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A letter from Mark & Jane

June 2021 AGM Report
Be Encouraged!

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1 v 9



The future for believers is always certain, and full of hope. We can be certain even in an uncertain world that one thing is absolutely, totally dependable and sure – **God is with us** where ever we go and that

includes today, tomorrow and onward into the future in every place and circumstance. These words are very familiar to us but we do need commit them to memory, continually seek Him in prayer and live them out. Our part is always to be strong and courageous, not afraid, or discouraged, and we know that is not always easy but is not optional.

As we begin to re gather as a church, lets continue to grow in love of God, and one another, forgiving one another and grow continually in grace towards each other. Let's also continue to grow deeper in our walk with Jesus, and with great love and compassion continue to serve our community and reach out with the Gospel to those around us.

We have much to be encouraged by even as we face the challenges ahead, we continue to have people just dropping in and coming to church in the week and during services and have also seen some people coming to know the Lord even through the lockdowns. I have read several quotes recently that said **the best of all is, God is with us. Because God is with us, we do not fear what is ahead, as He is greater than it all, and if He is for us who can be against us.**

Thanks

We would like to thankyou all for your support, love and service during this last year and for praying and standing with us, we are delighted that the as a church we are beginning to meet again. We would especially like to thank and mention a few people. Firstly, the Technical and worship team particularly Colin, Geoff, Sam and Sam Dobbs who have enabled us to continue to have services online, they have done several upgrades to our equipment that has been a very steep learning curve and often with the worship team have had many late nights recording, fixing things and keeping things running. We are now streaming live on YouTube for those of you still at home and we do get visitors and others join online, we are going to be looking how we can use this equipment for mission and other ways than just streaming the service.

We are delighted and very blessed as a church by the children's and youth team as they have worked with Lucy and Paula and maintained contact with families and continued to develop new ways of serving that are now in place now including the First steps toddler praise and play group and GSET which now is a monthly All age service, it was such a joy to see families, children, and young people both in and participating in the service recently, and what a joy to of dedicated baby Gianna last Sunday.

We also thank all the volunteers in every ministry who have kept the essential support groups open during this time including Prayer Recovery, Renew wellbeing and Safeguarding.

Finally want also to thank the leadership team as they have continued to meet and work extremely hard to keep things going and even moving forward. We especially thank the Lord for those who are stepping down this year and especially for Wendy and Chris who between clock up 25 years of serving as deacons we pray for them as they rest and wait on the Lord and His timing for their next steps.

Lots of Love and Prayers
Mark & Jane

Church Secretary

This will be a short report from me, after all it's only been 6 months since our last AGM. The Covid Pandemic has turned many things on their heads but it has been heart-warming to see how our Fellowship have used much practised gifts and also developed new giftings in order to offer and support ministries, groups, prayer and worship within the building, the community and the virtual world of Zoom, Facebook and YouTube.

Personally, it has been a very challenging 6 months for me including adapting to new ways of working within my role in the NHS.

I have also had ongoing physical health challenges, which I know many of you will agree impacts on mental health and both of these have led to me already "stepping away" from my role of Church Secretary over the last few months. As a Deacon coming to the end of my 6-year term on the Leadership Team, I stepped into the role of Church Secretary. It never occurred to me at the time that the role does not have a Constitutional end date like a Deacon and the only way is to retire!! You may recall that I informed the Church of that decision back in 2019 but, as I said earlier, that is one of the things that was turned on its head in 2020.

I would like to thank you for the encouragement, help, support, advice, direction many of you have given to a Church Secretary who knew little about the role she was volunteering for, perhaps even slightly crowbarred into! Thank you to Cathy, our former Secretary, Amy our previous Administrator, and all those more experienced and knowledgeable about the way that Baptists do things. I felt so blessed when we were able to appoint Colleen who, although herself had to learn about Baptist ways, brought an immense amount of knowledge and wisdom (even if it was Anglican)!

Mike Fregredo our Baptist Regional Minister and other staff at East Midlands Baptist Association have also given invaluable advice and support especially during our 3½ year Interregnum which led to the appointment of our Pastor and his wife, Mark and Jane. So, it's not only Pandemics that turn things on their heads!! Our God does it all time! He answered our prayers for a Visionary and Enabling Leader. One who described himself as "a visionary leader with the heart of an Evangelist and a passionate faith to lead God's people in Mission".

You will read much of that Vision and Mission and how it is being worked out through and within our church fellowship and community in the Reports contained in this booklet. Please continue in earnest prayer, seeking more of God's vision and the leading of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Colossians 1:18 He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you Peace.
Wendy

Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT 2020/21

You will see the presentation of our accounts at our AGM, they will also be audited prior to their presentation to the Charity Commission.

This has been a year like no other and one that could not have been forecasted. Our Church, our community and all of us individually have suffered the impact of covid. Inevitably, the finances of the Church have also not escaped.

Our **General Fund** for the year decreased by almost one third. Ending the year at only **£24,128**. Our building was closed for a large proportion of the year and whilst there were some running cost savings made, this was far outweighed by the decrease in giving, resulting mainly from Church Services ceasing.

Many of you set up regular standing orders online and sent in your offerings. This became a lifeline for our Church. Thank you to each and every one of you who did this and has continued to do so. However, our giving for the year was still down nearly £11,000. This was broadly equivalent to our total **deficit for the year of £11,920**.

Whilst this was disappointing we know how many other organisations, businesses and individuals have been hit very much harder. With businesses closing down and people losing their employment.

We did complete the sale of our Manse and the purchase of a smaller Manse during the last 12 months. This generated £122,000 in capital that will be invested in a 2nd property that we are in the process of buying.

A £20,000 legacy and £19,000 from the closure of Stanton Hill has enabled us to continue the work of our Church. These sources of income referred to are NOT included in the calculation of the deficit in the general fund.

We also received £15,000 from a donor that was given to help our fellowship, our community and parts of the world where we have had a relationship with in the past, like Nepal. This has been invaluable during the pandemic and it continues to enable us to provide the financial support where it is most needed.

So in many ways we have remained blessed by our faithful God in the most unexpected ways during these difficult times.

The generous Personal **Giving to Other Causes** by our Fellowship continued despite everything. Most notably donating to the Bags of Hope and the Meals from Jesus. Also, helping the homeless in our community. The Leprosy Mission and Nepal were supported worldwide too.

We donated over **£11,000** from Church funds for Home Mission, World Mission and locally for Christian work in our Schools. This was over 12% of our total income received.

We now look forward to a 'new normal' for our Church with exciting opportunities lying ahead. We need to embrace these opportunities whilst remaining good stewards of the monies our Lord has so graciously blessed us with.

Thank you all for your continued support and prayers.

Blessings

Neil Meadows



Bags of Hope

Agm 2021 Bags of hope report.

The bags of hope have been a blessing to lots of families.

The contents of the bags feed the family for 1 week for all their meals and some puddings and treats.

The main uptake has been from families at the Queen Elizabeth school and referrals from the Mansfield district council and church families.

We have been blessed with a team of willing helpers who have shopped for the families and packed/ delivered the bags.

The families have been moved how thoughtful the bags are and often have lasted longer than the week.

The Easter letter updated on the wonderful feedback we have had and how lives have been touched.

The last two bags have gone to families who have put on a free cycle site they are struggling. I delivered one along with some clothes that the lady had asked for it was a joy to pray with her as I dropped them off.

As the bags of hope are being requested less. The food is being used to go in the bags that are going to the oak tree lane project. This is touching lives in many ways the blessing bags are a small part of it.

If you wish to help with food or money or shopping/ packing the bags.

Things needed are.

Tesco or Aldi gift vouchers for us to buy fresh bread and long-life milk. (OR money marked hope to Neil or me please)

Toothpaste

Washing up liquid

Small boxes washing powder.

Aldi 50p cornflakes

Meatballs in tomato sauce

Pasta bake jars.

Princes/ other sandwich fillings

Beans

Spaghetti

Beans and sausages.

Rice pudding

Tinned fruit

Biscuits

Super noodles

Tinned tomatoes

Any treats

Thanking all of you for your support and encouragement.

Thanking God for his grace and love.

Love from Elaine and team.

B.M.S. Partners

BMS Church Partners (and other missionaries)



After spending considerable time in the UK due to the pandemic, our BMS Partner missionary **Claire Bedford** was able to return to Chad at the end of March to continue with her ministry as a pharmacist at the Guinebor II Hospital at N'Djamena.

However, during April, after unrest in Chad resulting in the death of the president, the Foreign Office strongly advised UK nationals to leave Chad. Following the advice, Claire and her BMS colleagues returned to the

UK.

At the time of writing this, 28th May, Claire and two of her colleagues, Brian and Jackie Chilvers, are preparing to fly to Paris, where they will apply for visas to enter Chad (Chad has no embassy in the UK) then travel on to Chad at the end of June.

Prayer is needed for Claire and her colleagues, that all will go smoothly, and that the peace that has returned to Chad, albeit uneasy, will be maintained. This, of course, is on top of the COVID-19 complications.

Newsletters are available giving more of Claire's news. If you like to keep up with Claire's news, my email contact is at the end of this report.

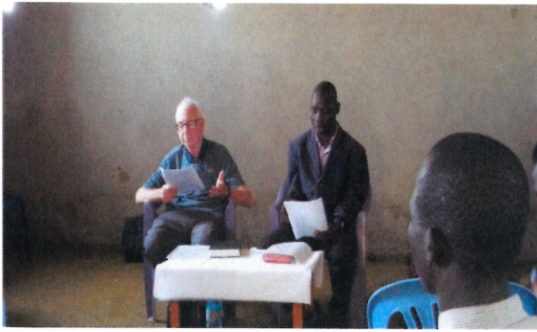
Christine Birt celebrated her 80th birthday on Boxing Day last year and continues with her ministry in Mbale, Uganda. Christine continues with her radio ministry, which brings blessings mixed with complications. After a recent Saturday evening broadcast 14 people received Jesus and went to Pastor Julius' church in Mooni. They were all Muslims except for one. Although this is exciting and what they want, eight of them were in desperate need. Two had been sacked from their jobs. Others had had their clothes burned and thrown out of their homes. They needed accommodation, feeding, clothing, bed sheets, mattresses and so on.



In spite of the difficulties, Christine and Julius are determined to continue to preach the Gospel in this needy area.

Christine also has a small discipleship group in Namatala on Fridays, and goes to Kamonkole on Sunday mornings to a small fellowship of mostly young people. The leaders of the ministry meet in Christine's compound for an hour on Thursday evenings which she finds very beautiful and very powerful.

Please pray for good health and strength for Christine as she continues her ministry in Uganda.



Philip Lotimong continues with the Bible based **Equip Leadership** teaching in Uganda. Philip was recently excited to be able to share the teaching with church leaders in Jinja. The leaders were happy with the teachings and asked Philip if they could be taken to the areas they come from.

Philip was also invited to speak at the Inter-Hostel Fellowship in Mbale. This fellowship brings students from the high schools together. Philip was asked to train the leaders of the hostels, around 150 of them, which excited him because they were young people who are rising into leadership positions in the near future.

We have a programme in place for the certification course I (David Ardron) am planning to take to Uganda. This course will give a qualification to those who are passing the teaching on to others. The costing exercise Philip and I conducted last year will now need to be re-costed, which I am planning to do over the summer months. More news in due course.

If you would like to receive copies of newsletters sent out by our BMS Partner missionary, and a selection of other missionaries, please send your email address to davidardron456@hotmail.com

David Ardron



Prayer

Thankfully we have been able to continue our daily morning worship / prayer meetings with our Lord where we prayerfully bathe in His presence, seeking His guidance and direction for the ministry and the church who meet in our building.

We are so thankful that He always turns up no matter how many of us attend and it is such a joy to be involved as we meet with Him there .

I'm not able to comment on the Monday afternoon church meeting as I have committed to pray with the Mansfield Prayer group who meet each day through the week seeking unity for the body of Christ in Mansfield.

However as we meet on the Sunday evening prayer time His presence attracts members of other churches in the Mansfield area where we have wonderful fellowship with each other and our Lord.

Whether you're able to meet with us or not we hope and pray you might join with us at home as we seek to break through in lifting our town and Nation to God .

If you are able, even for a short time, to come along our prayer times are between :-


8.00 and 9.00 each morning

1.00 and 3.00 Monday afternoon

7.00 and 9.00 Sunday evening

You will be so welcome ,

God Bless you all and thankyou for your prayers
Steve Pickering x



Therefore I tell you,
whatever you ask for in
prayer,
believe
that you have received it,
and it will be yours.
Mark 11:24

Renew Well Being

RENEW WELLBEING Report for AGM June 2021

After a few months of being unable to meet last year because of Covid-19 restrictions, we were glad to open our doors again in October and continue through to mid-December. However we felt it wise to close from January to March but then reopened in April.

We have been able to keep in touch by phone with our regular attendees even when we have not been meeting on a weekly basis. Those who come appreciate the opportunity to join with others and share in an activity or sit and chat over coffee and to know that they are welcomed and accepted however they are feeling.

Our daily rhythm of prayer ensures that we are centering our activity on God and seeking to keep in touch with Him. We appreciate being part of the Renew Wellbeing national organisation with the opportunity to join in zoom gatherings for a retreat day and for weekly prayer along with others throughout the UK where there are 100 groups meeting or preparing to open up. We keep in touch with our representative from Notts Mental health Services and have had contact with other agencies in the community.

Whilst having to adhere to Government guidelines and restrict the numbers who attend, we look forward to more freedom in the coming months.

We praise God :-

- that we have the facilities to provide a safe space where it's OK not to be OK
- for hosts and regulars
- for all who have been helped and encouraged to use their gifts - for the friendly atmosphere and the conversations that take place - and for all who join in our midday prayer

Brenda Rumbol.

Recovery Group

Recovery Report – June 2021

The essence of Recovery is God is at the centre. It is a writing and sharing programme in which God leads people towards healing and a greater freedom. Wounds and hurts are healed, feelings of unworthiness, anxiety and inferiority are reduced, and chains of obsessions and addictions are broken. It helps people to feel more peaceful and their relationships to become healthier and is for anyone. It encourages self-understanding, allows God to heal damaged emotions and draws us into a greater knowledge of God's love for us and into a deeper relationship with Him.

Recovery has continued for most throughout the lockdowns. It restarted in the church in autumn as a large group of 15 people, which split into small groups for discussion. In addition, two more people started on separate zooms in December. Earlier this year, changes had to be made to accommodate the new lockdown. Each small group decided whether to meet in church or use zoom. One group decided to meet in church, one group has unfortunately had to be put on hold and the other groups zoomed. This continued until May when the church was used again. To help more people, the groups are now spread out on Mondays from 9.20am until 2.15pm. Because of confidentiality, we would ask that the church is not used by anybody throughout these times.

To create an atmosphere where renewal and healing can occur, there is a need for guidelines. Confidentiality is a major part of this. The guidelines also include maintaining an environment where non-judgemental attitudes, unconditional love, acceptance and respect for each other and their views are essential. A safe place for sharing is created, where leaders listen, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, but do not advise. We let God be God and soak every meeting in prayer, both within meetings and during the rest of the week. We would greatly value your prayers too.

If you would like to know more about us, please ask Bronwen, Fiona or Spro.



Children & Families Work

Children and Family



Lucy Gell & Paula Skinner

We wanted to start by testifying to God's faithfulness throughout the last year. As guidelines and restrictions have continued to change, we have found ourselves – on many occasions – uncertain about the future and the way ahead and have often asked each other: 'Now what?!'

The challenge for us has been to try to keep focused on Him – the One who is sovereign over all. Although we might often feel unsure in our circumstances and the road ahead unclear, God remains faithful to His promises; as shown in the famous Martin Luther King quote, we just have to take the next step.

Not always easy!

In November, the two of us met for a retreat day to take time to reflect and pray before looking to the future. As we looked back, we were able to count our blessings – noticing all the things that God had been doing and were amazed at some of the work He had brought about that we never could have planned or imagined for ourselves.

Here is a bit of an overview of some of the things that have been happening behind the scenes and also directly with children and families over the last year.

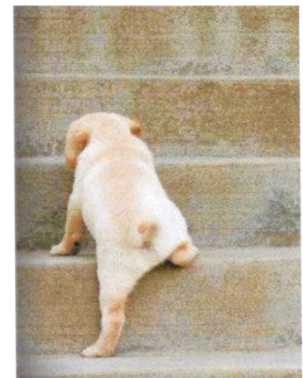
Vision & Values

Despite the disruption which we all faced in 2020, one positive aspect which arose was the opportunity to look at things afresh. With all of our groups and regular activities flattened overnight, we were forced to stop and reflect, and to look at the children, family and youth work as a whole picture. This process enabled us to identify what we considered to be our key strengths as well as the areas we wanted to develop further. These conclusions enabled us to clarify our priorities moving forward and thus, we were able to draw up what we called 'Vision & Values' - principles that we would seek to embed across all of our work –regardless of age or activity.

Further details of this are available to read should you like to know more; however, the key focus has been our attempt to make all of the work distinctly Christian, seeking to put God at

'You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step'.

Martin Luther King



the forefront. We want our children, families and young people to learn and know about Him but also to be able to respond and encounter Him for themselves.



The Greatest Story Ever Told

We were excited to discover a new resource called ‘the Greatest story ever Told’, a series of family sessions from the author of the Bible Society’s Bible Course, showing how the key events and characters from the Bible fit together to form one overall story.



With restrictions hindering our ability to run groups for children on Sunday mornings, we decided to use these sessions, combined with

worship songs and creative prayer approaches to form an afternoon family service and so - Get set was born!

Some of our sessions had to move online when the second lockdown hit but we continued in our journey -eventually managing to reach the end of the course some nine months later! As well as having lots of fun together, it was a real joy to see families worshipping together and interacting in discussion. A particular highlight for us was seeing God at work in the encounter times as we provided space for children to ‘chat’ to Him and see if they could ‘catch’ something that He might be saying to them. It has been a blessing to see how God can speak to and through all ages and we are excited to see what He will do through our children and young people as we continue to pursue Him.



The Greatest Story Ever Told words inspired the name ‘Get set’ and the logo, which the young people helped to design.

The idea behind the logo is that we can hear about the Greatest story and tell others the good news too!

Outreach events

As well as offering discipleship for children and families, we were aware of the need to reach out with the good news of Jesus and so held various events throughout the year that we hoped would enable further connection with families on the fringes and outside of the Church.



A 'Light it up' party at home pack and video message (after the weather kiboshed our outdoor party!)



Our seasonal events – a Christmas service and an Easter trail to share the gospel message



Valentines special – a bake at home kit and video message sharing God’s love.



Over the year we have had the privilege of being in contact with 41 families. We give thanks that we have been able to see some of these families step into our Get set services.

We want to say a big thank you to the many people who have supported us, encouraged us along the way and for all the practical help we have received. We really appreciate you all.

Toddlers and Toy Library

Paula Skinner

Having looked back over my last report it has been exciting to see the many changes and how God has continued to have a hand in all of these.

Having run rhyme time for toddlers throughout our first lockdown on zoom, it was a great joy in September to move back to church (well nearly in the car park at least) to run a toy library with collection from under the canopy. A big thank you to Jenny Clark who has been amazing at working with me to set this up and thanks to others who helped prepare things to make the toy library successful. A £300 grant to fund the setting up of the Toy Library from Councillor Garner meant we could buy boxes and material to put all the toys in which means moving and cleaning everything has been much easier. It has been great to see the children enjoying the toy they pick but more importantly having an opportunity to chat face to face. One of the mums told her husband that we had often been the only other adults she had seen apart from him during the lockdowns and looked forward to her weekly chats. At Christmas we managed to move inside and have a toddlers Christmas Service. It was a different style of nativity as everyone stayed in their spaces but the message of God's love for us in sending His Son Jesus seemed more touching for many without all the usual hype and busyness. After Christmas it was back outside with the toy library, as once again, we were in lockdown. This time everyone was much more open about how much they were struggling; deeper conversations happened and offers to pray for them were happily accepted.

At Easter, we went inside again for a Toddlers Easter Celebration service.

After discussions with leaders of Tuesday Toddlers and Little Explorers it was decided to close these and open a new Toddler group called 'First Steps' on Wednesday mornings at 10am after Easter. Sessions have been limited to 15 adults (mums, dads, grandparents and a child minder have joined us) as per restrictions but adults and children have loved being back inside. We had 3 pregnant mums in our group after Easter and now have three healthy baby boys to add to our numbers. We are seeing growth and new life in many different ways. Some of the parents and children have taken part in events that Lucy and I have run throughout the year and also joined our Get Set Family Services on Sunday afternoons. We have played lively Christian Toddler songs and the children have streamers and shakers as restrictions still don't allow singing by all. Every family has received a book called 'God knows all about me' which was funded by the Tuesday Toddlers money. A big thank you to Geoff and Mandy for releasing this money. We have read the book each week and had a weekly craft linked to it. When restrictions lift we plan to add in toys to play with giving the children and adults much needed opportunities to interact.

A big thank you to all those who have run Tuesday Toddlers and Little Explorers in the past, your support for our new group and all the children's work has been overwhelming. I am really grateful that many of you have offered to help and when restrictions allow, I will definitely be in touch.

Parents Bible Study Report

Paula Skinner

I began a Parents Bible Study on zoom in April 2020 starting with the 'Parenting for Faith' course. Since April we have met weekly and followed the Bible Course, the Prayer Course and now the Unanswered Prayer Course. At the beginning of 2021 I ran Care for the family videos about family life which a couple of new mums also came too. These studies have seen us all grow closer to God and build fantastic friendships with each other.



Youth

Lucy Gell

As we embarked upon the start of a new academic year last September, the way ahead seemed a bit unclear and whilst current circumstances and constantly changing guidance continue to pose a significant challenge, God has been so faithful (as He always is!), bringing blessing and guidance along the way.

At a Youth leaders' event last Summer, we were given some wonderful encouragement and one of those words we received was a word of prophecy about the Spirit going ahead and drawing people in; this has continued to be our experience even during this time when there is so much we feel we are unable to do!

We have had four new young people join our more regular group and an added bonus has been the connections we are also developing with the parents of the young people. One of our key values, which we feel God placed on our hearts early on, was the idea of being 'intergenerational' and not seeing Youth as a separate entity. As we have engaged with our young people, doing events and home drop offs and visits, we are getting to know the young people's parents too and their openness and willingness to chat has been so encouraging. When we had to move to Zoom again back in November, one of the Mums was also engaging with us (albeit offscreen) and hearing the Word! Please continue to pray for these relationships and also for the many young people who we have had chance encounters with at some of our outdoor events – that they too may be drawn in by the Spirit who does the work and not us! How encouraging and exciting to know that He is in control and it isn't dependent on us!

Over the months, our approaches have had to regularly change according to the restrictions we faced; nevertheless, we have continued to meet together, whether online or in person when we were able. Whilst we have engaged in a variety of activities over the year, the session contents have remained largely unchanged: we seek to have fun & fellowship, food

and to provide space and an opportunity for us to connect and encounter God. Here are some of the things we've been up to over the year:

- McD's & Movie Night
- Fondue and T shirt design
- Graffiti & games
- Zoom Youth
- Pancakes and playlist
- The Great Baptist bake off and other baking challenges
- The re-launch of the Youth music group
- Christmas party – Dreaming the Impossible broadcast
- Youth drop in – back in the building
- Pizza & rounders in the park



The baking kits ready for home delivery!



Reading through this, it may all seem glamorous and exciting. However, I have to be honest and say that it has felt an uphill climb at times; the barriers of lockdown and the limits we

have had has sometimes made connection seem really tough and humanly speaking, can feel difficult to battle against.

Nevertheless, I feel God has been reminding me that we don't always humanly see Him working and although things might seem upside-down and topsy turvy to us, things in God's kingdom aren't as we view them.

<Youth Christmas party



Isaiah 55:8-11

"I don't think the way you think.
The way you work isn't the way I work."
GOD's Decree.

"For as the sky soars high above earth,
so the way I work surpasses the way you work,
and the way I think is beyond the way you think.
Just as rain and snow descend from the skies
and don't go back until they've watered the earth,
Doing their work of making things grow and blossom,
producing seed for farmers and food for the hungry,
So will the words that come out of my mouth
not come back empty-handed.
They'll do the work I sent them to do,
they'll complete the assignment I gave them.

I am certainly on a journey of learning to trust Him in deeper ways and know the key is abiding in Him and allowing Him to take over; I feel I have much to learn!

Thank you to the amazing team of youth leaders who are so faithful and generous with their time and energy in supporting our young people. Your love and warmth encourage me greatly and spur me on!

With love,

Lucy

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, encouragement and practical support.
We feel really blessed to be surrounded by people who have a heart for families,
children and young people and who are committed to being an intergenerational
family who worship together.

We really value your prayers; please keep praying for us, for the leaders and for
all the children, families and young people we are in contact with.

Many thanks

Love from Lucy & Paula

Pastoral Care Team

Telephone Pastors .

It has been a valued privilege to be part of the telephone pastor team . Our aim is to remain in contact with as many as possible during this difficult and varying time .

We aim to talk regularly and get to know each other in a different way , all as individuals so valuable to our Lord . In addition we can pray appropriately about differing circumstances , remember different happenings for each other , and care in Christian love as Jesus taught us .

If anyone knows of a particular need that does not seem to be being met please let me know . In this present time with different styles of contact , not everyone is able to join with us right now . We do not want to miss any friends need . In times of isolation , loneliness , and issues of dealing with problems alone , we are all called by God to share and care for each other in Christian faith .

Please join us if you would like to . It certainly seems from my conversations that many of our Church family are in regular contact with several others .

Our God is big and mighty to save . He has plans to prosper and not to harm us .

Blessings to All , Tracy .

Study Groups

ONLINE STUDY GROUPS – AGM REPORT JUNE 2020 TO MAY 2021 - ELIZABETH COOPER

While it has been a most unusual year in terms of worldwide events, it has been a most wonderful opportunity to share in study and fellowship online. All groups continue on zoom at the moment with discussions in the pipeline about where, how and when to meet once all lockdown rules are lifted.

I am reminded of both Isaiah 55 v 9 and Jeremiah 25 v 11 *"I know the plans I have for you; my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts"*.

In November up to December last year we studied OBEDIENCE together for our Advent reflection. Reminding ourselves about the obedience of those involved in the Christmas story, we also looked at our own obedience to God.

Through Lent this year we used our own, purpose-made, Bible Journaling booklet using the



for our daily headings to lead us through familiar scriptures, and also using this as the basis for our online groups. Many found the Scripture Doodling to be therapeutic and thoughtful, giving further insight to the scripture and enriching their time spent with our Creator God.

This journal also led us to look at the many names of God – the list is long, and these names led us to both familiar and unfamiliar stories in the Bible.

Between Advent and Lent, and from Lent until now, the individual groups have worked through many courses as well as individual books of the Bible.



The Bible Course from the Bible Society gave us good grounding in the layout of the Bible and how all the books fit together.

The DVDs are available for anyone to borrow – I do recommend the course.

"The Prayer Course" by Peter Greig of 24/7 has been another in depth study used – this one based on the Lord's Prayer. **"Unanswered Prayer"** follows on from this and tackles some personal issues of our prayer lives. Both are available online and again I recommend them.

The Freedom in Christ Course has been used and we have also had the Alpha Course running in one group. Variation to suit needs.

But whatever has been studied, fellowship has deepened through time together; friendships have been made and strengthened; knowledge has been added to and lives have been changed. God never fails to speak as the Holy Spirit leads each meeting - Matthew 18:20 – *"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."*

As we have continued to meet, pray, discuss, study, share laugh and cry together over both the scriptures and our life events, we have been using this most unusual year to grow and change. There is always room for more people to join in and always the option for new groups to set up. We are excited at what God has in store for the next year of our lives in study groups, gathering around God's living word which *"is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives; it corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right"*

Property & Projects

MBC Properties Report for the year ending March 31st 2021

1. Slessor Room Fire damage

During the year the Slessor Room has undergone the planned makeover, after the fire of January 2020. It will become our new office. The pandemic has slowed everything down but many things have been happening when the lockdowns allowed and builders were working:

- a Reception Hatch has been opened on to the Entrance Lobby
- CCTV has been installed overlooking the entrance with a monitor in the office
- Remote locking and unlocking of the front door
- A dado rail around the room for telephone, data and electrical leads
- The old hatch into the kitchen has been blocked up
- New carpets in the room and lobby
- A lowered ceiling with recessed lighting
- New window blinds

Furniture, desks etc. is imminent. Neil is organising this.

The building works bill was about the amount of the fire insurance compensation money. I would like to thank Colin, Geoff and David for their practical (they have saved us money!) and advisory support.

2. Insurance Review

I met a representative of our buildings insurers to do their five yearly valuation review, foreshadowed in last year's report. We have a clean bill of health as far as insurance is concerned.

3. Things to do

The pandemic affected what we were able to do during this year before I took my Sabbatical from the Diaconate and stopped working as Properties Deacon. There are a number of issues which need to be looked into and resolved, e.g. Portable Appliance Tests, the high windows in the hall need attention, the old office needs clearing out and made fit for purpose, etc....The Deacons have a list of these and other issues to be dealt with or handed on to the next Properties manager.

Our church building is a blessing and an amazing resource for God's work. This is recognised by the group of people who spend so much time and energy working behind the scenes to keep the building operational by making repairs, facilitating updates, maintaining the grounds, and moving furniture to ensure the building is ready for use by different groups. We are stewards of all He has given us and charged with taking care of what we have been given, so thank you all for your commitment to serving so faithfully in this way.

As agreed I will be stepping down as Properties Lead now the Slessor Room works are completed. I have had an interesting, challenging and rewarding few years serving as Properties Deacon. I hope the new Properties Leader (when appointed) will be able to rely on the support and encouragement of the fellowship as s/he strives to ensure that the wonderful resource God has given us is properly maintained.

Welcome Break

Jenny and Colin Botting, Dorcas Burnett, Margaret Selley, David Ellis, Sue Kemp, Mary Sharp, Cynthia Bunting, Sam Lockwood and Jan Staley. I have mentioned the staff as has I did in the report of 2020 mainly because of what I have to say this report.

We, as staff, have tried to witness to those members of "Welcome Break" by our love and unity for each other and the people attending. As we closed the meeting many months ago now, not knowing the future, we can thank God for the opportunities he gave us to speak the Gospel by our actions, words and friendships in the meetings.

Yes we experience God's Spirit in many ways and say a special "thank you" to all the staff for the work they have completed and the love they have displayed.

But it has been a long time closed, so we all have to question the future of our lives together with the "Care Homes" people. Some have died, some have become ill, some people may have been called to serve another way, care homes may be reluctant to release their clients. One thing is for certain - we have all changed in some way because of the pandemic.

So we needed to examine our strengths and weaknesses. **What does God require?** This is the ultimate question so with all these thoughts, the staff have been able to share their own views for the future of "Welcome Break". To conclude all their thoughts together it worked out as follows:

- ◆ My present health problem would prevent me from the leadership role of Welcome Break

Thoughts from present staff

1. To carry on with Welcome Break or some other format for the elderly =25%
2. Some staff are saying "because of time closure, their bodies are now weaker and even though they are committed fully with other church activities they would value a timeout from "Welcome Break" =20%
3. Is there a time when God would like to change the meeting format in His church? Wanting something different? =20%
4. It was commented about "Welcome Break" of having a good, peaceful and joyful atmosphere not forgetting the time of Christian Message at the end of the meeting
5. I would record the final 35% of comments to be of a general nature from staff:-
 - A. Not a sufficient number of staff to run Welcome Break.
 - B. A feeling of disappointment when the Care Home people could not attend.
 - C. We had become weak in our transport service
 - D. Overall we have to conclude and present to the church a point of closure of "Welcome Break".

With thanksgiving to all staff who recognised the "Vision" and have carried it on to the staff of today - thanks be to God who has sustained it.

Once I receive confirmation from the "Church" that my proposal has been accepted I will be writing to every Care Home involved. So, we thank you staff for your hard work and commitment, also thank you "Church" for your support and encouragement, not forgetting all those guests who have come to speak to us or demonstrated their various skills. The closing of the financial total is £60 and will be passed on to our Treasurer Neil Meadows.

Greetings to you all,

Yours sincerely
Eric Staley

Music & Worship Team

Report AGM 2021

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.

Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD. Psalms 150

Worship 2020-2021

It has been an interesting roller coaster ride and one that no one could have anticipated. Two lockdowns and lots and following rules and regulations.

But God has been faithful through it all and guided us as a church and as a worship/tech team.

Words from a song a resounding in my head as I write this report

Every minute, every moment

Where I've been and where I'm going

Even when I didn't know it or couldn't see it

There was Jesus

How true. There is Jesus...

Because of the lockdowns we had to maintain worship the best way we could which was recording the worship. This took a lot of time and patience for those involved as some nights this would go on to 11pm in the evening, some weeks it could take more than one night. What blessings this church has to have such amazing people. We are so thankful for all those who were and are involved

Moving Forward into the 'New Norm'

Limitations and structure

1. Restrictions have begun to lift, but worship still has limitations.
2. This week it has been obvious from the change of plan by Boris, we are not out the woods, yet so why this way of planning will have to continue for now.
3. The rota is planned following these restrictions i.e.
4. Limited singers, to eliminate the spread of vapour into the air.
5. Social distancing of the team, limits how many people we can accommodate at the front of church.
6. Rota Dates for now will be organised to one-month ahead

New Refreshing and Blessing

1. This is an evening for the worship team where we can pray praise and worship God together as a team. {Co Ordinator's Spro and Jane}
2. This event will run every 6 weeks
3. Invites and information has been sent to the team and due to the summer and holidays, we are looking now for this to commence September 2021.

Online and Live services and the future

What an opportunity we have had with the online services to bring the Love of Jesus, what an outreach.

We thank the team of amazing tech and editing and camera crew, for all the hard work that has gone into this to make this possible, believe me there has many things that the 'ol devil' thrown to stop it happening. So please pray for this team of people as they work tirelessly every single week.

New plans for monitors.

We are currently working with looking at the possibility of supplying each member of the worship team their own ear monitors, to make things a little easier for the team. Please pray we get this right for everyone involved.

Prayer Circle

Each week we pray before the service as a team, around the tech area together and the importance is 'Together' as each member of the team, are very important, special and loved by God. To stand together and to serve together.

Youth

What an amazing blessing to also have the youth involved in the worship and offering their own gifts to God. Please remember them in your prayers, and those who are working with them.

Tech Team

Report from the back corner

When we had to stop Sunday services in church due to Covid restrictions we turned to YouTube to maintain contact with the fellowship by recording the sermons, worship through songs, prayers, readings and news from various members and we are extremely grateful to all those who contributed by creating, editing and loading the recordings. This created a lot of work for people and lost the spontaneity of a live service. Having installed the cameras in church for the recordings we then moved forward to setting up a live streaming server and launched into having live services on YouTube.

At the end of March we installed a new sound desk which allowed us greater control over the quality and routing of the sound as we moved from recording services, where we had the opportunity of making some corrections to volumes etc., to live streaming, where adjusting the sound is like steering a gigantic ocean liner (slow to respond as listening to the service on YouTube is nearly 2 minutes behind what is happening in church). We are thankful for everyone's patience with the various hiccups but we have all gone through a very steep learning curve as we try to rival the BBC's Song of Praise.

Life is busy in the media corner with control of the media on the screen and the stream, controlling the cameras and the sound and the area may rival the flight deck of Concorde but it looks more daunting than it really is. We are grateful to the current team for all their hard work but are looking for recruits to share the fun; if you would like to join a rota, speak to one of the team and we can arrange training.

On behalf of the fellowship, we must extend our thanks to all those who have been involved in maintaining regular worship under these exceptional circumstances whether on screen in front of the camera or behind the scenes and continue to support the work by joining with the online services if you are unable to attend in person. As we have started to return to services in the church, numbers watching the online services have reduced; this is understandable but the online services still serve those unable or cautious about returning and forms part of our outreach.

Church Administrator

Update from October 2020.

I am still working from home whilst the new office is still being done. It looks absolutely beautiful and a great use of space for the staff. We had our AGM by Zoom which in all worked very well and it was a lifeline for work and getting things done.

The run up to Christmas was busy with sending out lots of material for the Bags of Hope. The continuation of sending out the Disks and Newsletters carried on and again we were faced with different lockdowns and the tier system.

Easter was also a busy time with the gift bags that Elaine had organised. I loved making the bookmarks, bible cards and of course the crochet crosses. They took a good few hours to make.... 150 in total! I also continued to make them for our Funerals that Mark took. There were a lovely token to give to people.

Of course, as you all know now, I have made the decision to leave. It was a huge decision to make with Eugene but the venture was offered and we took it. I have been with Mansfield Baptist Church for 5 1/2 years now and have loved every minute of it. You all took me in and cared for everything I did. Some life long friends have been made here. Life in the office changed when Mark landed and we have worked together so very well and I will miss him, Lucy and Paula too.

My thanks goes to Chris Clark who was my line manager for all those years and the support he and Jenny gave was immeasurable. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to work with you.

Every Blessing, Colleen.



END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT 31st MARCH 2021

Prepared by: NEIL MEADOWS

• Introduction

The information in these accounts have been transferred from 'Finance Co-Ordinator' and reconciled with bank statements. The accounts were examined by Mr P Henderson on 30th July 2021 as per the attached statement.

They have been approved by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Receipts and Payments Account

	Total funds	Prior year funds
BF - BMS Birthday Fund (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN009 - BMS Birthday	£390	£729
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£390	£729
Total Receipts	£390	£729
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP034 - BMS Birthday	£948	£363
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	£948	£363
Total Payments	£948	£363
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	(£558)	£366
Brought forward balance	£558	£192
Transfers to/(from)	£20	—
Carried forward balance	£20	£558
BMS - BMS World Mission (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN010 - BMS World Mission	£20	—
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£20	—
Total Receipts	£20	—
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	£20	—
Brought forward balance	—	—
Transfers to/(from)	(£20)	—
Carried forward balance	—	—
BT - Own A/C Baby Talk (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	—	—
Carried forward balance	—	—
CS - Own A/C Coffee Shop (Restricted)		
Receipts		

Incoming resources from charitable activities		
IN029 - Coffee Shop	—	£11,842
<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£11,842</i>
Total Receipts	—	£11,842
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP051 - Coffee Shop	£3,523	£8,578
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	<i>£3,523</i>	<i>£8,578</i>
Total Payments	£3,523	£8,578
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	(£3,523)	£3,264
Brought forward balance	£3,739	£475
Carried forward balance	£216	£3,739
FA - Fixed Assets (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	£4,653,174	£4,542,323
Adjustments	(£59,166)	£110,851
Carried forward balance	£4,594,008	£4,653,174
FB - Foodbank (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	£0	£0
Carried forward balance	£0	£0
FF - Fellowship Fund (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN053 - Fellowship Fund	£4,437	£1,894
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	<i>£4,437</i>	<i>£1,894</i>
Total Receipts	£4,437	£1,894
Payments		
Cost of generating funds		
<i>Cost of generating voluntary income</i>		
EXP074 - Fellowship Fund	£9,713	£1,297
EXP078 - Donations - Designated	—	£28
<i>Total Cost of generating voluntary income</i>	<i>£9,713</i>	<i>£1,325</i>
Total Payments	£9,713	£1,325
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	(£5,276)	£568
Brought forward balance	£827	£28
Transfers to/(from)	£500	£231
Carried forward balance	(£3,948)	£827
FFN - Own A/C Family Fun Night (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
IN031 - Family Fun Night	—	£163
<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£163</i>
Total Receipts	—	£163
Payments		

Charitable activities		
EXP053 - Family Fun Night	—	£471
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£471</i>
Total Payments	—	£471
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	—	(£308)
Brought forward balance	(£308)	—
Carried forward balance	(£308)	(£308)
FW - Family Worker (Designated)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN013 - Children & Families Pastor	£11,113	£5,486
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	<i>£11,113</i>	<i>£5,486</i>
Total Receipts	£11,113	£5,486
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP036 - Children & Families Pastor	£13,247	£5,778
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	<i>£13,247</i>	<i>£5,778</i>
Total Payments	£13,247	£5,778
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	(£2,134)	(£292)
Brought forward balance	£6,052	£6,345
Carried forward balance	£3,918	£6,052
FW - Family Worker (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	(£758)	(£758)
Carried forward balance	(£758)	(£758)
HMF - BUGB Home Mission Fund (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	—	—
Carried forward balance	—	—
INF - INF (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	£0	£0
Carried forward balance	£0	£0
LE - Own A/C Little Explorers (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
IN030 - Impact Own	—	£2,220
<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£2,220</i>
Total Receipts	—	£2,220
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP054 - Little Explorers	—	£2,574
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	<i>—</i>	<i>£2,574</i>
Total Payments	—	£2,574

Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	—	(£354)
Brought forward balance	£408	£762
Carried forward balance	£408	£408
LH - Light House (Designated)		
Brought forward balance	£112	£112
Carried forward balance	£112	£112
LH - Light House (Restricted)		
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP042 - Light House	—	£14
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	—	£14
Total Payments	—	£14
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	—	(£14)
Brought forward balance	(£115)	(£112)
Transfers to/(from)	£3	£11
Carried forward balance	(£112)	(£115)
MCA - Own A/C Ministers Fellowship (Restricted)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN026 - Minister's Community	£6,687	£2,237
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£6,687	£2,237
Total Receipts	£6,687	£2,237
Payments		
Charitable activities		
EXP048 - Minister's Community	£5,854	£1,710
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	£5,854	£1,710
Total Payments	£5,854	£1,710
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used	£833	£527
Brought forward balance	£1,504	£977
Carried forward balance	£2,338	£1,504
MIT - Minister in Training (Restricted)		
Brought forward balance	£0	£0
Carried forward balance	£0	£0
Miss - Mission (Designated)		
Receipts		
Incoming resources from generated funds		
<i>Voluntary income</i>		
IN016 - Mission	£901	£390
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£901	£390
Total Receipts	£901	£390
Payments		

Charitable activities			
EXP043 - Mission		£1,998	£560
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>		<i>£1,998</i>	<i>£560</i>
Total Payments		£1,998	£560
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used		(£1,096)	(£170)
Brought forward balance		£68	£506
Transfers to/(from)		—	(£268)
Carried forward balance		(£1,028)	£68
Miss - Mission (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		£0	£0
Carried forward balance		£0	£0
PC - Preg. Crisis (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		£0	£0
Carried forward balance		£0	£0
PD - Property development (Designated)			
Receipts			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
<i>Voluntary income</i>			
IN033 - Toilet Improvements		—	£101
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>		<i>—</i>	<i>£101</i>
Total Receipts		—	£101
Payments			
Cost of generating funds			
<i>Cost of generating voluntary income</i>			
EXP076 - Toilet Improvements		—	£9,906
EXP078 - Donations - Designated		—	£912
<i>Total Cost of generating voluntary income</i>		<i>—</i>	<i>£10,818</i>
Total Payments		—	£10,818
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used		—	(£10,717)
Brought forward balance		£14,746	£25,946
Transfers to/(from)		(£1,539)	(£483)
Carried forward balance		£13,207	£14,746
PD - Property development (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		(£13,207)	(£13,207)
Carried forward balance		(£13,207)	(£13,207)
PN - Parish Nurse (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		£0	£0
Carried forward balance		£0	£0
PP - Power Pack (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		—	—
Carried forward balance		—	—

SHI - Shine (Restricted)

Brought forward balance		£0	£0
Carried forward balance		£0	£0

SP - Sue Personal (Designated)

Brought forward balance		£269	£269
Carried forward balance		£269	£269

SP - Sue Personal (Restricted)

Brought forward balance		(£268)	(£268)
Carried forward balance		(£268)	(£268)

SS - Chhahari Nepal (Designated)

Brought forward balance		£50	£50
Carried forward balance		£50	£50

SS - Chhahari Nepal (Restricted)**Receipts**

Incoming resources from generated funds

Voluntary income

IN012 - Chhahari Nepal

	£157	£120
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£157	£120

Total Receipts**£157** **£120****Payments**

Charitable activities

EXP038 - Chhahari Nepal

	£267	£100
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	£267	£100

Total Payments**£267** **£100**

Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used

(£109) £20

Brought forward balance

£60 £40

Carried forward balance **(£49)** **£60****TOA - Own A/C Toddlers (Restricted)****Receipts**

Incoming resources from charitable activities

IN025 - Toddlers Own

	£300	£2,313
<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	£300	£2,313

Total Receipts**£300** **£2,313****Payments**

Charitable activities

EXP047 - Toddlers Own

	£623	£2,253
<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	£623	£2,253

Total Payments**£623** **£2,253**

Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used

(£323) £59

Brought forward balance

£847 £787

Carried forward balance **£523** **£847**

UG - Uganda Fund (Restricted)**Receipts**

Incoming resources from generated funds

Voluntary income

IN061 - Uganda Fund

	—	£3,116
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	—	£3,116

Total Receipts

—	£3,116
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Payments

Cost of generating funds

Cost of generating voluntary income

EXP084 - Uganda Fund

	—	£2,995
<i>Total Cost of generating voluntary income</i>	—	£2,995

Total Payments

—	£2,995
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Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used

Brought forward balance

Transfers to/(from)

—	£121
£654	—
—	£533
Carried forward balance	£654 £654

VC - Own A/C Vintage Club (Restricted)

Brought forward balance

£49	£49
Carried forward balance	£49 £49

WB - Welcome Break (Restricted)

Brought forward balance

£0	£0
Carried forward balance	£0 £0

WBO - Own A/C Welcome Break (Restricted)**Receipts**

Incoming resources from charitable activities

IN028 - Welcome Break Own

£14	—
<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	£14 —

Total Receipts

£14	—
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Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used

Brought forward balance

£14	—
£45	£45
Carried forward balance	£60 £45

WS - Winter Shelter (Restricted)**Receipts**

Incoming resources from generated funds

Voluntary income

IN051 - Winter Shelter

£384	£441
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>	£384 £441

Total Receipts

£384	£441
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Payments

Cost of generating funds

Cost of generating voluntary income

EXP069 - Winter Shelter

£3,424	£605
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<i>Total Cost of generating voluntary income</i>		<i>£3,424</i>	<i>£605</i>
Total Payments		£3,424	£605
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used		(£3,040)	(£163)
Brought forward balance		£3,424	£3,887
Transfers to/(from)		—	(£300)
Carried forward balance		£384	£3,424
YDI - Youth Drop-in (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		—	—
Carried forward balance		—	—
YW - Youth Worker (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		£5,777	£5,777
Carried forward balance		£5,777	£5,777
YW - Youth Worker (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		(£5,776)	(£5,776)
Carried forward balance		(£5,776)	(£5,776)
td - TODDLERS (Designated)			
Brought forward balance		£115	£115
Carried forward balance		£115	£115
td - TODDLERS (Restricted)			
Brought forward balance		(£114)	(£114)
Carried forward balance		(£114)	(£114)
General - General fund (Unrestricted)			
Receipts			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
<i>Voluntary income</i>			
IN001 - Gift Aid		£48,899	£56,652
IN002 - Collections		£18,362	£21,568
IN003 - Donations - Unr		£35,056	£398
IN004 - Lettings		£1,629	£1,947
IN006 - Sundries		£1	£3
IN016 - Mission		—	£50
IN022 - Tax Refunds		£14,710	£15,798
IN037 - Legacy		£21,380	—
IN042 - Conferences		£400	—
IN044 - Donations - Des		£20,430	£2,105
IN045 - Donations - Res		£5,020	£6,240
IN046 - Church Services		—	£263
IN054 - Church Maintenance		£16,033	£69
IN057 - Manse Maintenance		(£45)	(£1,126)
IN059 - Donations - Photocopier		—	£20
IN063 - 2nd Property		£100	—
<i>Total Voluntary income</i>		<i>£181,977</i>	<i>£103,990</i>
Incoming resources from charitable activities			
IN048 - Donations - Heat & Lighting		—	£1,200
IN060 - NCC Supplies - Income		—	£21

	<i>Total Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	—	£1,221
Other incoming resources			
IN049 - Manse Income		£4,599	£8,949
	<i>Total Other incoming resources</i>	£4,599	£8,949
Total Receipts		£186,576	£114,161
Payments			
Cost of generating funds			
<i>Cost of generating voluntary income</i>			
EXP073 - Donations - Restricted		£9,932	£11,272
EXP074 - Fellowship Fund		£600	£600
EXP078 - Donations - Designated		£1,958	£1,050
EXP080 - Manse Allowances		—	£9,618
EXP081 - Manse Maintenance		£1,398	£1,248
EXP085 - Manse Sale & Purchase		£784	—
EXP086 - 2nd Property		£410	—
	<i>Total Cost of generating voluntary income</i>	£15,084	£23,789
Charitable activities			
EXP001 - Stipend & Salaries		£31,044	£29,923
EXP002 - HMRC		£5,338	£5,183
EXP003 - BMPF		£8,535	£9,233
EXP004 - Team Expenses & Resources		£540	£749
EXP005 - Supply - Speakers		—	£350
EXP006 - Manse Allowance		£9,612	—
EXP007 - Manse Insurance		—	£311
EXP009 - Manse Phone		£39	—
EXP010 - Church Insurance		£3,498	£3,490
EXP011 - Gas		£121	£340
EXP012 - Electricity		£7,114	£11,115
EXP013 - Cleaning & Kitchen Supplies		£181	£1,842
EXP014 - Church Maintenance		£5,697	£9,467
EXP015 - Music		£1,145	£69
EXP016 - Junior Church		—	£330
EXP017 - Subscriptions & Copyright		£3,618	£3,603
EXP018 - Conferences		—	£1,084
EXP019 - Books		£820	£1,011
EXP020 - Publicity		£521	£229
EXP024 - Phone and BB Church		£1,087	£951
EXP025 - Photocopier		£1,075	£1,978
EXP026 - Printing & Stationery		£1,572	£1,409
EXP027 - Sundries		—	£309
EXP028 - BMS Contributions		£4,800	£4,320
EXP029 - HMF Contributions		£4,800	£4,320
EXP030 - ICIS Gifts		£2,400	£2,400
EXP035 - Youth Fund		—	£364
EXP036 - Children & Families Pastor		£592	—
EXP037 - Christmas Outreach		—	£357
EXP064 - Messy Church		—	£100
EXP065 - Training		—	£440
EXP067 - Church Services		£6,170	£520
EXP083 - Development		—	£364
	<i>Total Charitable activities</i>	£100,328	£96,172
Other resources used			
EXP087 - Slessor Insurance Repairs		£127	—
	<i>Total Other resources used</i>	£127	—
Total Payments		£115,540	£119,961
Excess of Incoming resources over Resources used		£71,036	(£5,800)
Brought forward balance		£36,835	£42,359
Transfers to/(from)		£1,036	£276
Carried forward balance		£108,907	£36,835

Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Fixed assets			
FA001	Church Building Rosemary St. Mansfield	£3,720,165	£3,716,472
FA002	Fixtures & Fittings in Church building	£187,142	£186,956
FA003	Pipe Organ in Church	£487,701	£487,217
FA004	Manse 50, Andover Road, Mansfield	£199,000	£262,529
	Total Fixed assets	£4,594,008	£4,653,174
Current assets			
CA001	Bank current account	£106,818	£47,979
CA002	Deposit account	—	—
CA003	Bond 9mths	—	—
CA004	COIF accounts	£1,034	£1,032
CA005	Petty Cash	—	—
CA006	Minister,s Community A/C	£2,338	£1,504
CA007	Toddler,s Own A/C	£523	£847
CA008	Vintage Club A/c	£49	£49
CA009	Welcome Break Own A/C	(£4)	(£18)
CA010	Coffee Shop A/c	£216	£3,739
CA011	Power Pack Own A/C	£19	£19
CA012	Holiday Drop-in A/C	£34	£34
CA013	Youth Drop-in A/C	£408	£408
CA014	Baby Talk A/C	—	—
	Total Current assets	£111,437	£55,595
Liabilities			
LIA001	Underpaid Electricity	—	—
LIA002	Unpaid specified funds	—	—
LIA003	Long-Term loan EMBA	—	—
	Total Liabilities	—	—
	Net Asset surplus(deficit)	£4,705,445	£4,708,769
Reserves			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	£55,842	—
Z01	Starting balances	£4,708,769	£4,597,918
Z02	Gains/(losses) on investment assets	(£59,166)	£110,851
Z03	Gains and losses own use	—	—
	Total Reserves	£4,705,445	£4,708,769
	Represented by funds		
	Unrestricted	£108,907	£36,835
	Designated	£22,420	£27,190
	Restricted	£4,574,118	£4,644,744
	Endowment	—	—
	Total	£4,705,445	£4,708,769

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Tangible assets						
Church Building Rosemary St. Mansfield	—	—	£3,720,165	—	£3,720,165	£3,716,472
Fixtures & Fittings in Church building	—	—	£187,142	—	£187,142	£186,956
Pipe Organ in Church	—	—	£487,701	—	£487,701	£487,217
Manse 50, Andover Road, Mansfield	—	—	£199,000	—	£199,000	£262,529

Totals	—	—	£4,594,008	—	£4,594,008	£4,653,174
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Bank current account	£107,956	£22,420	(£23,557)	—	£106,818	£47,979
Totals	£107,872	£22,420	(£19,889)	—	£110,402	£54,563
Current assets - Investments						
Deposit account	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bond 9mths	—	—	—	—	—	—
COIF accounts	£1,034	—	—	—	£1,034	£1,032
Totals	£1,034	—	—	—	£1,034	£1,032
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Petty Cash	(£500)	—	£500	—	—	—
Minister,s Community A/C	—	—	£2,338	—	£2,338	£1,504
Toddler,s Own A/C	£365	—	£158	—	£523	£847
Vintage Club A/c	—	—	£49	—	£49	£49
Welcome Break Own A/C	—	—	(£4)	—	(£4)	(£18)
Coffee Shop A/c	—	—	£216	—	£216	£3,739
Power Pack Own A/C	—	—	£19	—	£19	£19
Holiday Drop-in A/C	£10	—	£24	—	£34	£34
Youth Drop-in A/C	£41	—	£366	—	£408	£408
Baby Talk A/C	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	£107,872	£22,420	(£19,889)	—	£110,402	£54,563
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Underpaid Electricity	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unpaid specified funds	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	—	—	—	—	—	—
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year						
Long-Term loan EMBA	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grand total	£108,907	£22,420	£4,574,118	—	£4,705,445	£4,708,769

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
BF - BMS Birthday Fund						
Restricted	£558	£390	£948	£20	—	£20
Sub-total for BF	£558	£390	£948	£20	—	£20
BMS - BMS World Mission						
Restricted	—	£20	—	(£20)	—	—
Sub-total for BMS	—	£20	—	(£20)	—	—
BT - Own A/C Baby Talk						
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for BT	—	—	—	—	—	—
CS - Own A/C Coffee Shop						
Restricted	£3,739	—	£3,523	—	—	£216
Sub-total for CS	£3,739	—	£3,523	—	—	£216
FA - Fixed Assets						
Restricted	£4,653,174	—	—	—	(£59,166)	£4,594,008
Sub-total for FA	£4,653,174	—	—	—	(£59,166)	£4,594,008
FB - Foodbank						
Restricted	£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for FB	£0	—	—	—	—	£0
FF - Fellowship Fund						
Restricted	£827	£4,437	£9,713	£500	—	(£3,948)
Sub-total for FF	£827	£4,437	£9,713	£500	—	(£3,948)
FFN - Own A/C Family Fun N						

Restricted		(£308)	—	—	—	—	(£308)
Sub-total for FFN		(£308)	—	—	—	—	(£308)
FW - Family Worker							
Designated		£6,052	£11,113	£13,247	—	—	£3,918
Restricted		(£758)	—	—	—	—	(£758)
Sub-total for FW		£5,294	£11,113	£13,247	—	—	£3,160
HMF - BUGB Home Mission Fu							
Restricted		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for HMF		—	—	—	—	—	—
INF - INF							
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for INF		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
LE - Own A/C Little Explo							
Restricted		£408	—	—	—	—	£408
Sub-total for LE		£408	—	—	—	—	£408
LH - Light House							
Designated		£112	—	—	—	—	£112
Restricted		(£115)	—	—	£3	—	(£112)
Sub-total for LH		(£3)	—	—	£3	—	£0
MCA - Own A/C Ministers Fe							
Restricted		£1,504	£6,687	£5,854	—	—	£2,338
Sub-total for MCA		£1,504	£6,687	£5,854	—	—	£2,338
MIT - Minister in Training							
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for MIT		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Miss - Mission							
Designated		£68	£901	£1,998	—	—	(£1,028)
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for Miss		£68	£901	£1,998	—	—	(£1,027)
PC - Preg. Crisis							
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for PC		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
PD - Property development							
Designated		£14,746	—	—	(£1,539)	—	£13,207
Restricted		(£13,207)	—	—	—	—	(£13,207)
Sub-total for PD		£1,539	—	—	(£1,539)	—	£0
PN - Parish Nurse							
Designated		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for PN		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
PP - Power Pack							
Restricted		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for PP		—	—	—	—	—	—
SHI - Shine							
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for SHI		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
SP - Sue Personal							
Designated		£269	—	—	—	—	£269
Restricted		(£268)	—	—	—	—	(£268)
Sub-total for SP		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
SS - Chhahari Nepal							
Designated		£50	—	—	—	—	£50
Restricted		£60	£157	£267	—	—	(£49)
Sub-total for SS		£110	£157	£267	—	—	£0
TOA - Own A/C Toddlers							
Restricted		£847	£300	£623	—	—	£523
Sub-total for TOA		£847	£300	£623	—	—	£523
UG - Uganda Fund							

Restricted		£654	—	—	—	—	£654
Sub-total for UG		£654	—	—	—	—	£654
VC - Own A/C Vintage Club							
Restricted		£49	—	—	—	—	£49
Sub-total for VC		£49	—	—	—	—	£49
WB - Welcome Break							
Restricted		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
Sub-total for WB		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
WBO - Own A/C Welcome Brea							
Restricted		£45	£14	—	—	—	£60
Sub-total for WBO		£45	£14	—	—	—	£60
WS - Winter Shelter							
Restricted		£3,424	£384	£3,424	—	—	£384
Sub-total for WS		£3,424	£384	£3,424	—	—	£384
YDI - Youth Drop-in							
Restricted		—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for YDI		—	—	—	—	—	—
YW - Youth Worker							
Designated		£5,777	—	—	—	—	£5,777
Restricted		(£5,776)	—	—	—	—	(£5,776)
Sub-total for YW		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
td - TODDLERS							
Designated		£115	—	—	—	—	£115
Restricted		(£114)	—	—	—	—	(£114)
Sub-total for td		£0	—	—	—	—	£0
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		£36,835	£186,576	£115,540	£1,036	—	£108,907
Sub-total for General		£36,835	£186,576	£115,540	£1,036	—	£108,907
Grand total		£4,708,769	£210,982	£155,139	—	(£59,166)	£4,705,445

Analysis of receipts and payments

Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
IN001 - Gift Aid	£48,899	—	—	—	£48,899	£56,652
IN002 - Collections	£18,362	—	—	—	£18,362	£21,568
IN003 - Donations - Unr	£35,056	—	—	—	£35,056	£398
IN004 - Lettings	£1,629	—	—	—	£1,629	£1,947
IN005 - INF	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN006 - Sundries	£1	—	—	—	£1	£3
IN007 - Maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN008 - Property Development	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN009 - BMS Birthday	—	—	£390	—	£390	£729
IN010 - BMS World Mission	—	—	£20	—	£20	—
IN011 - BUGB Home Mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN012 - Chhahari Nepal	—	—	£157	—	£157	£120
IN013 - Children & Families Pastor	—	£11,113	—	—	£11,113	£5,486
IN016 - Mission	—	£901	—	—	£901	£440
IN019 - Christmas Outreach	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN021 - Youth Pastor	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN022 - Tax Refunds	£14,710	—	—	—	£14,710	£15,798
IN023 - Sue Personal	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN026 - Minister's Community	—	—	£6,687	—	£6,687	£2,237
IN033 - Toilet Improvements	—	—	—	—	—	£101
IN035 - Parish Nurse	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN036 - FW Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—

IN037 - Legacy	£21,380	—	—	—	£21,380	—
IN038 - Garden Plants	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN040 - Foodbank	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN042 - Conferences	£400	—	—	—	£400	—
IN044 - Donations - Des	£20,430	—	—	—	£20,430	£2,105
IN045 - Donations - Res	£5,020	—	—	—	£5,020	£6,240
IN046 - Church Services	—	—	—	—	—	£263
IN050 - 200th Anniversary	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN051 - Winter Shelter	—	—	£384	—	£384	£441
IN052 - EMBA Loan	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN053 - Fellowship Fund	—	—	£4,437	—	£4,437	£1,894
IN054 - Church Maintenance	£16,033	—	—	—	£16,033	£69
IN055 - Supply	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN056 - Induction	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN057 - Manse Maintenance	(£45)	—	—	—	(£45)	(£1,126)
IN058 - Expenses Income	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN059 - Donations - Photocopier	—	—	—	—	—	£20
IN061 - Uganda Fund	—	—	—	—	—	£3,116
IN062 - Children & Families Pastor - Resources	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN063 - 2nd Property	£100	—	—	—	£100	—
Total	£181,977	£12,014	£12,076	—	£206,068	£118,507

Incoming resources from charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
IN014 - Light House	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN015 - Minister in Training	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN017 - Impact	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN018 - Preg Crisis	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN020 - Welcome Break	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN024 - Shine	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN025 - Toddlers Own	—	—	£300	—	£300	£2,313
IN027 - Vintage Club	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN028 - Welcome Break Own	—	—	£14	—	£14	—
IN029 - Coffee Shop	—	—	—	—	—	£11,842
IN030 - Impact Own	—	—	—	—	—	£2,220
IN031 - Family Fun Night	—	—	—	—	—	£163
IN032 - Little Explorers	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN039 - Lounge Tables	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN041 - Other Salaries Income	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN043 - Messy Church	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN047 - Baby Talk	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN048 - Donations - Heat & Lighting	—	—	—	—	—	£1,200
IN060 - NCC Supplies - Income	—	—	—	—	—	£21
Total	—	—	£314	—	£314	£17,759

Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
IN034 - Shaw Trust	—	—	—	—	—	—
IN049 - Manse Income	£4,599	—	—	—	£4,599	£8,949
Total	£4,599	—	—	—	£4,599	£8,949

INCOME TOTAL	£186,576	£12,014	£12,390	—	£210,982	£145,217
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Cost of generating funds

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
EXP056 - EMBA Loan	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP077 - Interim Minister	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP082 - Travel	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—

Cost of generating funds - Cost of generating voluntary income

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
EXP069 - Winter Shelter	—	—	£3,424	—	£3,424	£605
EXP070 - 200th Anniversary	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP072 - Nepal Earthquake	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP073 - Donations - Restricted	£9,932	—	—	—	£9,932	£11,272
EXP074 - Fellowship Fund	£600	—	£9,713	—	£10,313	£1,897
EXP075 - Dishwasher	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP076 - Toilet Improvements	—	—	—	—	—	£9,906
EXP078 - Donations - Designated	£1,958	—	—	—	£1,958	£1,990
EXP079 - Induction	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP080 - Manse Allowances	—	—	—	—	—	£9,618
EXP081 - Manse Maintenance	£1,398	—	—	—	£1,398	£1,248
EXP084 - Uganda Fund	—	—	—	—	—	£2,995
EXP085 - Manse Sale & Purchase	£784	—	—	—	£784	—
EXP086 - 2nd Property	£410	—	—	—	£410	—
Total	£15,084	—	£13,137	—	£28,222	£39,534

Charitable activities

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
EXP001 - Stipend & Salaries	£31,044	—	—	—	£31,044	£29,923
EXP002 - HMRC	£5,338	—	—	—	£5,338	£5,183
EXP003 - BMPF	£8,535	—	—	—	£8,535	£9,233
EXP004 - Team Expenses & Resources	£540	—	—	—	£540	£749
EXP005 - Supply - Speakers	—	—	—	—	—	£350
EXP006 - Manse Allowance	£9,612	—	—	—	£9,612	—
EXP007 - Manse Insurance	—	—	—	—	—	£311
EXP008 - Manse Fuel	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXP009 - Manse Phone	£39	—	—	—	£39	—
EXP010 - Church Insurance	£3,498	—	—	—	£3,498	£3,490
EXP011 - Gas	£121	—	—	—	£121	£340
EXP012 - Electricity	£7,114	—	—	—	£7,114	£11,115
EXP013 - Cleaning & Kitchen Supplies	£181	—	—	—	£181	£1,842
EXP014 - Church Maintenance	£5,697	—	—	—	£5,697	£9,467
EXP015 - Music	£1,145	—	—	—	£1,145	£69
EXP016 - Junior Church	—	—	—	—	—	£330
EXP017 - Subscriptions & Copyright	£3,618	—	—	—	£3,618	£3,603
EXP018 - Conferences	—	—	—	—	—	£1,084
EXP019 - Books	£820	—	—	—	£820	£1,011
EXP020 - Publicity	£521	—	—	—	£521	£229

GRAND TOTAL	£71,036	(£3,230)	(£11,962)	—	£55,842	(£12,893)
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- **Conclusion**

These are a fair and true record of the financial activities of Mansfield Baptist Church for the year commencing 1st April 2020 and ending 31st March 2021, kept by Neil Meadows, Church Treasurer.

This report dated: 31st July 2021

Signed

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MR NEIL MEADOWS



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

MANSFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2021

Charity no
(if any)

1141724

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2020.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do 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 in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

PW Henderson

Date:

30/7/21

Name:

PATRICK HENDERSON

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

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

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