



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To
	01	January	2021	31
		December	2021	

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name **LIBANUS EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **1147260**

Charity's principal address **MARKET STREET**

MORRISTON

SWANSEA

Postcode **SA6 8DA**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	SAMUEL PRITCHARD	SECRETARY	Resigned as trustee & secretary 31/7/21	LIBANUS EVANGELICAL
2	DAVID HADLEY	TREASURER		CHURCH
3	MATTHEW HUMPHREYS			
4	PHILIP JONES	SECRETARY	Trustee from 6/3/21 Secretary from 5/8/21	
5	TIM HOWELL		Trustee from 6/3/21	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

CONSTITUTION

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

ASSOCIATION

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

ELECTED BY CHURCH MEMBERS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public, in accordance with the statements of belief.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when planning and implementing these main activities of the church:

- Two worship services held each Sunday
- For children: Sunday Club (age 4 – 11)
- Weekly Mums & Tots group (pre-school children and parent/carers)
- For all: weekly Bible study/prayer meeting
- Our bi-weekly lunch club 'Talk and Tea' which is open to all
- Other small churches in the locality are supported with men from the congregation going out regularly to take services in such churches
- Online videos in December leading up to Christmas
- Two Sunday services uploaded to website
- Weekly Prayer meeting alternating between Zoom and in person

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The church currently has 64 members.

Average attendance at a Sunday service is 50-80; at a Sunday evening service, 30-40.

Mums and Tots playgroup attracts a large number from the local community for its weekly meeting – about 10 - 20 children with their parent or carer at each session.

Tea & Talk has approx. 20 – 30 attending

This year the Church made the decision to employ both a Pastor and Trainee Pastor to provide teaching, pastoral care and strategic leadership of the Church.

Overview since the easing of Covid restrictions.

Despite everything that has happened we have continued as a Church and even managed to start new ministries, projects and ideas. Each Sunday we have provided two Sunday services and linked to Children Talks. Every Wednesday, we have facilitated Bible teaching and a time of prayer for those who are able to join us. During the firebreak period we also held these on Sunday mornings.

The church paid for over 200 'Hope Beyond Coronavirus' leaflets and encouraged members and friends to distribute them amongst neighbours. We have also held a number of special services, including special services on Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday services. We organised a special hour-long introduction into the 'Five Solas for Reformation Day. We had a harvest service where we thanked God for his goodness and blessing as we considered that Jesus is the true-life giver.

This year we also launched 'Pray For Morriston' each week we are praying for streets in Morriston, over the course of the whole year we will pray for every street in Morriston. We will also be distributing flyers that let the people in the houses know that Libanus Church is praying for them and give them the option to ask for specific prayer.

We have also started designing, creating and posting a daily verse on Social Media and on our website which can be shared far and wide with others. Each month of verses has a theme that the verses fit with.

We could not hold a St David's Day event in the same way we have previously done. So, suggested by a member, we created several St David's day boxes for members, friends and some evangelistic contacts. Over 100 of these boxes were distributed. These were very well received and something we have chosen.

We also released an evangelistic Welsh Rugby themed message on our YouTube channel. This video has been viewed over 150 times, so has reached more people than our traditional Cawl a Caws evenings.

We led with three primary ways of celebrating and sharing the Easter message with others with Services (online and in person), Easter Boxes and Evangelistic Videos.

For Easter we prepared, packed and delivered over 100 Easter boxes. Church members and friends were given the option to 'order' any number of boxes for them to send to neighbours, friends and family members. We also created Easter boxes for all of the children from Friday Night

Takeaway and Reach which we have been unable to run since March 2020.

We also made eight short illustrated evangelistic videos which went out over Easter week. Each day a different person from Libanus Church spoke about the Easter story as we systematically went through the account in Luke's Gospel.

We also made the decision to reopen the Church building and over 50 people gathered to worship with us on Easter Sunday. Following Easter, we have remained open on Sunday Mornings and have continued to see an increasing number of people happily and safely returning to Church.

Swansea City Council run an event in Morriston Park in August, where we pitched a stall. A good number of children and parents came along.

'Back to School' boxes were given to children who used to come to our children's events which were run in the church prior to Covid. As Covid restrictions eased, September saw the recommencement of our Sunday evening services in person, along with Tea & Talk which is held on a Thursday every other week.

Harvest/church lunch was held in September which saw a number of church regulars and visitors attending.

More than seventy boxes were put together and collected for Operation Christmas Child. We would like to thank members for their continued generosity and for sharing the love of Jesus with so many children across the world.

This past year was still limited by the spread of Covid-19 which made planning events much more difficult but in everything God was sovereign. Throughout the month of December, we organised and published short evangelistic videos each day walking through the Christmas story. This virtual advent calendar was well received and shared amongst many non - Christians.

Despite our numbers and demographics, we managed to deliver and share over 1,000 Christmas leaflets informing people that there is still a Church open and celebrating Jesus Christ. This year we also ordered and gave out 500 copies of the Christmas edition of Ask Magazine an evangelistic magazine with clear gospel centred articles and testimonies.

We also held several services including our Family Service, Traditional Carol Service, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day services. We were pleased to see many non-Christians attending many of these services. There was an increase in the number of non-Christians attending our events despite the Covid period.

We have been very encouraged by the attendance at services and it has been very encouraging these past few months to see many different visitors attending. We have seen some new faces who have joined and attend regularly and some 'old' friends of the Church returning to worship with us at Libanus.

We have also relaunched 'Focus' which many members have been asking for since it was stopped due to Covid. Since the relaunch, we hope the Church is better informed. We have also revived our weekly prayer diary to help us as a whole Church prays together and seek God's leading.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We do not currently have a reserves policy.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	P.M. Jones	
Full name(s)	Philip Mark Jones	

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Church Secretary	
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Date	30/10/2022
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Unaudited Financial Statements for the
Year ended 31 December 2021

for

Libanus Evangelical Church

Libanus Evangelical Church
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for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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Libanus Evangelical Church.
Statement of Financial Activities
For The Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Actual 2021 £	Actual 2020 £
<u>INCOME:</u>		
General Offerings	84,506.24	81,834.78
Exceptional Gifts	6,600.00	12,500.00
Tax Rebate	20,730.27	21,519.63
Designated Income	1,167.50	933.62
EFCC Grant	0.00	0.00
Rent - Centrepont	0.00	441.00
Rent - Flat	4,812.26	0.00
Other Income	221.89	415.18
TOTAL INCOME:	118,038.16	117,644.21
<u>EXPENDITURE:</u>		
Salaries and Visiting Preachers	15,575.03	49,562.67
Church Activities / Evangelism	1,428.07	(706.84)
Missionary Support & Gifts	27,900.00	29,666.93
Designated Gifts	1,167.50	933.62
Utilities	8,032.93	14,856.55
General Repairs & Renovations	4,362.58	1,002.87
Larger Repairs	5,818.79	6,854.89
Stationery	265.54	324.80
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
Rental of Car Park	0.00	1,350.00
Cleaning Materials	40.00	199.28
Miscellaneous	1,051.44	6,286.15
Loss on Disposal of Assets	2.00	1,042.95
Depreciation & Amortisation	7,624.10	7,647.95
TOTAL EXPENDITURE:	73,267.98	119,021.82
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	44,770.18	(1,377.61)

Libanus Evangelical Church
Balance Sheet
As at 31st December 2021

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Fixed Assets(NBV):</u>				
Land and Buildings	223,278.22		229,839.53	
Fixtures Fittings & Equipment	2,665.27		1,307.08	
		225,943.49		231,146.61
<u>Current Assets</u>				
HSBC Current Account	55,974.29		25,652.79	
HSBC Deposit Account	100,225.12		71,054.13	
Debtors & Prepayments	3,416.82		4,072.78	
Tax Rebate Recoverable	31,898.25		40,215.63	
		191,514.48		140,995.33
<u>Current Liabilities:</u>				
PAYE/NIC Creditor	0.00		0.00	
Accruals	(3,278.47)		(2,732.62)	
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		<u>414,179.50</u>		<u>369,409.32</u>
<u>Represented By:</u>				
General Fund	412,078.38		368,475.70	
Designated Fund	2,101.12		933.62	
Total Funds:		<u>414,179.50</u>		<u>369,409.32</u>

Libanus Evangelical Church.
Notes To Financial Statements
For The Year Ended 31st December 2021

Note 1: Basis of Preparation

- 1.1 Basis of Accounting: These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost, in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities - Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) and with the Charities Act.
- 1.2 Change in Basis of Accounting: There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.
- 1.3 Changes to Previous Accounts: No changes have been made to previous years.

Note 2: Accounting Policies

INCOMING RESOURCES:

Recognition of Incoming Resources:

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources.

Tax Reclaims on Donations & Gifts:

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Investment Income:

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

EXPENDITURE & LIABILITIES:

Liability Recognition:

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

ASSETS:

Tangible Fixed Assets:

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and the cost is material.

They are valued at cost, or if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

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Note 3: Details of certain items of expenditure.

3.1 Trustee Benefits:

	<u>Y/E: 31/12/21</u>	<u>Y/E: 31/12/20</u>
No. of trustees paid expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Nature of benefits:	Derived by trustees (in line with all attendees) for their children to attend camps.	
Total amount paid:	<u>£ 0</u>	<u>£ 0</u>

3.2 Fees for the examination of Financial Statements:

<u>672</u>	<u>660</u>
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Note 4: Paid Employees

	<u>Y/E: 31/12/21</u>	<u>Y/E: 31/12/20</u>
4.1 Staff Costs:	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind.	12,850	42,690
Visiting Preachers	2,500	3,980
Employers NIC	0	1,377
Pension Costs	225	1,516
Total staff costs	<u>15,575</u>	<u>49,563</u>
4.2 Average No. of Full-time equivalent employees in the year.		
Charitable Activities	0	1
Governance	0	0
Other	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

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Note 5: Tangible Fixed Assets

		<u>Freehold Land & Buildings</u>	<u>Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment</u>	<u>Total</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Cost:	Brought forward 31.12.2020	328,065	56,015	384,080
	Additions	0	2,423	2,423
	Revaluations	0	0	0
	Disposals	0	(573)	(573)
	Carried Forward 31.12.2021	328,065	57,865	385,930
Acc.Depn	Brought forward 31.12.2020	98,226	54,708	152,934
	Depreciation for year	6,561	1,063	7,624
	Revaluations	0	0	0
	Disposals	0	(571)	(571)
	Carried Forward 31.12.2021	104,787	55,200	159,987
Net Book Value:	31.12.2020	229,839	1,307	231,146
	31.12.2021	223,278	2,665	225,943

Note 6: Debtors and Prepayments

	<u>Y/E: 31/12/21</u>	<u>Y/E: 31/12/20</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Debtors	315	952
Prepayments	3,102	3,121
	3,417	4,073

Note 7: Creditors and Accruals

	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Creditors	(2,101)	(934)
Accruals	(1,177)	(1,799)
	(3,278)	(2,733)

Note 8: Transactions with Related Parties

None.

Financial Statements
for the Year ended 31 December 2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Libanus Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts of the Libanus Evangelical Church for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 1 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

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

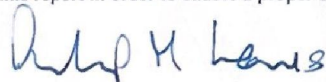
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 26th September 2022