

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024
FOR
BETHEL MINISTRIES (BLACKPOOL)**

Charity Registration Number : 1142652

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CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Trustees	Mr S Hobin
	Mrs S Hobin
	Mrs A Hobin
	Mr K Hobin
Registered Charity Number:	1142652
Registered Office	18 Bracken Drive Freckleton Preston PR4 1TH
Independent Examiner	Mr P Buck FCA, DChA Champion TLL Limited Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors 7 - 9 Station Road Hesketh Bank Preston PR4 6SN
Bankers	Barclays Leicester LE87 2BB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Objectives of the Charity

The Charity is governed by its Declaration of Trust dated 4th May 2011.

The purposes of the Charity shall be:

- To advance Christianity in the Fylde Coast and elsewhere, by means or medium that is or may become available in accordance with the statement of doctrine set out in the schedule;
- To relieve poverty and those who are in need because of sickness, age or some other reason;
- To advance education both general and vocational for children or adults, but always within the principles of the Christian faith;
- To promote such other charitable activities as the Trustees shall from time to time consider appropriate;

Trustees

The Trustees named on page 1 form part of a larger group of Officials who are responsible for the day to day management of the Charity, on behalf of, and working with, the Members.

New Trustees can be appointed by a resolution of the existing Trustees. Trustees may be removed for good cause by two thirds vote of the entire membership.

Training and induction is provided verbally by existing Trustees.

Details of activities and achievements for the year

The Trust continues to operate from leased premises i.e. Kingston House, 57 Boothley Road Blackpool, FY1 3RS, providing activity across the full week.

The Trust continued to work in partnership with The Street Angels organisation, who provide support and help to vulnerable people accessing the local nighttime economy, as well as providing a range of services to the homeless, including hostel accommodation

In addition the trust also continues to provide access to 16 hours per week of Christian counselling via its partnership with New Peace Counselling

The Trust also provides ongoing developmental training opportunities for its voluntary staff and for the support of specialist guest speakers at its public meetings as required.

The Trust from time to time financially supports the work of other charities e.g. Global Horizons Missionary Activity across the nations of the world.

The Trust continues to seek to demonstrate the Christian faith in action by serving as a church seeking the advancement of Christianity and education, the relief of poverty and the promotion of other charitable activities.

This year, in line with its objectives, the Trust has continued to provide regular twice weekly public meetings for acts of Christian worship, teaching and education.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - Continued.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance regarding public benefit and are satisfied that the activities of the Charity, as described above, meet the necessary criteria.

Risk analysis

The Trustees have identified, as required, the major risks to which the Charity is exposed.

The Trustees consider that they have taken such action and put in place policies, procedures and controls which will mitigate the identified risks and assist in maintaining the future financial viability of the Charity.

Remuneration of Trustees

During the year none of the Trustees of the Charity received remuneration for the provision of their services to the Charity.

Transactions and financial position

The results for the year ended 31st March 2024 are shown on the appended pages. Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis rather than an accruals basis, as permitted under the Charity SORP 2015 (FRS102).

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are required to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its results for that period. In preparing those Financial Statements the Trustees are required to:

- a. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. Prepare the Financial Statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy and at any time, the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

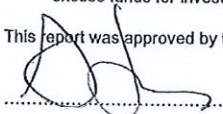
Reserves Policy

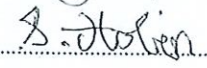
The Trustees aim to maintain a level of reserves that would enable the Charity to continue and be financially viable for a period of twelve months, if income streams were to diminish; This equates to approximately £30,000 (based on one year's expenditure, less one-off items). The Charity had net unrestricted funds at the year end of £20,504 which the Trustees will aim to increase.

Investment Policy

The Trustees are responsible for the investment of any surplus funds of the Charity. As such funds may be required for immediate use, the Trustees continue to review various interest bearing, instant access deposit accounts in which to place such monies. There were no excess funds for investment at the year end.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 28.01.2025 and signed on its behalf by:

 Mr S Hobin - Trustee

 Mrs S Hobin - Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Bethel Ministries for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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Mr P Buck FCA, DChA
Champion TLL Limited
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors
7 - 9 Station Road
Hesketh Bank
Preston
PR4 6SN

Date: 29/1/2025

BETHEL MINISTRIES (BLACKPOOL)
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>				
Tithes and offerings	14,097	-	14,097	10,993
Electrical repayments	27,495	-	27,495	16,246
Room hire and other income	3,820	-	3,820	50
Other receipts	100	-	100	-
Gift aid	2,362	-	2,362	-
Total receipts	47,874	-	47,874	27,289
<u>Payments</u>				
Charitable Donations	1,300	-	1,300	3,020
Rent	6,747	-	6,747	6,667
Heat, Light & water	26,748	-	26,748	19,006
Insurance and licenses	2,298	-	2,298	2,041
Equipment and repairs	4,046	-	4,046	3,135
Guest speakers	-	-	-	400
Sundry costs	203	-	203	144
Other Expenditure (J John, other outreach)	-	-	-	1,260
Traning and resources	79	-	79	146
Professional fees	341	-	341	-
Independent examination fee	630	-	630	600
Total payments	42,392	-	42,392	36,419
Net of receipts and payments	5,482	-	5,482	(9,130)
 Cash funds last year end	 15,022	 -	 15,022	 24,152
Cash funds this year end	20,504	-	20,504	15,022

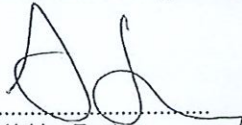
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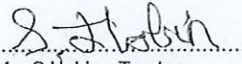
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
31st MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
<u>Cash funds</u>				
Barclays bank account	4,467	-	4,467	12,208
Pre - Payments	16,667	-	16,667	3,414
	<u>21,134</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,134</u>	<u>15,622</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Accountancy fees to be billed after year end	(630)	-	(630)	(600)
	<u>(630)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(630)</u>	<u>(600)</u>
Funds available	20,504	-	20,504	15,022

These accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis and as such there is no 'Balance Sheet'.

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on 28.01.2025 and signed on their behalf by:


Mr S Hobin - Trustee


Mrs S Hobin - Trustee