

# VICTORIA ROAD EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1138638

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2010-10-28

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1 ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH; AND2 IN FULFILMENT OF THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO THOSE IN NEED BY REASON OF YOUTH, AGE, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR OTHER DISADVANTAGE AND/OR TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY

**Activities:** University financial assistance to youths of the church. Food donations to the COGIC Aston Food Bank. Financial support to those in need both in the community and the church

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Birmingham City

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31		-	-	-
2023-12-31	£87,894	£37,376	-	-
2022-12-31	£65,352	£19,420	-	-
2021-12-31	£73,267	£21,962	-	-
2020-12-31	£42,562	£14,193	-	-
2019-12-31	£52,758	£44,874	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JULIETTE GERALD		
Karen V Hall		2023-01-25
MARIE GILBERT		2013-08-23
Maurice Hyde		2000-01-11

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

This report includes information required by the Charity's Unaudited Reports and Accounts for December 2023.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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The Charity Trustees, those who served from 1st January to 31st December 2023 are:

JM GERALD  
M GILBERT  
J GERALD  
M HYDE  
K HALL

The activities of the Victoria Road Evangelical Church are overseen by the Trustees and Church Committee.

The Trustees are responsible for the financial administration of the Church, the care and maintenance of the main church & Hall premises. The church meetings (*for all members wishing to attend*) gives general guidance on the life and work of the Gospel.

## **Trustees Report** **YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

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The Trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and has regard to it in the administration of the Church.

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### **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

Victoria Road Church activities and events for 2023: Sunday School, Sunday morning service, SEAD meeting, Choir practices, online services - Bible Study,

Pray & fasting, Leader's meeting, prayer meeting and other groups online and in person in the church.

The following groups continue to support the church members, friends, families and people in the community.

- Victoria Road Cadets Academy
- Sunday School
- Women Rejoice
- SEAD young Adults
- New Converts Support
- Prayer & Fast Team
- Men of Valour
- Worship Team
- Cleaning Team
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**Trustee:**

J Gerald

**FINANCIAL REVIEW:**

**Performance December 2023**

Charity reported Income for the year was £87,894 and expenditure of £37,376

<b>Financial Activities</b>				
<b>Year Ended 31 December 2023</b>				
	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Income</b>				
Donations and legacies	87,611	-	87,611	65,352
Bank Interest	283		283	27
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>87,894</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>87,894</b>	<b>65,379</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Bank Charges	151	-	151	169
Building Insurance	3,210	-	3,210	2,970
Building Repairs and Maintenance	10,717	-	10,717	631
Compensation - Church Officers	11,000	-	11,000	-
Computer Costs	1,456	-	1,456	-
Gas & Electric	7,702	-	7,702	3,235
Mortgage Interest Payment		-		3,437
Motor Vehicle Insurance	8,124	-	8,124	830
Motor Vehicle Repair and Maintenance	746	-	746	1,890
Office/General Administrative Expenses	8,364	-	8,364	2,993
Other Professional Services	295	-	295	129
Phone Costs	943	-	943	822
Printing, Postage and Stationery	130	-	130	1,647
Travel and Accommodation	152	-	152	-
Water	634	-	634	667
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>37,376</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,376</b>	<b>19,420</b>
Opening Fund Balance	45,959	-	45,959	-
Closing Fund Balance	50,518	-	50,518	45,959

**Balance Sheet**  
**As of December 31, 2023**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Fixed Asset</b>		
<b>Tangible assets</b>		
Land & Building	175,939	175,939
Office Equipment Cost	800	-
<b>Total Tangible assets</b>	<u><b>176,739</b></u>	<u><b>175,939</b></u>
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>		
Barclays Business Current Account	80,603	39,435
Barclays Business Savings Account	29,965	29,683
Cash Collection	8,267	-
<b>Total Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<u><b>118,835</b></u>	<u><b>69,118</b></u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	-	-
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<u><b>118,835</b></u>	<u><b>69,118</b></u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>	<u><u><b>295,574</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>245,057</b></u></u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<u><u><b>295,574</b></u></u>	<u><u><b>245,057</b></u></u>

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- MAURICE HYDE
- KAREN HALL

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The Trustees are responsible for the financial administration of the Church, the care and maintenance of the main church & Hall premises.

The church meetings (*for all members wishing to attend*) gives general guidance on the life and work of the Gospel.

The New Pastor who was appointed April 2022 (Juliette Gerald) Pastor Gerald is now the Overseer and Elder Fergus are the ministers in pastoral charge.

The Trustee Board continue to meet a number of times online to discuss the administration of the Church.

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## **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

Victoria Road Church has now resumed to normal services in the building. Sunday School, Sunday morning service, SEAD meeting, Choir practices, however, the church have continue some activities have online services, e.g. Bible Study, Pray & fasting, Leader's meeting, prayer meeting and other groups in the church met online.

The Church applied to the Council for a grant to install Security Equipment around the church which will include an automatic open gate with external cameras around the parameters. Proposal was made to maintain the property. Painting the buildings and replacing windows in the Church. This is to be done in Spring 2023.

Health & Safety Lead has ensured that all the safety check and policies are in place.

The following groups continue to meet up to support the church members, friends, families and people in the community.

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- Women of Hope
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## **FINANCIAL REVIEW:**

### **Performance December 2022**

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# Victoria Road Evangelical Church

## Financial Activities

January - December 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations and legacies	0.00
Tithes & Offerings	65,351.79
<b>Total Donations and legacies</b>	<b>65,351.79</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£65,351.79</b>
Expenditures	
Bank Charges	168.54
Building Insurance	2,970.00
Building Repairs and Maintenance	631.00
Gas & Electric	3,234.90
Mortgage Interest Payment	3,436.69
Motor Vehicle Insurance	830.00
Motor Vehicle Repair and Maintenance	1,890.00
Office/General Administrative Expenses	2,993.40
Other Professional Services	129.00
Phone Costs	822.49
Special Event Expenses	1,647.00
Water	666.79
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>£19,419.81</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>£45,931.98</b>
Other Income	
Bank Interest	26.71
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>£26.71</b>
<b>NET OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>£26.71</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>£45,958.69</b>

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The Pastor & Elder are the ministers in pastoral charge.

Due to the Pandemic and restrictions were still in place during the first half of 2021, The Trustee Board met a number of times online to discuss the administration of the Church.

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## **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, from March 2020 to July 2021 Victoria Road Evangelical Church had to close its doors to public worship due to the Government lockdown and restrictions. During this time as we continue to have regular contact with all our members,

**The VREC contingency planning team and the Media team played** a vital role in keeping the church connected and updated during these difficult times. They were responsible for all church recordings, zoom meetings and helped equipped members to ensure that their devices were up to date and assistance was given in using Zoom software to enable the Church to go live on Zoom from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2021.

## **Re-opening Church for Worship on the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

The VREC contingency planning team, ushers and cleaning team were very instrumental in undertaking task for Church to reopen in-line with Government Requirements. Attending Service started with seating available for 85 people and social distancing maintained, 2 rotas system were in operation to manage number, service was also offered on Zoom and recordings on WhatsApp. The Church Hall was due to have major renovation work carried out on the Roof, so we were not able to use this as an addition space to meet.

The following groups continue to meet up

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#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW:**

A summary of the church's finance includes our income and expenditure at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021, showing the monthly donations and expenses carried out to maintain the land and building.

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**The Media team played** a vital role in keeping the church connected and updated during these difficult times. They were responsible for all church recordings, zoom meetings and helped equipped members to ensure that their devices were up to date and offer assistance in using zoom software in preparation for the Church going live on zoom for January 2021.

To keep our brethren and friends together to hear the Word of God, our Sunday Services were sent out on WhatsApp recordings every week. Prayer Cell groups were formed, and families met up every Wednesday nights for prayer, we were able reached approximately 86 people for prayer meeting. We were still able to have special Sunday Services conducted by the Men of Valour, Women of Hope and SEAD young adults.

**Victoria Road Cadets Academy** realised the immediate need to connect with our youth throughout the pandemic, especially to protect their mental health. We were able to successfully launch our online weekly sessions, using the zoom platform, in May 2020. We have been able to achieve the following things thus far: paired bible study sessions, mental health and building a business as well as cooking, games night and Zumba sessions. We were fortunate enough to host a careers event online and invited a wide range of professionals to come and share with not only our youth, but friends and family also joined us– a lot of our youth were able to work with these professionals and produce some amazing work with them. We launched, what we hope to be our annual, summer school and this was greatly appreciated by parents throughout the summer holidays.

**The Women of Hope** kept in daily contact with other by using their WhatsApp group to communicate and had regular meetings via zoom. They also arranged

to have daily prayers from the women in the group and shared information, these activities provided a network and also enabled the women to support each other with their wellbeing, mental Health and family.

**SEAD young Adults** they concentrated on looking at Health of the group members with the following (physical, spiritual, mental, and financial where they invited different speakers via zoom to conduct these sessions. They also did Bible study, sharing testimonies and the Word. They had different people lead the sessions. (Prayer, cooking, games, and quizzes).

**New Converts support:** Bible classes were held 1 Saturday a month to support those new to the faith.

**Prayer & Fast Team:** Were responsible for organising the weekly prayer request for the Cell Groups and Family pray on Wednesdays. They also set up the Prayer & fast for the Church.

**Sunday School department:** Kept in regular contact with the children and parents by sending out workbook and videos. Also, the children took part in the Sunday Service by sharing what they learnt with the Church.

**Men of Valour** met up with their leader.

**Worship Team:** They had regular contact on WhatsApp, shared songs, and encouragements. They also played a big part in ensuring that songs were sent in for the Sunday services.

**Cleaning Team:** The caretaker and head cleaner ensured that the church was kept cleaned on a weekly basis, they carried out weekly water checks to avoid legionnaire

**Ushers Team:** They kept in contact with each other on their WhatsApp group, where they conducted prayers, words of encouragement, 1-1 talks, shared general information and worship songs to strengthen the group and stick together as they were not able to meet up physically in the lock down period.

**Victoria Road Church Choir:** Kept in regular contact via WhatsApp, they shared information, songs, and encouragement. They also looked at new songs for the choir to sing at later time. Also shared information from other choirs.

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## Financial Activities

January - December 2020

	TOTAL
Income	
Donations and legacies	0.00
Tithes & Offerings	42,554.36
<b>Total Donations and legacies</b>	<b>42,554.36</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£42,554.36</b>
Expenditures	
Bank Charges	269.01
Building Insurance	2,878.97
Compensation - Church Officers	3,100.00
Gas & Electric	4,130.37
Interest Payable	1,400.10
Motor Vehicle Repair and Maintenance	976.62
Office/General Administrative Expenses	905.76
Other Professional Services	592.16
Phone Costs	752.40
Water	587.95
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>£15,593.34</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>£26,961.02</b>
Other Income	
Bank Interest	7.55
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>£7.55</b>
<b>NET OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>£7.55</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>£26,968.57</b>



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**The Media team played** a vital role in keeping the church connected and updated during these difficult times. They were responsible for all church recordings, zoom meetings and helped equipped members to ensure that their devices were up to date and offer assistance in using zoom software in preparation for the Church going live on zoom for January 2021.

To keep our brethren and friends together to hear the Word of God, our Sunday Services were sent out on WhatsApp recordings every week. Prayer Cell groups were formed, and families met up every Wednesday nights for prayer, we were able reached approximately 86 people for prayer meeting. We were still able to have special Sunday Services conducted by the Men of Valour, Women of Hope and SEAD young adults.

**Victoria Road Cadets Academy** realised the immediate need to connect with our youth throughout the pandemic, especially to protect their mental health. We were able to successfully launch our online weekly sessions, using the zoom platform, in May 2020. We have been able to achieve the following things thus far: paired bible study sessions, mental health and building a business as well as cooking, games night and Zumba sessions. We were fortunate enough to host a careers event online and invited a wide range of professionals to come and share with not only our youth, but friends and family also joined us– a lot of our youth were able to work with these professionals and produce some amazing work with them. We launched, what we hope to be our annual, summer school and this was greatly appreciated by parents throughout the summer holidays.

**The Women of Hope** kept in daily contact with other by using their WhatsApp group to communicate and had regular meetings via zoom. They also arranged

to have daily prayers from the women in the group and shared information, these activities provided a network and also enabled the women to support each other with their wellbeing, mental Health and family.

**SEAD young Adults** they concentrated on looking at Health of the group members with the following (physical, spiritual, mental, and financial where they invited different speakers via zoom to conduct these sessions. They also did Bible study, sharing testimonies and the Word. They had different people lead the sessions. (Prayer, cooking, games, and quizzes).

**New Converts support:** Bible classes were held 1 Saturday a month to support those new to the faith.

**Prayer & Fast Team:** Were responsible for organising the weekly prayer request for the Cell Groups and Family pray on Wednesdays. They also set up the Prayer & fast for the Church.

**Sunday School department:** Kept in regular contact with the children and parents by sending out workbook and videos. Also, the children took part in the Sunday Service by sharing what they learnt with the Church.

**Men of Valour** met up with their leader.

**Worship Team:** They had regular contact on WhatsApp, shared songs, and encouragements. They also played a big part in ensuring that songs were sent in for the Sunday services.

**Cleaning Team:** The caretaker and head cleaner ensured that the church was kept cleaned on a weekly basis, they carried out weekly water checks to avoid legionnaire

**Ushers Team:** They kept in contact with each other on their WhatsApp group, where they conducted prayers, words of encouragement, 1-1 talks, shared general information and worship songs to strengthen the group and stick together as they were not able to meet up physically in the lock down period.

**Victoria Road Church Choir:** Kept in regular contact via WhatsApp, they shared information, songs, and encouragement. They also looked at new songs for the choir to sing at later time. Also shared information from other choirs.

As a local congregation of the Victoria Road Evangelical Church, seeks to advance our Christian religion through its activities and services we offer to the local community in line with our statement of Faith. The Trustees In line with

the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for public Benefit" believes that the church provides benefits to the public by providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care, and spiritual and moral and intellectual development, both for the congregation and anyone else who wishes to benefit from what the church offers. Promoting Christian values and services by members of the congregation to the community, for the benefit individuals and society as a whole.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW:**

A summary of the church's finance includes our income and expenditure at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, showing the monthly Mortgage and other expenses carried out to maintain the buildings.