

Charity number: **1136408**

**REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD ('RCCG') THE CITY OF GOD,
DARTFORD**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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**REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD ('RCCG') THE CITY OF GOD,
DARTFORD
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

General Overseer	Pastor. E. A. Adeboye
Trustees	Mrs. Adeyinka Adetola Ogunnaike Pastor. Babatunde Adewale Sofowora
Pastor in Charge	Pastor Adetutu Sofowora
Charity Registered No	1136408
Principal Office	193 Crayford Road Crayford London DA1 4HA
Accountants	Lighthall Consult (Chartered Certified Accountants) Unit 128 First Floor 415 High Street London E15 4QZ
Bankers	Barclays Bank Plc

REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD ('RCCG') THE CITY OF GOD

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and the financial statements of The Redeemed Christian Church of God ('RCCG') for the year ended 31 December 2024. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the church comply with the Charities Acts of 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (SORP FRS 102).

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

a. CONSTITUTION

The Church is constituted under the church governing document and registered on the 16th of June 2010 with the Charity Commission with a charity registration number 1136408.

b. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The management of the church is the responsibility of the Trustees, who are co-opted in accordance with the terms set out in the church's governing documents. There were no changes to the Board of Trustees during the year ended 31 December 2024. However, one individual, named Kolawole Omooba, has been removed from the list of trustees stated in this report. Although the charity had co-opted Kolawole Omooba, he was never formally registered as a trustee with the Charity Commission

c. POLICIES ADOPTED FOR THE INDUCTION AND TRAINING OF TRUSTEES

New Trustees are educated and trained in their legal obligations under the charity law. The Trustees are also updated on the decision-making processes and current financial performance of the charity. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events which will facilitate their knowledge in their role. The Charity Commission updates are also forwarded to Trustees when issued.

d. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION MAKING

The Church is organized such that the day-to-day running of the church has been delegated to the Parish Pastor and assisted by a member who oversees the Finance and Administrative functions of the charity. The Trustee determines the charity's Strategic direction and is consulted on all material matters. Trustees meet formally when required to review the church's operations.

To provide more stability and a sense of community, the trustees purchased the church building, previously rented as a permanent place of worship, on 21 February 2024 for a total cost of £633,087.62. This cost is made up of the property purchase price of £630,000 and other incidental cost of purchase of £3,087.62

e. RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS

Redeemed Christian Church of God -The City of God is a member of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), which has parishes all over the world. The relationship is governed by an 'Agreement for Common Purposes between the Parishes and the Central Office of the RCCG in the United Kingdom.

f. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have thoroughly assessed the major risks and have systems in place to mitigate them. Ensuring the church's operations and finances are safeguarded is crucial for its stability and growth.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The charity's objects are:

- The advancement of the Christian religion and faith for the benefit of the public
- The furtherance of charitable works and the purposes of the charity for the benefit of the public community, as the trustees may decide from time to time

It pursues these objectives through the operation of a centre for Christian worship at its premises in c/o 193 Crayford Road, Crayford, London, DA1 4HA and by programmes of events aimed at reaching out to the one-church together with a range of community-centred projects.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT:

The Trustees are aware of their responsibility to ensure that the activities and objectives of the Trust are charitable and benefit the public. In determining the best way to pursue these objectives, the Trustees have taken on board the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and its supplementary public guidance on the advancement of religion for public benefit.

RCCG, The City of God, though a religious Charity, has core community-based projects and outreaches focused on benefitting the public and its immediate community.

a. STRATEGIES FOR ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES:

The church's strategies for achieving these objectives were:

- **Emergency Food Support:** The City of God contributes food items to the Dartford Food Bank to help provide emergency food and support to individuals and families facing crises. This initiative is part of the Charity's ongoing commitment to alleviating food insecurity in the community.
- **Empowering Parents, Especially Mothers:** Recognising the importance of parental influence on child development, the City of God organises educational seminars and community events aimed at supporting and uplifting mothers. Events such as "*Party for Mum*" and "*Mothers on their Knees*" are designed to equip mothers with knowledge and encouragement, ultimately benefiting the children they raise.

- **Supporting Children with Educational Challenges:** Through its annual event “*Unlocking Your Treasures*”, the City of God provides targeted support for children experiencing educational difficulties. The event includes seminars and workshops that help parents discover effective ways to nurture and support their children's learning and development.
- The City of God provides financial support to other charitable organisations and Christian events.

b. VOLUNTEERS

The Charity deeply appreciates the unwavering dedication of its volunteer workforce. Their contributions are invaluable and form the backbone of many of the Charity's initiatives. While it is impossible to quantify the impact of their efforts, the Charity ensures that volunteers are supported through a structured training Programme. This Programme is designed to promote their welfare, spiritual growth, and socioeconomic development, helping them thrive both within and beyond their roles in the Charity.

The volunteers continue to provide an invaluable contribution in the following main departments:

Administration/Publication

Finance

Treasury

Men fellowship

Women Fellowship

Evangelism

Choir

Usher

Children's Church

Youth Church

Hospitality

Protocol

Welfare

c. GRANT MAKING POLICIES

The trustee will allocate grants to other charitable organisations that share similar objectives with the church. The church has committed to making an annual contribution to the central office of the Redeemed Christian Church of God. Additionally, it offers support to congregation members who are in need.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

There has been tremendous growth in the physical and spiritual life of the church during the year and in the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrine set out in the Statement of Faith as contained in our governing documents. The charity continues to provide financial support to other charities operating within its objects.

The charity also provides financial support to the Festival of Life prayer event held bi-annually in the UK.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustees have a strategic plan to build up a general reserve that is supported by liquidity for the future. This will enable the Charity to be in a sound financial position to continue meeting its financial obligations and be positioned to continue to deliver its charitable objects in the long term.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The charity continues to explore ways to evangelise effectively by raising its profile and getting more involved in the community. The charity's membership has grown and continues to grow and develop its members to make a positive impact on the community

The charity has achieved and aims to continue to achieve the following in the near future:

- Furtherance of the Gospel
- Shepherding the people of God
- Organising seminars and conferences to empower membership of the church & community
- Getting members of the church involved in effective lay ministry.

STATEMENTS OF TRUSTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Under charity law in England and Wales, trustees are legally required to prepare financial statements for each financial year that provide a true and fair view of the church's financial position and its surplus or deficit for that period. These statements must comply with the format and content prescribed by regulations and be accompanied by a trustees' annual report, which outlines the church's activities, achievements, and public benefit delivery:


- Select suitable accounting policies.
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the church will continue in operation.

The Trustees are legally responsible for maintaining proper accounting records that accurately reflect the financial position of the church at any given time. These records must enable the Trustees to ensure that the financial statements comply with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. Furthermore, the Trustees are accountable for safeguarding the church's assets and must take reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud, financial mismanagement, and other irregularities

The Trustees approved this report on 20/10/2025 and signed on its behalf by



Mrs. Adeyinka Adetola Ogunnaike



Mr. Babatunde Sofowora

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT:

We have examined the statement of financial activities, including income and expenditure and balance sheet for the year ended 31 December 2024 on pages 10 and 11. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (published September 2016).

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The responsibilities of the Trustees for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (The United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities.

The Trustees have considered that the audit of the financial statements requirement under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply.

We have been appointed under section 145 (3) of the Charities Act 2011 and report under section 156 of that Act. It is our responsibility to independently examine the accounts, without performing an audit and report to the Trustees.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENTS

This report is in respect of an examination carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act. 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

Based on our examination, no matter has come to our attention that gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011, or that the accounts presented do not accord with those records or comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011. No matter has come to our attention in connection with our examination, to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

Signed by:
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Accounts)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Recommended categories by activity	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Prior year funds 2023 £
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	122,864	33,906	156,770	281,911
Charitable activities	3	-	-	-	-
Other	2	15,845	-	15,845	1,219
Total		138,709	33,906	172,615.19	283,130.09
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	10	97,748	-	97,748	136,214
Separate material item of expense		-	-	-	-
Other		3,180	-	3,180	2,160
Total		100,928	-	100,928	138,374
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)		37,781	33,906	71,687	144,756
Net gains/losses) on investments		-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		37,781	33,906	71,687	144,756
Extraordinary items		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		37,781	33,906	71,687	144,756
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		172,406	39,769	212,175	67,419
Total funds carried forward		210,187	73,676	283,863	212,175

All disclosures related to the continuing operations. There are no recognised gains or losses other than those disclosed above.

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible Fixed Assets	12		676,773		12,870
			<u>676,773</u>		<u>12,870</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	13	-			
Amount at bank and in hand		28,673		205,965	
		<u>28,673</u>		<u>205,965</u>	
LIABILITIES					
Debtors:					
Amount falling due within one year	14	13,266		6,660	
		<u>13,266</u>		<u>6,660</u>	
LONG TERM CURRENT ASSETS					
Amount falling due after one year		15,407		199,305	
		<u>15,407</u>		<u>199,305</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>(392,111)</u>		<u>199,305</u>
			<u>284,663</u>		<u>212,175</u>
RESERVE FUNDS					
Restricted funds	15		73,676		39,769
Restricted funds	15		210,987		172,406
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>284,663</u>		<u>212,175</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by



Mrs. Adeyinka Adetola Ogunnaike



Mr. Babatunde Sofowora

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP FRS 102) published 31 March 2018.

1.2 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds that the Trustees may use at their discretion to support the overall objectives of the church.

Designated funds are also unrestricted but have been earmarked by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds that must be used in line with specific conditions set by donors or raised by the church for specific purposes. The costs associated with raising and administering these funds are charged directly to the relevant fund.

1.3 Income and Endowments

All incoming resources are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when the church becomes legally entitled to the income and the amount can be measured with reasonable accuracy.

Gifts in kind donated for distribution are recorded at their valuation and recognised as income when they are distributed to the projects. Gifts donated for resale are recognised as income when sold.

Donated facilities are recognised at their value to the church, provided the value can be reliably measured and the cost is borne by a third party. No amount is included in the financial statements for services provided voluntarily by church members or other volunteers.

1.4 Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis and is categorised under expense headings that group all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to specific activities, they are allocated based on a method consistent with the usage of the resources.

Support costs are those incurred directly to support the Church's objectives, including project management activities carried out at Headquarters. Governance costs are those related to the administration of the Church and ensuring compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1.5 Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis.

Office and Church Equipment: 25% straight line
Furniture & Fittings: 25% straight line
Other Equipment: 33.3% straight line

1. Income and endowments from:

	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Total income and endowment				
Donations	33,906	100,957	134,864	238,222

2. Donations & Other Legacies:

	2024	2023
Planned giving (Building Fund)	33,906	32,910
Income tax recoverable- gift aid	21,906	43,689
Collection at all services	100,957	205,312
Total	156,770	281,911

Other Income

	2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Rental Income	15,000	15,000	-
Interest income	845	845	1,219
	15,845	15,845	1,219

3. Charitable Donations to Institutions

	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Charitable donations	-	26,064	26,064	28,724

4. List of Institutions Donations Payable

Name of institution	Donation description	2024 £	2023 £
RCCG- Central, WEM and Area Offices	Advancement of the Christian faith worldwide	22,872	25,528
Missions and other Churches	Advancement of the Christian faith worldwide	3,192	3,196
		26,064	28,724

5. Expenditure by Charitable Activity

	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Advancement of Christian Faith	-	26,064	26,064	28,724
	-	26,064	26,064	28,724

6. Governance Costs

	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Accountants' remuneration	-	3,180	3,180	2,160

7. Direct Costs

	Basis of Allocation	Advancement of Christian faith	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£
Visiting speakers' expenses	Actual	9,400	9,400	13,805
Welfare	Actual	3,900	3,900	420
Conferences	Actual	240	240	663
Health & Safety	Actual	716	716	1,869
Children & Teen church costs	Actual	1,711	1,711	-
Mothers club costs	Actual	24	24	600
		<u>15,991</u>	<u>15,991</u>	<u>17,357</u>

8. Support Cost

	Basis of Allocation	Advancement of Christian faith 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Entertainment, hospitality	Actual	4,147	4,147	7,331
Hall and chair Hire	Actual	-	-	-
Communication	Actual	2,445	2,445	1,965
Advertising and publications	Actual	3,717	3,717	3,017
Repairs and maintenance	Actual	70	70	220
Fixtures & Fittings	Actual	210	210	-
Travelling expenses	Actual	110	110	73
Insurance	Actual	1,910	1,910	1,570
Printing, postage & stationery	Actual	-	-	23
Salaries & Wages	Actual	-	-	4,500
Office Admin	Actual	283	283	580
Bank charges	Actual	0.21	-	-
Rent and rates	Actual	11,921	11,921	43,032
Premises Cost	Actual	8,492	8,492	-
Mortgage Interest	Actual	986	986	-
Consultancy Fees	Actual	-	-	4,410
Legal and Professional Fees	Actual	-	-	2,955
Media	Actual	720	720	2,310
Instrumentalist & music expenses	Actual	17,900	17,900	13,265
Depreciation	Actual	2,784	2,784	4,882
		55,693	55,693	90,133

9. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Donations to advance Christian faith 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Charitable donations	-	26,064	-	26,064	28,724
Advancement of Christian faith	15,991	-	55,693	71,684	107,489
	15,991	26,064	55,693	97,748	136,214

	Restricted 2024 £	Unrestricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Charitable donations	-	26,064	26,064	28,724
Advancement of Christian faith	-	71,684	71,684	107,489
	-	97,748	97,748	136,214

10. Net Income/(Expenditure): This is stated after charging depreciation of tangible fixed assets, premises cost, and accountants' remuneration
This is stated after charging

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets and premises costs
Accountants' remuneration

2024 £	2023 £
2,784	4,882
3,180	2,160

During the year, no trustee received any remuneration.
During the year, no trustee received any benefit in kind
During the year, no trustee received any reimbursement for expenses

11. Fixed Assets

	Land & Buildings	Equipment 2024 £	Furniture, fittings and equipment 2024 £	Furniture & Fittings 2024	Total 2024 £
Cost					
At 1 January 2024		11,442	31,943		
Additions	633,088	7,599		3,182	46,566
At 31 December 2024	633,088	19,041	31,943	26,000	666,687
				29,182	713,252
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2024		1,092	28,394		
For the year		2,517	1,946	1,193	30,679
At 31 December 2024	-	3,609	30,341	1,337	5,800
				2,530	36,479
Net Book Value					
At 31 December 2024	633,088	15,432	1,602	26,651	676,773
At 31 December 2023	-	10,350	3,549	1,989	15,887

12. Creditors

Amounts falling due within one year:

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals	12,280	6,660
Accrued Mortgage Interest	986	-
	<u>13,266</u>	<u>6,660</u>

Amounts falling due after one year:

	2024 £	2023 £
Mortgage repayment	407,517	-
	<u>407,517</u>	<u>-</u>

14. Funds of the Charity

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
At 1 January 2024	179,119	39,769	218,888	74,132
Surplus/Deficit for the year	37,781	33,906	71,687	144,756
At 31 December 2024	<u>216,900</u>	<u>73,676</u>	<u>290,575</u>	<u>218,888</u>