

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date

Period end date

From

1

August

2024

To

31

July

2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name Living Word Ministries

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1150222

Charity's principal address 4 Alison Road

Church Stretton

Shropshire

Postcode

SY6 7AT

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	Rev M L Weeden	Chairman		
2	Mr K Riley			
3	Mrs V M Hunter		To 14 th May 2025	
4	Mrs J Wareham			
5	Mr J Ray			
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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	Trust deed
How the charity is constituted	Trust
Trustee selection methods	Appointed by Trustees

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 RELIGION FOR THE PUBLIC
BENEFIT AND FURTHER THE GOSPEL OF GOD AND HIS SON THE
LORD JESUS CHRIST AND TO PREACH AND TEACH THE
CHRISTIAN FAITH.
TO RELIEVE POVERTY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AS THE
TRUSTEES SHALL DETERMINE

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)

For the financial year 1/8/24 to 31/7/25, three mission trips were made, to Malawi, Kenya and Liberia, where leadership conferences were held, and literature and clothing donated, again in predominantly rural areas.

The Bibles Schools in Kenya continued to function well, with repeated calls to open other branches.

The orphanage in Kenya continued to be developed, and the 35 orphans housed, clothed and fed amidst the continued difficulties of increasing food costs.

Books, clothing and teaching aids continued to be collected for shipping out from the UK to Malawi, to provide educational resources, especially for those in rural areas of the south, and into Mozambique as well, for whom buying literature is prohibitively expensive.

Local partners in the countries LWM are involved in put on conferences for the public benefit at various times in their own nations, with the charity's support, and booklets continued to be printed for free distribution

Ad hoc and regular meetings continued to be held in the UK for a wide range of people.

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

A second ministry trip to Liberia has strengthened the ministry relationship, with plans proposed for the opening of a Bible School.

The Bible Schools in Kenya saw thirty five students graduate, and three former students have developed their abilities and now are involved in a teaching capacity.

Another small church was constructed in the village of Aboge, Kenya on land donated by the village Elder, where a new Bible School was formed.

Twelve students were again sponsored for the academic year in Malawi, and new, good quality mattresses provided for the students.

Bibles were provided for churches in Mozambique.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

BANK BALANCES TO BE HELD AT A SUFFICIENT LEVEL TO COVER 3 MONTHS' WORTH OF EXPENDITURE.

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

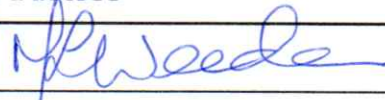
Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Rev Mark Lenson Weeden

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Date

9th April 2026

LIVING WORD MINISTRIES**(Charity Registration number - 1150222)****FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 JULY 2025****PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT**

Income

General donations		
Annual Gift Day	12,609.70	
Others	<u>3,671.19</u>	
		16,280.89
Gift Aid on General donations		385.00
Interest		1,559.55
Legacies		<u>0.00</u>
Total Unrestricted income		18,225.44
Total Restricted income (see separate page)		<u>16,300.00</u>
Total Income		34,525.44

Expenditure

Bank charges	351.79	
Equipment and software	423.00	
Living expenses - M Weeden	19,000.00	
Ministry trip expenses	978.12	
Sponsorship	<u>4,413.60</u>	
Total Unrestricted expenditure	25,166.51	
Total Restricted expenditure (see separate page)	<u>19,561.85</u>	
Total Expenditure		44,728.36

Excess of Expenditure over Income -10,202.92

BALANCE SHEET

Bank balances	42,511.60
Prepayments	<u>702.97</u>
	<u>43,214.57</u>

Represented by:-

Restricted funds (see separate page)	10,879.62
Retaining earnings	
Balance b/f as at 1 August 2024	39,276.02
Total Unrestricted Income less Total	
Unrestricted Expenditure for this year	<u>-6,941.07</u>
Balance c/f as at 31 July 2025	<u>32,334.95</u>
	<u>43,214.57</u>

M Weeden (Chairman)

Approved by the Trustees

M Weeden
9th April 2026

RESTRICTED FUNDS as at 31st July 2025

	Balance b/f at 1 Aug 24	Income this year	Expenditure this year	Balance c/f at 31 Jul 25
Bibles	1,475.00			1,475.00
Bibles - Chichewa language	0.00	1,687.50	645.00	1,042.50
Bibles for India	100.00			100.00
Bibles for Zimbabwe	1,025.00			1,025.00
Discretionary Fund	1,360.00		645.95	714.05
India - bicycles for pastors	599.46			599.46
India - literature	107.25			107.25
India - orphans	305.50			305.50
Kenya - Bible school	2,098.48		1,200.00	898.48
Kenya - orphans in Kisumu	2,869.37	250.00	1,400.04	1,719.33
Kenya - trip	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Liberia - trip	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Malawi - Jesus Way school of evangelism	687.50	2,362.50	2,200.00	850.00
Malawi - Stanley Matthewson	2,407.43		1,570.86	836.57
M Weeden's living allowance	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Zambia - orphans - P Mwamukangwa	0.00	2,500.00	2,400.00	100.00
Zambia - trip	731.48			731.48
Zambia - literature	375.00			375.00
Total Restricted Funds	14,141.47	16,300.00	19,561.85	10,879.62

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LIVING WORD MINISTRIES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Living Word Ministries for the year ended 31 July 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Living Word Ministries 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed: 

Name: Martin Benson

Address: 2 Longmynd Place, Church Stretton, Shropshire, SY6 6HX

Date: 17/3/26