

# EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES

England & Wales · Charity number 1140504

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2011-02-21

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF THE PARTICIPATING CHURCHES. IN ACHIEVING ITS PURPOSE, THE CHARITY WILL ENGAGE IN A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES, EITHER ON ITS OWN OR WITH OTHERS, INCLUDING (BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO):A) THE CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC WORSHIP; B) THE TEACHING OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH; C) MISSION AND EVANGELISM; D) PASTORAL WORK, INCLUDING VISITING THE SICK AND THE BEREAVED; E) THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES WITH A CHRISTIAN ETHOS FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, INCLUDING (BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO) THE ELDERLY, THE YOUNG AND OTHER GROUPS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS; AND F) THE SUPPORT OF OTHER CHARITIES IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS.

**Activities:** Emmanuel Group of Churches as three ecumenical Christian congregations engages in a wide variety of activities including worship and prayer, youth & community work incl. funded part-time youth worker and care worker, using our premises to host community groups e.g. weight watchers and an NHS health group, asian men's and asian women's groups, family tots and a number of other churches.(see report)

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
- Northamptonshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£393,899	£381,732	-	-
2023-12-31	£438,585	£496,778	-	-
2022-12-31	£564,592	£482,323	£337,345	12
2021-12-31	£321,584	£307,779	-	-
2020-12-31	£405,629	£251,799	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Grainge Weaver		2018-04-29
Josephine Pearson		2023-04-20
Kevin Potter		2023-04-20
MR K HOLLAND-DELAMERE		
MRS E BATEMAN		
Paul Foster		2023-04-20
Rev Chris Pearson		2023-04-20
Rev Stewart Betts		2025-06-09
Richard Seaby		2023-04-20

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# Accounts

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**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

Cobley Desborough  
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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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# **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

## **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

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The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical Partnership:

### **The Local Ecumenical Partnership**

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement and advice.

### **The Area of Benefit:**

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

### **The participating denominations are:**

- The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- The Church of England
- The Methodist Church of Great Britain

### **The participating Churches are:**

- Boothville Community Church
- Rectory Farm Community Church
- Emmanuel Church

### **Clergy:**

The Reverend Stewart Betts (Team Rector 2023)  
Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)  
The Reverend Rachael Warnock (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2021)

### **Lay Preacher and Readers:**

Mrs Maureen Luke, Lay Canon (C of E)  
Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Mrs Fiona Potter, Reader (C of E)  
Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

### Objectives and activities

#### Objectives and aims

The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isiah 61: vl-2).

We understand the vision of Isiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

A "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith

A healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.

A mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world.

A church within which the Father-heart of God may be known, the love of Jesus may be discovered and the power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- Supporting the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- Provision of community workers within the local areas
- And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under The Trussell Trust)

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## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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### Achievement and performance Team Rector's Report

As always there is much to be thankful for as we reflect on 2024. We also had to overcome different challenges along the way.

I am personally thankful for the volunteers and colleagues that make up the various, teams, groups and committees that I am part of. Like many churches there is an awareness that an awful lot is being done by a small body of people.

2024 was a year of change and re-shaping. After joining the Emmanuel Group of Churches in October 2023 it was clear that we needed to align more clearly the church and community aspects of our identity.

This need was further exposed when various staff and key volunteers left the group for different reasons. This has given us an opportunity to reflect on some of our 'work' with the wider vision that we are a church. We have tried to live, model and preach the message of the gospel and I believe we are seeing green shoots of hope.

Again, I am thankful for the wide team of volunteers, staff and colleagues who give so generously of themselves in time and finance to the church. We still face challenges, but we also have opportunity to continue to strengthen and grow together. We recently held a short mini-series on Generosity. Starting with God's generosity to us, all things come from God and of his own do we give. We looked at generosity of time and money and importantly being generous with the spirit of grace, in stressful circumstances it easy to forget to be generous in spirit with one-another.

Emmanuel Group of Churches, like most of the different dominations faces some challenges. We are consciously trying to build our identity as a church into all that we do and seek to do. This is of course, a difficult and ongoing process.

Emmanuel Group has many different groups and projects, we are trying to unify these, were possible with kingdom principles and this is ongoing.

We celebrated our 50th Year in December with an informal celebration on the Saturday which provided healthy competition to the Strictly Final!!! And then Rev Lisa Kerry, Regional team leader of the Central Baptist Association came to preach at a group service on the Sunday. The service was led by the current Ministry Team and was followed by more cake!!

The various outreaches that extend into our communities continue to be active.  
F.I.S.H - Food and fun in the school holidays runs at 2 locations now and does need more volunteer input.  
We are also praying about how we can bring the gospel story into this group a little more. The Easter group has introduced a 'grace' and after food coloring with a Christian message.

Food bank - Our food bank has fed on average over 700 people and families per month last year. We have seen a closing of the gap between FB and the church but still have a way to go there.  
Wednesday sessions also have support in the practical job seeking support and advice, community law and other bodies that can provide help and specialized advice and support.

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### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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The cafe at Emmanuel is also a place where the church and wider community meet, again we struggle to get the volunteer numbers we would like and are suffering with increasing costs of utilities, staff and food prices.

However, we endeavor to continue to strive to be a home for the community.

The Cafe also provides the quality food that is served at F.I.S.H sessions.

As a group of churches, it has continued to be a challenging year.

We had an away day following 2023's "Vision Day" where we reflected a little on celebrating the harvest of the past but also building an expectation on working the fields for the next harvest.

On reflection this is an excellent metaphor for Emmanuel where there have been rich harvests but especially since the Covid - 19 pandemic there is a sense of emptier fields. We must discern and ask God to show us what seeds are being planted and could be planted.

The Rector wrote a Lent booklet for personal reflection which some home groups decided to also use as a group. This has been done again this year (2025).

After Easter we had a focus on What is the Church and What is it for?

This was also followed up in some home groups.

Towards the end of the year, we followed the "Holy Habits" material and again this was encouraged to be included in the home groups. Again, the focus here was on being disciples of Jesus.

I seek to pray for and support to the best of my ability all these and other groups attached to Emmanuel and of course the people involved in them.

2025 is going to have a focus on prayer.

The Lent booklet for individuals or groups to use as they wish is themed on prayer.

There will be a sermon series after Easter on prayer.

We hope to begin some small groups that will explore Becoming Confident in Praying (in the context of encouraging people to pray in public).

Rectory Farm has said goodbye to some of its older younger members as they have gone to university and another family that were worshipping between RF and All Saints have settled at the more traditional All Saints.

This led us to question over several months what God may be doing at RF and from January we have started to meet as an Alpha led by the congregation and supported by the ministry team. This has been different to what we first expected but has been well received and supported by prayer - thank you.

It seems appropriate to also pay tribute and record my deepest thanks to my wonderful colleague Rev Yvonne, who is leaving us at Easter. Yvonne is not just a great colleague but a treasured friend. A friend who has set an extraordinary example of persevering and giving everything to God. I know I will miss working with Yvonne and I know that feeling will be felt by all the team and all the congregations. We sincerely thank Yvonne for her faithful service at the Emmanuel Group.

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NORTHAMPTON**

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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It seems impossible to capture the highlights and hardships of life in Emmanuel in one report. However, the key theme is we are a Church - God's Church and he is with us. As we journey on together may we do so in God's will and with his power. The key to this - prayer.

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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### Financial review

#### Financial position

Emmanuel Group Council (EGC) being the Trustees of the Church, have a legal responsibility for the financial management of Emmanuel Group of Churches and the Weston Favell Centre Foodbank.

The Group manages the three congregations, the food bank and 2 community workers. The combined income of each of the group is in the order of £400,000 pa. In total there are currently 7 paid employees 3 members of the clergy team and significantly more volunteers

#### Emmanuel Church

##### Income

Giving was slightly down overall by approx. £3000, mainly due to a reduction in income from bankers orders this was made up in part from increases in payroll giving and loose giving remained fairly static with some increase from Boothville.

Income from rental and lettings is also down from 2023 and there was significantly less income from Grants as opposed to 2023, though this was expected.

Overall our income decreased by £77,000. However the majority of this was due to a reduction in the grants we had received for roof repairs and heating upgrades. Excluding grants our income dropped by around £16,000

##### Outgoings

The biggest costs were for Buildings and Maintenance (£29,500), Denominational Costs (£49,000) and Salaries (£82,617).

Overall outgoings were reduced from 2023 by around £50,000 but again most of this reduction is due to reduced spending on the buildings as major projects completed. Removing these gives a much smaller reduction in spending of around £4000

#### Emmanuel Charity

##### Community

Our main charitable works being carried out on behalf of the church are:- Tots, FISH, Youth Work (Youth Hub), the Grow Cook Eat initiative and the Tithe Fund.

Overall income for Community and Youth work was around £22,000 with £16,500 expenditure.

##### Food Bank

While the Emmanuel Group is responsible for the Foodbank, ensuring the Foodbank is run in accordance to the requirements of the Charities Commission, all costs are covered by donations to the Foodbank. Regular Giving and donations for the Foodbank amounted to £17,500, with a further £158,000 in grants.

# **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

## **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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Total outgoings were around £152,000. Of this the major outgoings were £72,600, on staffing costs, £31,000 to Community Law. and £29,000 on food and £9,500 on rent to Goodwill Solutions.

### **Going Forward**

#### The Church

While we are in no immediate financial danger we are eating into reserves with an overall loss by the Church of around £12,000 last year.

While we still have Lottery Fund grants coming in for utilities and maintenance until Oct 2025 if we do not increase our income in following years we will continue to eat into our reserves risking our long term financial stability.

#### The Foodbank

While the Foodbank currently brings in a significant amount from donations and has a significant buffer it too relies on regular grants for its long term viability. As such it is important to invest in fundraising to make the most of these.

#### Community

Again reliant on grants for long term viability. We have sufficient in reserves to continue our current work for at least another two years but need to be looking for further grants if we want to continue to provide services for families and youthwork in the community.

### **Conclusion**

While the Church, Foodbank and Community areas are all currently financially solvent it is important we continually look for new sources of income if we are to maintain our presence in the community both as a Church and in providing a wide range of social support.

### **Reserves policy**

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

### **Reference and administrative details**

#### **Registered Charity number**

1140504

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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**Principal address**

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**Trustees**

Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver  
Mrs E Bateman  
Rev Y DesRoches  
Rev C Pearson  
Rev R Warnock  
Ms J Pearson  
Mr R Seaby  
Mr P Foster  
Mr K Potter

**Independent Examiner**

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 4 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr K Potter - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

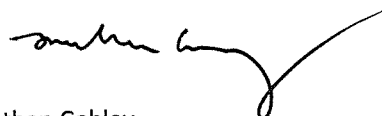
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Jonathan Cobley

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4 April 2025

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	169,028	172,731	341,759	376,171
Other trading activities	3	44,900	385	45,285	50,361
Investment income	4	6,855	-	6,855	12,676
<b>Total</b>		<u>220,783</u>	<u>173,116</u>	<u>393,899</u>	<u>439,208</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Raising funds	5	117	180	297	623
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable Activities	6				
		255,449	125,986	381,435	4,540
Charitable Activities		-	-	-	492,238
<b>Total</b>		<u>255,566</u>	<u>126,166</u>	<u>381,732</u>	<u>497,401</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(34,783)	46,950	12,167	(58,193)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		147,611	131,541	279,152	337,345
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>112,828</u>	<u>178,491</u>	<u>291,319</u>	<u>279,152</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	11	16,844	-	16,844	18,358
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	12	1,455	-	1,455	1,455
Cash at bank and in hand		95,729	180,556	276,285	261,911
		<u>97,184</u>	<u>180,556</u>	<u>277,740</u>	<u>263,366</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(1,200)	(2,065)	(3,265)	(2,572)
		<u>95,984</u>	<u>178,491</u>	<u>274,475</u>	<u>260,794</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>112,828</u>	<u>178,491</u>	<u>291,319</u>	<u>279,152</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>112,828</u>	<u>178,491</u>	<u>291,319</u>	<u>279,152</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>112,828</u>	<u>178,491</u>	<u>291,319</u>	<u>279,152</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	14			112,828	147,611
Unrestricted funds				178,491	131,541
Restricted funds					
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>291,319</u>	<u>279,152</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4 April 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr K Potter - Trustee

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	14,374	(57,311)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		14,374	(57,311)
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>		14,374	(57,311)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		261,911	319,222
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		276,285	261,911

The notes form part of these financial statements

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Notes to the Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

**1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)</b>	12,167	(58,193)
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	1,514	1,589
Increase in debtors	-	(235)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	693	(472)
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operations</b>	<u>14,374</u>	<u>(57,311)</u>

**2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS**

	At 1/1/24	Cash flow	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
<b>Net cash</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand	261,911	14,374	276,285
	<u>261,911</u>	<u>14,374</u>	<u>276,285</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>261,911</u>	<u>14,374</u>	<u>276,285</u>

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparing the 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                      - 20% on reducing balance

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### **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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

**2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Donations	103,244	27,067	130,311	296,945
Gift aid	10,981	-	10,981	12,728
Grants	54,803	145,664	200,467	66,498
	<u>169,028</u>	<u>172,731</u>	<u>341,759</u>	<u>376,171</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Other grants	<u>200,467</u>	<u>66,498</u>

**3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Fundraising events	135	-	135	511
Lettings	44,645	-	44,645	49,122
Fees including Weddings	120	385	505	728
	<u>44,900</u>	<u>385</u>	<u>45,285</u>	<u>50,361</u>

**4. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Other income	<u>6,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,855</u>	<u>12,676</u>

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**5. RAISING FUNDS**

**Raising donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Sundries	117	180	297	623
	<u>117</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>297</u>	<u>623</u>

**6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Charitable Activities			
	369,291	12,144	381,435
	<u>369,291</u>	<u>12,144</u>	<u>381,435</u>

**7. SUPPORT COSTS**

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Charitable Activities				
	9,904	812	1,428	12,144
	<u>9,904</u>	<u>812</u>	<u>1,428</u>	<u>12,144</u>

**8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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**9. STAFF COSTS**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	155,280	151,960
	<u>155,280</u>	<u>151,960</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Governance	-	1
Charitable activities	-	15
	<u>-</u>	<u>16</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

**10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	258,034	118,137	376,171
Other trading activities	49,850	511	50,361
Investment income	12,676	-	12,676
<b>Total</b>	<u>320,560</u>	<u>118,648</u>	<u>439,208</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	568	55	623
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	4,540	-	4,540
Charitable Activities	315,844	176,394	492,238
<b>Total</b>	<u>320,952</u>	<u>176,449</u>	<u>497,401</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>(392)</b>	<b>(57,801)</b>	<b>(58,193)</b>
Transfers between funds	106,021	(106,021)	-

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**10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	105,629	(163,822)	(58,193)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	41,982	295,363	337,345
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>147,611</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>279,152</u>

**11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	<u>91,794</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2024	73,436
Charge for year	<u>1,514</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>74,950</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2024	<u>16,844</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>18,358</u>

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**12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	<u>1,455</u>	<u>1,455</u>

**13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>3,265</u>	<u>2,572</u>

**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/24	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	147,611	(34,783)	112,828
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	131,541	46,950	178,491
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>279,152</u>	<u>12,167</u>	<u>291,319</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	220,783	(255,566)	(34,783)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	173,116	(126,166)	46,950
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>393,899</u>	<u>(381,732)</u>	<u>12,167</u>

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**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	41,982	(392)	106,021	147,611
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	295,363	(57,801)	(106,021)	131,541
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>337,345</u>	<u>(58,193)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>279,152</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	320,560	(320,952)	(392)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	118,648	(176,449)	(57,801)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>439,208</u>	<u>(497,401)</u>	<u>(58,193)</u>

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**14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	41,982	(35,175)	106,021	112,828
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	295,363	(10,851)	(106,021)	178,491
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>337,345</u>	<u>(46,026)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>291,319</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	541,343	(576,518)	(35,175)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	291,764	(302,615)	(10,851)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>833,107</u>	<u>(879,133)</u>	<u>(46,026)</u>

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**15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	130,311	296,945
Gift aid	10,981	12,728
Grants	200,467	66,498
	<u>341,759</u>	<u>376,171</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Fundraising events	135	511
Lettings	44,645	49,122
Fees including Weddings	505	728
	<u>45,285</u>	<u>50,361</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Other income	6,855	12,676
	<u>6,855</u>	<u>12,676</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>393,899</b>	<b>439,208</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Raising donations and legacies</b>		
Sundries	297	623
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries	155,280	151,960
Denominational	49,062	51,420
Service and Service Expenses	2,660	10,807
Church Maintenance	29,626	98,280
Cleaning	2,272	1,805
Utilities	13,897	22,683
Training & Pastoral Care	1,555	2,540
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth		
Services	113,425	125,934
Fixtures and fittings	1,514	1,589
	<u>369,291</u>	<u>467,018</u>

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
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	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Other operating leases	4,189	20,544
Postage and stationery	5,715	7,289
	<u>9,904</u>	<u>27,833</u>
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	812	1,303
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	1,428	624
	<u>381,732</u>	<u>497,401</u>
Total resources expended		
	<u>381,732</u>	<u>497,401</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<u>12,167</u>	<u>(58,193)</u>

**EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1140504

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# Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON

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# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

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The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical Partnership:

The Local Ecumenical Partnership

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement and advice.

The Area of Benefit:

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

The participating denominations are:

- The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- The Church of England
- The Methodist Church of Great Britain

The participating Churches are:

- Boothville Community Church
- Rectory Farm Community Church
- Emmanuel Church

Clergy:

The Reverence Chris Pearson (Assistant Priest 2019, acting Team Rector June 2022-Feb 2023)

The Reverend Stewart Betts (Team Rector 2023)

Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)

The Reverend Rachael Warnock (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2021)

Lay Preachers and Readers:

Mrs Maureen Luke, Lay Canon (C of E)

Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)

Mrs Fiona Potter, Reader (C of E)

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

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Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mrs Angie Kennedy, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

During the year we had a few changes to our team. The Reverend Chris Pearson stepped down as temporary Team Rector, with The Reverend Stewart Betts joining us as the new Team Rector Mrs Fiona Potter continues also completed her Reader training.

## Objectives and activities

### Objectives and aims

The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isaiah 61: v1-2).

We understand the vision of Isaiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

A "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith

A healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.

A mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world.

A church within which the Father-heart of God may be known, the love of Jesus may be discovered and the power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- Supporting the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- Provision of community workers within the local areas
- And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under The Trussell Trust)

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Objectives and activities  
Acting Team Rector's Report

I knew when I took upon this post in October last year that it was going to be a busy and challenging role, I was of course right.

So it is without a basis of comparison that I write, yet from those who I have the privilege of working alongside I can sense there is renewed vision for unity across the group. This is perhaps signified by the sharing of a identity in the new lanyards, backed up with regular staffing meetings and desire to see the various different areas where Emmanuel is lived out in the community and within the walls of building.

Our teams of staff and volunteers are absolutely essential to all that we seek to do and we celebrated together with a staff meal and have seen other opportunities to meet with each other. This is really encouraging and I hope and pray these opportunities continue to grow that unity we need.

I am, thankful for a varied team of colleagues and ministry team-mates who share in the public worship. The Ministry team meets regularly as do the paid clergy as we continue to seek God's will together.

As with all churches there is often a sense that we could do so much more. Yet, this relies on us growing numerically so that we are in a stronger position to share in service of the God's kingdom. So we give thanks for what we have, and through faith dare to dream that god will continue to bless us with new growth.

Rev S Betts

Boothville Congregation

The Boothville congregation continues to meet for worship every Sunday in the community hall, but members of the congregation interact with the local community throughout the rest of the week. the hall is a hub for the community & church is very much part of that community.

it is routine for members of the congregation to lead the intercessions at services, to read lessons, to serve refreshments & to provide & arrange flowers; numbers attending have begun to increase towards the end of the year

There are two housegroups which some members attend

John Weaver

Emmanuel Congregation Report 2023

The biggest event of the year was the much-awaited and most welcome arrival of Rev Stuart Betts. The size of the congregation increased slightly through the course of 2023. It's a delight to report that refreshments are provided after services once again.

Sunday services were taken by Rev Chris Pearson, Rev Rachael Warnock, James Fearnley, Peter Angus and Rev Yvonne Desroches and from October Rev Stuart Betts. We thank them for leading us and we are very grateful to Rev Chris Pearson for his role as Acting Team Rector.

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## Objectives and activities

A huge thank you to everyone involved. Krissy Cressey has continued to do sterling work with the children. We are grateful to all volunteers, particularly Paul and Krissy.

We pray that the congregation will continue to grow through 2024 and we seek God's will and direction.

## Rectory Farm Congregation

During 2023 Rectory Farm Church Congregation continues to meet in person at the Community Centre, in Olden Road, managed by Community Spaces Northampton.

The Church congregations meets Sunday at 3.30 for 3.45. It is a community that continues to support and encourage one another, showing unity with God, one another, and his Church.

Rectory Farm Community Church last year saw 1 youth representative join the team, our young member has brought new insight and wisdom, a new voice from a youth perspective.

We have also been blessed by our youth leading services, this has been spasmodic due to the young people's exam and school curriculum agenda.

We have celebrated one member of the congregation being licensed by the Bishop of Peterborough as a Lay Reader, and another being accepted for training.

Three members our worshipping community have stepped out in faith joining and becoming active members of the newly formed schools' team. They have been involved in the delivery of prayer spaces to community schools within the parish, a weekly 'happiness club' that is embodied into a local special school. They have taken part in assemblies and accepted opportunities to share the Christian story across community schools. Thank you to the team.

Yvonne Desroches on Behalf of the Rectory Farm Leadership team.

## Community

In October I was fortunate to take on some of the Community worker hours, working alongside Lynne we have set up a Happy Café in Thorplands, a safe place for support and sign posting. Following on from the training I have been able to set up the Grow, cook eat project at Bellinge. The group have made various healthy meals and shared them together.

Exciting times continue with the Youth project starting imminently at The Northampton Academy, planning for tots on tour and with new FISH funding secured, plans are well under way for half term, Easter and the summer.

Gem Broadhead

Tots

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Objectives and activities

Our Emmanuel Tots group as continued to thrive, we were able to take a seventy-seater coach to West Lode Farm, we were able to provide discounted prices, an additional tractor ride and once again a free lunch from Café Emm. We ended our year saying goodbye to some children moving on and enjoyed a messy play session.

The summer was once again very busy, tots met throughout continuing our tradition of touring local parks. FISH continued to prove very busy, being told we provide an essential resource for our families. I worked closely with Café Emm to develop a new, more varied menu, and we looked at different entertainment, having an animal encounter and foam party successfully entertain our children. We were fortunate to be able to give out vouchers for Café Emm and for swimming at Trilogy. We had a summer BBQ/ fun day and ended the summer with a pizza party.

September is normally a quieter month at tots, but we started this academic year with a bang, welcoming lots of new families, we learnt all about dinosaurs and were very fortunate to be able to collaborate with the food bank and Natasha from Kids Aid to provide craft activities and support for our families. We started a new lunch group, providing a time and space for our tots to sit around a table together and share food.

Gem Broadhead

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Achievement and performance

Fundraising report

Emmanuel Group of Churches has been blessed with support from many continues to benefit from the support of a number of charities, agencies, companies, groups, churches, clubs schools, and individuals. Too many to mention each one and all helping us to support our local community through the Church and the Weston Favell Foodbank.

We are so grateful to those of you who have supported us with donations to the Church via Localgiving: <https://localgiving.org/emmanuelgroup> and Foodbank via <https://localgiving.org/weston-favell-centre-foodbank>

Please accept our sincere thanks to every one of you

Specific grants for the Church have come from:

National Lottery £56,000  
DCFG via Northampton Community Foundation (NCF) £11,250  
West Northamptonshire Council £15,000  
The Constance Travis Fund £4000  
National Grid £8652  
John Warren £1750  
Northampton Town Council £5000

Specific Grants for the Foodbank have come from:

National Lottery £10,000  
Infinis £5000  
Trussell Trust £12,800  
Poverty Hurts via NCF £4,650  
Household Support fund via NCF £16,800  
Grow Cook Eat £3000  
Northampton Town Council £5,900  
Pet Plan Charity £2000  
Sainsbury's Helping Everyone Eat Better Community Grant £1500  
The Neighbourly Grant £1000

Weston Favell Foodbank Report

The yearly statistics demonstrate that there has been an increase in the number of guests over the last 3 years:-

2020 - 12003  
2021 - 13406  
2022 - 14636  
2023 - 5218 (Jan to March)  
2023 - 2024 - 11808 (April 23 to March 24)

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## Overview

Our guests are required to get a referral before they come to collect a food parcel and we are actively trying to get as many referrers on our system as possible.

For Mother's Day we were able to obtain quite a lot of items from Avon, and alongside the public donations we were able to give out gifts to most of our foodbank guests over a period of two weeks. Currently we are distributing Easter Eggs to our guests.

We have settled into working over two sites and it does work for us, storage can be quite an issue but again we are working through this.

## Donations

We are still receiving donations; however, the monetary donations and public donations have slightly decreased due to the cost of living. We have donations baskets at Waitrose, Tesco, Sainsburys, CO-OP, NHS Eye Department at Sol Central, Scoobys Pet Centre and Stage Coach Terminal and a few more local businesses. We receive more donations from Tesco and Waitrose compared to the others.

We are also part of Neighbourly which sends us alerts for surplus food which we collect from Aldi and Sainsburys

## Warehouse

Our total weight in for this accounting year was 77,363.95kg.

We purchased 17% of that and our free food from Tesco bulk was 28%. This means other donations were about 55% or 42,484kg of our weight.

Out of that 55%, 63% came from supermarket donations, 10% churches, 8.5% other charities 8% corporates and community groups, and education 5.5%.

Our total weight out was 66,075kg.

Of which 80% or 52,850kg was for food parcels, another 15.5% or 10,370kg was extras (help yourself items). Our food waste was only 0.7% of our out goings though we also gave 2.2% of our outgoings to shop zero. We gave the 1.5% left or so to other charities. Essentially each week we gave out roughly 1 tonne of food in food parcels and 200kg a week in extras.

## Volunteers

As of 25 March 2024, there are 56 active volunteers working at the food bank.

11 new volunteers have been recruited since April 2023.

12 volunteers who were either students / volunteers or service users (at some point) have gone on to secure part time or full time employment.

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7 corporate teams from various companies came to volunteer with us from Nationwide, Kier Group, Online Direct, Barclays, Tesco, Coventry Building Society & WSP.

4 MBA student groups came in to volunteer at our distribution site.

Four fundraising events were held - Diversity show at the Derngate, Tombola, Tesco Winter collection and volunteer gatherings to raise money.

#### Foodbank Staff

There have been some changes in the foodbank team, Sonya Naik left her position as Volunteer Training and Development Manager. She will be returning at the end of April to run the Art Therapy sessions on Wednesdays during foodbank hours

#### Financial review

##### Reserves policy

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

#### Structure, governance and management

##### Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

#### Reference and administrative details

##### Registered Charity number

1140504

##### Principal address

Emmanuel Office Centre

Weston Favell Centre

Northampton

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Trustees

Rev H Spenceley (resigned 20.4.23)  
Rev D Spenceley (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mr M Maddocks (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mrs E Bateman  
Mrs J L Cole (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mrs F Potter (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mrs P J Thompson (resigned 20.4.23)  
Mrs R Tighe (resigned 20.4.23)  
Rev Y DesRoches (appointed 20.4.23)  
Rev C Pearson (appointed 20.4.23)  
Rev R Warnock (appointed 20.4.23)  
Ms J Pearson (appointed 20.4.23)  
Mr R Seaby (appointed 20.4.23)  
Mr P Foster (appointed 20.4.23)  
Mr K Potter (appointed 20.4.23)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr K Potter - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton  
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.

Jonathan Cobley

Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Chartered Tax Advisers  
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29 April 2024

THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON

Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	257,466	118,082	375,548	538,494
Other trading activities	3	49,850	511	50,361	26,098
Investment income	4	12,676	-	12,676	-
<b>Total</b>		<u>319,992</u>	<u>118,593</u>	<u>438,585</u>	<u>564,592</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Charitable activities	5				
Charitable Activities		4,540	-	4,540	149,858
Charitable Activities		315,844	176,394	492,238	332,465
<b>Total</b>		<u>320,384</u>	<u>176,394</u>	<u>496,778</u>	<u>482,323</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>					
Transfers between funds	13	(392)	(57,801)	(58,193)	82,269
		<u>106,021</u>	<u>(106,021)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		105,629	(163,822)	(58,193)	82,269
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		41,982	295,363	337,345	255,076
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>147,611</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>279,152</u>	<u>337,345</u>

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Balance Sheet  
31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	10	18,358	-	18,358	19,947
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	11	1,455	-	1,455	1,220
Cash at bank and in hand		130,370	131,541	261,911	319,222
		<u>131,825</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>263,366</u>	<u>320,442</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,572)	-	(2,572)	(3,044)
		<u>129,253</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>260,794</u>	<u>317,398</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>147,611</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>279,152</u>	<u>337,345</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>147,611</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>279,152</u>	<u>337,345</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>147,611</u>	<u>131,541</u>	<u>279,152</u>	<u>337,345</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	13			147,611	41,982
Unrestricted funds				131,541	295,363
Restricted funds				<u>131,541</u>	<u>295,363</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>279,152</u>	<u>337,345</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 29 April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr K Potter - Trustee

THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON

Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(57,311)	83,322
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(57,311)	83,322
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(57,311)	83,322
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		319,222	235,900
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		261,911	319,222

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(58,193)	82,269
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	1,589	1,987
Increase in debtors	(235)	-
Decrease in creditors	(472)	(934)
	<u>(57,311)</u>	<u>83,322</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	<u>(57,311)</u>	<u>83,322</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/1/23 £	Cash flow £	At 31/12/23 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	319,222	(57,311)	261,911
	<u>319,222</u>	<u>(57,311)</u>	<u>261,911</u>
Total	<u>319,222</u>	<u>(57,311)</u>	<u>261,911</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the 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.

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.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                    - 20% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Gifts	1,748	(1,748)	-	-
Donations	204,173	92,149	296,322	519,516
Gift aid	12,728	-	12,728	18,978
Grants	38,817	27,681	66,498	-
	<u>257,466</u>	<u>118,082</u>	<u>375,548</u>	<u>538,494</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Other grants	<u>66,498</u>	<u>-</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fundraising events	-	511	511	-
Lettings	49,122	-	49,122	25,265
Fees including Weddings	728	-	728	833
	<u>49,850</u>	<u>511</u>	<u>50,361</u>	<u>26,098</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Other income	<u>12,676</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,676</u>	<u>-</u>

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Charitable Activities			
	3,916	624	4,540
Charitable Activities	463,102	29,136	492,238
	<u>467,018</u>	<u>29,760</u>	<u>496,778</u>

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Charitable Activities				
	-	-	624	624
Charitable Activities	27,833	1,303	-	29,136
	<u>27,833</u>	<u>1,303</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>29,760</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

8. STAFF COSTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	151,960	21,531
	<u>151,960</u>	<u>21,531</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Governance	1	1
Charitable activities	15	11
	<u>16</u>	<u>12</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	119,695	418,799	538,494
Other trading activities	26,098	-	26,098
Total	<u>145,793</u>	<u>418,799</u>	<u>564,592</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	149,858	-	149,858
Charitable Activities	-	332,465	332,465
Total	<u>149,858</u>	<u>332,465</u>	<u>482,323</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(4,065)	86,334	82,269
Transfers between funds	(7,188)	7,188	-
Net movement in funds	<u>(11,253)</u>	<u>93,522</u>	<u>82,269</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	53,235	201,841	255,076
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>41,982</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>337,345</u>

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023	<u>91,794</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2023	71,847
Charge for year	1,589
	<u>          </u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>73,436</u>
Net book value	
At 31 December 2023	<u>18,358</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>19,947</u>

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	1,455	1,220
	<u>1,455</u>	<u>1,220</u>

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	2,572	3,044
	<u>2,572</u>	<u>3,044</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31/12/23
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	41,982	(392)	106,021	147,611
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	295,363	(57,801)	(106,021)	131,541
	<u>337,345</u>	<u>(58,193)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>279,152</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	319,992	(320,384)	(392)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	118,593	(176,394)	(57,801)
	<u>438,585</u>	<u>(496,778)</u>	<u>(58,193)</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	53,235	(4,065)	(7,188)	41,982
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	201,841	86,334	7,188	295,363
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>255,076</u>	<u>82,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>337,345</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	145,793	(149,858)	(4,065)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	418,799	(332,465)	86,334
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>564,592</u>	<u>(482,323)</u>	<u>82,269</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	53,235	(4,457)	98,833	147,611
Restricted funds				
Restricted fund	201,841	28,533	(98,833)	131,541
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>255,076</u>	<u>24,076</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>279,152</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	465,785	(470,242)	(4,457)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	537,392	(508,859)	28,533
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,003,177</u>	<u>(979,101)</u>	<u>24,076</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	296,322	519,516
Gift aid	12,728	18,978
Grants	66,498	-
	<u>375,548</u>	<u>538,494</u>
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	511	-
Lettings	49,122	25,265
Fees including Weddings	728	833
	<u>50,361</u>	<u>26,098</u>
Investment income		
Other income	12,676	-
	<u>12,676</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	438,585	564,592
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Charitable activities		
Salaries	151,960	21,531
Denominational	51,420	60,102
Service and Service Expenses	10,807	11,272
Church Maintenance	98,280	120,207
Cleaning	1,805	16,179
Utilities	22,683	9,915
Training & Pastoral Care	2,540	340
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth		
Services	125,934	230,839
Fixtures and fittings	1,589	1,987
	<u>467,018</u>	<u>472,372</u>
Support costs		
Management		
Other operating leases	20,544	2,861
Carried forward	20,544	2,861

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Management		
Brought forward	20,544	2,861
Postage and stationery	7,289	6,530
	<u>27,833</u>	<u>9,391</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	1,303	560
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	624	-
	<u>496,778</u>	<u>482,323</u>
Total resources expended		
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(58,193)</u>	<u>82,269</u>

**EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1140504

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# Accounts

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**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
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# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical Partnership:

### The Local Ecumenical Partnership

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement, and advice.

### The Area of Benefit:

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

### The participating denominations are:

- " The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- " The Church of England
- " The Methodist Church of Great Britain

### The participating Churches are:

- " Boothville Community Church (based in Boothville Community Centre)
- " Rectory Farm Community Church (based in the Rectory Farm Primary School)
- " Emmanuel Church (based in the Weston Favell Shopping Centre)

### Clergy:

The Reverend Haydon Spenceley (Team Rector 2017-May 2022)  
The Reverend Douglas Spenceley (Assistant Priest 2017-Dec 2022)  
The Reverence Chris Pearson (Assistant Priest 2019, acting Team Rector June 2022-Feb 2023)  
Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)The Reverend Rachael Warnock (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2021)

### Lay Preachers and Readers:

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
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for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

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Mrs Maureen Luke, Lay Canon (CofE)  
Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)  
Mr David Bell, Reader (C of E) - deceased July 2022  
Mr Peter Angus, Reader (C of E)  
Mrs Sheila Angus, Lay Pastoral Minister (C of E)  
Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mrs Angie Kennedy, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

During the year we had quite a few changes to our team, The Reverend Haydon Spenceley stepped down in May to take up a new post with the Diocese and The Reverence Chris Pearson stepped in at a temporary Team rector. The Reverend Douglas Spenceley also stepped away from Emmanuel at the end of 2022. Mrs Angie Kennedy started ministerial training in September 2022 so has been on placements at other churches as part of this. We celebrated in Mrs Maureen Luke being awarded the title of Lay Canon in November 2022. Mrs Fiona Potter continues also continues her Reader training. We also sadly lost Mr David Bell who passed away unexpectedly in July 2022.

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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### Objectives and activities

#### Objectives and aims

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The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isiah 61: v1-2).

We understand the vision of Isiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

A "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith.

A healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.

A mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world. a church within which:

The Father-heart of God may be known the love of Jesus may be discovered.

The power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- " The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- " The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- " Supporting the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- " Provision of community workers within the local areas
- " And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under The Trussell Trust)

## THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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#### Objectives and activities

##### Acting Team Rector's Report

Last year as our team rector wrote his report he was looking forward to moving on to a diocesan position and provided an overview of the progress the Emmanuel Group of Churches had made over the years of his curacy and then team rector position. It was a picture of massive growth both in quality and in the many aspects of community involvement which are so important in our area of so much deprivation. Inevitably, this past year has been largely dominated by the search for a new Team Rector and at the request of the diocesan bishop I initially stepped in, in an 'acting' position. Sadly, after ten months I have found it necessary to withdraw for health reasons, whilst remaining a member of the clergy team.

When our Team Rector was appointed, we employed a total of four members of staff. Currently that is nearly twenty (including staff of the café which is a separate charity although we manage its finance). That is a great tribute to our previous rector, but at the same time it places a huge extra management rôle on the incumbent and we know this is a significant part of the difficulty we are experiencing in finding the right replacement. The other issue, of course, is the current national shortage of clerical candidates. Funds have now been secured to provide for a separate management post for the community work of the church and we pray that an appointment will soon be made and the person God has called will then emerge as our new Team Rector.

Rev'd C. J. Pearson

##### Boothville Congregation

Church life has, slowly but surely, returned to something resembling normal, although that normal is different from before; virtually all members of the church worship as frequently as before, but there is still a recognition that care must be taken to avoid unnecessary risks; hand sanitiser is still used; refreshments are provided after services once again; there is a strong sense of mutual support.

All the major festivals of the Christian church are duly celebrated, with special activities at Easter, Pentecost, Harvest, Remembrance, Advent & Christmas.

The church has resumed having congregational meetings every couple of months, with a shared lunch afterwards.

John Weaver

##### Emmanuel Congregation Report 2022

For the Emmanuel Congregation this year has been a time of consolidation and a coming back to some sort of normality. Gradually members of the congregation came back to worship as Covid was abating. Services returned to a more normal pattern and people gradually became more comfortable to worship together. The congregation was small but throughout the year we have slowly welcomed more people to our services. Throughout the year Services have regularly been taken by Rev Rachael Warnock, James Fearnley, Peter Angus and Rev Yvonne Desroches and we thank them all for leading us. It has also been lovely to have Sam with us to help lead our singing.

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**Objectives and activities**

Krissy Cressey has continued working with the children and we are very grateful to her. It is good to see the number of children and families growing. We are praying for the time when we have enough volunteers to restart our Junior Church again. We are very stretched as a congregation, with people having to cover several jobs at services, a whole generation of 20-40's are missing from our church family. We pray for refreshment and a new vision for our congregation and the Group.

We were so sorry to say goodbye to Rev Haydon and Jo Spencerley in May. They are very much missed. Haydon did an amazing job at our church for 8 years. We pray that before long we shall be able to welcome a new Team Rector to our Group.

Rachael Warnock has been encouraging us to be Eco Church and brighten up the area outside the building by tidying up, litter picking and yarn bombing outside at Christmas and again at Easter.

We pray that in 2023 our congregation will grow and seek God's will and direction.

Maureen Timms, Emmanuel Congregation

Rectory Farm Congregation

During 21/22 Rectory Farm Church Congregation continued to meet in person at the Community Centre, in Olden Road, managed by Community Spaces Northampton.

Following the pandemic many remain weary and fragile with many this year experiencing significant life events. World events and the cost of living crisis has had a significant impact on the community, as has the change of venue and meeting time. This has been reflected by the fluctuation in no's attending.

Rectory Farm Community Church is now in the process of inviting 2 representatives from the youth to join the team, with a hope to bring a new voice and insight from a youth perspective. We aim to encourage and enable the youth to explore a deeper understanding of the roles and responsibilities connected with positions of leadership.

We have also been blessed by our youth leading the service on the first Sunday of every month.

We have celebrated one member of the congregation being licensed by the Bishop of Peterborough as a Lay Reader, and another being accepted for training as a Lay Chaplain at Northampton General Hospital.

Every Blessing to you all.

Yvonne Desroches on Behalf of the Rectory Farm Leadership team.

Community Work

Since joining Emmanuel as the community support worker I have attended events locally and identified provisions already existing in the area and promotes them via work of mouth and social media.

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**Objectives and activities**

I have given out energy efficiency packs to households that are experiencing difficulties with the cost of living crisis. (Over 200 beneficiaries)

I run two groups, one from thorplands community centre (ave of 10 attend) and a warm spaces project from blackthorn community centre (ave 25 attend)

I have been involved in the planning and delivery of FISH projects over the summer holidays and more recently a youth at risk project within a local academy school.

I have participated and promoted local litter picks and completed six as per my contractual requirements.

I hope to gain continuation of funding for my post to enable me to continue to develop and support the local community in which we serve.

Lynne Nelson

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### Achievement and performance

#### Fundraising report

In 2022, we saw a bit of recovery from the pandemic crisis, but still felt the impact of it, as room hire income failed to return to pre-pandemic levels, and fewer grant opportunities with more competition between charities, some of which were forced to close. However, we were delighted to finally raise enough money to complete our roof project! Huge thanks to all of the personal donors, and also to the following for the generous grants throughout the year for this and other projects for Emmanuel Group of Churches.

The Food Bank has been blessed with support from many people, groups, churches, clubs and schools, too many to mention each one, so please recognise our sincere thanks to every one of you. Weston Favell Centre Food Bank, which sits under the umbrella of Emmanuel Group of Churches, received the following gifts, grants and pledges during 2022 and we are so grateful for each one.

#### Weston Favell Foodbank Report

The yearly stats demonstrate that there has been an increase in the number of guests over the last 3 years:-

2020 - 12003

2021 - 13406

2022 - 14636

2023 - 5218 (Jan to March)

We were expecting the numbers to decrease after Christmas however this has not been the case and seems to be increasing. We had a slightly quieter period after the Household Vouchers were given out (Council Initiative) but this was only for a few weeks.

#### New Premises

We were served notice from the Weston Favell Centre last year. This has proved to be a challenging time. We searched for properties/spaces that we could use however being restricted to NN3 it proved very difficult and expensive. We found a few possibilities but unfortunately these did not work out. We are now situated in the family room and middle deck of Emmanuel Church where we distribute food parcels and the other services operate twice a week. We have a separate storage and packing unit at Goodwill Solutions in Moulton Park. O'Riordan Bond initially very kindly allowed us use of their van free of charge for a year, and then allowed us to buy it at a reduced price. This has been very beneficial for us as it allows us to be able to collect donations and continue with working between both sites.

We are in contact with Northampton Academy and they have allowed us to use their site to storage some of our furniture for free.

#### Donations

Tesco have started a new 6 month scheme where we receive free food each week from a dedicated pick list, we are currently receiving 6 cages of food per week. This scheme finishes in June 2023.

We have some Schools and local businesses who donate during Christmas, Easter and Harvest.

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We are also part of Neighbourly which sends us alerts for surplus food which we collect from Aldi and Sainsburys

We now have approximately 60 volunteers on our books.

Denise Kennedy - Foodbank Manager

**Financial review**

**Reserves policy**

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

**Structure, governance and management**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

**Reference and administrative details**

**Registered Charity number**

1140504

**Principal address**

Emmanuel Office Centre  
Weston Favell Centre  
Northampton  
NN3 8JR

**Trustees**

Rev H Spenceley  
Rev D Spenceley  
Mr M Maddocks  
Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver  
Mrs E Bateman  
Mrs J L Cole  
Mr D F Bell (deceased 11.7.22)  
Mrs F Potter  
Mrs P J Thompson  
Mrs R Tighe

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**Reference and administrative details**

**Independent Examiner**

Cobley Desborough

Chartered Certified Accountants

Chartered Tax Advisers

Artisans' House

7 Queensbridge

Northampton

Northamptonshire

NN4 7BF

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Mrs R Tighe - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

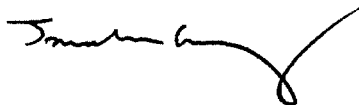
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Jonathan Cobley

Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Chartered Tax Advisers  
Artisans' House  
7 Queensbridge  
Northampton  
Northamptonshire  
NN4 7BF

18 April 2023

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
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**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	119,695	418,799	538,494	307,430
Other trading activities	3	26,098	-	26,098	14,136
Investment income	4	-	-	-	18
<b>Total</b>		<u>145,793</u>	<u>418,799</u>	<u>564,592</u>	<u>321,584</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>	5				
Charitable Activities		149,858	-	149,858	307,779
Charitable Activities		-	332,465	332,465	-
<b>Total</b>		<u>149,858</u>	<u>332,465</u>	<u>482,323</u>	<u>307,779</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>					
Transfers between funds	13	(4,065) (7,188)	86,334 7,188	82,269 -	13,805 -
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>(11,253)</u>	<u>93,522</u>	<u>82,269</u>	<u>13,805</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		53,235	201,841	255,076	241,271
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>41,982</u></u>	<u><u>295,363</u></u>	<u><u>337,345</u></u>	<u><u>255,076</u></u>

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**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	10	19,947	-	19,947	21,934
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	11	1,220	-	1,220	1,220
Cash at bank		23,859	295,363	319,222	235,900
		<u>25,079</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>320,442</u>	<u>237,120</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(3,044)	-	(3,044)	(3,978)
		<u>22,035</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>317,398</u>	<u>233,142</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>41,982</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>337,345</u>	<u>255,076</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>41,982</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>337,345</u>	<u>255,076</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>41,982</u>	<u>295,363</u>	<u>337,345</u>	<u>255,076</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	13				
Unrestricted funds				41,982	53,235
Restricted funds				295,363	201,841
				<u>337,345</u>	<u>255,076</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>337,345</u>	<u>255,076</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 April 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mrs R Tighe - Trustee

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**Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	83,322	15,691
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>83,322</u>	<u>15,691</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Interest received		-	18
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>18</u>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		235,900	220,191
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>319,222</u>	<u>235,900</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Notes to the Cash Flow Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

**1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)</b>	82,269	13,805
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	1,987	2,483
Interest received	-	(18)
Decrease in creditors	(934)	(579)
<b>Net cash provided by operations</b>	<u>83,322</u>	<u>15,691</u>

**2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS**

	At 1.1.22	Cash flow	At 31.12.22
	£	£	£
<b>Net cash</b>			
Cash at bank	235,900	83,322	319,222
	<u>235,900</u>	<u>83,322</u>	<u>319,222</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>235,900</u>	<u>83,322</u>	<u>319,222</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the 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.

**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.

**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.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                    - 20% on reducing balance

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Donations	100,717	418,799	519,516	289,226
Gift aid	18,978	-	18,978	18,204
	<u>119,695</u>	<u>418,799</u>	<u>538,494</u>	<u>307,430</u>

**3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Lettings	25,265	-	25,265	13,762
Fees including Weddings	833	-	833	374
	<u>26,098</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,098</u>	<u>14,136</u>

**4. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	-	-	-	18
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18</u>

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**5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Charitable Activities			
	137,920	11,938	149,858
Charitable Activities	332,465	-	332,465
	<u>470,385</u>	<u>11,938</u>	<u>482,323</u>

**6. SUPPORT COSTS**

	Management £	Finance £	Totals £
Charitable Activities			
	9,391	2,547	11,938
	<u>9,391</u>	<u>2,547</u>	<u>11,938</u>

**7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2022 nor for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**8. STAFF COSTS**

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	21,531	16,231
	<u>21,531</u>	<u>16,231</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Governance	1	1
Charitable activities	11	10
	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>

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**8. STAFF COSTS - continued**

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	143,175	123,947
Pension costs	3,490	3,731
Social security costs	2,187	1,509
	148,852 =====	129,187 =====

**9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	116,039	191,391	307,430
Other trading activities	14,136	-	14,136
Investment income	3	15	18
<b>Total</b>	<u>130,178</u>	<u>191,406</u>	<u>321,584</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	121,599	186,180	307,779
<b>NET INCOME</b>			
Transfers between funds	8,579 (1,485)	5,226 1,485	13,805 -
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	7,094	6,711	13,805
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	46,141	195,130	241,271
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u><u>53,235</u></u>	<u><u>201,841</u></u>	<u><u>255,076</u></u>

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**10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2022	91,794
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2022	69,860
Charge for year	1,987
At 31 December 2022	71,847
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2022	19,947
At 31 December 2021	21,934

**11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments	1,220	1,220

**12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other creditors	3,044	3,978

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**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	53,235	(4,065)	(7,188)	41,982
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	201,841	86,334	7,188	295,363
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>255,076</u>	<u>82,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>337,345</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	145,793	(149,858)	(4,065)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	418,799	(332,465)	86,334
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>564,592</u>	<u>(482,323)</u>	<u>82,269</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	46,141	8,579	(1,485)	53,235
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	195,130	5,226	1,485	201,841
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>13,805</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,076</u>

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**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	130,178	(121,599)	8,579
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	191,406	(186,180)	5,226
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>321,584</u>	<u>(307,779)</u>	<u>13,805</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	46,141	4,514	(8,673)	41,982
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	195,130	91,560	8,673	295,363
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>96,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>337,345</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	275,971	(271,457)	4,514
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	610,205	(518,645)	91,560
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>886,176</u>	<u>(790,102)</u>	<u>96,074</u>

**14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	519,516	289,226
Gift aid	18,978	18,204
	<u>538,494</u>	<u>307,430</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	25,265	13,762
Fees including Weddings	833	374
	<u>26,098</u>	<u>14,136</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	-	18
	<u>-</u>	<u>18</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>564,592</b>	<b>321,584</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries	21,531	16,231
Denominational	60,102	61,113
Service and Service Expenses	11,272	1,941
Church Maintenance	120,207	4,956
Cleaning	16,179	15,365
Utilities	9,915	6,490
Training & Pastoral Care	340	1,268
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth Services	230,839	187,434
	<u>470,385</u>	<u>294,798</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Other operating leases	2,861	3,700
Postage and stationery	6,530	6,232
	<u>9,391</u>	<u>9,932</u>

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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2022**

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	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Management</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	566	566
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,987	2,483
	<u>2,547</u>	<u>3,049</u>
Total resources expended	<u>482,323</u>	<u>307,779</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u>82,269</u>	<u>13,805</u>

**EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1140504

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# Accounts

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**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
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# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical

### Partnership:

The Local Ecumenical Partnership

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement and advice.

### The Area of Benefit:

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

### The Participating Churches:

The participating denominations are:

- o The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- o The Church of England
- o The Methodist Church of Great Britain

### The participating Churches are:

- o Boothville Community Church (based in Boothville Community Centre)
- o Rectory Farm Community Church (based in the Rectory Farm Primary School)
- o Emmanuel Church (based in the Weston Favell Shopping Centre)

### Staffing:

We have a strong team for the leading of worship in our three congregations.

### Clergy:

- The Reverend Haydon Spenceley (Team Rector 2017)
- The Reverend Douglas Spenceley (Assistant Priest 2017)
- The Reverence Chris Pearson (Assistant Priest 2019)
- Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)
- The Reverend Rachael Warnock (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2021)

### Lay Preachers and Readers:

- Mrs Maureen Luke, Reader (C of E)
- Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)
- Mr David Bell, Reader (C of E)
- Mr Peter Angus, Reader (C of E)

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## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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Mrs Sheila Angus, Lay Pastoral Minister (C of E)  
Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mrs Angie Kennedey, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

Rachael Warnock was welcomed as part time Baptist Minister in the Group of Churches in 2021.

### Objectives and activities

#### Objectives and aims

The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isiah 61: vl-2).

We understand the vision of Isiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

a "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith

a healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.

a mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world. a church within which:

the Father-heart of God may be known the love of Jesus may be discovered

the power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- o The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- o The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- o And the running of the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- o And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under Trussell Trust)

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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### Objectives and activities

Annual Report from the Team Rector 2021:

Looking back on 2021 from the distance of a few months into 2022 it is impossible not to first of all be thankful to God. The year contained many challenges, not least, but also not exclusively pertaining to Covid-19 and its direct and indirect consequences, but through everything God was faithful. He remains so.

Elsewhere in the documents presented here we see much to be thankful for and positive about. In 2021, we worshipped God, served our communities, grew in faith together, saw people join us and make great contributions. We made partnerships with local, regional and national organisations. We welcomed Rachael as our long hoped and prayed for Free Church Minister and saw her begin to settle in to what is already a vibrant and fruitful ministry. We returned to services in buildings after Easter and have managed to remain so in an unbroken pattern, whilst also serving those who remain at home, either joining us on or off-line. Most exciting of all for me is that people were baptised and welcomed in to God's family of faith where there is always room for one more.

At the start of the year I set out 9 hopes for what we would see in the year ahead. It is only in the realms of our work with older children and teenagers, partly due to the moving on of Mell, our youth worker after many years of service, and in the realm of potential church-planting into estates in our area, that we didn't make the strides we hoped for in 2021. There is always hope, however and I am sure that the report for 2022 will note progress in both of these areas and plenty of others besides.

I would like to pay tribute to Mike our Treasurer and the rest of the Finance Team who continue to work tirelessly to keep the Finances of the Church on track. The results presented here are primarily due to God's kindness and the generosity of our members and those who support our wider work. However, the Finance Team face a particular burden and responsibility, exacerbated both by the pandemic and by the burgeoning nature of our work and the financial complexities therein and they ought to be congratulated for helping us to be financially stable and to meet our responsibilities as well as having the flexibility to meet new opportunities positively. They are ably supported by Julie Parsons, our fundraiser who has done an astonishing job in 2021 to help us persist in all we feel God has called us to do. Thank you to her.

A growing team of staff and volunteers have done amazingly well to glorify God, point people to Him and serve the Church and community in a multiplicity of ways this year. I could wax lyrical about many, many people, but two particularly I want to pay tribute to in this year's report. Firstly, Fiona Potter has led our Staffing Group with me as we have sought to create, develop, mould and shape staffing policies and procedures which are fit for purpose for a Church which does what we do now. Fiona has done a wonderful, often gruelling and under-appreciated job and the base we have for looking forwards now is a testament to her and the other members of the Staffing Group, past and present who have worked so hard. Thank you to her. The other person I'd like to pick out here is Krissy Cressey, who has faithfully offered ministry to and with children and families every Sunday since the beginning of the Covid-19 season, voluntarily and often at cost to herself, both financial and personal. Krissy has personally pointed many, many people to Jesus through what she has done, she does not seek, or like to receive credit, but she has been a good and faithful follower of God's call in this season and I am hugely grateful to her. There are many, many others I could name, but I hope the Church is aware of the value that all of our volunteers add to our aim to be Good News and to live Good News.

## THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

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#### Objectives and activities

This will be my last Team Rector's report as I move on from Emmanuel in May 2022 after a scarcely believable (in more ways than one) almost eight years here. It has been the privilege of a lifetime to learn how to be a Minister here. I hope I have done well by the Church and the Community, I have certainly done my best. Highlights have been linking up with so many schools, seeing community groups like Silhouette Theatre company call the church a place of home and welcome, see the transformation in Cafe Emm, the growth in the confidence of individuals and the Church as a whole that the life of Jesus is something we have to offer and that Emmanuel is a place where God is at work, strengthening ecumenical bonds behind the scenes, seeing the growth of the staff team, with so much more besides. I hope that the Church will continue to trust God, to follow His lead, to always welcome all, especially those who do not conform (whatever conforming looks like in our context) to be part of the community here and to fall more in love with Jesus. Whatever may come, look to Him and all will ultimately be well.

Every blessing,

Haydon

#### Emmanuel Church Congregation - 2021:

The Covid pandemic brought yet another difficult year for everyone. We were unable to meet together in person but continued the very successful Group on line services through our website and Facebook pages. As we reached the summer, we were able to start, very cautiously to meet at Emmanuel on Sunday mornings in a very controlled way, by pre-booking, limiting numbers, wearing masks, one-way systems, and leaving directly after the service. This was all very hard, and the congregation was quite small. Gradually conditions started to improve. In September the Rev Rachael Warnock was welcomed as our new Free Church Minister and it was so good to be able to welcome her in person.

The separate Group online Services still continued, but in September these became streamed Services so people were able to feel more included. We thank the team who have been making this possible. On Wednesday Evening there is a short reflective meeting on line. Monday evening prayer meetings on Zoom have become a regular event. The Midweek communion service resumed on Wednesdays at 11.30 towards the end of the year.

We were very privileged to witness 3 believer's baptisms during the year. People coming to faith during lockdown.

We have also been very blessed to have Krissy preparing a slot for the children each week, with teaching and craft activities, both online and at the Emmanuel service. We thank her so much for her inspiring work and dedication.

Some of our young people went off to university in October and sadly we said goodbye to Mel in November who has served our young people so well for many years. We are in the process of finding her replacement.

We finished the year with a bit of a flourish, with a Christmas café church nativity and an Evening Carol Service.

We are really looking forward to more people returning to worship and new people joining us in 2022.

Maureen Timms, Emmanuel Congregation

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

Rectory Farm Congregation 'Encounter' 2020:

Jeremiah 31:3-4 - I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness. I will build you up again and you will be rebuilt.

Prior to July 2021 Rectory Farm Community Congregation (RFCC) met in the local primary school on a Sunday morning at 10.30am.

During most of 2020 due to pandemic restrictions, like most Church congregations, Rectory Farm were unable to meet in person, however many accessed online services. Many continued supporting and encouraging one another, showing unity with God, one another, and his Church. A pandemic left many weary and fragile. The almighty creator God longs to breathe new life into his people, the Church and communities, new life into the weariness and the fragile.

Prayer and enthusiastic conversations regarding the way forward took place, with a clear sense of direction, surrounded by a sense of excitement and commitment.

Rectory Farm Community Church emerged as covid restrictions lifted, meeting in person from July 2021 and continues to meet.

Entering a partnership within the Community Centre. RFCC 'Encounter' began to meet weekly on a Sunday afternoon at 4.30. A service that was aimed at family worship providing space for reflection, conversation, and creativity to explore and encounter what living a life with Jesus means for the individual, the Church, and the community.

'Encounter' continues to grow in love and understanding, wisdom and prayer, for one another and Jesus as the community meet at new time of 3.30.

RFCC have been extremely flexible in their approach to the changes encountered. With the focus on developing a strong united community that reflects the love of Christ in a family of faith where there is always room for more. It has been such a blessing seeing the young people and others take an active part in the leadership of 'Encounter'. Coming together and establishing 'Identity' after a pandemic remains an important commitment. "You are Christ's body -that's who you are! You must never forget this". 1 Corinthians 12:27 (MSG)

Every Blessing to you all. Yvonne Desroches on Behalf of the Rectory Farm Leadership team.

Boothville Congregation - 2020:

Having followed government restrictions, the community church re-opened when it was permitted to do so, & gradually moved towards weekly services, with most members of the congregation enthusiastic about meeting & worshipping together.

John Weaver

Community Care 2021

The community care role continues to grow now covid restrictions have lifted.

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#### Objectives and activities

The job centre has been running since September and take up has been slow. It runs for 2 hours alongside the foodbank. We are working in partnership with national careers service (NCS) and refer people to their job club they run on a Tuesday morning. We also work with NCS on a Monday morning, helping them with another job club, again which we refer people to.

The money support centre continues to run alongside the foodbank on a Wednesday. Again, take up is slow, considering most people who use the foodbank must be struggling financially, otherwise they wouldn't be there.

We started a family fun group on Blackthorn in partnership with growing together.

FISH restarted in the summer in Blackthorn community centre, as the school wasn't available. This restricted the numbers, but we were still feeding and entertaining 30 children each week. We had our first FISH in Christmas holidays and had Santa turnup which the kids just loved,

The drop-in on a Thursday morning has changed to a men's only drop in and has seen new people joining. We are looking at a new drop in to run at another estate in the new year.

This year we started a wellbeing walk, which runs weekly. Although the numbers are low, we have good wellbeing conversations.

Our youth club Rzone, restarted in October, running weekly in term time. We have been able to continue to run this despite our youth worker leaving, by getting extra support from a member.

Paul Foster

#### Emmanuel Family Tots - 2021:

As Covid continued to affect us all, Tracy worked hard to keep in contact with our families and try to make sure they had resources to keep the children occupied. As the summer months came, we were able to meet in various parks around the Eastern District, Eastfield Park being the most popular. With the help of our volunteers, we were able to lead various games and activities.

From September, whilst complying with the ever-changing Covid rules, we were able to come back inside to meet. Emmanuel Family tots was able to run 10-11.30 every Wednesday. As most of our former tots had moved to either nursery or school, we had to build this group back up, but within a few weeks we were up to around 10-15 families.

In October, I Gemma Broadhead took over as Emmanuel Church's Young Families worker, a role I knew well as I had volunteered within the group for the last 6 years. Tracy and I worked on the transition, and both felt it was as smooth as was possible. I have worked with my six volunteers to make them feel included and help to define their roles.

Tracy had seen a need for a group for some of our grandparents, who had supported family by looking after their grandchildren and now felt a little lost, as the children were now in education. When I took over this group, we met every couple of weeks but took a break due to some of the participants ill health, this is now back up and running and all are finding it to be very supportive.

## THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

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#### Objectives and activities

As of this week we are running a second group called Time to Shine. This will be a smaller more supportive group, with support coming from C2C, Emmanuel Church and from our own volunteers experience and training.

Gemma Broadhead

Emmanuel Group Youth Worker 2021:

The year saw the development of a new Youth Hub project which was being run with the support of Emmanuel Youth Worker, NAYC Youth Worker and Café Emm. The funding provided by the High Sheriff was to engage and provide early intervention for at risk young people between the ages of 11-13. Consultations, were held with Northampton Academy, with the project due to commence in March 2021, but did not commence until April 2021. The delay was due to Covid 19 related illnesses, sign off and finalisation of risk assessments.

The program developed was to work on a 6 week program of events, covering, health and nutrition, self-confidence, mental health and interactive activities to build relationships. Numbers of attendees to the project did not reach their capacity, which was a disappointment. The last group ran in September 2021.

The walking group continued to meet and selected routes were weather dependent, if there was too much water out in the fields.

Rectory Farm R zone continued as detached youth work, and eventually went back in the building in October 2021

God Squad and Jam out met on line.

The Youth Worker left the post in November 2021 and the post is currently out to advertisement for recruitment.

Regards

Fiona Potter

Chair of Emmanuel Staffing group

Emmanuel Coffee Shop 2021:

Café Emm is a community café: the food is home cooked daily, fresh and nutritious. It is provided at an affordable price, with no obligation to buy more than a hot drink and sit and chat all day.

We are open from 10am to 2pm, Monday to Friday. We serve approx. 30 to 50 covers per day.

We have recently set up a Memory wall, customers have been able to provide stories about their childhood and photographs.

We also have a Memory circle afternoon, that provides dementia friendly activities.

There is also a Games morning on Mondays, board games and cards.

Our other recent projects;

Sunday Lunch, which ran from September to December and will relaunch in March.

We have on average 35 covers per session. This has been hugely popular and quite often oversubscribed.

## THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

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#### Objectives and activities

Friday afternoon tea, which ran from September to December and will relaunch in March. We also provided entertainment or a quiz. Approx. 20 covers per session.

Both the above provide enjoyable afternoons out at an affordable price. The cook salary is funded and volunteers provide the service aspect.

We currently have 12 volunteers that work in the café, 2 or 4 hour shifts per day. There are also 2 volunteers that work on Sunday lunches and afternoon teas.

We also have 6 people with special needs that work in the café.

Julie Hollingsworth

Coffee shop and projects manager

#### Café Emm Community Support Worker 2021

I work with people who come into the Café to help support them and improve their wellbeing. I run a once weekly games morning. This is open to anyone and is free to join. This gives members the opportunity to meet new people and to have fun playing a range of different card and board games. I also run a fortnightly Memory Café. This is open to people living with memory loss and to those supporting them. This is a free service. The group offers a range of reminiscence and arts-based activities to help support and stimulate those involved. It is a friendly, safe space to share experiences of living with dementia, helping to identify helpful strategies. In my role, I offer a quiz to those attending the Café's afternoon tea events. My role also involves marketing our services and looking for other opportunities to create new groups.

Annette Codrington

#### Food Bank - 2021:

Stats

The yearly stats are below demonstrating the increase over the last 3 years:

2019 = 5911

2020 = 12003

2021 = 13374

In January the numbers have slowed down slightly which is the usual trend for January followed by an expected increase in February and March. Bearing in mind Gas and Electric costs are due for a big increase we do expect food bank to be busier in the coming months. We have been looking for funding around this area.

#### Extended opening at Foodbank

We have opened on a Friday morning 10am - 12pm as there was an increasing demand for food bank. Currently we are seeing around 17 families using the food bank on a Friday morning.

#### Volunteer & Training Development Manager

This post is currently being advertised. Closing date is 23 February. We have received over 25 applications and will be interviewing in March. I am hopeful that we will get a suitable applicant who will be successful. Once we have someone in post we will be able to move forward with the Trussell Trust Assemble project.

#### Financial Inclusion Grant

I am currently working with Haydon, Julie fundraiser and Trussell Trust in applying for a fast track Financial Inclusion Grant. We are hoping to secure the funding in the spring and employ a financial inclusion worker who will be in food bank 3 times a week supporting food bank guests with money and Universal Credit issues.

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**Report of the Trustees  
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**Objectives and activities**

**Training**

We have completed the Induction training given to volunteers when they join foodbank, we will aim to deliver this training 3 times a year. At the last induction 33 volunteers attended. In January we ran a training session delivered by Community Law Service, this was well received with 22 volunteers and staff attending.

**Donations**

Donations are still coming in, we are really lucky to receive the donations we do. The new Aldi in Moulton are one of the newest donators. We are now picking up from them 3 times a week.

**Befriending Project**

We are still waiting to hear about funding for this project and we are on pause until we find out the outcome. I would like to include Advocacy in this project as this will work well with the coaching sessions I am planning to deliver in the spring.

**New Furniture for Unit**

I have ordered new furniture for the unit to build on a welcoming, clean and tidy environment for foodbank guests and volunteers. Julie managed to secure £2500 funding. This has been spent on new chairs and tables throughout the unit, to make it more comfortable. The furniture should all arrive by the end of February.

**Special Projects**

**Northampton University Placements**

We have two uni placements at foodbank. They are volunteering as part of their course work, the courses are social care and community participation. Food bank fits well with these courses. I have also had an enquiry from an OT student who would like to volunteer at Food bank.

I have also agreed with Northampton University to take on two more placement students who will be joining us in April 2022.

**Five Wells HMP**

I will be delivering awareness sessions once a month to the residents at Five Wells HMP. This is a rehabilitation prison where the residents stay between the last 16 weeks to two years of their sentence to get ready for when they are released. We will one of various services going into the prison to make sure things like housing etc are in place.

**Fundraising**

We are currently looking at ways to build on the food bank community while raising funds for the food bank at the same time.

With the Platinum Jubilee being a focus this June we are working in partnership with the Weston Favell Shopping Centre to create various events to celebrate inclusively with our community.

Anne Woodley

**Emmanuel Building - 2021:**

Despite the lockdown, the building has been used when possible, but still subject to sensible precautions ; in-person services resumed, leading to weekly services ; some groups resumed, but the amount of lettings is seriously down on pre-pandemic levels. Routine maintenance has been carried out, but replacement of the roof has not been possible, as the necessary funding has not been secured yet.

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**Objectives and activities**

The Weston Favell Shopping Centre - 2021:

Throughout 2021 we have continued to develop and be blessed by wonderful support from Kevin Legg, Shopping Centre Manager, and many of his staff, in areas great and small, such as helping us advertise what we do, collecting for Weston Favell Centre Foodbank, enabling us to mark Remembrance in the Shopping Centre, all the way through to springing into action to clean graffiti off of our walls and seeking to aid us in building projects. It is an enormous blessing to be the Church for the Shopping Centre and to be able to support the team and the wider Shopping Centre community and something which we do not and should not take for granted. It was good to welcome several members of the Shopping Centre team for a Christmas dinner in Cafe Emm as a thank-you just before Christmas, which was enjoyed by all. We maintain the support and solidarity of the Management Team, who really do go above and beyond on our behalf. Thank you to them.

Haydon

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

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#### **Achievement and performance**

##### **Fundraising report**

The pandemic continued to impact on the income for our churches and the Food Bank, with personal cash donations and room hire income reduced, while the needs for our support remained high. The demand for the Food Bank stayed high and that remains the case, with the loss of the extra £20 Universal Credit, and the rise in fuel costs, amongst various factors.

The Food Bank has been blessed with support from many people, groups, churches, clubs and schools, too many to mention each one, so please recognise our sincere thanks to every one of you. Weston Favell Centre Food Bank, which sits under the umbrella of Emmanuel Group of Churches, received the following gifts and grants during 2021 and we are so grateful for each one:

Northamptonshire Community Foundation (Tech4Kids): £1065.88

West Northants Council: £1250

Constance Travis: £3000

Persimmon Homes: £1000

Hillards: £1000

Arnold Clark: £4500

Shoosmiths: £625

Western Power: £4100

Infinis Energy: £5000

Tesco bags: £1000

Blakemore Foundation: £50

Coop Local Community Fund: £6,057

Trussell Trust: £15909.83

Infinis Energy gave us our largest grant for running costs, and we are so grateful for the continued support of this company.

Many of you have supported us with donations via Localgiving, for which we are so grateful:

<https://localgiving.org/weston-favell-centre-foodbank>

Emmanuel Group of Churches were also blessed with generous gifts and grants which included:

Northants High Sherriff: £3,000

All Churches Trust - Growing Lives: £14,000

Northants Sports: £2,200

Mick George: £747

National Lottery Awards for All: £9,494

Methodist DAF: £8,000 with a pledge of support for 5 years in total, subject to satisfactory reporting

Anton Jurgens: £3,000

Frederick and Phyllis Cann Trust: £500

Avon: £3,000

Constance Travis Charitable Trust: £5,000

Northampton Town Council: £511

NBC - Councillor Fund: £300

The 29th May 1961 Trust: £3,000

Postcode Places Trust: £20,000

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We were also delighted to receive the following pledges of support for our building works, once we reach our target for the works to be commenced: The Hobson Charity: £5,000, and Northamptonshire Historic Churches £3,000. We still need to press on and raise more to complete the works required.

We are so grateful to those of you who have supported us with donations. You can give via Localgiving:  
<https://localgiving.org/emmanuelgroup>

Thank you so much to all of you for your extraordinary support. We're also very grateful for the support of Northamptonshire Community Foundation through whom we received various grants, and their ongoing support.

We thank God for His provision through each act of generosity.

Personally, I also want to thank Haydon Spenceley, Mike Maddocks and Peter Angus for their support.

Julie Parsons - Emmanuel Group of Churches - Fundraiser

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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### Financial review

#### Financial Report - 2020

Covid 19 continued to have an impact on various aspects of Income indices on the Emmanuel Group of Churches 2021 budget.

There were once again losses against budget due to Covid in 2021 - £9,737.00 on Lettings, £13,417.00 on Giving and £4,500 on Coffee Shop Rent - this was countered to some degree by savings on Utilities, due to lack of use of the building.

The above reflects performance against budget forecast figures, which once again was set in the midst of an uncertain knowledge of how Omicron would affect 2021.

All giving from the three Congregations of Emmanuel Group of Churches (Emmanuel Church + 6.1% on 2020) - Boothville Community Church + 3.1% on 2020) and Rectory Farm Community Church +2.4% on 2020) - Overall as a group of Churches +4.5% on the year 2020.

Despite the problems of 2021, I am pleased to advise that we paid 100% of our Parish Share in 2021. We also paid the full Methodist Assessment for 2021.

A great deal of credit in achieving these figures should go to Julie Parsons our excellent Fundraiser she has once again raised a staggering amount of money in 2021, without her efforts and the continued amazing generosity of Congregational members and those people not directly associated with Emmanuel Group of Churches, we would not be in the position we are now.

Julie's efforts in 2021 are reflected in her detailed report in these accounts.

Considering the uncertainty of 2021, I feel privileged to have been your Treasurer and to have played a small part in what is a remarkable achievement, to which prayerful thanks should be given.

At December end 2019 our Free Funds stood at £733.00

At December end 2020 our Free Funds stood at £21,460.00

At December end 2021 our Free Funds stood at £14,456.00

The above is a testament to all involved from Ministers, Paid Members of staff and the host of willing volunteers who all work and strive for the benefit and glory of Gods work in the Emmanuel Group of Churches.

I would also wish to thank Meriel Mears, who in 2021 took on the role of Assistant Treasurer and Gift Aid Secretary, as well as doing the Monthly Payroll.

My thanks also to the Finance Team for their excellent support in 2021

Mike Maddocks - Treasurer - Emmanuel Group of Churches  
March 2022

### Reserves policy

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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**Structure, governance and management**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

**Reference and administrative details**

**Registered Charity number**

1140504

**Principal address**

Emmanuel Office Centre  
Weston Favell Centre  
Northampton  
NN3 8JR

**Trustees**

Rev H Spenceley  
Rev D Spenceley  
Mr M Maddocks  
Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver  
Mrs E Bateman  
Mrs J L Cole  
Mr D F Bell  
Mrs F Potter  
Mrs P J Thompson  
Mrs R Tighe

**Independent Examiner**

Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Chartered Tax Advisers  
Artisans' House  
7 Queensbridge  
Northampton  
Northamptonshire  
NN4 7BF

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 April 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

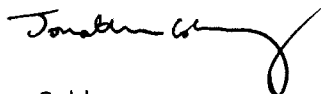
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCCA which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Jonathan Cobley  
FCCA  
Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Chartered Tax Advisers  
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7 Queensbridge  
Northampton  
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22 April 2022

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

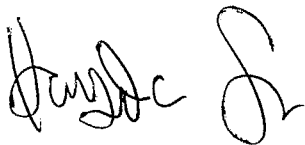
	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		116,039	191,391	307,430	391,975
Other trading activities	2	14,136	-	14,136	13,501
Investment income	3	3	15	18	153
<b>Total</b>		<u>130,178</u>	<u>191,406</u>	<u>321,584</u>	<u>405,629</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable Activities					
		121,599	186,180	307,779	251,799
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>8,579</u>	<u>5,226</u>	<u>13,805</u>	<u>153,830</u>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	10	<u>(1,485)</u>	<u>1,485</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>7,094</u>	<u>6,711</u>	<u>13,805</u>	<u>153,830</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>53,235</u></u>	<u><u>201,841</u></u>	<u><u>255,076</u></u>	<u><u>241,271</u></u>

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	7	21,934	-	21,934	24,417
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	8	1,220	-	1,220	1,220
Cash at bank		34,059	201,841	235,900	220,191
		<u>35,279</u>	<u>201,841</u>	<u>237,120</u>	<u>221,411</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,978)	-	(3,978)	(4,557)
		<u>31,301</u>	<u>201,841</u>	<u>233,142</u>	<u>216,854</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>53,235</u>	<u>201,841</u>	<u>255,076</u>	<u>241,271</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>53,235</u>	<u>201,841</u>	<u>255,076</u>	<u>241,271</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>53,235</u>	<u>201,841</u>	<u>255,076</u>	<u>241,271</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	10			53,235	46,141
Unrestricted funds				201,841	195,130
Restricted funds				<u>255,076</u>	<u>241,271</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>255,076</u>	<u>241,271</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 April 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparing the 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                      - 20% on reducing balance

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### **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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Lettings	13,762	-	13,762	12,758
Fees including Weddings	374	-	374	743
	<u>14,136</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,136</u>	<u>13,501</u>

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	3	15	18	153
	<u>3</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>153</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Governance	1	1
Charitable activities	10	9
	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

**5. STAFF COSTS - continued**

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	123,947	112,819
Pension costs	3,731	3,506
Social security costs	1,509	1,379
	129,187 =====	117,604 =====

**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	154,676	237,299	391,975
Other trading activities	13,501	-	13,501
Investment income	23	130	153
<b>Total</b>	<u>168,200</u>	<u>237,429</u>	<u>405,629</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	124,923	126,876	251,799
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u>43,277</u>	<u>110,553</u>	<u>153,830</u>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<u>(30,363)</u>	<u>30,363</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	12,914	140,916	153,830
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	33,227	54,214	87,441
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u><u>46,141</u></u>	<u><u>195,130</u></u>	<u><u>241,271</u></u>

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021	91,794
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2021	67,377
Charge for year	2,483
At 31 December 2021	69,860
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2021	21,934
At 31 December 2020	24,417

**8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments	1,220	1,220

**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2021 £	2020 £
Payments on account	-	1,123
Other creditors	3,978	3,434

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	46,141	8,579	(1,485)	53,235
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	195,130	5,226	1,485	201,841
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>13,805</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,076</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	130,178	(121,599)	8,579
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	191,406	(186,180)	5,226
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>321,584</u>	<u>(307,779)</u>	<u>13,805</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/1/20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	33,227	43,277	(30,363)	46,141
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	54,214	110,553	30,363	195,130
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>87,441</u>	<u>153,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,271</u>

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	168,200	(124,923)	43,277
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	237,429	(126,876)	110,553
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>405,629</u>	<u>(251,799)</u>	<u>153,830</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	33,227	51,856	(31,848)	53,235
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	54,214	115,779	31,848	201,841
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>87,441</u>	<u>167,635</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,076</u>

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	298,378	(246,522)	51,856
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	428,835	(313,056)	115,779
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>727,213</u>	<u>(559,578)</u>	<u>167,635</u>

**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	289,226	373,673
Gift aid	18,204	18,302
	<u>307,430</u>	<u>391,975</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	13,762	12,758
Fees including Weddings	374	743
	<u>14,136</u>	<u>13,501</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	18	153
	<u>18</u>	<u>153</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>321,584</b>	<b>405,629</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries	16,231	22,095
Denominational	61,113	58,410
Service and Service Expenses	1,941	917
Wedding and Occasional Offices	-	434
Church Maintenance	4,956	6,801
Cleaning	15,365	13,456
Utilities	6,490	6,732
Training & Pastoral Care	1,268	771
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth Services	187,434	127,249
	<u>294,798</u>	<u>236,865</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Other operating leases	3,700	4,709
Carried forward	3,700	4,709

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

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	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Management</b>		
Brought forward	3,700	4,709
Postage and stationery	6,232	6,813
	<u>9,932</u>	<u>11,522</u>
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	566	560
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,483	2,852
	<u>3,049</u>	<u>3,412</u>
Total resources expended	<u>307,779</u>	<u>251,799</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u><u>13,805</u></u>	<u><u>153,830</u></u>

**EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES**

England & Wales - Charity number 1140504

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# Accounts

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**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020  
for  
THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

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# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton is a Local Ecumenical

### Partnership:

The Local Ecumenical Partnership

The Charity gives effect to the local ecumenical partnership the Emmanuel Churches approved for the area of benefit by the participating Churches; and looks to the sponsoring body for support, encouragement and advice.

### The Area of Benefit:

The area of benefit is primarily the communities associated with Northampton East, together with the area of Boothville, and those who associate with it and benefit from its ministry. For the Anglican Parish the area of ministry is as the Parish of Northampton, Emmanuel.

### The Participating Churches:

The participating denominations are:

- o The Baptist Union of Great Britain
- o The Church of England
- o The Methodist Church of Great Britain

### The participating Churches are:

- o Boothville Community Church (based in Boothville Community Centre)
- o Rectory Farm Community Church (based in the Rectory Farm Primary School)
- o Emmanuel Church (based in the Weston Favell Shopping Centre)

### Staffing:

We have a strong team for the leading of worship in our three congregations.

### Clergy:

The Reverend Haydon Spenceley (Team Rector 2017)  
The Reverend Douglas Spenceley (Assistant Priest 2017)  
The Reverend Stuart Jenkins (Free Church (Baptist) Minister 2019)  
The Reverence Chris Pearson (Assistant Priest 2019)  
Mrs Yvonne Desroches (Assistant Curate 2020)

### Lay Preachers and Readers:

Mrs Maureen Luke, Reader (C of E)  
Mr James Fearnley, Reader (C of E)  
Mr David Bell, Reader (C of E)

**THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES  
NORTHAMPTON**

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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Mr Peter Angus, Reader (C of E)  
Mrs Sheila Angus, Lay Pastoral Minister (C of E)  
Mrs Kristin Hatherly, Lay Pastor (BUGB)  
Mr Keith Holland Delamere, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mrs Angie Kennedey, Licensed Evangelist (C of E)  
Mr Ken Clark, Reader (C of E)

Yvonne Desroches was welcomed as Assistant Curate in the Group of Churches in 2020. She was licensed on 26th September 2020 by The Rt Revd John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixwoth. Likewise, Paul Foster, was licensed as a Lay Minister on 26th September 2020 by The Rt Revd Donald Allister, Bishop of Peterborough. It is a delight to welcome both to our ministry team.

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The Church Council of the Emmanuel Group of Churches has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy in promoting the ecumenical, pastoral, evangelistic and social mission of the churches.

The premises of the LEP comprise Emmanuel Church and are subject to a sharing agreement under the provision of the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969. The Shared Churches committee however devolves responsibility for the Emmanuel Church building to the Emmanuel Group Church Council.

The Clergy and Group Council have enshrined a Declaration of Intent in the Local Ecumenical Partnership Constitution of 2010:

God's call to unity contains the promise of wholeness; healing and reconciliation. It is for individuals, the church and the community.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. The Lord has sent me to proclaim freedom for prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour (Isiah 61: v1-2).

We understand the vision of Isiah 61, affirmed by Jesus at the start of his mission, to be highly significant in working out mission in our neighbourhood and the world.

It is our prayer that we may both be and become:

a "home" for the community whether or not they have come to Christian Faith

a healing community within which faith, love, hope and truth may be discovered. a family within which forgiveness may be both received and given.

a mission centre for those who will be salt and light in neighbourhood, nation and world. a church within which:

the Father-heart of God may be known the love of Jesus may be discovered

the power of the Holy Spirit may be experienced as people grow to maturity in Christ.

We facilitate these intentions through:

- o The worshipping and community life of our three congregations
- o The maintenance of the fabric of the Emmanuel building
- o And the running of the Emmanuel Coffee Shop
- o And the provision of Weston Favell Centre Food Bank (under Trussell Trust)

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

Annual Report from the Team Rector:

As it was for every Church and charity, probably the world over, 2020 was a strange and unusual year. Fortunately for us, where Covid-19 could have rendered us chaotic, confused, afraid and anxious, what it actually did was bring us as a Church together with a unity of purpose and sense of direction. My aim is for us to be a family of faith where there's always room for one more and we achieved this in many ways in 2020. Many new people joined us through our online services and in online gatherings to learn about faith. Alongside this, the more than doubling in our Foodbank distribution alongside delivering meals to those isolated and in need, building relationships with local schools and developing projects such as the Money Support Centre which is launching in early 2021 are all signs that the Church is alive, well and doing what it needs to.

The work of many people has kept us going through 2020. I wish to particularly commend Mike Maddocks our Treasurer who has kept a close eye on our finances throughout the year, and Julie Parsons our Fundraiser who has done fantastic work to attain grants which have enabled us to keep our staff working, keeping them building, nurturing and developing burgeoning teams of volunteers and most of all meeting new people in the community who need to receive help and hear the message of hope and love that Jesus has given us to share. Each one of our staff have done astounding work this year. I'm also encouraged by the way in which many who are part of our family of faith have found their own way of not just surviving 2020, but thinking of others, serving them, showing love and putting faith into action. Whatever 2021 brings, I'm confident that we will prepare for what we can and respond to what we must with the goal of making sure that we make our area of Northampton East better because we're here serving and loving it first and foremost and that out of that love and service ripples might go across the town and further afield to show and share the love of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your prayers and support this year.

Every blessing, Haydon

Rectory Farm Congregation 2020:

An unusual year, new opportunities emerging.

Rectory Farm Community Church last met at the school in March 2020. We are currently not permitted to meet at the school or in the community centre due to the pandemic. Around a third of the congregation met in person once at Emmanuel Church since then. Members have been keeping in contact with each other via a new WhatsApp group and a small number have been meeting most weeks for a short zoom call after the group online service. Discussions about the future direction of the congregation have taken place.

During the pandemic Rectory Farm Community Centre was expanded to add a second hall. Mel, Paul and Keith visited in a covid secure manner to see the new and refurbished facilities. Various exchanges have taken place between leadership team or Community Spaces Northampton via email to look at the possibility of moving the congregation from the school to the community centre and these are looking very likely. There are a series of possible exciting partnerships and activities that the congregation will be able to engage with in the post pandemic future. We pray that a clear vision for the future direction of Rectory Farm Community Church emerges whilst we wait for the right time to move forward.

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Objectives and activities**

##### **Youth 2020:**

A very different year and one I hope we never repeat. March saw a very abrupt end to face to face contact across all groups. Rzone, Shine and Sunday Groups remained closed for the remainder of the year. Despite a few attempts to get the young people to engage in Sunday sessions via zoom, participation quickly dwindled. However, Jamout and Godsquad continued with good attendance and by May we were meeting weekly in a local park. No residential took place. We began to meet inside the Emmanuel building in October for well being sessions and this was well attended. Walkie Talkie began in October and has been well attended and very pleased to hear that funding had been extended until April 2021. Sadly, at least half of the young people we normally connect with weekly have disengaged since March.

Mel Efde

##### **Emmanuel Church - 2020:**

We have been unable to meet together as a congregation for almost a year now. During this time we have streamed regular services on our website and facebook page. This has included the whole group of churches and been amazingly successful. We have even had new folk joining us and a few past members of Emmanuel who moved away have been able to worship with us too. These services are able to be viewed at other times enabling those who can't make it to the service on Sunday morning to access it at a time more suitable for them.

We also have a short reflective meeting on Wednesday Evenings and a Prayer meeting on Monday evenings. There is a new Prayer and Praise Hub for prayer requests and answers to prayers at: [www.emmprayer.co.uk](http://www.emmprayer.co.uk).

A few of our family don't have internet access. We have done our best to identify who they are, make contact and provide help if needed.

There are lots of things happening via Facebook and Instagram for our young people and daily posts reflecting on Bible readings on our website. House groups have also continued over Zoom.

Needless to say, we all look forward to a time when we will be able to meet each other in person again.

Liz Bateman

(Emmanuel Congregational Meeting Chair)

##### **Boothville Congregation - 2020:**

Weekly services, bi-monthly congregational meetings & lunches & in-person pastoral support were the order of the day until the first lockdown. Since then, pastoral support continued by phone & email, with members encouraged to access the weekly on-line services from Emmanuel. When actual services were permitted, with Covid-19 precautions in place, there was a service in October and three in December.

##### **Emmanuel Building - 2020:**

Re-decoration of the Family Room has been completed, as has the replacement of the emergency lighting system.

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#### **Objectives and activities**

All the roofs are in need of either replacement or repair. An appeal to church members has raised a substantial sum and the Church Fundraiser has secured some grants and pledges from outside organisations, but she is still seeking further funds to cover the cost of all the works.

#### **Emmanuel Coffee Shop - 2020:**

Early in the year we were looking forward to improving our offerings with a new Coffee Machine and Electronic Point of Sale system. We were also looking to improve our links with the Church joining in with Food & Fun in School Holidays - FISH.

With the advent of Covid 19 Café Emm was unable to continue functioning as a cafe. Conscious of the impact the virus and lockdown were having on our local community we focused on creating a hot meals delivery service for vulnerable adults and families, especially those shielding and the over 70s. This has been enabled by volunteers cooking and delivering food twice a week. The volunteers were supported by the Café Emm Manager. This has proved popular and we have continued to provide free meals throughout the pandemic. This has been funded in large part by donations from individuals, organisations and local government.

While some staff were furloughed the Manager continued as a paid employee to refurbish the Café to make it Covid Safe. We implemented contactless payments, purchased screens, put in additional washing facilities and adjusted the layout to allow for social distancing. When the first lockdown came to an end we purchased a new coffee machine and looked forward to welcoming customers back into the Café.

We maintained the hot food deliveries while slowly opening up the Café two days a week and customers were starting to return when the hospitality industry was again shut down. So we have reverted back to supplying just the hot meals to vulnerable adults and families.

The Trustees would like to thank the staff and volunteers for all that they have contributed to the life of the Coffee Shop over the past twelve months, without their support the Coffee Shop would not be able to operate as it does. This has been a particularly difficult year for all and without their hard work and enthusiasm we would not have been able to support our community in the way we have. Particular thanks go to our manager Julie who has put so much effort into ensuring we can provide meals for the community and has remained positive in the face of numerous setbacks.

#### **Plans for the future**

The impact of Covid 19 on our general finances and the likelihood that this will also have a long term impact on our core customers who tend to be young families, the elderly or disadvantaged. It is likely that even when restrictions are lifted these will not return in large enough numbers quickly enough to keep the Café financially viable. This means that we are having to review our long term strategy.

Ideas which we are currently costing out and investigating are to;

1. Continue with delivery of hot meals which would become a paid for service.
2. The possibility of subsidising meals for vulnerable adults or families could still tie up with the community provision for Food in School Holidays offered by Emmanuel Church.
3. Link up with the local Cinema, Lings Forum, to offer specials after film showings.
4. Focus on family meals with a set menu on alternate weeks running as a Sunday Lunch Club

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#### Objectives and activities

5. Part of Emmanuel Church is adjacent to the main bus stops for the Weston Favell Centre. It may be possible to open a "hole in the wall" for drinks and cakes which may increase footfall and turnover as more people become aware of our offering.

K.Potter

Chair of Café Emm Trustees

The Weston Favell Shopping Centre:

We continue to be grateful for the relationship and partnership we have with Weston Favell Shopping Centre. In the trying times of 2020 it was extremely heartening to see this co-operation continuing and growing. We remain thankful for the use of Unit 33/34 for Weston Favell Centre Foodbank on terms which are very positive for us and have enabled us to serve the guests and the community to the best of our ability this year. I'm also grateful for the ways that the Centre have shown care for us as tenants in the ongoing pandemic times, as well as assisting us with advice on various maintenance and buildings projects which we have undertaken or attempted to move forwards this year. It's a privilege to be a Church in the Shopping Centre or, to put it another way, the Church for the Shopping Centre and in 2021 and beyond I hope we will continue to serve the Centre and its staff and wider community in every way we can. In these challenging times for retail it will be interesting to see how things develop for the Centre in the coming time and we may need to be nimble as Trustees and as a Church in how we respond to what transpires. In the meantime my overwhelming feeling is one of thankfulness to God and to Kevin Legg and his great team.

Haydon

Community Care - 2020:

With covid causing a lot of the things I normally do to stop, I needed to fill my time other ways. I got involved with our foodbank two days a week, involved in setting up and being part of the delivery service they started, to those isolating or shielding, this was really enjoyable, and the customers valued the short time we had to talk to them, this led us to start up a befriending service to those isolating and shielding. Away from foodbank, we managed to run FISH twice and the drop-in at Brookside community hub 15 times running. After two delayed launches, we finally started the money support centre in January 2021, and spent a lot of 2020 training the team of volunteers to run the centre. Can't wait to be able to run things normally and safely in 2021!

P Foster

Emmanuel Family Tots - 2020:

This year our two Family Tots Group went well until everything came to a halt in March at the start of the first Covid lockdown. It then became impossible for us to meet together as groups.

We tried very hard to stay connected to our members on Messenger. We are very grateful to Tracy, our children's worker, for all her hard work. After the initial few weeks, we got an online regular Tots slot on Zoom where it was possible to share, do activities and craft each Wednesday morning. Unfortunately, this was not well attended, partly because the change in circumstances for everyone.

Tracey also has been doing valuable work keeping in touch with some of the more vulnerable from our group, both children and adults.

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**Objectives and activities**

During the summer period we did manage a socially distanced meeting of most of our staff in Abington park to discuss the way forward. We also managed to make presentations to those of our children who were moving to nursery/primary school. Again the situation with Covid became very bad and we went into lockdown again in November and then again after Christmas.

We very much hope we will be able to start again in some form as soon as the situation allows. It will be a case of starting from Square one with one morning group, I think. We still have some funds and lots of toys and activities. Most of the children we were involved with will by now have moved up to other groups. We do pray that we are able to re-establish Emmanuel Family Tots in 2021.

Maureen Timms, Emmanuel Family Tots.

**Food Bank - 2020:**

In 2019 the foodbank distributed food parcels to just under 6,000 people. In 2020 we distributed food parcels to just over 12,000 people. This is a huge leap.

In one year foodbank has moved from being open one day a week to three days, plus deliveries.

We are following the government guidelines on social distancing in the unit and are changing the way we work to ensure everyone is as safe as they possibly can be. Volunteers are in teams or 'Bubbles' of 6 - 8 people.

This year we aim to introduce partners back to the unit. Currently we are working on ways to do this. Donations continue to flow in with people generously donating both money and food. We are working with Food4Heroes who over Christmas donated Christmas dinners for all our foodbank guests. Greencore donate approx.100 sandwiches and wraps per week for both foodbank guests and volunteers.

We are developing a befriending service which works via the telephone. When we identify foodbank guests and those who receive deliveries who are in need of extra support we are able to offer them this service. With the trauma and worry of last year and the current lockdown situation, this element of foodbank is growing.

Once lockdown has been relaxed and we able to have higher numbers of people in the unit at one time, we will be working towards inviting partners back into the unit so that rather than just providing people with food we will achieve a more holistic approach of supporting, encouraging and enabling people to move on and achieve independence.

Liz Bateman  
(WFC Foodbank Management Committee Chair)

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Achievement and performance**

##### **Fundraising report**

In 2020, the pandemic impacted dramatically on funding for our churches and the Food Bank. As personal cash donations and room hire income reduced, while the needs for our support increased exponentially, we had to rely on the generosity of grant providers and the public. We were not disappointed!

The Food Bank has been blessed with extraordinary support from so many people, groups, clubs and shops, too many to mention each one, so please recognise our sincere thanks to every one of you.

Weston Favell Centre Food Bank, which sits under the umbrella of Emmanuel Group of Churches, received the following gifts and grants during 2020 and we are so grateful for each one:

Lowther Charitable settlement £100

Marston Charitable Trust £100

The Pettit Trust £300

Sir John Sumner Trust £200

Trussell Trust £25,903

Councillor Community Fund £500

Western Power £3,600

Lieutenancy Emergency Fund £1,500

Northamptonshire Community Foundation Recovery Fund £7,143

Elaine Barratt Charitable Trust £200

Making a Difference Locally £376

Groundworks Tesco Bags £500

Northampton Borough Council Partnership Grant £5,000

St Faith's Trust £1,000

Coop Community Dividend Fund £500

The 7 Stars Foundation £1,000

Infinis Energy Services Ltd £5,000

Henry Boot plc £200

Barratt Homes Community Fund £5,000

Sainsburys bag appeal £3,327

Rotary Club of Nene Valley £6127

Rotary Club of Northampton £250

We received various collections from schools, postmen, churches, cafes and groups, and we are grateful for each one.

We are especially grateful for the unrestricted donations and the grants to cover running costs, allowing us to pay for our essential bills, not just to buy food supplies. The Infinis grant, for example, came at the perfect time to enable us to pay for the service charge on our store, when we had no other funding for it.

Many of you have supported us with donations via Localgiving, for which we are so grateful:

<https://localgiving.org/weston-favell-centre-foodbank>

Emmanuel Group of Churches was also blessed with generous gifts and grants which included:

One Stop Carriers for Causes via Groundworks £577

Northamptonshire Office of Police and Crime Commissioner £10,000

Councillor Community Fund £560

St Giles Trust £3,360

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National Lottery celebration grant £1,000  
Growing Together, Northampton £8,594  
Queens Institute £3,000  
Wakeham Trust £1,250  
Northamptonshire Community Foundation £11,788  
Hillards Trust £1000  
Magic Little Grants £500  
The Charity of Hervey and Elizabeth Ekins £13,000  
Grand Union Housing £270  
The National Lottery £34,998  
All Churches Trust £2,500  
Northamptonshire Sports Inequality Fund £1,100  
The 29th May 1961 Charity £3,000  
Northampton Partnership Homes Happy to Help fund £250  
Localgiving Matched Funding Scheme £3,017  
Laing Family Trust £5,000  
Mick George Sports fund £747

We were also delighted to receive the following pledges of support for our building works, once we reach our target for the works to be commenced:

Bernard Sunley Foundation £5,000  
Sports England £40,000

The repairs to our roof, and the refurbishment of our toilets and the installation of a shower near the sports hall and café, remain my priorities as Fundraiser, on top of our running costs and to retain our excellent team.

Many of you have supported us with donations via Localgiving, for which we are so grateful:  
<https://localgiving.org/emmanuelgroup>

Thank you so much to all of you for your extraordinary support. We thank God for His provision through each act of generosity.

Julie Parsons - Emmanuel Group of Churches - Fundraiser

## **THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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#### **Financial review**

##### **Financial Report - 2020**

Covid 19 had quite an impact on various aspects of Income indices on the Emmanuel Group of Churches 2020 budget.

There were significant losses against budget due to Covid in 2020 - £30,942 on Lettings, £8,724 on Giving and £4,500 on Coffee Shop Rent - this was countered a little by savings on Utilities, due to lack of use of the building.

Despite the problems of 2020, I am pleased to advise that we paid 100% of our Parish Share in 2020.

We also paid the full Methodist Assessment for 2020.

A great deal of credit in achieving these figures should go to Julie Parsons, she raised in excess of £200,000 in revenue and restricted monies in 2020 which is a staggering amount of money, without her efforts and the continued amazing generosity of Congregational members and those people not directly associated with Emmanuel Group of Churches, we would not be in the position we are now.

Considering what we have been through in 2020, I feel privileged to have been your Treasurer and to have played a small part in what is a remarkable achievement, to which prayerful thanks should be given and maybe a celebration when we are allowed to be together again.

Our Free Funds stood at £21,460 @ December end 2020

Our Free Funds stood at £733 @ December end 2019

Looking back on 2020, I want to begin by expressing my thanks once again for the excellent support given by Finance Team Members during 2020.

Mike Maddocks - Treasurer - Emmanuel Group of Churches

#### **Reserves policy**

It is Council policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least one months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year end our funds exceeded this balance. It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

#### **Reference and administrative details**

##### **Registered Charity number**

1140504

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

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**Principal address**

Emmanuel Office Centre  
Weston Favell Centre  
Northampton  
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**Trustees**

Rev P S Snelson (resigned 29.2.20)  
Rev H Spenceley  
Rev D Spenceley  
Mr M Maddocks  
Mr K Holland-Delamere  
Mr J Weaver  
Mrs E Bateman  
Mrs J L Cole  
Mr D F Bell  
Mrs F Potter  
Mrs P J Thompson  
Mrs R Tighe

**Independent Examiner**

Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Chartered Tax Advisers  
Artisans' House  
7 Queensbridge  
Northampton  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 May 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Emmanuel Group of Churches Northampton (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Emmanuel Group of Churches  
Northampton**

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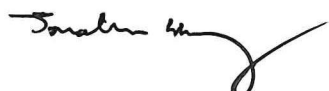
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCCA which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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.



Jonathan Cobley  
FCCA  
Cobley Desborough  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
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7 Queensbridge  
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25 May 2021

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**Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		154,676	237,299	391,975	226,255
Other trading activities	2	13,501	-	13,501	31,772
Investment income	3	23	130	153	299
<b>Total</b>		<b>168,200</b>	<b>237,429</b>	<b>405,629</b>	<b>258,326</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Charitable Activities					
		124,923	126,876	251,799	200,555
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>43,277</b>	<b>110,553</b>	<b>153,830</b>	<b>57,771</b>
Transfers between funds	10	(30,363)	30,363	-	-
Net movement in funds		12,914	140,916	153,830	57,771
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		33,227	54,214	87,441	29,670
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>46,141</b>	<b>195,130</b>	<b>241,271</b>	<b>87,441</b>

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**Balance Sheet  
31 December 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	7	24,417	-	24,417	24,209
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	8	1,220	-	1,220	1,667
Cash at bank		23,938	196,253	220,191	85,562
		<u>25,158</u>	<u>196,253</u>	<u>221,411</u>	<u>87,229</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,434)	(1,123)	(4,557)	(23,997)
		<u>21,724</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>216,854</u>	<u>63,232</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>46,141</u>	<u>195,130</u>	<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	10				
Unrestricted funds				46,141	33,227
Restricted funds				195,130	54,214
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>241,271</u>	<u>87,441</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 May 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



Rev H Spenceley - Trustee

# THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES NORTHAMPTON

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

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### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparing the 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings                    - 20% on reducing balance

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### **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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Lettings	12,758	-	12,758	29,802
Fees including Weddings	743	-	743	1,970
	<u>13,501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,501</u>	<u>31,772</u>

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Deposit account interest	23	130	153	299
	<u>23</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>299</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2020 nor for the year ended 31 December 2019.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Governance	1	1
Charitable activities	9	8
	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**5. STAFF COSTS - continued**

	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	112,819	86,358
Pension costs	3,506	2,260
Social security costs	1,379	383
	117,604 =====	89,001 =====

**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	128,032	98,223	226,255
Other trading activities	31,772	-	31,772
Investment income	1	298	299
<b>Total</b>	159,805	98,521	258,326
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Activities	147,082	53,473	200,555
<b>NET INCOME</b>	12,723	45,048	57,771
Transfers between funds	(9,166)	9,166	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	3,557	54,214	57,771
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	29,670	-	29,670

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>33,227</u>	<u>54,214</u>	<u>87,441</u>

**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2020	88,734
Additions	<u>3,060</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>91,794</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2020	64,525
Charge for year	<u>2,852</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>67,377</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2020	<u>24,417</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>24,209</u>

**8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments	<u>1,220</u>	<u>1,667</u>

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**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2020	2019
	£	£
Payments on account	1,123	19,219
Other creditors	3,434	4,778
	<u>4,557</u>	<u>23,997</u>

**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/20	Net movement	Transfers between	At
	£	in funds	funds	31/12/20
		£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	33,227	43,277	(30,363)	46,141
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	54,214	110,553	30,363	195,130
	<u>87,441</u>	<u>153,830</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,271</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	168,200	(124,923)	43,277
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	237,429	(126,876)	110,553
	<u>405,629</u>	<u>(251,799)</u>	<u>153,830</u>

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**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/1/19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/19 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	29,670	12,723	(9,166)	33,227
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	-	45,048	9,166	54,214
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>29,670</u>	<u>57,771</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87,441</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	159,805	(147,082)	12,723
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	98,521	(53,473)	45,048
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>258,326</u>	<u>(200,555)</u>	<u>57,771</u>

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**10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	29,670	56,000	(39,529)	46,141
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Restricted fund	-	155,601	39,529	195,130
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>29,670</u>	<u>211,601</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,271</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	328,005	(272,005)	56,000
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted fund	335,950	(180,349)	155,601
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>663,955</u>	<u>(452,354)</u>	<u>211,601</u>

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**11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2020.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2020**

	2020 £	2019 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	373,673	206,476
Gift aid	18,302	19,779
	<u>391,975</u>	<u>226,255</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	12,758	29,802
Fees including Weddings	743	1,970
	<u>13,501</u>	<u>31,772</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	153	299
	<u>405,629</u>	<u>258,326</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>405,629</b>	<b>258,326</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries	22,095	15,393
Denominational	58,410	78,413
Service and Service Expenses	917	1,775
Wedding and Occasional Offices	434	2,076
Church Maintenance	6,801	2,244
Cleaning	13,456	16,002
Utilities	6,732	9,236
Training & Pastoral Care	771	900
Pastoral, Food Bank, Care and Youth Services	127,249	54,905
	<u>236,865</u>	<u>180,944</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Other operating leases	4,709	10,713
Carried forward	4,709	10,713

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	2020	2019
	£	£
<b>Management</b>		
Brought forward	4,709	10,713
Postage and stationery	6,813	5,285
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	11,522	15,998
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	560	560
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,852	3,053
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	3,412	3,613
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Total resources expended	251,799	200,555
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<b>Net income</b>	153,830	57,771
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