

**Report of the Trustees**  
**and**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements for the**  
**Period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**  
**For**

**Bethel Pentecostal Church**  
**PORTSMOUTH**

**Charity number: 1147173**

# **Bethel Pentecostal Church**

## **Portsmouth**

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# **Bethel Pentecostal Church**

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2023

### **Reference & Administrative Information**

Charity Name : **Bethel Pentecostal Church Portsmouth**

Charity No 1147173

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#### **Trustees (Church Council)**

Bijuson Kunjukutty	- Trustee/Chairman
Jasmine Bijuson	- Trustee
Biju Thomas	- Trustee/Secretary
Aju Maroor Puthenveedu Varghese	- Trustee
Georgekutty Bijumon	- Trustee
Robin C Punnen	-Treasurer

#### **Other Trustees who served during the year**

None

### **Structure, Governance & Management**

#### **Constitution**

This Charity is a Christian church. It is governed by its constitution which was adopted on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012. The Church was granted charitable status by Charity Commission.

#### **Appointment of Trustees**

Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting.

#### **Management**

The trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and governance of the Church whilst day-to-day running. We also have several volunteer leaders to assist on a rota basis.

# **Bethel Pentecostal Church Portsmouth**

## **Objectives & Activities**

### **Charitable purposes**

1. The objective of the organization is first to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of belief for the benefit of the people in the UK and in such other parts of the world
2. to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time think fit
3. The relief of those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other hardships
4. The Church emphasizes praise and worship and the teaching of the Bible and encourages participation in both by young and old alike.

### **Activities**

SUNDAY WORSHIP AND BIBLE CLASS 2) YOUTH MINISTRY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9.30 AM. ONE DEDICATED MONTHLY YOUTH MEETING 4) MONTHLY SISTERS MEETING 5) MONTHLY COTTAGE MEETINGS 6) MONTHLY THREE DAY FASTING AND PRAYER 7) WEEKLY THURSDAY PRAYER AND MONTHLY GET TOGETHER AT MEMBERS HOMES. 8) CHURCH OUTREACH AND COUNSELLING MINISTRY ONCE EVERY MONTH 9) ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC 10) ANNUAL PICNIC

### **Activities in detail:**

#### **Sunday worship:**

The meetings on Sundays and other days are designed to provide the congregation Christian worship, teaching, and discipleship to those who have a Christian faith and to introduce Christ to those in the community and look after the welfare of the congregation.

The WhatsApp group which was created to bring together members of the Church for fellowship has continued to be a useful resource for information, prayer support and keep in touch.

#### **Sunday school:**

Every Sunday morning 9.45-10.45, we have Sunday school for the children aged between 4-18, which enables children to learn more about bible. Sunday school and youth sessions for children, young people to access, delivering bible studies, fun engaging lessons that taught biblical principles and memory verses each week for the children to remember. We are sure that this will have a major impact on children on their spiritual developments

The Sunday school ministry also helps our children in their efforts to become role models in their universities, schools, and the society.

**Youth Meeting:**

Belvedere Youth Ministry were able to meet every month with an aim to nurture and support the young people in Church to face the challenges of the times.

During the youth meeting youngsters were given opportunities to recite Bible verses, say short stories and deliver biblical short messages. There were opportunities to perform their skills with musical instruments and singing. There was occasional Bible Quiz to broaden the biblical knowledge of young people. There were interactive games held as well to keep the youths engaged. It helps young people to develop their God-given talents and gifts.

**Ladies Prayer Meeting:**

Ladies Prayer Meetings were conducted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month between 2.45 to 4.30 pm. These meetings were primarily praying for all the activities of the church and other specific issues of the families. In this prayer ministry, the members have prayed for several requests given to the church by non-members and families. Their prayers in unity with God had found great results.

**Outreach meeting:**

The Church is committed to helping people of all ages and social backgrounds to develop a vibrant and active Christian faith, to grow in their spirituality and become a part of our Christian community. The council maintains an overview of worship and outreach activities and makes suggestions as to how our services can attract new people from the community and beyond.

**Church Council:**

We have regular trustee/council meetings with our Pastor and all our activities should be assessed and if any concerns, or improvements needed should be addressed and necessary changes will be made for the benefit of the church, community, and the nation.

The church council consists of four members who are elected by the general body and the period of the council is two years. We have regular church council meetings with our Pastor and all our activities should be assessed and if any concerns, or improvements needed should be addressed and necessary changes will be made for the benefit of the church, community, and nation as well. The church accounts are handled by the treasurer and the accounts are checked and audited every six months by our pastor.

**Charity and Mission Support in 2023:**

In the year 2023, church was able to support many local charities and in India in their very demanding needs. Also helped many of those who are going through the financial struggles. In addition to this, we have supported many visiting pastors and guest speakers for their ministries and charitable works in India.

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of**

### **Bethel Pentecostal Church Portsmouth**

(Charity number: **1147173**)

I report on the receipt and payment accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 set out in pages 8 & 9

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner:**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

#### **It is my responsibility to:**

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state whether matters have come to my attention.


#### **Basis of the independent examiner's report:**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of disclosure in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements above.

#### **Independent examiner's statement:**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act: and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Acthave not been met or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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#### Financial Review

Gross Income for the year is £ 92,659.08 The resources expended are £ 39762.03. Therefore, the surplus for the year is 52,897.05.

I hereby submit this report for your kind perusal.

On behalf of all trustees Bethel Pentecostal Church Portsmouth



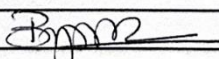
Pastor Bijuson Kunjukutty

Chairman/Church Minister

Bethel Pentecostal Church, Portsmouth					CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts					
	For the period	Period start date		Period End Date	
		01-01-2023	To	31-12-2023	
Section A Receipts and payments					
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offering	35,255.69	-	-	35,255.69	22,044.12
Donation	57,403.39	-	-	57,403.39	27,281.57
Gift aid donations	-	-	-	-	3,350.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	92,659.08	-	-	92,659.08	52,675.69
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	92,659.08	-	-	92,659.08	52,675.69
A3 Payments					
Rent	6,895.42	-	-	6,895.42	5,168.50
Worship Expense	1,115.00	-	-	1,115.00	-
Office equipments	909.00	-	-	909.00	987.35
Missions	4,200.00	-	-	4,200.00	4,200.00
Ministers allowance	8,800.00	-	-	8,800.00	4,950.00
Printing & Stationery	1,108.88	-	-	1,108.88	499.75
Event expenses	1,714.73	-	-	1,714.73	-
Gifts	1,156.40		-	1,156.40	-
Office cost	580.16	-	-	580.16	-
Visting preachers	2,250.00	-	-	2,250.00	950.00
Refreshments	4,963.18	-	-	4,963.18	747.14
professional fees	170.00	-	-	170.00	-
bank charges	110.28	-	-	110.28	-
Charity expenses	3,036.74	-	-	3,036.74	-
Miscellaneous	241.00	-	-	241.00	4,745.53
Sub total	37,250.79	-	-	37,250.79	22,248.27
					-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Sound box set & Amp	2,511.24	-	-	2,511.24	-
Sub total	2,511.24	-	-	2,511.24	-
Total payments	39,762.03	-	-	39,762.03	22,248.27
Net of receipts/(payments)	52,897.05	-	-	52,897.05	30,427.42
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	83,196.95	-	-	83,196.95	52,769.53
Cash funds this year end	1,36,094.00	-	-	1,36,094.00	83,196.95



## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash/ Cheques in hand	-	-	-
	Cash at bank	1,36,094	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>1,36,094</b>	-	-
	payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				-
				-
				-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				-
				-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>				-
				-
				-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>				-
				-
	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Pastor:		
		Bijuson Kunjukutty	13/10/24	