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

The trustees are responsible for preparing 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 necessary.

### Reference and administrative details

Registered Charity Number – 1135765

Principal address c/o 6-8 Amherst Road, Earley, Reading, Berkshire, RG6 1NU

### Trustees

Rev. Alina Rai (Minister and Chair)  
Rev. Judith Wheatley (Minister and Chair) – resigned April 2023  
Mr Tirtha Rai (Deacon) – deceased February 22  
Mrs Maggi Taylor (Deacon)  
Mrs Angela Lawrence (Deacon)  
Mrs Pat Dyer (Deacon)  
Mrs Luna Rai Pun (Deacon)  
Mr Deepak Sunawar-Rai (Deacon) – re-elected 20 March 22  
Mr Emmanuel Essah (Deacon) – elected 20 March 22  
Mr Pasang Tamang (Deacon) – elected 20 March 22  
Mr Rupesh Thapa (Deacon) – elected 19 March 23

### Independent Examiner

Philip John Nixon  
28 Luckley Wood  
Wokingham  
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RG41 2EW

### Charity Governance

Members of the Church are accepted in line with the Church Constitution (March 2009). Church meetings occur at least 4 times per year. In line with the Constitution the members appoint Trustees who together with the Ministers are responsible for the all financial, legal aspects and the day to day running of the church.

### Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church also supports missionary efforts in the United Kingdom and other parts of the world.

Our principal activities are described in the Secretary's report below. The church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and is satisfied that its activities clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

## Treasurer's report for the March 2023 AGM

Ms Luna Rai

01/01/2022 to 31/12/2022  
Income £75,816.50  
Expenditure £79,654.49  
Overspend: £3,837.99

**Bank Balances**

Current Account: £26,486.62

Savings Account: £35,545.42

Although Anderson spent more money than it received, spending was in areas of high importance and our bank balance remains healthy.

The current year would continue to bring challenges but Trust in God.

It is planned that regular collections are held in order to help cover the costs of any events we hold.

Those using Parking Permits continue to offer a contribution towards this cost.

There are monthly reviews of our finances within Deacons Meetings, ensuring they are kept informed of any changes in funds to be brought to the Church Meetings. Members could then look at ways of increasing giving from the fellowship or reduce spending.

We pray for continued careful investment with a Christian focus.

**Secretary's report for the March 2023 AGM**

Currently the position of Secretary is vacant. Therefore, this report is written jointly by the Ministers.

***Whatever you do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus , giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Col 3.17)***

After 23 years of ministry at Anderson this will be my last AGM report with opportunity to reflect back on the way God has led us and the ways we have been called to serve.

The words of the hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness - Morning by morning new mercies I see" is for us a wonderful reminder of the ways we have witnessed Gods faithfulness to us as a community.

There have been changes and challenges along the way but through it all we have sensed God's presence and God's leading.

**Highlights**

- A strong and faithful diaconate, ready to serve and offer leadership
- New members joining and getting fully involved
- Starting of 'Our Sunshine' group offering welcome and friendship
- Vibrant Sunday worship with increased participation
- Jubilee Celebrations and other events providing good opportunities to reach out to the local community
- A positive discernment process for the ongoing ministry of Anderson
- Growing sense of being 'one in Christ' and truly intercultural.
- Offering a placement to Gab Mendosa from OM
- Supporting Association life with Judith as Moderator through a time of change
- Celebrating 131 Anniversary with a reunion of former friends and members
- Plenty of opportunities for food, fellowship and supporting faith.
- Maintaining lively support and connection for those unable to get to the main services and activities by using facebooklive, zoom, newsletters, phone calls and visits.
- Seeing many grow in discipleship and service.

**Challenges**

- Closing the Beaver, Cub and Scouting Groups - celebrating 90 years of community engagement. Sensing this is a time for Anderson to discover new ways to reach out.
- Finances - being prayerful and seeking the best ways to use our resources wisely.
- Participation - helping everyone find their place within the church community so that they can serve wholeheartedly.

**Facing Forwards**

It is with grateful hearts we face our challenges and celebrate all the good things about church life. We have been witnesses to the way God has brought us through the most challenging of situations- and we as a church family have always sought to bring glory to God. So, in facing an unknown future we say God walks with us and God will lead us through.

"Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.  
Great is Thy Faithfulness"

So whatever we do, wherever we go in the next year we can echo Pauls words from Colossians  
***Whatever you do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God  
the Father through him. (Col 3.17)***  
***Judith Wheatley 17.03.23***



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Anderson Baptist Church

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/01/2022

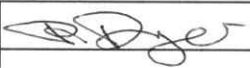
To

Period end date  
31/12/2022

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations from individuals	52,881	7,834	-	60,715	66,132
Donations from organisations	1,500	-	-	1,500	75
Gift aid refunds	6,932	510	-	7,442	6,483
Other income	1,382	338	-	1,720	3,776
Home Mission Grant	12,375	-	-	12,375	12,250
Warm Spaces Grant	500	-	-	500	-
Bank interest	36	-	-	36	4
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>75,606</b>	<b>8,682</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84,288</b>	<b>88,720</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>75,606</b>	<b>8,682</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84,288</b>	<b>88,720</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	50,577	-	-	50,577	50,885
Professional fees	1,125	-	-	1,125	1,295
Manse costs	10,624	-	-	10,624	5,253
Church costs	9,426	8,381	-	17,807	9,910
Variable run costs - buildings/ admin	3,458	45	-	3,503	3,447
Variable running costs - pastoral	4,020	1,264	-	5,284	3,585
Outward giving - Baptist charities	4,800	-	-	4,800	5,200
Outward giving - other charities	1,222	839	-	2,061	4,072
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>85,252</b>	<b>10,529</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,781</b>	<b>83,647</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>85,252</b>	<b>10,529</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95,781</b>	<b>83,647</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 9,646</b>	<b>- 1,847</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 11,493</b>	<b>5,073</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>71,360</b>	<b>3,554</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,914</b>	<b>69,841</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>61,718</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,421</b>	<b>74,914</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash		426	-
	Church General Bank Accounts	26,487	963	-
	Church Savings Bank Accounts	35,231	314	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>61,718</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Gift aid receivable	1,967	36	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Insurance value (optional)
	Church and Hall buildings		-	1,151,948
	Stores		-	26,359
	Church and Hall contents		-	64,038
	189 Church Road		-	308,160
	10 Amhurst Road		-	203,134
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Collections for other organisations	Restricted	157	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			PATRICIA DYER	27-10-23





# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Anderson Baptist Church

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 December 2022

Charity number  
1135765

**Set out on pages**

attached

**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; and
  - 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.

**Signed:**

*Philip J. Nixon*

**Date:**

27 October 2023

**Name:**

Philip John Nixon

**Relevant professional  
qualification:**

FCA

**Address:**

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