

BEFORE THE THRONE CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

CHARITY NUMBER: 1146439

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

The trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31st December 2024 for the charity, Cathedral of Hope with charity number 1146439.

The Trustees of the charity are: Mr Luis Ramos Magalhaes
Mr Silvio do Amaral
Pastor Orlando Soares
Ms Vanilda Cassimiro Da Silva Sousa
Mr Ivo Rodrigues Praxedes

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity governing document is a declaration of trust that was executed 26TH February 2012. The Charity is governed by a board on which the trustees are represented. It meets regularly to review, plan activities and monitor the financial position.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Objects of the organisation are first to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs for the benefit in the United Kingdom and in such other parts of the world as the trustees may think fit from time to time . The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Organisation continues to hold successful meetings through the year in which individuals were equipped and educated on the principles and doctrines of the Christian faith. The organisation continues to hold its services in different locations. In London, Bristol, Canterbury and Southend on sea it also manages offices in these locations as well to help reach out to members of the community in these areas. It opened a branch in Cardiff. The church also increased its support by supporting Christian charities working with orphan children in Angola. It continues to support its outreach in helping 200 children.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The income of the charity is above £136,000. This is a decrease on the previous year's income and the costs have been well managed over this period. The organisation is still in a good position to manage its costs. The charity is a going concern as it has no long term debts on its records.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The church intends to continue to host its services in both Bristol, Canterbury, Cardiff and London. The intended re-appointment of our present independent examiner at the upcoming trustee meeting is expected to support the financial operations by making it more effective.

RESERVE POLICY

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the reserves of the charity at about 3 months of unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover any emergency expenditures that may arise from time to time. The charity will seek to maintain this level throughout the year.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The charity have assessed all the major risks to which the charity is exposed to, in particular those related to operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the church. They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
4. Prepare financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the finances of the church at any time and to ensure that such accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 12th March 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees

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I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st December 2024 set out on the following pages which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies shown in the corresponding pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st December 2014 set out on the following pages which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies shown in the corresponding pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of the church are responsible for the preparation of accounts: they consider that the audit requirement under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), does not apply. It is my responsibility to :

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners made under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept(in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act: or
- (2) to which , in my opinion , attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2024

		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	2023
Incoming Resources from generated funds	Note			
Donations and Legacies	2	112064	112064	101488
Investment income	3	0	0	0
		112064	112064	101488
<i>Other Income</i>				
Other		24918	24918	22420
Total Incoming Resources		136982	136982	123908
Resources Expended				
Charitable activities in furtherance of objectives				
Charitable Activities	5	114,267	114,267	102,201
Other	6	12,562	12,562	11,773
Total Resources Expended		126,829	126,829	113974
Net movement in funds		10,153	10,153	9,934
Reconciliation of Funds				
Total Funds brought forward		49643	49643	39709
Total Funds carried forward		59,796	59,796	49,643

The above funds are all classed as to purpose
All movements of funds and all recognised gains and losses are included above.

The notes on the accounts form part of these accounts.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2024

	Note	2024	2023
Fixed Assets		£	£
Tangible fixed assets	4	14638	7991
		<u>14638</u>	<u>7991</u>
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		30162	40012
Debtors & prepayments		<u>14996</u>	<u>1640</u>
		45158	41652
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Creditors & accruals	7	0	0
Net Current Assets		<u>45158</u>	<u>41652</u>
Net Assets		59796	49643
Unrestricted Funds		59796	49643
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>59796</u>	<u>49643</u>

Approved by the trustees on 12th March 2025 and signed on their behalf :

The notes on these accounts form part of these accounts

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

1) Accounting Policies

These accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention with items Recognised at cost or transaction values otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to These accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

The Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities
Preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard
Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014.

1.1 **Going Concern:** The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis.

1.2 The accounts present a true and fair view and no change have been made to the accounting policies adopted.

1.3 No changes to the accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period

1.5 No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period.

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- The charity becomes entitled to resources;
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources;
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 512 FRS102 SORP)

Tax reclaim on donations and gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in the income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any gift aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated in addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Grants and Support Costs

Support costs have been allocated between the governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity

They are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year. They are valued at cost. The depreciation is calculated at 20% reducing balance method.

Debtors

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash.

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Notes to the accounts for year ended 31st December 2024

2 Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total funds 2024 £	2023
Church collections			
Tithes and Offerings	112064	112064	101488
Total	112064	112064	101488

3 Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total funds 2024/£	2023/£
Bank Interest	0	0	0

4 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Instrument £	Fix & Fitt £	Equipment £	Total 2024 £
Cost				
At 01/01/2023	4670	175	18464	23309
Additions	0	138	10168	10306
At 31/12/2023	4670	313	28632	33615
Depreciation				
At 01/01/2023	2803	167	12348	15318
charge for the year	373	29	3257	3659
At 31/12/2023	3176	196	15605	18977
Net Book Value at 31/12/2023	1494	117	13027	14638
Net Book Value at 01/01/2023	1867	8	6116	7991

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Notes to the accounts for year ended 31st December 2024

5 Charitable Activities

	2024/£	2023/£
Church Hall Hire	43303	32866
Pension costs	3360	2590
Travel costs	7387	12913
Transport	218	0
Printing & Stationery	646	358
Light & Heat	0	0
Supplies	57	560
Repairs & Renewals	328	585
Hospitality	2076	2986
Wages	32484	23335
Tel & Int	0	0
Waste Services	0	0
Advertising	155	651
Depreciation	3659	1998
Office rent	9000	14150
Professional fees	2542	2197
Church programs	2055	308
Tax/Ni	3083	2597
Card services	0	174
Subscription	270	0
Rates	1442	1243
Bank Charges	797	705
Hotel costs	1200	1985
Media services	205	0
TOTAL	114267	102201

6 Other	2024/£	2023/£
Book keeping	1060	960
Welfare	2280	1302
Charity donation	9222	9511
Total	12562	11773

Trustee Remuneration

The church paid the trustee Pastor Soares £18000 for services rendered to the organisation as the senior pastor on a PAYE basis as employed staff.

Salary

The organisation had 3 employees on staff. No employee earned more than £10,000 in the financial year.

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024/£	2023/£
Creditors	0	0

8 Debtors and Prepayments	2024/£	2023/£
Debtors	14996	1640