

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE
100 LADYWOOD ROAD, BIRMINGHAM B16 8SZ

(A company limited by guarantee)
CHARITY NO: 1149299

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 2022

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the financial statements of Bethel Apostolic Church of Excellence (the company) for the year ended 30 April 2022. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, AND MANAGEMENT CONSTITUTION

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 11th October 2012. The charity number is 1149299

The principal object of the company is to advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs, in Birmingham, its surrounding areas and such other parts of the United Kingdom and overseas, as the Trustees may from time to time think fit and other such purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and relate to the charitable work of the charity.

METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The administration of the company is the obligation of the Trustees who are elected and appointed under the terms of the Articles of Association.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION MAKING

Organisational structure consists of the Trustees who make managerial decisions in conjunction with the Pastor and Leaders. Leaders are accountable to the Trustee Board for financial and general governance only, but for spiritual matters they remain answerable to the Pastor.

This relationship is designed to offer greater transparency and clarity in any decision making. The members are free to object to any material transactions proposed by the Board and can do so in writing, by personal appointment with the Board or Pastor or in general appointed meetings.

NAMES OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES WHO MANAGE THE CHARITY

The names of the Trustees who manage the charity are as follows: -

PASTOR VERNA WYNTER
MINISTER THAMES SYLVA
MISSIONARY NERISSA PURKISS
EVANGELIST MARCIA WOOLLEY
SIS HAZEL SAMUELS
BRO PRINCE NELSON
BISHOP MELVIN BROOKS

CHAIRPERSON/DIRECTOR
TRUSTEE/DIRECTOR
TRUSTEE/DIRECTOR
TRUSTEE/SECRETARY
TRUSTEE/TREASURER
TRUSTEE
ADVISOR

RISK MANAGEMENT

There is adequate insurance cover in place and financial information and internal controls are kept under regular review. Appropriate Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks, supported by regularly reviewed policies are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have considered general guidance published by the Charity Commission, relating to public benefit and to its ancillary public benefit guidance on the advancement of religion.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The Trustees consider the wide range of activities provide benefit to those who worship at the Church, the people of Birmingham, its surrounding areas and overseas in line with our objectives. Bethel Apostolic Church of Excellence has continued to retain its commitments to the projects and activities that it has conducted over the last few years. These projects have been identified to ensure that they are:

- a) Advancing the Christian faith in the UK and/or overseas
- b) Providing a place of worship and community for people in Birmingham and the wider West Midlands
- c) Promoting education, employment, economic development and/or social inclusion programmes within Birmingham and surrounding areas.
- d) Equipping church members and others in the community to operate in advancing the Christian faith outside of the physical church building, in nursing homes, community centres, hospitals etc.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND BENEFICIARIES 1ST MAY 2021 – 30TH APRIL 2022

Following the outbreak and eventual subsidence of COVID 19, we gradually opened the church for on-site services whilst continuing to cater to those who wished to continue worshipping via Zoom every Sunday.

The Church held Adult and Children's Sunday School every Sunday morning before the main service. On Tuesdays there was intercessory prayer online in the afternoon with other Bethel churches joining, Youth Ministry meetings on Wednesday, and Bible Study on Friday in the actual building.

We also continued to offer both spiritual and secular counselling services on an appointment basis.

One other organisation occasionally used the church facilities for baptisms but there continued to be a lack of use from our usual clientele using the meeting facilities due to COVID 19 and as an organisation we seek to support them in any positive way by continuing to let them have use of the car park.

Our long-standing relationship with the church in India continues. We give by way of financial support.

Regular meetings are held for all current leaders to ensure continuity and continual improvement in the operation of the organisation.

To continue to provide the outstanding quality and content of service we are invested in finding ways in upgrading our media equipment. This is to support the delivery of live services, which can both accommodate congregations, whilst at the same time transmitting and broadcasting live to those online.

We are currently dealing with trying to source best consistent internet wi-fi provision across the whole building.

The Food Bank is now in its ninth year of operation. This provides food, toiletries, and other domestic items (subject to availability) to clients who are self-referred or from other community organisations, as well as word of mouth from others in need from the local area. Our foodbank opens once a week on Saturdays and numbers attending have increased and continue to do so. We have also catered to those who knock on our door by chance when the office is open. Donations from supermarkets, FareShare, members, and monetary donations helps to restock the food bank. We offer a delivery service for those unable to get to the church hall due to illness or self-isolation. We ensure the elderly and children are catered for as a priority.

Our resolute foodbank volunteers have continued to work tirelessly as an essential service, and we recognise their support and commitment to the work of this ministry.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trustee Board have exercised great care with monetary management over the last twelve months. The income had become more consistent, and we are expecting that with careful forecasting, planning and management we should continue to meet all our commitments. We have seen improvement in the managing of our expenses and overheads.

Several church members continue to give their tithes and offerings via online banking, and this was seen as a safer measure going forward, reducing the amount of money on the premises at any given time. The use of the card machine was encouraged. For those who are unable or unwilling to use any of the options, normal cash or cheque collections will continue to be available.

The Church Administrator, after months of being furloughed resumed her full working days and the church could maintain her normal hours financially.

RESERVES POLICY

There is £5,602.00 (as of April 2022), held in reserve should there be a severe decline in available income, to facilitate the church in continuing to operate on a scaled back basis.

It is hoped that with the slow return to normality, the revenue received from fundraising, i.e., the use of the car park and the hiring out of the church hall, will increase the reserved funds total, and should the total exceed the desired reserved limit (£3,500p.m.) for 6 months; it is not the intention of the Board to withhold use of the excess funds which could further advance the aims and objectives of the organisation.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

We need to implement growth over the next few years and so we seek to benefit and meet the demands of the members, their friends and families and the wider community locally and across Birmingham.

We are actively looking to partner with other community organisations, operating in sectors where we can contribute existing resources and expertise for maximum effectiveness, source financial support, and joint funding opportunities.

We can make available to external charities and organisations, the church hall, and upstairs rooms.

We will continue to generate funds, both through the provision of services, through fundraising events and the attraction of other funding where available. There has been a risk assessment conducted regarding making funding applications of this nature and the board has agreed that we would proceed if it fell in line with our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Our premises are accessible and welcoming where all members of the community can learn about the Christian Faith.

The Church is open to all its members and members of the community three times a week and provides a safe place of prayer and worship, whilst still operating under government guidelines in place at any point in time.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Bethel Apostolic Church of Excellence (for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each budget year. Under company law.

The Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the situation of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to: -

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies' exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

DECLARATION

This report was approved by the Trustees on 20th January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



T M SYLVA
Chair of Trustees Board

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE

Company limited by guarantee

**Company Registration Number:
08047415 (England and Wales)**

Unaudited statutory accounts for the year ended 30 April 2022

Period of accounts

Start date: 1 May 2021

End date: 30 April 2022

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Directors' report period ended 30 April 2022

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the period ended 30 April 2022

Directors

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from

1 May 2021 to 30 April 2022

MRS THAMES MARGARET SYLVA

MRS NERISSA PURKISS

MS VERA JOYCE WYNTER

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the board of directors on

20 January 2023

And signed on behalf of the board by:

Name: MRS THAMES MARGARET SYLVA

Status: Director

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE

Profit And Loss Account
for the Period Ended 30 April 2022

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	£	£
Turnover:	40,375	41,392
Cost of sales:	(1,794)	(762)
Gross profit(or loss):	38,581	40,630
Administrative expenses:	(28,987)	(21,815)
Operating profit(or loss):	9,594	18,815
Interest receivable and similar income:	17	1,082
Interest payable and similar charges:	(1,277)	(1,342)
Profit(or loss) before tax:	8,334	18,555
Profit(or loss) for the financial year:	8,334	18,555

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE**Balance sheet****As at 30 April 2022**

	<i>Notes</i>	2022	2021
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets:	3	281,651	281,651
Total fixed assets:		281,651	281,651
Current assets			
Debtors:	4	3,444	3,555
Cash at bank and in hand:		31,901	28,173
Total current assets:		35,345	31,728
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:	5	(4,717)	(4,636)
Net current assets (liabilities):		30,628	27,092
Total assets less current liabilities:		312,279	308,743
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:	6	(44,062)	(48,860)
Total net assets (liabilities):		268,217	259,883
Members' funds			
Profit and loss account:		268,217	259,883
Total members' funds:		268,217	259,883

The notes form part of these financial statements

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE**Balance sheet statements**

For the year ending 30 April 2022 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The notes form part of these financial statements

BETHEL APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE**Notes to the Financial Statements****for the Period Ended 30 April 2022****1. Accounting policies****Basis of measurement and preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 1A (Small Entities) of Financial Reporting Standard 102

Tangible fixed assets depreciation policy

Tangible assets are included at cost less depreciation and impairment. Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Fixtures & Fittings and Computer Equipment 25%

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Period Ended 30 April 2022

2. Employees

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
Average number of employees during the period	1	1

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the Period Ended 30 April 2022

3. Tangible assets

	Land & buildings	Plant & machinery	Fixtures & fittings	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 May 2021	355,266		6,290	11,750	1,600	374,906
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluations						
Transfers						
At 30 April 2022	355,266		6,290	11,750	1,600	374,906
Depreciation						
At 1 May 2021	73,615		6,290	11,750	1,600	93,255
Charge for year						
On disposals						
Other adjustments						
At 30 April 2022	73,615		6,290	11,750	1,600	93,255
Net book value						
At 30 April 2022	281,651		0	0	0	281,651
At 30 April 2021	281,651		0	0	0	281,651

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4. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	3,444	3,555
Total	<u>3,444</u>	<u>3,555</u>

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5. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year note

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Bank loans and overdrafts	4,717	4,636
Total	<u>4,717</u>	<u>4,636</u>

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