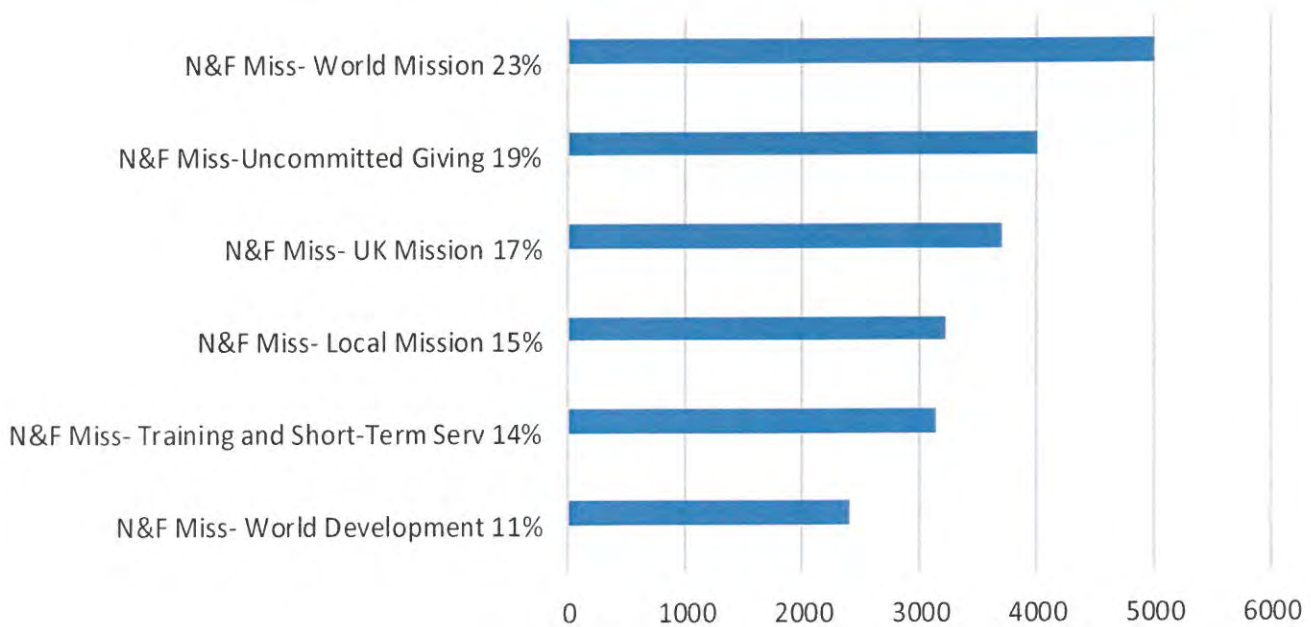
## EXPENDITURE - ALL FUNDS

*Our Children's Team Leader salary has been recorded as 'Next Gen' for the purpose of this chart (historically it has sat within our 'enabling' category)*

■ Enabling 42%   ■ Facilities 19%   ■ Next Gen 14%   ■ Mission 12%  
 ■ Fellowship 9%   ■ Sundays 2%   ■ Discipleship 2%



## NEAR & FAR GIVING BREAKDOWN £21,460



## 'ENABLING' BREAKDOWN

■ All staff costs 89%   ■ All Office 6%  
 ■ Gov 1%   ■ Financial Professional Fees 3%  
 ■ Safeguarding less than 1%   ■ Volunteers 1%



## SO WHAT'S NEXT?

- \* **Discipleship**—to continue our journey to becoming a disciple making church, building upon our Hour of Power groups and returning to delivering our well loved courses such as Alpha and Freedom in Christ in the Autumn
- \* **Next Generation**
  - Youth**— We aim to run an Alpha summer course and continue having a 'big social' at least once a quarter (over the 'warmer' months we'll be planning something like a day trip to Alton Towers and/or Go Ape!). We're also looking at the possibility of **organising trips to one or two of the events below** (more details to follow in the coming months). If you have any suggestions for events, please let us know:
    - **April:** *Spring Harvest*
    - **June:** *Big Church Day Out Festival*
    - **June:** *Teen Street UK*
    - **July:** *Creation Fest*
    - **July:** *Hillsong Conference*
  - Kids**—to create new partnerships with more local schools, to restart lunchtime clubs in the schools we have got connections with, to continue to **grow Messy Church** and we **hope to start a group for children in years 3 & 4** similar to T4G
- \* **Near & Far**—to increase our giving to **13% of all General Fund donated income**, up from 10% 20/21 and **continue to discover ways** to connect and serve the communities around us
- \* **Fellowship**—to partner with LoveBlackCountry in delivering their **Together 22 Festival event** to be held in July 22 in place of our annual Church Weekend Away, to create a new '**fellowship team**' to organise, co-ordinate and oversee this growing ministry. Creating community through fellowship to grow community.
- \* **Pastoral**—to add a part time pastoral assistant to the staff team to increase our ability to provide good pastoral care
- \* **Services**—to continue meeting as two congregations on a Sunday, gathering once a month on the **1st Sunday of the month as one congregation** to enjoy, celebrate and grow in unity as one church

## CONCLUSION

I want to start by quoting a bible verse Revelation 1v8, 'I am the Alpha and Omega - the beginning and the end', says The Lord. 'I am the one who was, and is, and is still to come - The almighty One.' My Dad was part of Chawn's leadership team while I was growing up in the 60's, 70's and 80's. He now is receiving palliative care by his loving wife Carolyn in Kent. This season makes me reflect on the faithfulness of God not only over this last year but since the church started, and the wonderful assurance faith in our Loving Heavenly Father gives us. Again from the bible,<sup>1</sup> John 4 verse 17, says, 'God is Love. When we take up permanent residence in a life of love, we live in God and God lives in us.'



We want the reality of God's love to be experienced by as many people in and outside our church. Our hope is that we grow from strength to strength in Declaring God's Love.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

*Stephen Knight*

**S. Knight - Chair of Trustees**

Date: 18 October 2022

***Lovely church who are very friendly and welcoming. My little boy loves attending the play sessions too! (Facebook comment April 2022)***

*This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:*

*Stephen Knight*

*Stephen Knight, Chair of Trustees*

Date 18 October 2022

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**Bringing God's story and your story together**

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REGISTERED CHARITY (1135757) AND COMPANY BY LIMITED GUARANTEE IN ENGLAND & WALES (07215827)



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**TO THE TRUSTEES OF**  
**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022 on pages 29 to 38 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 31 to 32.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

*Archie McDowall*

Archie McDowall BA, CA

Stewardship  
1 Lamb's Passage  
London  
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Date: 21 October 2022



**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	200,894	4,500	205,394	191,247
Charitable activities	4	15,241	-	15,241	4,389
Investments		258	-	258	355
Other income		-	-	-	120
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		<b>216,393</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>220,893</b>	<b>196,111</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>					
Charitable activities	5	221,470	6,326	227,796	220,191
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>221,470</b>	<b>6,326</b>	<b>227,796</b>	<b>220,191</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(5,078)</b>	<b>(1,826)</b>	<b>(6,904)</b>	<b>(24,080)</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	12	<b>(203)</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(0)</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(5,281)</b>	<b>(1,623)</b>	<b>(6,904)</b>	<b>(24,080)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward		899,834	2,183	902,017	926,096
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	12	<b>894,553</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>895,113</b>	<b>902,017</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on page 31 - 38 form part of these accounts.

**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	7	815,615	-	815,615	825,408
		<u>815,615</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>815,615</u>	<u>825,408</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	8	5,118	-	5,118	5,044
Cash at bank and in hand	9	76,459	560	77,019	74,204
		<u>81,577</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>82,137</u>	<u>79,247</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(2,640)	-	(2,640)	(2,640)
		<u>(2,640)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,640)</u>	<u>(2,640)</u>
<b>Net current assets / (liabilities)</b>		<u>78,937</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>79,497</u>	<u>76,607</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>894,552</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>895,112</u>	<u>902,015</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		<u>894,552</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>895,112</u>	<u>902,015</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	12				
General funds		839,216	-	839,216	843,036
Designated funds		55,336	-	55,336	56,797
		<u>894,552</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>894,552</u>	<u>899,833</u>
Restricted Funds		-	560	560	2,182
		<u>894,552</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>895,112</u>	<u>902,015</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

*S Knight*

S Knight - Chair of Trustees

Date: 18 October 2022

Company number: 07215827

Charity number: 1135757

The notes on page 31 - 38 form part of these accounts.



**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**1 Statutory Information**

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

**2 Accounting Policies**

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These 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 (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP")", with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements. In making this assessment the trustees have considered how Covid-19 might affect projections.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.
- iii) Legacies. Income from legacies is recognised when a distribution is received from the estate or, if earlier, when the charity has been notified that a distribution will be made and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from youth, children's and other events and courses as well as rent of the church premises.

Investment income represents income generated by the charity's assets and includes income from bank interest.

Other income comprises gains arising from the disposal of tangible fixed assets.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**2 Accounting Policies (continued)**

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Freehold land	Is not depreciated (because it is not consumed by use)
Freehold buildings	Over 50 years after taking account of the building's residual value
Equipment	Over 3 to 7 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant:

- i) The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances.

**3 Donations and legacies**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations of cash and similar	175,040	157,461
Legacies receivable	(3,577)	-
Income tax recoverable	33,932	33,786
	<u>205,394</u>	<u>191,247</u>

**4 Income from charitable activities**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Church retreats and events	3,456	520
Rental income	11,705	3,870
Book sales	80	-
	<u>15,241</u>	<u>4,389</u>



**CHAWN HILL CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**5 Charitable expenditure**

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>a Costs incurred directly on specific activities</b>		
Staff	102,540	129,653
Fellowship	18,730	81
Discipleship	5,517	1,500
Next Generation	7,849	2,995
Worship	3,809	2,792
Enabling	1,264	1,481
Mission we do	4,061	3,229
Grants payable: Mission we fund (note 5c)	21,460	19,215
	<u>165,229</u>	<u>160,946</u>

**5 Charitable expenditure (continued)**

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>b Costs incurred on support &amp; administration</b>		
Governance costs		
Independent examiner's fee	2,640	2,640
Other	1,743	877
	<u>4,383</u>	<u>3,517</u>
Facilities	40,137	37,974
Office	6,966	6,931
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	11,081	10,824
	<u>62,567</u>	<u>59,245</u>
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<u>227,796</u>	<u>220,191</u>

The fee payable to the independent examiner for preparing and examining the accounts was £2,640 (2021: £2,640); in addition the charity received no other services and paid £nil (2021: £nil) to Stewardship for other services.

**c Grants payable**

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2022 £
Training and Short-Term Service	2,300	4,840	7,140
UK Mission	2,980	720	3,700
World Mission	4,800	200	5,000
World Development	2,400	-	2,400
Local Mission	3,220	-	3,220
	<u>15,700</u>	<u>5,760</u>	<u>21,460</u>

The comparatives for the previous year are as follows:

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2021 £
Training and Short-Term Service	3,619	300	3,919
UK Mission	2,500	720	3,220
World Mission	4,140	1,120	5,260
World Development	3,486	-	3,486
Local Mission	3,330	-	3,330
	<u>17,075</u>	<u>2,140</u>	<u>19,215</u>

The charity's principal grants to institutions comprised:

	2022 £	2021 £
Open Doors	1,200	720
Teso	2,400	2,800
Saltmine	2,500	2,500
Black Country Foodbank	1,120	1,320
Operation Mobilisation	2,400	2,400
Amblecote Christian Centre	2,300	3,500
Bless Network	1,200	720
Grants to institutions for less than £1,000 each	2,580	3,115
	<u>15,700</u>	<u>17,075</u>

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**6 Analysis of staff costs, the cost of key management personnel and trustee remuneration and expenses**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 4 (2021: 7). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the key staff outlined in the Trustees' Annual Report. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £64,495 (2021: £63,854).

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year.

**7 Tangible fixed assets**

	Freehold Property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total 2022 £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021	859,466	42,754	902,220
Additions	-	1,288	1,288
At 31 March 2022	<u>859,466</u>	<u>44,042</u>	<u>903,508</u>
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	42,973	33,839	76,812
Charge for the year	8,595	2,486	11,081
At 31 March 2022	<u>51,568</u>	<u>36,325</u>	<u>87,893</u>
Net book value			
At 31 March 2022	<u>807,898</u>	<u>7,717</u>	<u>815,615</u>
At 1 April 2021	<u>816,493</u>	<u>8,915</u>	<u>825,408</u>

**8 Debtors: Falling due within one year**

	2022 £	2021 £
Tax recoverable	3,492	3,481
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>1,626</u>	<u>1,563</u>
	<u>5,118</u>	<u>5,044</u>

**9 Cash at Bank and in Hand**

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash at bank with immediate access	25,378	22,820
Notice deposits (with a term of three months or less)	<u>51,641</u>	<u>51,383</u>
	<u>77,019</u>	<u>74,204</u>

**10 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year**

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals	2,640	2,640

**11 Pension commitments**

During the year employer's pension contributions totalling £7,231 (2021: £8,142) were payable to defined contribution personal pension schemes. No pension contributions were owing at the balance sheet date (2021: £nil).



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**12 Funds**

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2022 £	Incoming resources 2022 £	Outgoing resources 2022 £	Transfers in the year 2022 £	Gains and losses 2022 £	Closing balance 2022 £
<i>Designated Funds</i>						
a) Church weekend away	666	13,287	(14,454)	500	-	-
b) Reserve requirement	51,383	258	-	-	-	51,641
c) Church refurbishment	1,935	-	(1,935)	-	-	-
d) Near and Far mission giving	2,812	-	(21,460)	17,438	-	(1,210)
e) POM Fund	-	4,196	(539)	(500)	-	3,157
f) TLC Fund	-	3,880	(2,132)	-	-	1,748
	56,797	21,620	(40,520)	17,438	-	55,336
<i>General Unrestricted Funds</i>	843,037	194,772	(180,950)	(17,641)	-	839,217
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>899,834</b>	<b>216,393</b>	<b>(221,470)</b>	<b>(203)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>894,553</b>
<i>Restricted Funds</i>						
a) St Michaels Youth Community	-	-	-	-	-	-
b) Youth & Children's Fund	1,228	-	(1,019)	-	-	209
c) Food Bank - Stourbridge (Replenish)	-	-	(0)	-	-	-
d) Hark Schools	-	-	-	-	-	-
e) Centre Refurbishment Fund	704	-	(704)	-	-	-
f) Youth Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
g) Mercy	251	4,500	(4,603)	203	-	351
	2,182	4,500	(6,326)	203	-	560
<b>Aggregate of funds</b>	<b>902,016</b>	<b>220,893</b>	<b>(227,796)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>895,113</b>

**Analysis of net assets by fund**

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	815,615	-	-	815,615
Debtors	5,118	-	-	5,118
Cash at bank and in hand	21,123	55,336	560	77,019
Creditors falling due within one year	(2,640)	-	-	(2,640)
	839,216	55,336	560	895,112

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**12 Funds (continued)**

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2021 £	Incoming resources 2021 £	Outgoing resources 2021 £	Transfers in the year 2021 £	Gains and losses 2021 £	Closing balance 2021 £
<i>Designated Funds</i>						
a) Church weekend away	666	-	-	-	-	666
b) Reserve requirement	-	344	-	51,039	-	51,383
c) Church refurbishment	-	-	(18,065)	20,000	-	1,935
d) Near and Far mission giving	-	-	(19,065)	21,877	-	2,812
e) POM Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
f) TLC Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
	666	344	(37,129)	92,916	-	56,797
<i>General Unrestricted Funds</i>	915,154	194,526	(173,619)	(93,024)		843,037
Total Unrestricted Funds	915,820	194,870	(210,748)	(108)	-	899,834
<i>Restricted Funds</i>						
a) St Michaels Youth Community	140	-	(140)	-	-	-
b) Youth & Children's Fund	349	250	-	628	-	1,228
c) Food Bank - Stourbridge (Replenish)	279	3	(281)	-	-	-
d) Hark Schools	-	363	(363)	-	-	-
e) Centre Refurbishment Fund	2,979	-	(2,275)	-	-	704
f) Youth Investment Fund	6,075	-	(5,446)	(628)	-	-
g) Mercy	455	626	(939)	108	-	251
	10,276	1,241	(9,443)	108	-	2,182
Aggregate of funds	926,096	196,111	(220,191)	-	-	902,016

**Analysis of net assets by fund**

In the previous year, the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	825,408	-	-	825,408
Debtors	5,044	-	-	5,044
Cash at bank and in hand	15,224	56,797	2,182	74,204
Creditors falling due within one year	(2,640)	-	-	(2,640)
	843,036	56,797	2,182	902,015



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**12 Funds (continued)**

*Designated funds*

- a) The balance refers to a money donated to and spent on the church weekend away.
- b) The balance retained within general funds to meet the reserve policy
- c) Money set aside for planned church refurbishment work.
- d) Money set aside for planned giving to other organisations in support of achieving our aims.
- e) The POM fund is for Peace of Mind, an initiative to support mental health.
- f) The TLC fund is money set aside to be spent on bereavement support.

*Restricted funds*

- a) Income and expenditure for the St Michaels Youth Community.
- b) Funds given and expended for Youth and Children's work.
- c) Monies collected and donated to Black Country in support of the foodbank.
- d) A restricted fund specifically for showing Saltmine's play 'Hark' to those attending our local schools.
- e) A restricted fund specifically for the refurbishment of the church centre.

A restricted fund specifically for or the development & running of 4 youth clubs in the borough. This has been incorporated into the youth and children fund for ongoing work in this category.

- g) Money given and paid to meet an individuals specific needs.

**13 Transactions with related parties**

During the year the charity:

- a) received donations totalling £12,261 (2021: £11,400) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- b) Lynne Tilby, who is a trustee, was paid £nil (2021: £793) for providing cleaning services to the charity.
- c) No expenses (2021: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees; reimbursements for expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity or incurred when undertaking employment duties not connected with serving as a trustee are not included in this disclosure.

During the year the charity also made the following payments to, or for, related parties:

- a) paid £1,063 (2021: £2,048) to Visual Advance for websites & publicity media services. Mark Titheridge, who is a trustee is a director Visual Advance.

No amounts were owed (2021: £nil) by the charity at the balance sheet date.

Except as disclosed in note 6 'Analysis of staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

**14 Members**

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £10.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES**  
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	Note	Unrestricted funds				Unrestricted funds			
		General	Designated	Restricted	Total	General	Designated	Restricted	Total
		2022	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>									
Donations and legacies	3	179,532	21,363	4,500	205,394	190,005	-	1,241	191,247
Charitable activities	4	15,241	-	-	15,241	4,389	-	-	4,389
Investments		-	258	-	258	11	344	-	355
Other income		-	-	-	-	120	-	-	120
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		194,772	21,620	4,500	220,893	194,526	344	1,241	196,111
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>									
Charitable activities:	5	180,950	40,520	6,326	227,796	173,619	37,129	9,443	220,191
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		180,950	40,520	6,326	227,796	173,619	37,129	9,443	220,191
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		13,822	(18,900)	(1,826)	(6,904)	20,907	(36,785)	(8,201)	(24,080)
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	12	(17,641)	17,438	203	-	(93,024)	92,916	108	(0)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		(3,819)	(1,461)	(1,623)	(6,904)	(72,117)	56,131	(8,093)	(24,080)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>									
Total funds brought forward		843,037	56,797	2,183	902,017	915,154	666	10,276	926,096
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	12	839,217	55,336	560	895,113	843,037	56,797	2,183	902,017