

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1136703

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2010-07-01

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN LONDON AND ESSEX FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF PRAYER MEETINGS, LECTURES, PRODUCING AND/ OR DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON CHRISTIANITY TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

Activities: Tree of Life Church is fulfilling its mission statement of inspiring people to dream, challenging them to live the dream. We are responsible for ensuring that our congregations in Dagenham, Guildford, Watford, Croydon and Brentwood are cared for on a pastoral, social and holistic manner, and ensuring that we are caring for the wider community in a pastoral and evangelistic manner.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LONDON AND ESSEX
- Cambridgeshire
- Essex
- Hertfordshire
- Suffolk
- Surrey
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£998,189	£1,036,589	£83,615	9
2024-03-31	£914,323	£879,103	£123,456	7
2023-03-31	£761,282	£867,799	£84,741	7
2022-03-31	£714,552	£749,957	£91,423	8
2021-03-31	£595,799	£501,144	£99,671	8

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
PASTOR BEN CONWAY BA (HONS), PGCE	Chair	
Aileen Leslie		2012-03-29
CHRIS FADERO		2014-12-31

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Media Ministry

Our media ministry has continued to expand this year, strengthening our reach both nationally and internationally. We remain on Revelation TV five times a week, gospeltruth.tv twice a week, and UGN Radio sixteen times a week. We are also broadcasting on Faithworld TV six times a week, and our programmes continue across Faith TV in Africa and GNC in Kenya and Uganda. In addition, Tree of Life TV has developed further through YouTube and online streaming, with Pastor Benjamin Conway and other leaders regularly sharing teaching and series such as Eclipse Anything (2025). This digital presence has enabled us to connect with new audiences and provide accessible teaching worldwide. Our volunteers continue to support the ministry by taking calls during broadcasts, offering prayer and encouragement. The Tree of Life app remains a valuable resource, giving people access to previous sermons and programmes. With our international phone line and growing online platforms, we are reaching people across nations, fulfilling our vision to build a people of vision, power, and character.

Financial Review

Our income this year was £998,189, entirely in unrestricted funds. Receiving offerings at our services remains our main method of raising income, supplemented by offerings received via telephone and online through our TV and media audiences. This figure includes the amount claimed and received through Gift Aid during the financial year. Our total expenditure throughout the year was £1,036,589, reflecting increased costs from higher rental charges, additional TV and media slots, and the continued expansion of our ministry into new locations. In addition, we have invested in our staff team, providing pay rises and moving one part-time role to full-time, ensuring that our growing ministry is supported effectively.

Volunteers

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the many wonderful volunteers who make Tree of Life Church thrive week after week across all our locations. Their faithful service is the backbone of our ministry. We are especially grateful to the elders and members who generously open their homes to host Living Churches, creating spaces where people can grow in their understanding of the Christian faith. Each week, volunteers arrive early to welcome attendees, prepare refreshments, and carry out countless essential tasks that ensure our gatherings run smoothly. We extend a very special thank you to those serving in children's and youth ministry, who freely dedicate their time and energy to teaching and nurturing the next generation in the ways of the Christian faith. The trustees deeply value and honour the commitment of every volunteer, whose contribution is vital to fulfilling the vision of Tree of Life Church.

Structure, Governance and Management

Tree of Life Church operates through two parallel systems of management. The trustees carry responsibility for financial oversight, ensuring that funds are raised ethically, managed prudently, and applied in ways that serve the public interest.

Alongside this, the Pastoral Team directs the spiritual and community life of the church. They plan Celebration services, appoint leaders for Living Churches, and oversee teaching across both Living and Celebration Churches. Elders exercise authority within their own Living Churches, but do so within the framework established by the Pastoral Team.

Broader matters of pastoral care and community concern are addressed jointly by the Pastoral and Eldership Team, ensuring that members are supported consistently across all services. Where financial issues arise, these are referred to the Board of Trustees for appropriate consideration and decision-making.

Approved by the Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by:

Ben Conway
Chair

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and Gift Aid	2	997,699	-	997,699	914,323
Investment income	3	490	-	490	522
		998,189	-	998,189	914,323
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	1,036,589	-	1,036,589	879,103
		1,036,589	-	1,036,589	879,103
Net Movement in Funds		(38,400)	-	(38,400)	35,220
Reconciliation of Funds:					
Total funds brought forward		58,824	23,000	81,824	46,081
Total Funds carried forward		20,424	23,000	43,424	81,301

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 31.03.2025 £	Restricted Funds 31.03.2025 £	Total Funds 31.03.2025 £	Total Funds 31.03.2024 £
Tangible Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7	-	-	-	13,500
Current Assets					
Debtors	8	3,095	-	3,095	1,200
Cash at bank		19,203	23,000	42,203	81,301
		<u>22,298</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>45,298</u>	<u>82,501</u>
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,874)	-	(1,874)	(2,625)
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>79,876</u>
Net Current Assets					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Net Assets					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Charity Funds					
Unrestricted funds	10	20,424	-	20,424	59,501
Restricted funds	10	-	23,000	23,000	23,000
Total Funds		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>82,501</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by :

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Ben Conway
 Chair

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1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

The charitable activities are entirely dependent on continuing grant aid and voluntary donations as well as trading revenues. As a consequence, the going concern basis is dependent on the future flow of these uncertain funding streams. Accordingly, the Trustees have obtained forecasts and, after reviewing the financial forecasts for future periods to 31 March 2026, the Trustees are satisfied that, at the time of approving the financial statements, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Other than these matters, the Trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

1.4 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1.6 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. The charity had no restricted funds as at the Balance Sheet date.

1 Accounting Policies (continued)

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Equipment: 50% straight line

1.8 Volunteers

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity.

However, the trustees value the significant contribution made to the activities of the charity by unpaid volunteers

1.9 Debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably require settlement and can be measured reliably.

2 Income from Donations and Legacies

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations	867,505	776,880
Gift Aid	130,194	137,444
	<u>997,699</u>	<u>914,324</u>

3 Investment income

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Interest received	490	522
	<u>490</u>	<u>522</u>

4 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£
Donations	147,948	119,896
Office/General Administrative	65,212	128,632
Computer & Software Costs	27,370	21,124
Other Expenses	219,720	118,943
Advertising/Promotional	38,089	68,211
TV & Media Expenses	152,473	111,621
Rent/Lease of Buildings	175,172	136,593
Other Professional Services	6,528	15,517
Wages and Salaries	197,327	158,566
Depreciation	6,750	-
	<u>1,036,589</u>	<u>879,103</u>

5 Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses

The charity's key management personnel comprise the trustees and the Centre Manager. During the year, one trustee received remuneration of £49,019 (2024: £41,070). No other trustees received remuneration, reimbursement of expenses, or payments for professional or other services provided to the charity (2024: £nil).

Total employee benefits paid to key management personnel, including the trustee's remuneration, amounted to £49,019 for the year (2024: £41,070).

6 Employees

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2024: £nil).

	2025	2024
The average no. of employees during the year was	8	7
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries	164,081	146,076
PAYE, NIC and Pension	33,246	12,490
	<u>197,327</u>	<u>158,566</u>

7 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures and Fittings £
Cost	
As at 01 April 2024	13,500
Additions	-
Disposals	-
As at 31 March 2025	<u>13,500</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	
As at 01 April 2024	6,750
Charge for the year	6,750
As at 31 March 2025	<u>13,500</u>
Net Book Value	
As at 01 April 2024	<u>6,750</u>
As at 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>

8 Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	31 Mar 2025 £	31 Mar 2024 £
Other debtors	3,095	-
Prepayments	-	1,200
	<u>3,095</u>	<u>1,200</u>

9 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	31 Mar 2025 £	31 Mar 2024 £
Other taxation	1,874	1,864
Accruals and deferred income	-	-
	<u>1,874</u>	<u>1,864</u>

10 Movement in Funds

Current Year

	Balance at 01 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	58,824	998,189	(1,036,589)	20,424
Restricted Funds				
Dorset Field Reserve	15,000	-	-	15,000
Dagenham Building Reserve	7,000	-	-	7,000
Guildford Building Reserve	1,000	-	-	1,000
	23,000	-	-	23,000
Total Funds	81,824	998,189	(1,036,589)	43,424

Prior Year

	Balance at 01 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	46,081	891,846	(879,103)	58,824
Restricted Funds				
Dorset Field Reserve	-	15,000	-	15,000
Dagenham Building Reserve	-	7,000	-	7,000
Guildford Building Reserve	-	1,000	-	1,000
	-	23,000	-	23,000
Total Funds	46,081	914,846	(879,103)	81,824

11 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Total funds 31 Mar 2025 £
Tangible assets	-
Net current assets	43,424
Total	43,424

11 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds - continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Total funds 31 Mar 2024 £
Tangible assets	6,750
Net current assets	<u>75,074</u>
Total	<u><u>81,824</u></u>

12 Related Party Disclosures

No related party transactions were undertaken for the year ended 31 March 2025 that are required to be disclosed under the Charities SORP (FRS102).

13 Prior year errors and comparatives

During the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, a number of errors were identified in the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. These errors related to the omission of interest income from total income in the Statement of Financial Activities, the presentation of tangible fixed assets at cost rather than net book value with accumulated depreciation not reflected on the balance sheet, and the understatement of creditors within current liabilities. As a result of these matters, net assets and unrestricted funds were overstated in the prior year financial statements.

The trustees have concluded that restating the comparative figures would be disproportionate and, accordingly, the comparative information has not been amended. However, all opening balances as at 1 April 2024 have been reviewed and corrected where necessary, and the impact of the prior year errors has been fully taken into account in determining the results for the year ended 31 March 2025 and the closing balances as at that date.

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Our media ministry has continued to expand this year, strengthening our reach both nationally and internationally. We remain on Revelation TV five times a week, gospeltruth.tv twice a week, and UGN Radio sixteen times a week. We are also broadcasting on Faithworld TV six times a week, and our programmes continue across Faith TV in Africa and GNC in Kenya and Uganda. In addition, Tree of Life TV has developed further through YouTube and online streaming, with Pastor Benjamin Conway and other leaders regularly sharing teaching and series such as Eclipse Anything (2025). This digital presence has enabled us to connect with new audiences and provide accessible teaching worldwide. Our volunteers continue to support the ministry by taking calls during broadcasts, offering prayer and encouragement. The Tree of Life app remains a valuable resource, giving people access to previous sermons and programmes. With our international phone line and growing online platforms, we are reaching people across nations, fulfilling our vision to build a people of vision, power, and character.

Financial Review

Our income this year was £998,189, entirely in unrestricted funds. Receiving offerings at our services remains our main method of raising income, supplemented by offerings received via telephone and online through our TV and media audiences. This figure includes the amount claimed and received through Gift Aid during the financial year. Our total expenditure throughout the year was £1,036,589, reflecting increased costs from higher rental charges, additional TV and media slots, and the continued expansion of our ministry into new locations. In addition, we have invested in our staff team, providing pay rises and moving one part-time role to full-time, ensuring that our growing ministry is supported effectively.

Volunteers

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the many wonderful volunteers who make Tree of Life Church thrive week after week across all our locations. Their faithful service is the backbone of our ministry. We are especially grateful to the elders and members who generously open their homes to host Living Churches, creating spaces where people can grow in their understanding of the Christian faith. Each week, volunteers arrive early to welcome attendees, prepare refreshments, and carry out countless essential tasks that ensure our gatherings run smoothly. We extend a very special thank you to those serving in children's and youth ministry, who freely dedicate their time and energy to teaching and nurturing the next generation in the ways of the Christian faith. The trustees deeply value and honour the commitment of every volunteer, whose contribution is vital to fulfilling the vision of Tree of Life Church.

Structure, Governance and Management

Tree of Life Church operates through two parallel systems of management. The trustees carry responsibility for financial oversight, ensuring that funds are raised ethically, managed prudently, and applied in ways that serve the public interest.

Alongside this, the Pastoral Team directs the spiritual and community life of the church. They plan Celebration services, appoint leaders for Living Churches, and oversee teaching across both Living and Celebration Churches. Elders exercise authority within their own Living Churches, but do so within the framework established by the Pastoral Team.

Broader matters of pastoral care and community concern are addressed jointly by the Pastoral and Eldership Team, ensuring that members are supported consistently across all services. Where financial issues arise, these are referred to the Board of Trustees for appropriate consideration and decision-making.

Approved by the Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by:

Ben Conway
Chair

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and Gift Aid	2	997,699	-	997,699	914,323
Investment income	3	490	-	490	522
		998,189	-	998,189	914,323
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	1,036,589	-	1,036,589	879,103
		1,036,589	-	1,036,589	879,103
Net Movement in Funds		(38,400)	-	(38,400)	35,220
Reconciliation of Funds:					
Total funds brought forward		58,824	23,000	81,824	46,081
Total Funds carried forward		20,424	23,000	43,424	81,301

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 31.03.2025 £	Restricted Funds 31.03.2025 £	Total Funds 31.03.2025 £	Total Funds 31.03.2024 £
Tangible Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	7	-	-	-	13,500
Current Assets					
Debtors	8	3,095	-	3,095	1,200
Cash at bank		19,203	23,000	42,203	81,301
		<u>22,298</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>45,298</u>	<u>82,501</u>
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,874)	-	(1,874)	(2,625)
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>79,876</u>
Net Current Assets					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Net Assets					
		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>93,376</u>
Charity Funds					
Unrestricted funds	10	20,424	-	20,424	59,501
Restricted funds	10	-	23,000	23,000	23,000
Total Funds		<u>20,424</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>43,424</u>	<u>82,501</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by :

.....
Ben Conway
 Chair

The notes form part of these financial statements

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Going concern

The charitable activities are entirely dependent on continuing grant aid and voluntary donations as well as trading revenues. As a consequence, the going concern basis is dependent on the future flow of these uncertain funding streams. Accordingly, the Trustees have obtained forecasts and, after reviewing the financial forecasts for future periods to 31 March 2026, the Trustees are satisfied that, at the time of approving the financial statements, it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Other than these matters, the Trustees are not aware of any material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

1.4 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1.6 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. The charity had no restricted funds as at the Balance Sheet date.

1 Accounting Policies (continued)

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Equipment: 50% straight line

1.8 Volunteers

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity.

However, the trustees value the significant contribution made to the activities of the charity by unpaid volunteers

1.9 Debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably require settlement and can be measured reliably.

2 Income from Donations and Legacies

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations	867,505	776,880
Gift Aid	130,194	137,444
	<u>997,699</u>	<u>914,324</u>

3 Investment income

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Interest received	490	522
	<u>490</u>	<u>522</u>

4 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£
Donations	147,948	119,896
Office/General Administrative	65,212	128,632
Computer & Software Costs	27,370	21,124
Other Expenses	219,720	118,943
Advertising/Promotional	38,089	68,211
TV & Media Expenses	152,473	111,621
Rent/Lease of Buildings	175,172	136,593
Other Professional Services	6,528	15,517
Wages and Salaries	197,327	158,566
Depreciation	6,750	-
	<u>1,036,589</u>	<u>879,103</u>

5 Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses

The charity's key management personnel comprise the trustees and the Centre Manager. During the year, one trustee received remuneration of £49,019 (2024: £41,070). No other trustees received remuneration, reimbursement of expenses, or payments for professional or other services provided to the charity (2024: £nil).

Total employee benefits paid to key management personnel, including the trustee's remuneration, amounted to £49,019 for the year (2024: £41,070).

6 Employees

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2024: £nil).

	2025	2024
The average no. of employees during the year was	8	7
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries	164,081	146,076
PAYE, NIC and Pension	33,246	12,490
	<u>197,327</u>	<u>158,566</u>

7 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures and Fittings £
Cost	
As at 01 April 2024	13,500
Additions	-
Disposals	-
As at 31 March 2025	<u>13,500</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	
As at 01 April 2024	6,750
Charge for the year	6,750
As at 31 March 2025	<u>13,500</u>
Net Book Value	
As at 01 April 2024	<u>6,750</u>
As at 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>

8 Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	31 Mar 2025 £	31 Mar 2024 £
Other debtors	3,095	-
Prepayments	-	1,200
	<u>3,095</u>	<u>1,200</u>

9 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	31 Mar 2025 £	31 Mar 2024 £
Other taxation	1,874	1,864
Accruals and deferred income	-	-
	<u>1,874</u>	<u>1,864</u>

10 Movement in Funds

Current Year

	Balance at 01 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	58,824	998,189	(1,036,589)	20,424
Restricted Funds				
Dorset Field Reserve	15,000	-	-	15,000
Dagenham Building Reserve	7,000	-	-	7,000
Guildford Building Reserve	1,000	-	-	1,000
	23,000	-	-	23,000
Total Funds	81,824	998,189	(1,036,589)	43,424

Prior Year

	Balance at 01 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	46,081	891,846	(879,103)	58,824
Restricted Funds				
Dorset Field Reserve	-	15,000	-	15,000
Dagenham Building Reserve	-	7,000	-	7,000
Guildford Building Reserve	-	1,000	-	1,000
	-	23,000	-	23,000
Total Funds	46,081	914,846	(879,103)	81,824

11 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Total funds 31 Mar 2025 £
Tangible assets	-
Net current assets	43,424
Total	43,424

11 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds - continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Total funds 31 Mar 2024 £
Tangible assets	6,750
Net current assets	<u>75,074</u>
Total	<u><u>81,824</u></u>

12 Related Party Disclosures

No related party transactions were undertaken for the year ended 31 March 2025 that are required to be disclosed under the Charities SORP (FRS102).

13 Prior year errors and comparatives

During the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, a number of errors were identified in the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. These errors related to the omission of interest income from total income in the Statement of Financial Activities, the presentation of tangible fixed assets at cost rather than net book value with accumulated depreciation not reflected on the balance sheet, and the understatement of creditors within current liabilities. As a result of these matters, net assets and unrestricted funds were overstated in the prior year financial statements.

The trustees have concluded that restating the comparative figures would be disproportionate and, accordingly, the comparative information has not been amended. However, all opening balances as at 1 April 2024 have been reviewed and corrected where necessary, and the impact of the prior year errors has been fully taken into account in determining the results for the year ended 31 March 2025 and the closing balances as at that date.

The trustees consider that the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 give a true and fair view of the charity's financial position and financial activities.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Tree of Life Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1136703

Set out on pages

1-2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of ACCA.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Signed:

ASU

Date:

11/02/2026

Name:

Adeel Sahi

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ACCA

Address:

Bowdon Accounting Services Ltd

Bartle House, Oxford Court,

Manchester M2 3WQ

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1136703

Accounts

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

CHARITY NUMBER: 1136703

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Ben Conway Chris Fadero Aileen Leslie
Charity Number	1136703
Registered Address	BM BOX 2031 LONDON WC1N 3XX
Lead Pastor	Ben Conway

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Tree of Life Church is fulfilling its mission statement of inspiring people to dream and challenging them to live the dream. This year we have opened new locations in Manchester, Sheffield, Blackpool and Southampton, and are now having weekly church services in Sheffield, Nuneaton, Dagenham, Guildford, Watford, Manchester, Croydon, Brentwood, Dorset, Suffolk and Swindon. We are caring for hundreds of people and supporting them in a pastoral, evangelistic and community-based manner. We are planning for new churches by leadership training and development, fundraising and holding introductory meetings in Bristol, Enfield and Stirling. We are preparing to plant more churches across the United Kingdom.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The church is committed to enabling as many people as possible and having open paths to as many people as possible to become, if they wish, part of our church community. We currently have eleven weekly services in Sheffield, Dagenham, Guildford, Watford, Manchester, Croydon, Brentwood, Dorset, Nuneaton, Suffolk, and Swindon. In addition, we have four monthly meetings in Exeter, Bristol, Enfield and Stirling. Throughout our services, with both the worship section and the preaching of the Word, we enable both Christians and non-Christians alike to learn more about the Christian faith and how to put the Christian faith into practise.

We attract many people who have never been to church before, as well as a significant number of people who have not been in a long time. We also attract people from a wide range of Christian backgrounds, both Catholic and Protestant. We have deliberately inculcated a culture within our churches that is welcoming to new people ensuring that people who have never been to church before are made especially welcome. We are bringing together people from now forty different nationalities to our nine congregations every weekend and believe that this in itself benefits all our communities that this occurs within.

When planning our annual activities, the trustees have carefully considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular, the specific guidelines on charities that are for the advancement of religion. In particular, our remit is to equip everyone in the church to be able to minister, serve and communicate the Christian faith to others within their communities. To ensure this work is maintained and monitored, we invest in the community and in resources and venues that enable us to continue and increase what we are doing

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

All our services are growing slowly in attendance and have time for people to develop friendships and relationships, time for singing songs that the congregation find spiritually nourishing and preaching that is both inspirational and challenging.

Our services combine contemporary worship from around the world with homegrown songs from our own bands, with a lecture on how to live the Christian life. We often bring in speakers from around the United Kingdom and other nations around the world to ensure people are exposed to and given an understanding of how Christianity is expressed throughout the world.

All are welcome to attend our services, and many listen or watch later on social media, and there has been a year in year growth in all our congregations. We advertise on local radio, in newspapers, on billboards and through leaflet distribution. We also have a strong online presence through Facebook, YouTube and Instagram.

As well as our weekly services, we have several conferences every year featuring guest speakers with specialisms in areas that we believe will benefit people. This year we ran a family conference, a leadership conference, a men's conference, and a ladies' conference, all online, with some sessions being viewed online over 12,000 times. We are currently planning a marriage conference.

We also have several small groups that meet in houses, which we entitle Living Churches, some of them are on Zoom, most are in houses. Most of these are Bible study groups where people share the Christian faith, study together, pray for each other, and worship together, with the small size of the group ensuring the group can be interactive and let more people contribute. Some of these small groups are on specific topics that we consider relevant and helpful, such as raising children, how to pray for others, and financial management.

These small groups are the bedrock of our church family and have helped many people face problems with support around them. They have helped many people deal with difficult situations and get answers to difficult questions. These groups are all led by lay-leaders and because of that we invest considerable time and finances in training these leaders who we title "Elders".

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

VENUES

As yet, Tree of Life Church has no building assets. We hire meeting places for all our locations every weekend. In Dagenham, we meet in the Vue Cinema on Cook Road, in Guildford in a local hotel, in Watford and Dorset in community centres, and in Brentwood in an education centre, and in Croydon we meet in a local community centre having moved out of a school. Our Sheffield church meets in a scout hall, and our Manchester church meets in an old church building.

As our paid staff travel frequently from location to location, one significant expense in the Tree of Life Family is mileage, and our long-term plan is raising up leaders locally and training them within each of our church plants and release them into being autonomous but networked and guided from Dagenham. Our long-term goal is to plant churches that plant their own churches.

Our plan is to purchase property within Dagenham as our congregation reaches the 250-300 attendance mark, and not to purchase elsewhere until we have a building in Dagenham.

PASTORAL CARE

We provide pastoral care to many people in our various congregations through our team of pastors and elders. We have organised several social events and provide pre-marital counselling as well. We also have parenting classes for those with young children.

WORLD MISSION

We give over 10% of our income each year to world mission, focusing on supporting several orphanages in Africa, and several charities that are involved in teaching about Christianity around the world. Among others we give regular support to three children's homes in Burundi, children's work including feeding them in Kenya, a Bible College in the West Midlands, a Bible College in Colorado and a pregnancy centre in Kenya. We also support several charities that help churches study the Bible more effectively. Nearer to home, we hold several

evangelistic meetings a year, and have made gifts to those struggling within our congregation, normally in the form of food.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

Since FMIN has disbanded due to the passing of the founder and president, Tree of Life Family is working to build new ecumenical relationships. Many of our staff are members of ARMI which is a minister's association in Colorado, and we are currently investigating new options. We have joined the Evangelical Alliance and are investigating a relationship with Grace Alliance, a European church planting organization.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

MEDIA MINISTRY

Our media ministry has maintained this year, with us now being on Revelation TV five times a week, on gospeltruth.tv twice a week, and on Word Network now internationally. We are also on UGN radio sixteen times a week, and back on Faithworld TV six times a week. Also this year, we started on Faith TV across all of Africa, and GNC across Kenya and Uganda. Our big expansion this year was to start on the WORD Network, which gives us access to a potential 2.4 billion households per week. We have a team of volunteers that take phone calls when programmes are broadcast, and they will pray with people. We have an app so people can access previous broadcasts and sermons from our ministry. We have set up an America number as we are now reaching people internationally.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our income this year as £914,323, entirely in unrestricted funds. Receiving offerings at our services is currently our main method of raising income, but we also receive offerings via the telephone and online through the TV audience. This figure contains the amount claimed and received through gift aid during the financial year. Our total expenditure throughout the year was £879,103. This increased expenditure is due to higher rental costs, more TV slots, and the new church and new locations we have opened. In addition, we have given all our staff pay rises and moved one part time staff to full time.

VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank publicly all the wonderful volunteers who make Tree of Life Church happen every week in every location throughout their regular and ongoing serving. We want to thank the elders and others who open their houses week after week to enable our Living Churches to run and to educate people in the Christian faith. We also have people coming in early in all our locations to welcome people, to make teas and coffees, and other essential tasks. We want to give a very special thankyou to those who are involved in children's ministry, donating their time freely every weekend to educate children and youth in the church about the Christian faith.

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Tree of Life Church has two parallel systems of management structure. In terms of accounting the trustees are responsible for ensuring that finances are raised ethically and spent appropriately ensuring that the charity benefits the public interest.

In terms of spiritual and community care, the Pastoral Team decides and plans what will happen in the Celebration services and is responsible for who is running and leading the Living Churches and who teaches in the Living Churches and Celebration Churches. The elders have jurisdiction within their own living churches, but are expected to follow the teachings and structure put in place by the Pastoral Team.

The Pastoral Team and the Pastoral and Eldership Team decides and plans on issues of general concern and to ensure that care is provided throughout the church services. As financial matters arise, they are passed onto the board of trustees.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 18 January 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestric ted Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Year to 31/03/2 4	Year to 31/03/2 3
Income from donations	3	885, 932	28,392	914,323	788,707
Interest income		522			30
Total income		<u>886, 454</u>	<u>28,392</u>	<u>914,323</u>	<u>788,737</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	4	879, 103	-	87 9,103	81 9,168
Total expenditure		<u>879, 103</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>879,103</u>	<u>819,168</u>
Net movement for the		7	28,392	35,220	(30,431)

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Reconciliation of Funds

Total funds brought forward	46,081	-	46,081	76,512
Total funds carried forward	53,431	28,392	81,301	46,081

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 18 January 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Ben Conway

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestrict ed Funds	Restrict ed Funds	Year to 31/03/24	Year to 31/03/23
Tangible Assets	7	13,500	-	13,500	-
		13,500	-	13,500	-
Current Assets					
Debtors	8	1,200	-	1,200	1,000
Cash in Bank		58,301	23,000	81,301	46,081
		59,501	23,000	82,501	47,081
Total Assets		73,001	23,000	96,001	47,081

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Liabilities					
Amounts falling due in one year	9	2,625	-	2,625	2,187
		2,625	-	2,625	2,187
Net Current Assets					
		70,376	23,000	93,376	44,894
Restricted funds					
Dorset Field Reserve	10	-	15,000	15,000	-
Dagenham Building Reserve	10	-	7,000	7,000	-
Guildford Building Reserve	10	-	1,000	1,000	-
Total Restricted Funds		-	23,000	23,000	-
Total Funds				82,501	47,081

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of Preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally

Accepted Accounting Practice (GAAP). The presentation currency is Pound Sterling.

The charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102, and assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

b) 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. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.

Volunteer Help

The value of any such help received is not quantified in the accounts

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to lay its resources.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at the following rates calculated to write off each asset less its estimated residual value over its estimated useful life, as follows:

- Equipment 50% straight line

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial Instruments

The trust only has basic financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

TREE OF LIFE CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

3. Income

	Year to 31/03/2 4	Year to 31/03/2 3
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Donations	776,880	684,322
Gift Aid	137,444	104,385
Total	914,323	788,707

4. Expenditure charitable activities

	Year to 31/03/2 4	Year to 31/03/2 3
Donations	119,896	168,703
Office/General Administrative	128,632	82,591
Computer & Software Costs	21,124	22,464
Other Expenses	118,943	79,087
Advertising/Promotional	68,211	8,889
TV & Media Expenses	111,621	164,462
Rent/Lease of Buildings	136,593	131,006
Other Professional Services	15,517	12,766
Wages and Salaries	158,566	149,201
	879,103	819,168

5. Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the centre manager. One trustee received remuneration amounting to £41,070 during the year (2023 - £40,093). No other trustees were reimbursed expenses or received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2023 - £nil).

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the trust, including the trustee's remuneration, were £41,070 (2023 - £40,093).

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6. Employees

Year to Year to

	31/03/2 4	31/03/2 3
No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2023 - nil)		
The average number of employees during the year was	7	7

Employment Costs

	Year to 31/03/2 4	Year to 31/03/2 3
Wages and Salaries	146,076	136,740
PAYE, NIC and Pension	12,490	12,461
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Total	<u>158,566</u>	<u>149,201</u>

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Year to 31/03/24	Year to 31/03/23
Cost as at 1 April 2023	0	-
Cost as at 31 March 2024	13,500	-
Depreciation and Impairment as at 1 April 2023	-	-
Depreciation and Impairment as at 31 March 2024	6,750	-
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Carrying Amount	<u>6,750</u>	<u>-</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

8. Debtors

	Year to 31/03/24	Year to 31/03/23
Amounts falling due within one year		
Other debtors	-	-
Prepayments	1,200	1,000
Total	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,000</u>

9. Creditors

	Year to 31/03/24	Year to 31/03/23
Other taxation	1,864	2,187
Accruals and deferred income	-	-
Total	<u>1,864</u>	<u>2,187</u>

10. Restricted Funds

	Year to 31/03/24	Year to 31/03/23
Dorset Field Reserve	15,000	-
Dagenham Building Reserve	7,000	-
Guildford Building Reserve	1,000	-
Total Restricted Funds	<u>23,000</u>	<u>-</u>

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Income

Donations	<u>758,681</u>
Total Income	<u>758,681</u>

Outflows

Salary	154,719
Pension costs	4,892
Venue hire	127,450
Donations	143,473
TV and media expenses	147,782
Other	<u>289,484</u>
Total outflows	<u>867,800</u>

Assets

Cash in hand	50133
Investments	<u>34608</u>
Total assets	<u>84741</u>

Liabilities

Current liabilities	0
Long term liabilities	<u>0</u>
Total liabilities	<u>0</u>

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Giving	714552			
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OUTGOINGS

Salary	185036
Pension	1193
Venue Hire	99111
World Mission	140774
TV/ Media	150818
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Pension	1193
Venue Hire	99111
World Mission	140774
TV/ Media	150818
Honorariums	20561
Other	152464
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Bank Accounts	50133
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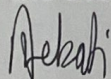
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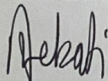
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The church is committed to enabling as many people as possible and having open paths to as many people as possible to become, if they wish, part of our church community. We currently have six weekly services in Dagenham, Guildford, Watford, Croydon, Brentwood, and Dorset. In addition, we have four monthly meetings in Cambridge, Trimley, Swindon, and Nuneaton. We have also been having monthly meetings in Hemel Hempstead, which we have paused after lockdown, having united our Hemel and Watford campuses.

Throughout our services, with both the worship section and the preaching of the Word, we enable both Christians and non-Christians alike to learn more about the Christian faith and how to put the Christian faith into practise.

We attract many people who have never been to church before, as well as a significant number of people who have not been in a long time. We also attract people from a wide range of Christian backgrounds, both Catholic and Protestant. We have deliberately inculcated a culture within our churches that is welcoming to new people ensuring that people who have never been to church before are made especially welcome.

We are bringing together people from now forty different nationalities to our six congregations every weekend and believe that this in itself benefits all our communities that this occurs within.

When planning our annual activities, the trustees have carefully considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular, the specific guidelines on charities that are for the advancement of religion. In particular, our remit is to equip everyone in the church to be able to minister, serve and communicate the Christian faith to others within their communities. To ensure this work is maintained and monitored, we invest in the community and in resources and venues that enable us to continue and increase what we are doing.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Services

All our services are growing slowly in attendance and have time for people to develop friendships and relationships, time for singing songs that the congregation find spiritually nourishing and preaching that is both inspirational and challenging. We are very nearly ready to plant a church in Suffolk as soon as the lockdown restrictions ease up.

Our services combine contemporary worship from around the world with home grown songs from our own band, with a lecture on how to live the Christian life. We often bring in speakers from around the United Kingdom and other nations around the world to ensure people are exposed to and given an understanding of how Christianity is expressed throughout the world. Throughout the lockdown restrictions, we held up to thirty online services per week, called over one thousand different people, distributed to the needy and helped in major ways. This positive push during lockdown has contributed to our significant increase as a charity.

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Venue Hire	24384.27			
World Mission	117051.67			
TV and Media	110915.33			
Other	131315.88			
TOTAL	500314.25			

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