

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1138766

SUREWAY ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, BIRMINGHAM

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE
(UNAUDITED)**

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Registered Charity Number: 1138766

Registered Office: 14 Gurney Road
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SUREWAY ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
TRUSTEES REPORT ON FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2020

This report is the true representation of income and expenditure of charitable activities transpired in the said year 2020. As a charity organisation our main expenditure covers the running of the charity, charitable activities, and expenditure for service providers for the charity activities.

Charitable Activities

The year 2020 is noted to be the year of COVID, and the pandemic did not leave the charity alone, we were also hit, and a huge amount of money was spent. As charity we helped many people, members, and non-members in various ways so that they can survive. Our charitable activities also included spreading of the gospel (Evangelism and missions), worship, charity donations, and the training of members, especially the youth to acquire skills in various trades. Additionally, there is a provision of snacks and food to the youth, who come for training, and expenses are incurred on factors such as transport and a whole lot of other expenditure all related to the spread of the gospel. Furthermore, welfare and love offering are provided for the sick and the less privileged and where required financial support for the unemployed.

The Running Cost

The meeting place has been our main issue this year due to the fact that our rent has increased significantly compared to the previous year as has other costs like telephone bills, travelling and motors costs, office material and general maintenance.

The greater part of monies received goes into the running of the charity and as such cost allowances given to the leader and volunteers are not up to the required one.

Acknowledgement

The leadership of Sureway Assemblies of God, trustees, acknowledge that receiving and giving of monies this year is a true reflection of our charity activities in accordance with our constitution and as provided by the charity commission. We also acknowledge that due to high cost of rent and other running cost, much savings could not be made and may need extra financial support to strengthen our financial expenditure.

SUREWAY ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Trustees' Report

The Trustees of Sureway Assemblies of God (SAGC) takes pleasure in submitting their report, and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9 and comply with the statement of recommended practice.

Constitution, objective of the charity, principal activity, and organisation of our work. The charity is constituted under a trust deed dated 25th October 2011 as amended on the 18th February 2012, and registered on 10th April 2012, with UK registered charity no. 1146816. The objectives of the charity as set out in Declaration of trust are:

1. The advancement of the Christian faith, the word of God and the full gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the tenets of faith in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the trustees may from time to time determine.
2. Such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales as the trustees may from time to time determine.

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men” (Luke 2:14-16).

Blessed be the Name of the Lord for the glorious year under review, His grace and the mercy brought us through. The SAGC Family in the year of review was involved in both Christian outreach and general charitable programmes in the United Kingdom and parts of Africa as a whole.

The Christian outreach programmes were designed to increase Christian awareness and spread the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ while the general charitable programmes involved education, relief of poverty and community development.

Development activities and achievements:

The trustees are pleased to report that the Church has been successful spiritually by ministering to many people both members and non-member in our society.

Our Achievements:

The SAGC Family in the year under review organised seminars/workshops whereby Christian values and morals were taught with the focus of healthy living (life styles) and good parenting in the society. Parents were advised to keep watch on their children and support them in doing their homework.

1. Women Ministry (Women of Substance):

The SAGC Women Ministries Primary Tasks is to address the concerns and conditions of women of all ages in the congregation and community—that they may grow in their understanding of God, themselves, others, and the world—so that their quality of life may be improved through a personal faith and growth as a disciple.

The Women general focused the year under review on the following:

- Studying the hopes, concerns, and needs of women in the congregation and community to determine how best to serve them and how they might best serve each other as Christian disciples and good neighbours.
- Becoming familiar with the overall vision and ministry goals of the congregation and established objectives to help achieve these goals through the congregation's ministry with women.
- Plan and implement a varied and wide-ranging ministry with women, including worship, study, workshops/seminars, conference, fellowship, and service opportunities.
- Identify, enlist, train and support leaders (e.g., group leaders, mission chair, etc.) for the congregation's women ministries.

The women ministries are committed to ensuring the mission and ministry of the congregation are supported and strengthened.

The women ministry undertook various activities with the aim of helping married and single ladies to prepare for the unforeseen challenges in Marriage and relationship, they also aimed at helping the women on how to train their children.

The ministry in the year 2019 thrived beyond expectation with their annual conference dubbed "Victorious Women's Conference (VWC), and we believe the year to come will be amazing.

3. Men Ministry (Men of Mission):

The men ministry in the Sureway Assemblies of God is a fellowship which is called to lead in the campaign of restoration of purposes for Men to fulfil their God Calling. The ministry primary objective is to repair the breach and restore the broken walls, streets to our dwellings (house of the Lord). To establish foundations of many generations and build the old waste places through prayers and word of God. Guiding men grow spiritually to become watchmen of their families, church (body of Christ) and true Disciples of Jesus Christ that will impact the society in the 21st Century.

The Men Ministry is within SAGC, but serve as Non-Denominational Group open to All Men in our society and is committed:

To encourage and lead every man to having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ

- To teach and enlighten men of their roles in families and in the body of Christ
- To stand in the gap for their families, the church and the land in prayers using the word of God.

The Fellowship also meets on the first Saturday of every month, to discuss member's welfare, plan for community projects, study and meditate on the word of God, and occasionally hold special dinner meetings for members and visitors.

4. Youth Ministry:

The youth ministry in the year under review had a number of educative programs to enhance their public and private behaviours in the society. Religious, academic and social benefits were our aim. Many Activities were organised including In and Outdoor events through the youth leaders in corroboration with the Executives/Trustees. Many families are joining our church due to the effectiveness of our youth advice services, after school homework club programmes, Saturday talent improvement training section, and other intervention activities available to them.

5. Children Ministry:

- The Bible popular quote for children says: *“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”* (Proverbs 22:6). Based on this scripture that Sureway Assemblies of God Children Ministry have a dedicated ministry to train our children fit in the society with good moral upbringings. The children ministry of SAGC has had a fundamental growth both in the intellectual knowledge of God and the physical and social growth of our children. This Ministry have dedicated God fearing men and women who assist the Children Pastor in continues support of the after school and holiday biblical and fun filled activities which have encouraged parents to bring their children to church regularly. Hence great increase in the church children department and is amazing.
- In the year under review, learning, teaching materials and activities were planned and prepared before each service for effective delivery of the lessons. Lessons are researched and taught to the children with the aim of their wholesome growth with more emphasis on their spiritual growth. The children ministry Pastor, in collaboration with the Patron researched on the curriculum that would grow and guide the children in the way of our Lord.
- We are grateful to the Almighty God for granting us our dairy desire and a big thank you to Mrs Patience Addai-Mensah, the head of the children ministry and her able team of children workers like Iris Schroder the Trustees representative, Rev Charles Addai-Mensah, the Patron of the children ministry, and the entire children ministry workers and volunteers, who worked tirelessly to make our visions and goals a success.

6. Church Counselling and Advice Services:

Our Church Counselling and Advice services, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays is another charitable program to help the community especially the youth, we support the sick, poor, needy, we counsel those who are preparing to get married and others facing divorce, separation and various crises in life., both in cash and in kind.

Through this service, many people are encouraged to seek medical attention from GP, advised to seek employment. Those having accommodations issues are advised in the best way possible to make sure they are sorted

7. Discipleship and Prayer Session

Sureway Assemblies of God has discipleship and prayer programme for the new members, where we teach them the word of God. It has open great doors for many people within our community to be informed about the divine knowledge of God. The discipleship and prayer programme is intended to produce responsible Christians in the society.

8. Welfare Program:

Through our Welfare programs, donation has been given in Support of the less privileged within our community. The beneficiaries are those who do not have access to public funds for a variety of reasons and this is a valuable means of support until their financial situation changes. The Church continue in its free distribution of food and household products through our food bank, many of these items were donated by the local church community true their freewill offering (with the assistance of individual church and no church members). Rent support and cash donations were given to underprivileged families and individual.

9. Established Church Branches:

Through the help of God, new branches of Sureway Assemblies of God were established in Coventry and Northampton.

- **Ghana Branch:**

Even though the branch church in Ghana is not fully started plans are far advanced to extend our charitable activities there and register with the government of Ghana. Currently they are still operating as a satellite branch until we can secure church premises where its charitable purposes, aim and objective can be fulfilled.

10. Missionary assignment:

The Church through its missionary assignment has established a Welfare funds programme for vulnerable people who are heavy laden and are seeking God but are deprived of spiritual and physical assistance in Ghana. Through our financial and aid support to this country, the Organisation has successfully helped many orphans, widows and the destitute through relief of poverty and community development programmes during the year of review.

- The Church supports both the spiritual and physical well-being of the children and young people through educational programmes such as after school homework clubs, distribution of learning materials, prayer, and counselling sessions.

The report was approved by the board of trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles Addai-Mensah', is written over a horizontal line.

Rev Charles Addai-Mensah

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Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st December 2020 set out on the following pages which have been prepared on the basis of their accounting policies shown in the corresponding pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of the church are responsible for the preparation of the accounts: they consider that the audit requirement under section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act), does not apply. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43(3) of the 1993 Act.
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissions made under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act.
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently i do not express and audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the trustees have not met reasonable requirements to ensure that:
 - Proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act)
 - Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act: or
- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31st December 2020 Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account

	Note	2020 £
Income Resources		
Income resources from generated funds		
Voluntary contributions	(2)	116,982
Total Incoming Resources		<u>116,982</u>
Resources expended		
Charitable activities		
Rent		24,118
Missions Expenses		800
Pastoral Support		10,962
Ministers Allowance		550
Project Expense		500
SAGC Coventry support		
Children & Women Ministry		5,650
Office Supplies		350
Website Maintenance		450
Utilities		6,022
V12 Rental		624
Bank Charges		1
Church Car Expenses		129
Ministers Honorarium		1,400
Admin & Hospitality		
Telephone & Internet		242
Training & Workshops		2,300
Travel		1,138
Charitable Donations & Welfare		6,481
Music Department Expenses		853
AVIVA		781
Cheapperwaste		717
CHURCH Loan		500
Church Furniture		420
Good to Give		342
Equipment		15,933
Savings Book Transfer		34,787
Telephone		530
Depreciation		745
HMRC OTHER TYPE CU		100
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>117,427</u>
Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources		<u>(445)</u>

There were no recognised gains or losses in the year. All activities derive from continuing operations.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020

		Note	2020 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Fixed Assets	Motor V	Equip & Instrmnt	Total
Cost at 01/04/2019	9,400	8,784	18,184
Depreciation at 01/04/2019	8,396	6,810	15,206
For Year	251	494	745
	8,647	7,304	15,951
Net Book Value at 31/03/2020	<u>753</u>	<u>1,480</u>	<u>2,233</u>
Current Assets			
Bank/ Cash	<u>9,128</u>		
Creditors			
Amount falling due within one year	(3)	---	
Net Current Assets			<u>11,361</u>
Net Assets			<u>11,361</u>
Represented by:			
Reserves	11,806		
Net Profit	(445)		<u>11,361</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29th August 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Rev Charles Addai-Mensah
Trustee



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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2020

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Accounting basis

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis under section 42(3) of the charities Act 1993 and the statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities published in March 2008. The adoption of the revised SORP has resulted in reclassification of some items.

(b) Incoming resources

i) Voluntary income

Voluntary income is received by way of Tithes offerings, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

(c) Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

(d) Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of fixed assets reducing balance basis over their estimated useful lives on the following basis:

Equipment and Instruments	25% per annum
Motor Vehicle	25% per annum

(e) Cash Flow

The church has taken advantage of the exemptions in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small church.

2. Incoming resources from generated funds

	2020
	£
Income from Voluntary Contributions	<u>116,982</u>

3. Creditors- amounts falling due within one year

2020
£
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