

CHRIST AVENUE CHAPEL

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1150193

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1150193

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020.

The Trustees of Christ Avenue Chapel takes pleasure in presenting their Annual Report along with the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2020.

The Financial Statement has prepared in accordance with the accounting policies as set out in this report and complies with the statement of Recommended Practices (SORPs 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Christ Avenue Chapel is a Charitable Association limited by guarantee, set up in October 2011, and became a registered Charity in December 2012 of which the registration number is 1150193. The Church is governed by its Trust Deed document adopted on 7th October 2011. Appointment and Retirement of trustees are in accordance with the Article of Association that requires that appointment and retirement should be by ordinary resolution. All Trustees give their time voluntarily and received no benefits from the Charity.

OUR AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Charity's purpose and aims as set out in the objects contained in Article of Association and constituted as religious organisation are:

The principal objective of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to Biblical Principles, Doctrinal Standards, Tenets of faith and Disciplines of Christ Avenue Chapel in such parts of United Kingdom and the world as the trustees may from time to time determine.

The church may also carry out other charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world as the trustees may from time to time determine.

Our Main Activities are as follows:

- Sunday morning services
- Wednesday evening Prayer Meetings at our Woolwich branch.
- Friday evening prayer Meetings in Croydon
- Evangelistic activities in the community on every weekend.
- Discipleship school for all members on every Sunday morning before the main service.
- Regular get-togethers popularly known as LOVE FEAST to consider the Christian faith in love and unity. Non-members and the community or public are welcomed.
- Full children's programme filled with fun activities is run during the morning services.
- Once every month meetings by vibrant youth club in the church for teachings based on Christian ethos to develop their talents and abilities.
- Holistic outreach programme conducted twice a week by the pastoral through counselling and visitation.
- Musical Concerts are conducted three times in the year for spiritual Up-liftment.
- Couples Dating and Outings programmes are structured to enhance better family life and stronger relationships.

- Annual Conferences are organised every year to promote our spiritual growth and advancement of the Gospel.

Christ Avenue chapel in this year of review was involved in both Christian outreach and general charitable programmes in the United Kingdom. The Christian outreach programmes were designed to increase Christian awareness and the spread of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ while the general charitable programmes involved education, relief of poverty and community development.

ACHEIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Because of the spiritual nature of the church's objectives, it is difficult to quantify achievements but however the Trustees are pleased to report that the church has been successful spiritually by ministering to many people who have come back to share their incredible testimonies as they received their miracles.

OUR ACHEIVEMENTS:

- ✓ This year saw a huge economic and Global recession during the outbreak of COVID-19 PANDEMIC. Our mode of operation was severely affected as a charity and a church that is heavily dependant on its attendees or members contributions to achieve its objectives. With lack of support from the council in providing help for our members and the community, we were able to succeed in acquiring a little form of grant from the National Lottery Covid-19 Scheme that was launched. Out of the proceeds, we were able to serve and reach 150 families within the community which is Black and Asian minority populated.
- ✓ A counselling portal was open to the community to help tackle problems that were associated with the intense isolation during the lockdowns especially on Mental Health issues or crises. This was done via zoom and other social media platforms as well as face to face where necessary to support families who were deeply affected by the deaths of their families and loved ones to the Covid-19 pandemic. It was a huge breakthrough for the community in building resilience as we all adapt to the new normal to get our lives back and bring hope for those who were bereaved.
- ✓ Welfare Program: Through our Welfare programs, donations have been given in support of the less privilege within the church and our community. The beneficiaries are those who do not have access to public funds for variety of reasons and those who are jobless. A forum is created which gives people the opportunity to find jobs through effective networking within and outside the church. We freely distribute groceries and household products to the local church community especially single mothers or parents who need support. Rent support and cash donations were given to families during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- ✓ Counselling and Advice: With our one-to-one Counselling and Advice services available to members and non-Christians on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, we have supported the sick, poor, needy and people going through separation, divorce, depression, alcoholism, stress, illness and various life crises. These free services have aided others to find the right medical and other professional assistance for their health and circumstances during the Covid-19 pandemic.

- ✓ Music Project: As part of our community engagement program, the Music Ministry of the Church organised three different Music Concerts within the year Spring, Summer and Winter. But with the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the concerts were organised virtually to help alleviate the pain, anxiety, and the toll of immense social isolation that has so much impact on families. It has promoted great love and unity between the church and the community, other religious bodies and Musicians within the Croydon Borough. As a result, many new families have joined the church and the choir has seen numerical growth.
- ✓ Youth Ministry: The youth activities were attractive and very engaging throughout the year as many families were joining the church. As future leaders, opportunities were given to them to organise their own services once every month to boost their confidence and leadership skills. Most of these worship services, workshops and seminars were conducted virtually during the Covid-19 pandemic. Structured and tailored seminars like mentorship, career choices, mental health issues, dealing with peer pressure, to name a few, were also arranged for them to focus on living discipline lifestyles and building a healthy society. Through these programmes, intervention activities were made available to support their online schoolwork and positively changed the lives of some of the youths who were on the streets.
- ✓ Christ Avenue chapel in this year of review mostly organised seminars and workshops virtually whereby Christian values, moral values and discipleship were taught with focus on personal, career development and how to adapt to the New Normal after during and after the Covid-19 pandemic. Through this program, many Christians and non-Christians attended our services and many re-dedicated their lives to our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ. To God be the Glory.
- ✓ Children's Ministry: Through our well-structured curriculum for the children's department, the ministry has seen a phenomenal growth both in the intellectual knowledge of God and the physical and social growth of our children. Children were deeply affected by the social isolation during the Covid-19 pandemic, hence virtual fun activities were organised for them. Our holiday biblical and fun filled activities have encourage parents to bring their children to church thus a great increase in the children's ministry after the lockdown. Parents were advised to keep watch on their children and support them in doing their homework.
- ✓ Centres were created and open to the community both virtually and physically in the church premises to support people that were going through domestic abuse and mental health crises which rose immensely during the Covid-19 pandemic. Families were supported through counselling, distributing of groceries and structured programs to improve their lives with clear supervision.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Financial results for the year are set out in the accompanying financial statement. The church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider appeal was made for funds during the year. The church is heavily dependent on its attendees working as volunteers in all aspects of the church's activities, but nevertheless they contribute substantially to the achievement of the church's objectives.

Details of any funds materially in deficit are not applicable.

RESERVE POLICY

The Board has assessed the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation. As a result, the Board has established fundraising strategy, which includes ensuring a better mix of restricted and unrestricted funding. Trustees have established a reserve policy and are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the balance sheet date for foreseeable needs of the church, together with on-going income anticipated to enable the church to function effectively in this year.

FUTURE PLANS

A programme of outreach activities is planned, including participation in prison ministry, hospitals, elderly club, homeless visitation, Children's holiday club and help to challenging needs group. Missions to other parts of the world has been structured with timelines to help and assist the poor, needy, sick and advance the gospel of Jesus Christ which is our main objective.

DECLARATION

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustee by:



Reverend Cynthia Baah-Yeboah



Reverend Randy K Senyo

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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 2020 set out on the following pages which have been prepared based on their accounting policies shown in the corresponding pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of the church are responsible for the preparation of the accounts: they consider that the audit requirement under section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act), does not apply. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 43(3) of the 1993 Act.
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissions made under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 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 and audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

During 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 reasonable requirements to ensure that:
 - Proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act)
 - Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 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 2020 Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account

	Note	2020 £
Income Resources		
Income resources from generated funds		
Voluntary contributions	(2)	65,496
Other Income		9,000
Loan		30,000
Savings		3,000
Cash at hand		17,283
Cash in bank B/F		<u>1,001</u>
Total Incoming Resources		<u>125,780</u>
Resources expended		
Charitable activities		
Rent		39,482
Events and Hospitality		7,000
Covid-19 Project		13,050
Charitable Donations & Welfare		7,280
Welfare Support System		11,945
Staff Voluntary Allowance		16,184
Training and Seminars		1,825
Conferences & Meetings		1,820
Music Ministry Expenses		3,100
Outreach & Evangelism		2,120
Covid-19 Support		3,170
PPE Expenses		500
Travel & Accommodation		300
Web Hosting & Maintenance		500
Youth & Children Ministries		2,563
Marketing and Media		840
Guest Honorarium		2,500
Office & Administration		1,150
Bank Charges		954
Utilities		2,118
Petty Cash		409
Accountant		2,800
Repairs		650
Counselling		1,200
TAPAC		<u>1,200</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>124,660</u>
Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources		<u>1,120</u>

There were no recognised gains or losses in the year. All activities derive from continuing operations.

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2020

	Note	2020 £
Current Assets		
Bank		1,001
Bank		3,000
Cash		<u>17,283</u>
Cash		<u>16,491</u>
Creditors		
Amount falling due within one year	(4)	<u>30,000</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>7,775</u>
Net Assets		<u>7,775</u>
Represented by:		
Reserves		5,544
Net Profit		<u>1,120</u>
		<u>6,664</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 17th October 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

REVEREND CYNTHIA BAAH-YEBOAH
TRUSTEE



REVEREND RANDY K SENYO
TRUSTEE



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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2020

1. Accounting Policies

(a) Accounting basis

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis under section 42(3) of the charities Act 1993 and the statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities published in March 2008. The adoption of the revised SORP has resulted in reclassification of some items.

(b) Incoming resources

i) Voluntary income

Voluntary income is received by way of Tithes offerings, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

(c) Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

(d) Cash Flow

The church has taken advantage of the exemptions in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small church.

2. Incoming resources from generated funds

	2020
	£
Income from Voluntary Contributions	<u>161,847</u>

3. Creditors- amounts falling due within one year

2020
£
<u>30,000</u>

4. Financial Commitments

Capital Commitments

The Church had no capital commitments as at 31st December 2020.

Operating lease commitments

The church had an operating lease commitment as at 31st December 2020.