

WEST MIDLANDS BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1141051

Details

Other names	WEST MID BICC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2011-04-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	27 Deans Gate Willenhall WV13 3NH
Phone	07900323597
Website	westmidbicc.org

Activities

Objects: 3.1.1 TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES AND THE MAIN CHURCH COMMITTEE FROM TIME TO TIME MAY DEEM FIT; 3.1.2 TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AND TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES AND THE MAIN CHURCH COMMITTEE FROM TIME TO TIME MAY DEEM FIT; AND 3.1.3 TO ADVANCE EDUCATION IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES AND THE MAIN CHURCH COMMITTEE FROM TIME TO TIME MAY DEEM FIT.

Activities: 1. Provides church services to members and any one else in the community 2. Actively involved in activities that aim at improving the human condition for young people, men and women in society 3. Providing social support to church members and the wider community 4. Helping out during bereavements, especially to its members 5. Providing light refreshments or meals after services

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Birmingham City
- Coventry City
- Derby City
- Leicester City
- Walsall
- Wolverhampton

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£36,921	£20,469	-	-
2023-10-31	£49,033	£31,038	-	-
2022-10-31	£30,107	£25,947	-	-
2021-10-31	£32,510	£13,949	-	-
2020-10-31	£22,914	£11,795	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dumisani NCUBE	Chair	2018-11-25
Phosani Mwetwa		2018-11-25
Rev THEMBA NDLOVU		2016-12-06
Sibonginkosi Ncube		2023-11-01
Siphilisiwe Hanyana Mpofo		2023-11-01

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

1141051

Receipts and payments accounts

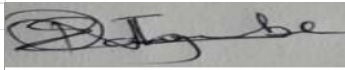
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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/11/2023		31/10/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offering and Tithes	27,205	-	-	27,205	-
Fund-raising	-	2,100	-	2,100	-
Gift Aid	-	7,616	-	7,616	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	27,205	9,716	-	36,921	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	27,205	9,716	-	36,921	-
A3 Payments					
Rent	2,150	-	-	2,150	-
Allowances	8,350	-	-	8,350	-
Subscriptions to the UK Church Fund	1,320	-	-	1,320	-
IT Costs	441	-	-	441	-
Traveling Costs	30	-	-	30	-
Catering Costs	1,704	-	-	1,704	-
Music Instruments	95	-	-	95	-
Convention Costs	1,240	-	-	1,240	-
Sunday School Costs	49	-	-	49	-
Music Ministry Costs	543	-	-	543	-
Youth Ministry Costs	550	-	-	550	-
Welfare & Charity	650	-	-	650	-
Men's Fellowship	636	-	-	636	-
Ladies' Fellowship	500	-	-	500	-
Insurance	351	-	-	351	-
Mission Support Programme Costs	891	-	-	891	-
Miscellaneous	969	-	-	969	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,469	-	-	20,469	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,469	-	-	20,469	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,736	9,716	-	16,452	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	29,582	39,889	-	69,471	-
Cash funds this year end	36,318	49,605	-	85,923	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Operating Fund	36,318	-	-
	Building Fund Reserve	-	49,605	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	36,318	49,605	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Dumisani Ncube		31/10/2024

Independent examiner's report

To the Trustees of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Accounts for the year ended 31 October 2024

I have conducted an independent examination of the West Midlands Brethren in Christ Church (herewith referred to as 'Church', per the requirements of the Charities Commission in England and Wales and am happy to report the following;

- - The accounts have been prepared on an Income and expenditure basis per the election of the board of Trustees for charities with annual income of less than £250k, and have been prepared to a very satisfactory standard,
- - This is an independent review and not an audit which is required for charities with an annual income of more than £1million
- - The Trustee report which is a requirement of the charities commission is out of scope for this review.

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Following a detailed review of the annual statements for the year ended 31 October 2024 I am able to offer my independent assurance that the Church's financial records are complete and accurately reflect its transactions.

No conflict of interest issues that prevent the examiner from carrying out this examination were identified.

Ndumiso Gumbo FCCA

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DATE: 30/08/2025



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/11/2023** To **31/10/2024**

Charity name: **West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church**

Charity registration number: **1141051**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>1.To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit</p> <p>2.To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit; and</p> <p>3.To advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time may deem fit</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>1.Delivering church services twice on a weekly basis</p> <p>2. Supporting members of our church and the community during times of crisis such as bereavements. Support is also given to the underprivileged.</p> <p>3. Running youth programmes to ensure we instil good values in them and provide them with holistic life lessons to promote their physical, mental, social and spiritual development</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees are fully aware of the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable to the charity
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers run church services, provide support to church members and manage the resources of the church
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference			
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	OBJECTIVE	OUTCOME	COMMENT
		Service Delivery	Achieved	Church services were delivered every Sunday and mid-week prayers every Wednesday without fail.
		Support our members during difficult times	Achieved	This has continues successfully although may have been affected by the post of Deacon falling vacant.
		Regular reporting + Mid-year Reporting	Achieved	This continues to be done regularly. The mid-year report was presented to the church.
		Resource Generation	Achieved	Enough cash resources were generated to meet all our financial obligations, leaving us with a

			surplus of £16,452
		Charitable cause	Achieved Supported the Macmillan Cancer Walk and we are looking forward to do more with them in the future.
		Fund Raising	Partly Achieved We raised £2,100 compared to a budget of £6,000. .We are also aware that more than £30,000 was pledged by the wider UK church community towards the building. We await information on how much has been raised and how it will be transferred to WMBICC
		National and Regional Programmes	Achieved We were able to provide all the support needed at all church levels. This year we have also been able to host the July convention and the Ladies conference. We are seeking further guidance on better managing national events alongside the regional and national leadership.
		Secure Building for the Church	Ongoing Terms of reference for purchasing the Highgate Church Building under negotiation.
		Constitutional Updates	Not Achieved This has been shelved until the building project has been completed

		Online Footprint	Not Achieved	This really needs our attention next year as it has significantly regressed in the past year. 21
		Calendar Management	Achieved	All planned church calendar events were successfully carried out.
		Charity Commission/HMR C obligations	Achieved	All done on time

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covered above
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The church raised £2,100 towards a building purchase fund. This was an internal fund-raising activity with members making voluntary contributions.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	None in the current year
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The church raised £36,921 and spent £20,469 leaving us with a surplus of £16,452
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Building Fund reserve is reviewed at the end of each year and a decision is made dependent on the financial performance in that year
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£49,605
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Mainly offering and tithes collected during church services as well as Gift Aid
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Registered Charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected at an Annual General Meeting, by the church members

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Church is a member of the Brethren In Christ Church In the UK (also a registered charity which is an association of all Brethren In Christ Churches in England and Wales)
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1141051
Charity's principal address	27 Deans Gate Willenhall WV13 3NH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Themba Ndlovu	Pastor		Members
2	Dumisani Ncube	Chairperson		Members
3	Phosani Mwetwa	Treasurer		Members
4	Siphilisiwe Hanyana Mpofu	Ladies' Fellowship Chairlady		Members
5	Sibonginkosi Ncube	Children's Ministry Leader		Members
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information


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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Dumisani Ncube

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

31/10/2024

WEST MIDLANDS BRETHERN IN CHRIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1141051

Accounts



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/11/2022


To

Period end date
31/10/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offering and Tithes	29,894	-	-	29,894	-
Fund-raising	-	4,750	-	4,750	-
Gift Aid	-	14,389	-	14,389	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	29,894	19,139	-	49,033	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,894	19,139	-	49,033	-
A3 Payments					
Rent	2,150	-	-	2,150	-
Allowances	7,800	-	-	7,800	-
Subscriptions to the UK Church Fund	1,320	-	-	1,320	-
IT Costs	427	-	-	427	-
Traveling Costs	194	-	-	194	-
Catering Costs	2,534	-	-	2,534	-
Music Instruments	2,184	-	-	2,184	-
Convention Costs	900	-	-	900	-
Sunday School Costs	258	-	-	258	-
Music Ministry Costs	1,122	-	-	1,122	-
Youth Ministry Costs	873	-	-	873	-
Welfare & Charity	1,400	-	-	1,400	-
Men's Fellowship	425	-	-	425	-
Ladies' Fellowship	6,927	-	-	6,927	-
Insurance	339	-	-	339	-
Mission Support Programme Costs	1,336	-	-	1,336	-
Miscellaneous	849	-	-	849	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	31,038	-	-	31,038	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	31,038	-	-	31,038	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,144	19,139	-	17,995	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,726	20,750	-	51,476	-
Cash funds this year end	29,582	39,889	-	69,471	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Operating Fund	29,582	-	-
	Building Fund Reserve	-	39,889	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	29,582	39,889	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
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		Dumisani Ncube		31/10/2023

Independent examiner's report

To the Trustees of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Accounts for the year ended 31 October 2023

I hereby report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church for the year ended 31 October 2023. The financial statements comprise:

- Receipts and Payments of the Charity for the year ended 31 October 2023,
- Notes to the financial statements, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information,
- Church Financial Control Policy incl. Delegation of Authority Guidelines, &
- Bank reconciliation statement

I have performed the following audit procedures:

- Conducted a review of the income and expenditure per Bank Statements as **all income and expenses for the period were conducted online**,
- Vouched payments in bank statements to finance control agreed payments list [**no cash book or cheque stubs were examined for this period**], and
- Conducted income and expenditure variance analysis to prior yr and budget.

Responsibility and basis of report

As Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the charities Act 2011, and for such internal controls as management determine are necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention during the examination which give cause to believe that the accounting records were not kept and that the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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DATE: 29/08/2024



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference			
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	OBJECTIVE	OUTCOME	COMMENT
		Service Delivery	Achieved	Church services were delivered every Sunday and mid-week prayers every Wednesday without fail. Sunday School lessons were also delivered. Notable activity within the children's Sunday School.
		Support our members during difficult times	Achieved	The pastoral team, working closely with the Deacon, provided spiritual and material support during difficult times

		Regular reporting + Mid-year Reporting	Achieved	The church was kept up to date on a weekly basis on its financial matters and other relevant information. A mid-year report was also prepared and presented to the church - and it was well received.
		Resource Generation	Achieved	Enough cash resources were generated to meet all our financial obligations, leaving us with a surplus of £17,995 at the end of the year. We also received £14,389 in gift aid this year (covering last year and this year).
		Charitable cause	Achieved	We spent £700 on supporting the Lobengula - Zimbabwe BICC education programme for the underprivileged children. We also spent a further £700 supporting members during hard times.
		Fund Raising	Achieved	We raised £4,750 compared to a budget of £1,200. This was a good result. However, we are aware that some pledges made have not been honoured as yet and we continue

			to encourage brethren to make good of these.
		Constitutional Updates	Not Achieved Committee decided to shift focus to pursuing the purchase of a building for the church and this was shelved.
		Revive Men's fellowship	Achieved We now have a functioning committee led by Mr F. Nyoni and we continue to support them as they continue to work on the fellowship
		National and Regional Programmes	Achieved We were able to provide all the support needed at all church levels. This includes always making financial contributions on time.
		Online Footprint	Partly Achieved More work needs to be done on social media
		Acquire assets	Achieved A new keyboard was bought
		Calendar Management	Achieved All planned church calendar events were successfully carried out.
		Acquire accounting software	Not Achieved Committee decided to shift focus to pursuing the purchase of a building for the church and this was shelved.
		Anniversary Celebrations	Not Achieved Committee decided to shift focus to pursuing the purchase of a building for the

				church and this was shelved.
		Secure building for the church	Not Achieved	Negotiations with Highgate Baptist Church are still ongoing
		Charity Commission/HMRC obligations	Achieved	All done on time

Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covered above
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The church raised £4,750 towards a building purchase fund. This was an internal fund-raising activity with members making voluntary contributions.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	None in the current year
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The church raised £49,033 and spent £31,037, leaving us with a surplus of £17,995
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Building Fund reserve is reviewed at the end of each year and a decision is made dependent on the financial performance in that year
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£39,889
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Church is a member of the Brethren In Christ Church In the UK (also a registered charity which is an association of all Brethren In Christ Churches in England and Wales)
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1141051
Charity's principal address	27 Deans Gate Willenhall WV13 3NH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Themba Ndlovu	Pastor		Members
2	Dumisani Ncube	Chairperson		Members
3	Phosani Mwetwa	Treasurer		Members
4	Siphilisiwe Hanyana Mpofu	Ladies' Fellowship Chairlady		Members
5	Sibonginkosi Ncube	Children's Ministry Leader		Members
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dumisani Ncube	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	31/10/2023	

WEST MIDLANDS BRETHERN IN CHRIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1141051

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
WEST MIDLANDS BRETHERN IN CHRIST CHURCH

No (if any)
1141051

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2021	To	Period end date 31/10/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offering and Tithes	22,357	7,750	-	30,107	26,725
Gift Aid	-	-	-	-	5,785
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	22,357	7,750	-	30,107	32,510
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	22,357	7,750	-	30,107	32,510
A3 Payments					
Rent	3,447	-	-	3,447	2,354
Allowances	9,380	-	-	9,380	4,900
IT Costs	335	-	-	335	497
Subscriptions to the UK Church Fund	1,320	-	-	1,320	1,320
Convention Costs	360	-	-	360	-
Transport Costs	2,414	-	-	2,414	259
Charitable Donations	450	-	-	450	2,840
Youth Activities	279	-	-	279	656
Men's Fellowship	171	-	-	171	-
Ladies' Fellowship	927	-	-	927	-
Sunday School Material	196	-	-	196	200
Insurance	400	-	-	400	373
Music	2,033	-	-	2,033	290
Catering	1,474	-	-	1,474	188
Mission Support Costs	946	-	-	946	-
Miscellaneous	1,815	-	-	1,815	72
Sub total	25,947	-	-	25,947	13,949
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	25,947	-	-	25,947	13,949
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,590	7,750	-	4,160	18,561
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	34,316	13,000	-	47,316	28,755
Cash funds this year end	30,726	20,750	-	51,476	47,316

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Operating Fund	30,726	-	-
	Building Fund	-	20,750	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,726	20,750	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Dumisani Ncube		19/11/2022

Independent examiner' s report

To the Trustees of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Accounts for the year ended 31October 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church for the year ended 31 October 2022.The financial statements comprise:

- The Receipts and Payments of the Charity for the year ended 31 October 2022,
- The notes to the financial statements, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information;
- The Treasury guide on Revenue Management and Payments Guidelines and a recent review of financial controls document.

I have performed the following audit procedures:

- Conducted a throughput reconciliation on Bank Statements as **all income for the period was received online** .
- Vouched payments to bank statements,[**no cash book or cheque stubs were examined for this period**]

Responsibility and basis of report

As the trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the charities Act 2011, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention during the examination which gives cause to believe that the accounting records were not kept and that the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns with these accounts and there are no matters that should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Calvin Ndlovu, BSc Finance & Accounting, ICOSA, PDGE

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/11/2021 **Period start date** **To** 31/10/2022
Period end date

Charity name: West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Charity registration number: 1141051

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>1.To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit</p> <p>2.To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit; and</p> <p>3.To advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time may deem fit</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to	Para 1.17 and 1.19	1.Delivering church services twice on a weekly basis

those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.		<p>2. Supporting members of our church and the community during times of crisis such as bereavements. Support is also given to the underprivileged.</p> <p>3. Running youth programmes to ensure we instill good values in them and provide them with holistic life lessons to promote their physical, mental, social and spiritual development</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees are fully aware of the public benefit guidance issued by Charity Commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable to the charity
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers run church services, provide support to church members and manage the resources of the church
Other		

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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference			
		OBJECTIVE	OUTCOME	COMMENT
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Service Delivery	Achieved	Church services were delivered every Sunday and mid-week prayers every Wednesday without fail.
		Support our members during difficult times	Achieved	The pastoral team, working with the Deacon, provided spiritual and material support during difficult times
		Regular Reporting + Mid-year Reporting	Achieved	The church was kept up to date on a weekly basis on its financial matters and other relevant information. A midyear report was also prepared

				and presented to the church – and it was well received.
		Charitable Causes	Achieved	Other than the main church activities that are charitable by nature, we spent a further £450 on supporting the bereaved. As a result of new control measures, we put in place, we were unable to support the Zimbabwe educations support program on time. This will be reconsidered in the coming year
		Resource generation		Enough cash resources were generated to meet all our financial obligations, leaving us with a surplus of £4,160 at the end of the year. Due to administrative complications, we did not receive gift aid (over £6,000) in the current

				year – it will be received next year

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covered above
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Of the £1,200 target set for the building fund, we were able to raise £750. However, pledges for the building fund amount to more than £10,000 and we hope these will be honoured in the next few months.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	None in the current year
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Revenue for the year is £30,107, expenditure is £25,947. Bank balance at the end of the year is £51,476
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Building Fund reserve is reviewed at the end of each year and a decision is made dependent on the financial performance in that year
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,750
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Mainly offering and tithes collected during church services as well as Gift Aid
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	

Other		
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Registered Charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected at an Annual General Meeting of the church members, by the church members

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

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4	Edith Mpofu	Ladies' Fellowship Chairlady		Members
5	Phosani Mwetwa	Treasurer		Members
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Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
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Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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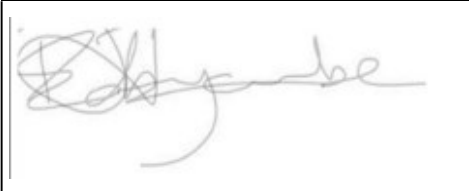
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dumisani Ncube	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	19/11/2021	

End of Year Report

INTRODUCTION

This report covers the period from 1 November 2021 to 31st of October 2022

A new church committee was elected at the beginning of the year to serve for a term of 2 years, save for the Pastor and Assistant Pastor whose terms are 5 years long. The committee comprises the following members:

- Chairperson: D. Ncube
- Pastor: Rev T. Ndlovu
- Assistant Pastor: T, Matope
- Secretary: Z. Mathuthu
- Treasurer: P. Mwetwa
- Deacon: M. Khumalo
- Youth Advisor: M. Dube
- Ladies Chair: E. Mpofu
- Men's Fellowship: Vacant
- Sunday School: R. Khumalo
- Music: P. Von-Groening
- Regional Rep: T. Matope

The purpose of the Main Church Committee and all the other Sub-Committees is to enable us as a congregation to serve God meaningfully and fulfil His purpose in our lives. As we serve God, we also need to be alert to the Mission of the Brethren In Christ Church as instructed in Matthew Chapter 28 v 19-20

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Amen.

Furthermore, as a registered charity the committee ensures the church endeavours to fulfil its objectives as per its registered constitutions. These objectives are:

1. to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit.
2. to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit.
3. to advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit.

Overview

We have, once again, come to that time of the year where we take time to reflect on the 12 months gone by and appraise our performance against the objectives we set at the beginning of the year.

It is time to think about the good things we have done as a church and make plans to reinforce such good behaviours and activities as well as improve on them going forward and take the church to even higher levels in all Christian aspects.

We also reflect on the things that did not go so well and map out strategies to recover. We take time to learn from our mistakes in the process and emerge a better and different church.

As the year comes to an end, the church is not blind to the wider environment in which it exists and operates. We find ourselves in a world plagued by diseases, wars, and economic hardships but this is when the church becomes even more relevant. Tough times such as these demand Christians to stand tall and provide leadership and support through leading people to Christ. Psalms 50 verse 15 says “And call me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify me”. We have confidence that God is God regardless of circumstances and this is the confidence we treasure as children of the Most High.

As a church we have achieved a lot during the year, have had some challenges here and there but we end the year a strong and different church, The biggest strength we have as a church is our human capital - our people both in and out of leadership. All of us matter and all of us, together, make things happen. We need to take time to show appreciation to the different teams that ensure the delivery of our objectives, and more importantly, our commitment to the Great Commission. A big thank you to our:

1. Pastoral Team – leading us in all spiritual matters and our social welfare

2. Ladies Team – continuously providing motherly care for the church and being the strongest pillar of the church both materially and spiritually
3. Praise and Worship Team – consistently supporting our services through spiritual music
4. Youth Team – for providing spiritual, moral, and social care for our young people
5. Sunday School Team – for consistently delivering lessons that promote our knowledge of Christ and spiritual growth
6. Fundraising Team – carrying the big dream of acquiring our own property one day.
7. Administrative Team – secretary, treasurer, and chairperson for pulling things together and making sure all church administration and logistics is working in order all the time.
8. Congregation at large – for providing moral, spiritual, and material support to all church activities and working in unity at all times.

Nature of this report

This report will outline the objectives that we had set on behalf of the Church, achievements, and challenges in meeting these objectives.

The report will further give a summary of the performance of various ministries within the Church. We have made sure that each ministry has had a chance to review their reports before the AGM. It is, therefore, hoped that there is nothing new for members within each department.

In conclusion the report will also make recommendations for consideration by the Church.

OBJECTIVES FOR THE YEAR

Our objectives remain largely the same as last year.

For the year ended 31 October 2022 we planned to:

1. Continue to deliver all Church services through various ministries as expected and required by the denomination
2. Support our members through the difficult times by providing moral, spiritual, and financial support
3. Report statistics and all relevant information on a regular basis to the Church, produce and present a mid-year report

4. Produce a new budget and seek approval from the church
5. Generate enough resources to fund the Church's activities as per the approved budget
6. Commit some of our resources to Charitable causes
7. Raise funds through the Fundraising Committee
8. Establish a benevolence fund
9. Update the constitution to align it with the expectations of the Charity Commission
10. Develop a strategy to revive the men's fellowship
11. Support national and regional programmes
12. Establish a media team that will manage the church's online footprint
13. Acquire assets to support the media team
14. Effective church calendar management, ensuring all planned activities are undertaken.

Please note that there are other more specific objectives identified and pursued by sub-committees in their ministries.

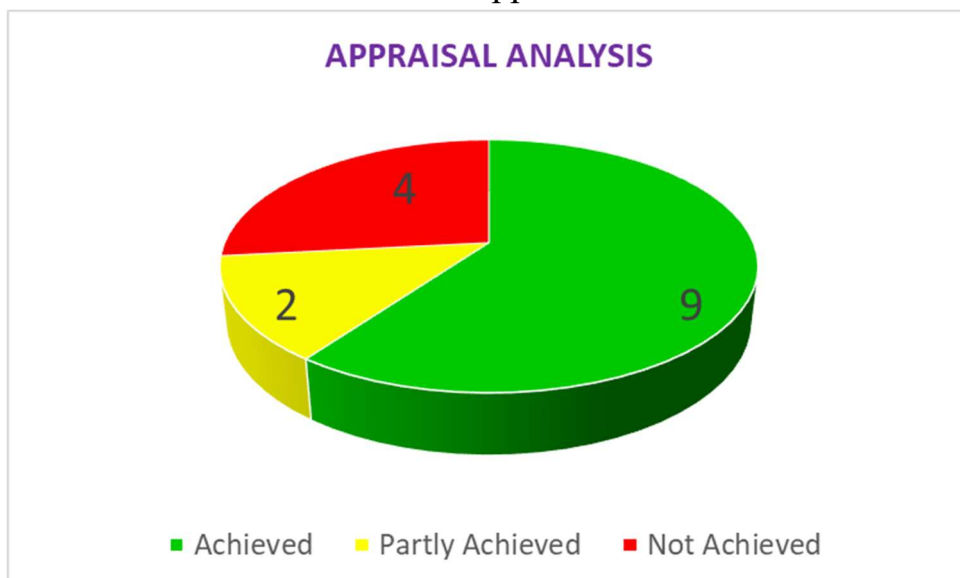
PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

<u>OBJECTIVE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>OUTCOME</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
1	Service Delivery	Achieved	Church services were delivered every Sunday and mid-week prayers every Wednesday without fail.
2	Support our members during difficult time	Achieved	The pastoral team, working closely with the Deacon, provided spiritual and material support during difficult times
3	Regular reporting + Mid-year Reporting	Achieved	The church was kept up to date on a weekly basis on its financial matters and other relevant information. A mid-year report was also prepared and presented to the church – and it was well received.
4	Budget Production	Achieved	A new budget was produced and proposed to the church. It was accepted and approved by the whole congregation.

5	Resource Generation	Achieved	Enough cash resources were generated to meet all our financial obligations, leaving us with a surplus of £4,160 at the end of the year. Due to administrative complications, we did not receive gift aid (over £6,000) in the current year – it will be received next year.
6	Charitable cause	Achieved	Other than the main church activities that are charitable by nature, we spent a further £450 on supporting the bereaved. As a result of new control measures, we put in place, we were unable to support the Zimbabwe educations support programme on time. This will be reconsidered in the coming year.
7	Fund Raising	Partly Achieved	Of the £1,200 target set for the building fund, we were able to raise £750. However, pledges for the building fund amount to more than £10,000 and we hope these will be honoured in the next few months.
8	Establish a benevolence fund	Not Achieved	
9	Constitutional Updates	Not Achieved	
10	Revive Men's fellowship	Not Achieved	
11	National and Regional Programmes	Achieved	We were able to provide all the support needed at all church levels. This includes always making financial contributions on time.

12	Establish a media team	Partly Achieved	The team has been established but we are yet to see it at work.
13	Acquire assets (for the media team activities + other)	Achieved	A new TV and webcam were bought for the media team. Ladies bought more catering equipment. A large-scale rice cooker and a set of food warmers was also donated by a church member.
14	Calendar Management	Achieved	All planned church calendar events were successfully carried out.
15	Acquire accounting software	Not Achieved	

As can be seen from the above appraisal



- 60% of the objectives were fully achieved.
- 13% were partially achieved.

- 27% were not achieved at all

ACHIEVEMENTS

We congratulate the church for fully achieving 9 of the 15 objectives.

Our church membership remains stable, but we note that average weekly attendance decreased from **39** last year **to 31** people per week this year. There is need for us to drive weekly attendance to higher levels

Despite the decline in attendance numbers, our revenue has grown by 4% over last year and above budget. We collected **£943** more than budget and **£987** more than last year in Offering and Tithes. Our annual income (tithes and offering) has stabilised at around £27,000 per year

2 objectives were partly achieved, meaning that some progress has been made in those areas. More work needs to be done next year so that they are fully achieved.

HIGHLIGHTS DURING THE YEAR

1. Appreciation Sunday: 29 May 2022
2. Family Fun Day – 2 July 2022
3. Revival: 28 to 30 October 2022

CHALLENGES

The appraisal above has already highlighted areas where the Committee had shortfalls and explanations are given below.

4 objectives were not achieved:

- a) The constitution still needs updating. This now must be done with the latest Charity Commission guidance. A new strategy is needed to carry this forward
- b) The church needs a new strategy to revive men's fellowship. In the past year we even failed to elect a committee for men due to very poor church attendance by men
- c) There is need to get the benevolence fund team working
- d) The church is yet to purchase new accounting software as previously agreed

Other challenges that are a concern and impact negatively on the life of the church include:

- Continued low attendance of church services by men. This is notable during both the mid-week prayer sessions and Sunday services
- New arrangements with Highgate Baptist which are not as user-friendly for the church

RECOMMENDATIONS AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

1. We recommend that the Church follows up on objectives not achieved in the coming year, that is, revive men's fellowship, acquire accounting software, update the constitution, and revive the benevolence fund.
 2. We recommend that all the gift aid received next year is allocated to the building fund and ring-fenced.
 3. We recommend that the church seeks alternative accommodation, either for renting or purchase
 4. We recommend that the church prioritizes the following 5 things next year:
 - a) Fund-raising for the building
 - b) Update the constitution.
 - c) Men's fellowship revival
 - d) Capacity enhancement (reduce over-reliance on individuals by training more personnel to support church activities)
 - e) Increase our online footprint.
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INDIVIDUAL MINISTRY REPORTS

A summary for each ministry is given below. These reports have been discussed and approved by respective ministries. For the purposes of our AGM only the Chairperson's, Treasurer's and Pastor's report will be presented.

Men's Fellowship

The number of men attending church continues to diminish year on year. We were not able to even elect a committee to run the ministry due to very low numbers, with regular attendees already sitting in the main church committee.

Ladies' Fellowship

Ladies continue to support the church and all its activities without fail at all times. They also used their budget allocation to purchase catering equipment for the church and we really appreciate their thoughtful gesture.

Youth Ministry

The youth continued to participate in church activities and services, supporting the music ministry as well as taking part in some services. Their Sunday school lessons were delivered successfully while the church was meeting virtually but there was a decline when physical meetings resumed.

This year the boys were able to attend the men's fellowship conference and the girls attended the ladies' conference. Unfortunately, the youth camp did not happen this year.

Sunday School

Sunday school lessons were delivered across all age groups, thanks to the hard work by the Sunday School superintendent and her team. We encourage all church members to attend Sunday school every Sunday where possible and arrive on time.

Music Ministry

The work done and service delivered by the Praise and Worship team has a huge impact on our services and can either make or break the spiritual atmosphere during the services. Our team did a sterling job this year and we are appreciative of the work they have done.

We are challenging them to train more people on playing instruments and setting up the PA system.

Finances

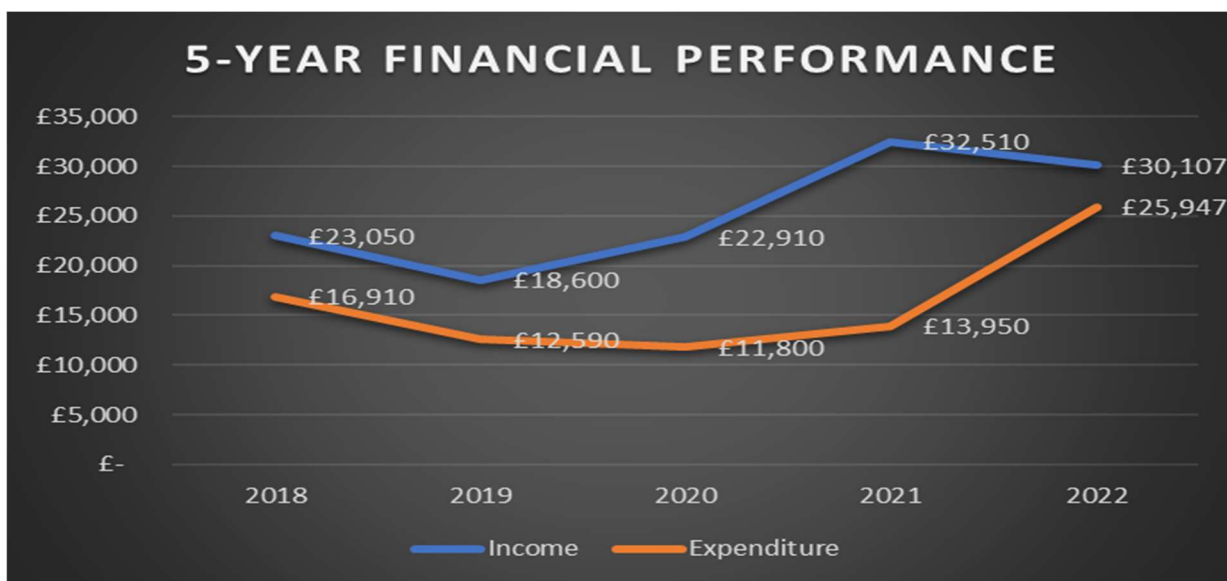
A detailed report will be provided by the treasurer.

The church made a surplus of £4,160 during the year after covering its costs of £25,947.

Average weekly offering and tithes fell by 4% from £579 per week last year to £554 per week this year. This is likely driven by a 21% reduction on average weekly attendance.

The church is growing, financially, as is shown by the graph below.

Please note that expenditure has almost doubled compared to last year mainly because of increased activity after covid restrictions were lifted.



As at the end of October 2020 the Church has the following cash resources:

Barclays Bank Account:	£49,541.52
Of which Stoke on Trent Funds	<u>£ 813.42</u>
Sub Total	£48,728.10
Ladies Barclays Account	<u>£ 2,748.12</u>
Total Church Funds	<u>£51,476.22</u>

Of these funds, £20,750 has been ringfenced for the building purchase project.

Please note: Our income this year is £30,107 and has reached the £25,000 threshold above which we will need to:

- 1. Get our accounts checked by an independent examiner**
- 2. Submit a Trustees Annual Report (TAR) to the Charity Commission. This is included in the AGM pack.**

The Church also owns several assets shown in Annex A below.

CONCLUSION

Finally, let me thank you all for your continued support throughout the year. We are, indeed, a church called to be different.

All of you played your part and played it well and together we achieved great things. We stood united and achieved great things and we are yet to reach greater heights if we continue in unity, love and patience with each other.

As we close this past year and prepare for the new year, we pray that God gives us more strength and wisdom to execute our duties and responsibilities with diligence, discipline, and dedication.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL

Annex A

Inventory ID	Responsible Department	Description	Quantity in Stock
WMBICC001	Music	Mixer	1
WMBICC002	Music	Mounted Speakers	2
WMBICC003	Music	Subwoofer	1
WMBICC004	Music	Snake	1
WMBICC005	Music	Keyboards	2
WMBICC006	Music	Drum Kit	1
WMBICC007	Music	4 -mic Wireless Receiver	1
WMBICC008	Music	2- mic Wireless Receiver	1
WMBICC009	Music	Cordless Mics	6
WMBICC010	Music	Mic Stands	6
WMBICC011	Music	Cables	9
WMBICC012	Music	Monitors	2
WMBICC013	Secretary	Laptop	1
WMBICC014	Secretary	Epson Printer	1
WMBICC015	Chairperson	Projector	1
WMBICC016	Chairperson	Suggestion Box	1
WMBICC017	Pastor	Hymn Books	8
WMBICC018	Pastor	Values Banner	1
WMBICC019	Pastor	Glass Pulpit	1
WMBICC020	Treasurer	Offering Baskets	4
WMBICC021	Ladies	Chafing Dishes	4
WMBICC022	Ladies	Tea/Coffee/Sugar set	1
WMBICC023	Ladies	Plates	
WMBICC024	Ladies	Decorating Linen	3
WMBICC025	Ladies	Glass Vase	1
WMBICC026	Sunday School	Books	

WMBICC027	Chairperson	TV	1
WMBICC028	Chairperson	Webcam	1
WMBICC	Ladies	Chaffing Dishes	4
WMBICC	Ladies	Rice Cooker	1
WMBICC	Ladies	Serving Dishes	4

WEST MIDLANDS BRETHERN IN CHRIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1141051

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name WEST MIDLANDS BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH	No (if any) 1141051
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/11/2020	To	Period end date 31/10/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offering and Tithes	26,725	-	-	26,725	-
Gift Aid	5,785	-	-	5,785	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	32,510	-	-	32,510	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,510	-	-	32,510	-
A3 Payments					
Rent	2,354	-	-	2,354	-
Allowances	4,900	-	-	4,900	-
IT Costs	497	-	-	497	-
Subscriptions to the UK church fund	1,320	-	-	1,320	-
Transport costs	259	-	-	259	-
Charitable donations	2,840	-	-	2,840	-
Youth Activities	656	-	-	656	-
Insurance	373	-	-	373	-
Sunday School material	200	-	-	200	-
Music	290	-	-	290	-
Catering	188	-	-	188	-
Miscellaneous	72	-	-	72	-
Sub total	13,949	-	-	13,949	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	13,949	-	-	13,949	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,561	-	-	18,561	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,155	13,000	-	27,155	-
Cash funds this year end	32,716	13,000	-	45,716	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Operating Fund	32,716	-	-
	Building Fund	-	13,000	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	32,716	13,000	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	PA System		4,218	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Dumisani Ncube	14/11/2021	

Independent examiner's report

Report on the financial statements

To Members of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Opinion

I have examined the financial statements of West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church. The financial statements comprise:

- The Receipts and Payments of the Charity for the year ended 31 October 2021,
- The notes to the financial statements, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information,
- The Treasury guide on Revenue Management and Payments Guidelines and a recent review of financial controls document.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the West Midlands Church for the year ended 31 October 2021 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my examination in accordance with the Charities Regulations and I believe that the evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Key examination Matters

Key examination matters are those matters that, in my professional judgment, were of most significance in the financial statements of the current period.

I have performed the following audit procedures:

- Conducted a throughput reconciliation on Bank Statements as **all income was received online** due to covid restrictions on church gatherings.

- Totalled all payments as per bank statements, [no cash book or cheque stubs were examined for this period]

Responsibilities of Trustees and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

West Midlands Brethren In Christ Trustees are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Regulations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Calvin Ndlovu

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01 November 2020** To **31 October 2021**

Charity name: West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church

Charity registration number: 1141-51

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>1.To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit</p> <p>2.To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit; and</p> <p>3.To advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees and the main church committee from time to time may deem fit.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>1.Delivering church services twice on a weekly basis</p> <p>2. Supporting members of our church and the community during times of crisis such as bereavements. Support is also given to the underprivileged.</p> <p>3. Running youth programmes to ensure we instil good values in them and provide them with holistic life lessons to promote their physical, mental, social and spiritual development</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees are fully aware of the public benefit guidance issued by Charity Commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Not applicable to the Charity
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers run church services, provide support to members and manage the church's resources
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference			
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider	Para 1.20	OBJECTIVES	OUTCOME	COMMENT
		Service Delivery	Achieved	All expected services delivered during the year mainly on ZOOM. From the 10 th of October we have gone back to church but still run our services on zoom as well
		Support (including Covid Support)	Achieved	The Pastoral team and some members of the church continued to provide support where needed. The church further supported its members through the office of the Deacon to the tune of £2,240 mainly for bereavements
		Quarterly Reporting	Partially achieved	Mid-year reports were presented to the Church
		Resource Generation	Achieved	Total revenue of £32,510 exceeded budgeted revenue by 21%
		Charitable cause	Achieved	The church supported needy children through a grant of £600. A further £2,240 was disbursed to support bereaved families

benefits to society as a whole.		Fund Raising	Not Achieved	The Fundraising Committee has not been active. We hope that the re-opening of society will enable activity to start.
		Invest In Youth	Achieved	Funds were allocated to fund youth programmes and activities

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Covered above
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	None in the current year
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Non in the current year
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Revenue for the year is £32,510, expenditure is £13,949 Bank balance is £45,716
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Building Fund reserve is reviewed at the end of each year and a decision is made dependent on the financial performance in that year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£13,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Mainly offering and tithes collected during church services as well as Gift Aid
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Registered Charity
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected at an Annual General Meeting of the church members, by the church members

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1141051

Charity's principal address	27 Deans Gate Willenhall WV13 3NH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Themba Ndlovu	Pastor		Church Members
2	Melfort Khumalo	Deacon		Church Members
3	Dumisani Ncube	Chairperson		Church Members
4	Edith Mpofu	Treasurer		Church Members
5	Posani Mwetwa	Men's Fellowship Chairman		Church Members
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20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dumisani Ncube	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	14/11/2021	



Brethren in Christ Church

West Midlands

West Midlands BIC Church

C/o Highgate Baptist Church

Conybere Street

End of Year Report

Date: 31 October 2021

INTRODUCTION

This report covers the period from 1 November 2020 to 31st of October 2021

The Main Church committee for the period under review was made up of the following:

Chairperson: D. Ncube

Pastor: Rev T. Ndlovu

Secretary: Z. Mathuthu

Treasurer: E. Mpofu

Deacon: M. Khumalo

Youth Advisor: M. Dube

Ladies Chair: S. Mlobane

Men's Fellowship: P. Mwetwa

Sunday School: R. Khumalo

Music: T. Matope

Regional Rep: T. Matope

It is important to note that the term of office for most of the members of the committee expired on the 31st of October 2020, at which point the church decided to extend the term by one more year in line with the directive given by National Executive Board on Covid and elections.

The purpose of the Main Church Committee and all the other Sub-Committees is to enable us as a congregation to serve God meaningfully and fulfil His purpose in our lives. As we

serve God, we also need to be alert to the Mission of the Brethren In Christ Church as instructed in Matthew Chapter 28 v 19-20

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Amen.

Overview

We have, once again, come to the end of our Church calendar year and we thank God for granting us the favour to be able to do so. While we continue to live with Covid-19, we are eternally grateful to God for sustaining us as individuals as well as a congregation. We have seen his hand in our lives and in the lives of our friends and relatives.

The year started off on a sad note when we lost our dear sister and the then Church Secretary, Mrs Caroline Tshongwe. However, as Christians, we mourned her passing on with hope and full knowledge that the passing on of saints is not an end in itself but that we have been promised an eternity through Christ our Lord and Saviour.

As our year comes to an end, we are beginning to see a glimmer of hope: with Covid 19 restrictions lifted and the church back to worshipping in the church building. We praise God for that. We are, however, still aware that Covid is still spreading wildly, and we are encouraging everyone to continue taking precautions even when we meet physically in church. And let us continue praying that God heals His people from this scourge.

Overall, the past year has been, yet, another successful year for the church. We thank God for everything that has gone well because it is Him who enabled us.

We are also grateful to every member of this congregation for making the year a success. You each played a pivotal role and without you the success we are reporting would not have been realised.

- Some prayed
- Others preached
- Some started songs
- Others joined the song
- Some played instruments
- Others danced
- Some encouraged
- Others counselled
- Some gave testimony
- Others visited the sick
- Some consoled those who lost relatives
- Others gave them material, spiritual and moral support

- Some cooked
- Others ate and washed dishes
- Some taught the Word
- Others listened and asked
- Some gave offering and tithes
- Others collected the offering and used it in God's work
- Some organised services
- Others managed church business

We pulled together as a church and God's team with each one playing a critical role and playing it well. We are all so proud to be members of one body, who is Christ himself.

As we come to the end of the Committee's term of office, we feel blessed and privileged to have been given an opportunity to serve you in various roles. Nothing feels sweeter than being part of God's work within the West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church.

Nature of this report

This report will outline the objectives that we had set on behalf of the Church, achievements and challenges in meeting these objectives.

The report will further give a summary of the performance of various ministries within the Church. This year we have made sure that each ministry has had a chance to review their reports before the AGM. It is, therefore, hoped that there is nothing new for members within each department.

In conclusion the report will also make recommendations for consideration by the Church.

OBJECTIVES FOR THE YEAR

Our objectives remain largely the same as last year.

For the year ended 31 October 2021 we planned to:

1. Continue to deliver all Church services through various ministries as expected and required by the denomination
2. Support our members through the difficult times by providing moral, spiritual, and financial support
3. Report on a quarterly basis to the Church
4. Generate enough resources to fund the Church's activities as per the approved budget
5. Commit some of our resources to a Charitable cause
6. Raise funds through the Fundraising Committee
7. Establish a benevolence fund
8. Update the constitution to align it with the expectations of the Charity Commission

9. Develop a Return to Church strategy
10. Support national and regional programmes
11. Invest more in our youth programmes
12. Enhance the Office of the Pastor by electing an Assistant Pastor

Please note that there are other more specific objectives identified and pursued by sub-committees in their ministries.

PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

<u>OBJECTIVE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>OUTCOME</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
1	Service Delivery	Achieved	All expected services and Sunday School classes were delivered during the year mainly on ZOOM. We have since gone back to church as of the 10 th of October 2021, but we continue to run our services concurrently on Zoom, for the benefit of those who are not prepared yet to come to church in person and
2	Support (including Covid Support)	Achieved	The Pastoral team and some members of the church continued to provide support where needed. The church further supported its members through the office of the Deacon to the tune of £2,240 mainly for bereavements
3	Quarterly Reporting	Partially achieved	Committee presented mid-year reports only. There is need to review this objective and agree on how to best deliver it as the Committee has failed to deliver the reports quarterly for the past 3 years.
4	Resource Generation	Achieved	Total revenue (Offering, Tithes and Gift Aid) of £32,510 exceeded the budgeted revenue by 21%. Total revenue increased by 42% over last year's revenue The only revenue stream we did not realise this year was revenue from the Building Fund – still impacted on by Covid 19.
5	Charitable cause	Achieved	The church supported needy children in Zimbabwe through a grant of £600, which we administered via the office of the Pastor.

6	Fund Raising	Not Achieved	The Fundraising Committee has not been active. We hope that the re-opening of society will enable activity to start.
7	Establish a benevolence fund	Not Achieved	Could not be done because of Covid-19
8	Constitutional Updates	Not Achieved	Still outstanding
9	Return to Church Strategy	Achieved	We have successfully returned to church but still offer an opportunity for those who are not able to attend physically to join us via zoom.
10	National and Regional Programmes	Achieved	<p>We have actively participated in all national and regional programmes and West Midlands BICC continues to hold a number of roles of responsibility at national level. We pray that God gives them the wisdom and strength to carry out the mandate on their hands.</p> <p>West Midlands also pledged to support the Stoke on Trent cell group and made available a supplementary budget of £1,000 in the year for this work.</p> <p>Quote from our North Regional Chair “On behalf of the North Region, I would like to thank God for using you as a church, and especially the Church Committee for supporting the new church financially”</p> <p>Your efforts are noted and praised.</p>
11	Invest In Youth	Achieved	Our £1,000 budget for youth activities was well received by the church at large and the youth in particular. They were able to spend 66% of the allocated budget
12	Pastor’s Office Enhancement	Achieved	This has been done as per the Church’s agreement during the 2020 AGM.

As can be seen from the above appraisal

- 8 (67%) of the objectives were fully achieved (compared to 40% last year)
- 1 (8%) were partially achieved (compared to 30% last year), but note improvement on the achieved
- 3 (25%) were not achieved at all (compared to 30% last year).

ACHIEVEMENTS

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the church for fully achieving 8 of its objectives.

- Church services were delivered every Sunday without fail, including Sunday School lessons
- Our members were supported whenever there was a need
- We supported youth programmes and funded them
- As a church we gave generously and from the depths of our hearts

While our membership remains stable, we note that average weekly attendance went down from 46 to 39 people per week this year. This is largely due to the fact that most of our members have since gone back to work after the pandemic closure and business slow down. Some of our members have now either gone to the new cell group in Stoke or are regularly attending the cell group in support.

However, despite the decline in attendance numbers, our revenue has grown significantly this year. Excluding Gift Aid, we collected **£6,802** more than budget and **£10,309** more than last year in Offering and Tithes. This is indeed a phenomenal result and we thank all of you for supporting God's work even during this difficult time. May God continue to bless all of you according to His riches.

Gift Aid was as per the budget. However, it was £714 less than last year only because last year we made a claim for 2 years, including the rebate missed the previous year.

The support given to our church members during Covid 19 cannot go unnoticed. We are very grateful to all who took it upon themselves to support other church members through regularly checking on them and in some cases providing material support. As Christians, we indeed became each other's keeper.

We are also reporting a further objective that has been partly achieved, meaning that some progress has been noted in that area. This is on quarterly reporting. The plan has always been to report quarterly to the church, but this seems an onerous task and may need reviewing to a more achievable reporting requirement.

CHALLENGES

The appraisal above has already highlighted areas where the Committee had shortfalls and given some explanations where possible.

3 objectives were not achieved purely because the Committee made a decision to halt activities pursuing these objectives. To achieve these objectives required to a large extent human contact which risked breaching government Covid 19 management rules. Furthermore, the Committee felt that due to the Covid 19 crisis these objectives could not be a priority for the church.

Other challenges that are a concern and impact negatively on the life of the church include:

- Continued low attendance of church services by men. This is particularly notable during the mid-week prayer sessions.
- Lack of human contact due to Covid 19. While this is beyond our control, it does have an impact on some members of the congregation. The re-opening of the society at large will give us an opportunity to revive human contact.
- We are challenging the incoming committee to pursue these.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

1. We recommend that the Committee reviews the budget and propose a new budget to the Church in the new year.
2. We recommend that the Church follows up on objectives not achieved in the coming year.
3. We recommend that the Building Fund be increased from £13,000 to £20,000 and that this is ring-fenced and banked in a separate bank account.
4. We recommend that the Church allocates a further £1,500 to the Stoke cell group in the coming year
5. We recommend that the church acquires some accounting software to better manage its finances and make easy the burden of report production.

INDIVIDUAL MINISTRY REPORTS

A summary for each ministry is given below. The detailed report for each ministry has been discussed in the respective departments. For the purposes of our AGM only the Chairperson's, Treasurer's and Pastor's report will be presented.

Men's Fellowship

Men have continued to hold their services after church, and they were also able to host one social event this year.

The number of men attending services remains a concern. We encourage men to improve their attendance on Sunday and during the week

Many thanks to the Chairman and his team.

Ladies' Fellowship

Ladies continue to be the pillar of our church in every respect. Their attendance and participation during services is remarkable. They continue to support the church's spiritual life through holding regular monthly prayer meetings.

We are grateful to the Chairlady and her team.

Youth Ministry

The Youth actively took part in their Sunday school services as well as in some main services. This year they managed to hold other activities promoting their social as well as physical well-being. We are grateful to the church for sponsoring these. Our gratitude also goes to the Youth Advisor who has worked tirelessly during the year.

Sunday School

All Sunday school lessons were delivered for all age groups. We are grateful to the Sunday School Superintendent and her team for the effort they put into preparing for these lessons and delivering them

Well done to the Superintendent and team. Thank you.

Music Ministry

This was the team most affected by Covid-19 as Government rules did not allow them to meet to practise or to meet to sing together.

However, we are grateful to the members of the team (and others not necessarily in the Praise and Worship team) who have been blessing us with songs of praise and worship from the comfort of their homes. Their contribution to our services is really appreciated.

With the relaxation of Covid rules we hop they will now have opportunity for them to resume practice and continue to serve God through music.

Well done and thank you to the Team and their Leader.

Finances

A detailed report is provided by the treasurer.

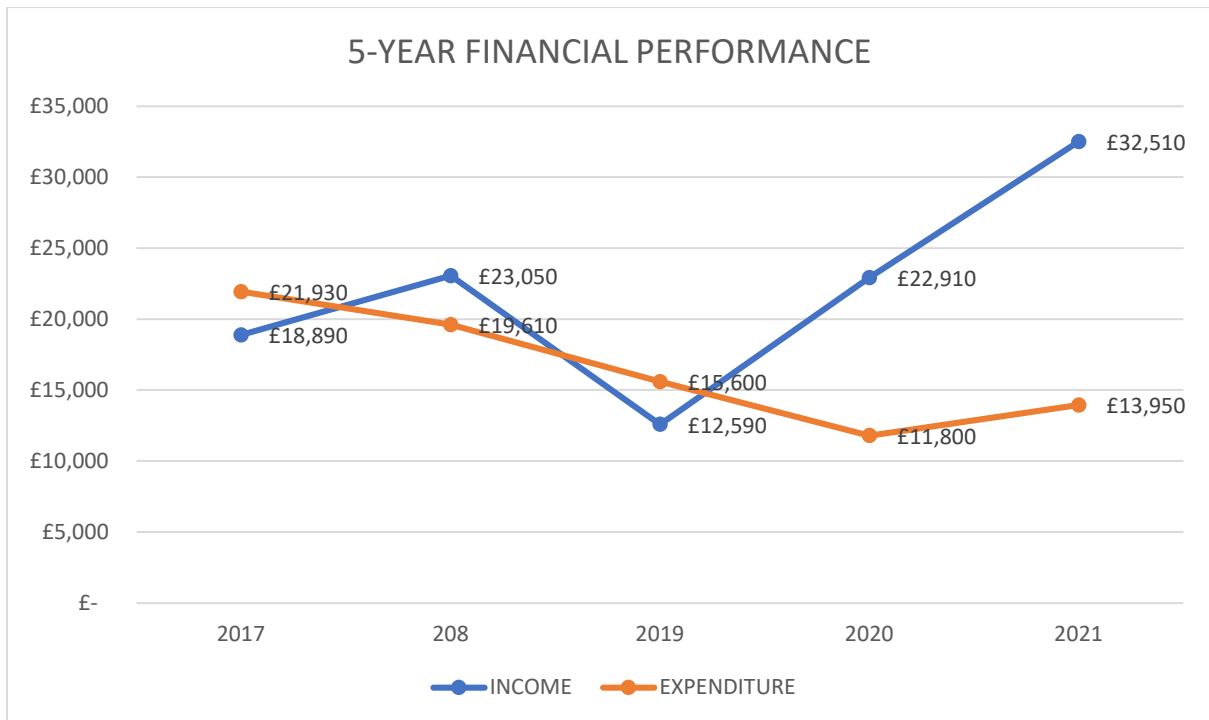
The church made a surplus of £18,561 during the year after covering its costs of £13,949.

Average weekly offering and tithes rose by 69% from £342 per week last year to £579 per week this year.

This is a remarkable achievement, and we are thankful to all church members for remaining faithful even in their offering and tithes.

The church is growing, financially, as is shown by the graph below.

Please note that expenditure is generally lower due to non-activity as a result of Covid-19 and the picture will change if restrictions stay lifted.



As at the end of October 2020 the Church has the following cash resources:

Barclays Bank Account: £45,716.42

Of these funds, £13,000 has been ringfenced for the building purchase project. We are proposing an uplift to **£20,000** for this fund.

Please note: Our income this year is £32,510 and has reached the £25,000 threshold above which we will need to:

- 1. Get our accounts checked by an independent examiner**
- 2. Submit a Trustees Annual Report (TAR) to the Charity Commission.**

The Church also owns a number of assets shown in Annex A below.

CONCLUSION

In closing, let me take this opportunity to thank the Church for allowing us to lead them once again for the past 12 months. We don't take this lightly and see it as an honour to serve in God's house. You have co-operated fully with us, guiding and advising us where you saw a need. You are pleasant to serve.

You have been wonderful, and we commend you greatly to the incoming Committee. There was never a day we regretted serving in the House of the Lord.

May God richly bless each one of you.

Finally, a big thank you to the committee who worked diligently and with humility, leading by example and never taking off their eyes from the mandate you empowered them to deliver. They worked in unity and with one heart.

By God's grace they served the Church with love, wisdom and understanding, putting aside their own challenges to keep the church going and growing. I salute them, one by one for a job well done and their spirit of servanthood.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL

Report prepared by:

Dumisani Ncube (Chairperson: West Midlands Brethren In Christ Church)



Annex A

Inventory ID	Responsible Department	Description	Quantity in Stock
WMBICC001	Music	Mixer	1
WMBICC002	Music	Mounted Speakers	2
WMBICC003	Music	Subwoofer	1
WMBICC004	Music	Snake	1
WMBICC005	Music	Keyboards	2
WMBICC006	Music	Drum Kit	1
WMBICC007	Music	4 -mic Wireless Receiver	1
WMBICC008	Music	2- mic Wireless Receiver	1
WMBICC009	Music	Cordless Mics	6
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WMBICC012	Music	Monitors	2
WMBICC013	Secretary	Laptop	1
WMBICC014	Secretary	Epson Printer	1
WMBICC015	Chairperson	Projector	1

WMBICC016	Chairperson	Suggestion Box	1
WMBICC017	Pastor	Hymn Books	8
WMBICC018	Pastor	Values Banner	1
WMBICC019	Pastor	Glass Pulpit	1
WMBICC020	Treasurer	Offering Baskets	4
WMBICC021	Ladies	Chafing Dishes	4
WMBICC022	Ladies	Tea/Coffee/Sugar set	1
WMBICC023	Ladies	Plates	
WMBICC024	Ladies	Decorating Linen	3
WMBICC025	Ladies	Glass Vase	1
WMBICC026	Sunday School	Books	