

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1151428

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-03-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION. THE CHURCH MAY ALSO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Activities: Activities include but not restricted to - regular public worship, Bible study, preaching/teaching; baptism as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle; Communion; evangelism/mission; teaching/welcome of YP; nurture/growth of Christian disciples; education/training; giving/encouraging of pastoral care; supporting charitable social action; relationships with Baptists and other Christians.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bradford City
- Leeds City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£210,101	£230,490	-	-
2024-09-30	£228,355	£224,994	-	-
2023-09-30	£259,138	£141,876	-	-
2022-09-30	£186,179	£179,200	-	-
2021-09-30	£194,091	£182,138	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Carol Ann Cook		2022-02-09
Christopher John Burland		2025-07-23
Elizabeth Frances Allen		2022-07-13
JOY LILES		2013-03-26
Malcolm Townend		2026-01-21
Patrick Dale Smith		2026-01-21
Philip Lerman		2024-01-30
Rev Martin Ian Hills		2025-06-14
Tony Tofrik		2018-03-01

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Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
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Guiseley Baptist Church

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Legal and Administrative Information

Reference

The Charity is called "Guiseley Baptist Church" and is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as an Unincorporated Association (1151428).

Guiseley Baptist Church is located in Guiseley, Leeds and is part of the Yorkshire Baptist Association and Baptist Union of Great Britain.

Registered Charity Number 1151428

Registered Office Guiseley Baptist Church
24b Oxford Road,
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Website www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk

Trustees Ministers: Revd Martin Hills *Appointed June 2025*

Church Secretary: Mrs Joy Liles,
Church Treasurer: Mrs Elizabeth Allen

Deacons: Dr Paul Connor *Stepped down January 2025*
Mrs Carol Cook
Mr Crispin Northey
Mr Tony Tofrik
Mrs Ruth Evans
Mr Philip Lerman
Christopher Burland *Appointed July 2025*

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The governing document of Guiseley Baptist Church (GBC) is the Church Constitution. At GBC the Charity Trustees include one minister and eight deacons elected by members of the church at our Ordinary Church Meetings. The method of appointment of deacons is set out in the Church Constitution. The Charity Trustees are responsible for making recommendations to the church, but ultimately decisions on all matters rest with church members at the Ordinary Church Meeting and/or Special Church Meeting. Other members of the church may take on specific responsibilities at certain times depending on their particular expertise, but they remain accountable to the Charity Trustees and, ultimately, to the Church Meeting.

During the period October 2024 to September 2025, the GBC Charity Trustees met thirteen times – eleven meetings to focus on items of routine business, and two to discuss issues of a more strategic nature. The strategy meetings (held during the pastoral vacancy) ensured matters relating to the longer term were being addressed. The strategy meetings ceased once we had our new minister in place. There were five Ordinary Church Members' meetings, one taking place alongside an Annual General Meeting held in April 2025. One Special Church Meeting was held in March when we considered our future ministry needs and agreed to call our new minister.

Policies for the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on our website, and a hard copy can be provided on request. Our protection policies include an outline of the procedure for accepting volunteers and the requirement of a DBS check. Regular training sessions are provided and anyone working with children, young people and vulnerable adults is required to attend.

PUBLIC BENEFIT DISCLOSURE

Main activities

The Charity Trustees are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship and become part of the community and fellowship at GBC. We do this through our regular church services, which put faith into practice through prayer, the centrality of scripture, sung worship, sacrament, and through several other weekly programmes and activities.

When planning our activities for the year, the Charity Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on the Public Benefit requirement under the Charities Act 2011, and specifically the advice to charities for the advancement of religion. We place a high value on enabling ordinary people of all ages to live out their faith as part of our community through:

- worship and prayer, bible study, communion, fellowship, preaching and teaching, in order to develop knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus Christ
- provision of pastoral care for people within the church and those living within the wider community
- mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, maintenance of the fabric of our church buildings is essential.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Purposes

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Charity Trustees of Guiseley Baptist Church (GBC) have the responsibility, together with the rest of the church, of co-operating with members of the ministry team in the advancement of the Christian faith and the promotion of the whole mission of the church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The Charity Trustees are also responsible for the maintenance of the church buildings. The main activities undertaken in relation to the purposes outlined above are summarised in the 'achievements and performance' section below.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Ministry

During October 2024 to September 2025 the ministerial team comprised:

- Mr Joe Millar, Youth and Children's Worker (full-time)
- Rev Helen Lambert, who commenced employment in a temporary (part-time) role from August 2024 as Interim Pastoral Lead, to provide support to the church family during the period of pastoral vacancy. This role came to an end in July 2025
- Revd Martin Hills, Minister (full-time) joined us in June 2025

Membership

As of 30th September 2025, GBC had 91 members, and others regularly attending the church services and other group activities.

Church services

We hold a weekly Sunday morning worship service, with significant input from members of our church family who are gifted in preaching, teaching, musicianship, and technology. Across the year, the average weekly attendance (adults, youth, and children) has been 97. Our young people lead a less formal occasional Sunday evening service called 'Step Out of the Traffic'. Additional services take place around Christmas and Easter.

Preaching and teaching

Jesus' final words to His disciples (*termed the 'Great Commission'*) were to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you". Preaching and teaching is a key part of our church life, both at the Sunday services and throughout the week. We have been grateful to Mr David Hudson, Rev Helen Lambert, and Rev Steve Allen, who have contributed significantly, especially during the pastoral vacancy, to ensuring that the good news of Jesus has been faithfully preached and taught. They have all continued to preach and teach alongside our new minister.

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Prayer

Prayer continues to be an essential aspect of our life at GBC. We hold a monthly prayer meeting to which all are invited. We have an established 'Prayernet' where people can send requests for prayer that are forwarded to all those who have signed up to receive email and/or text message updates. Prayer ministry is offered to people at the end of the Sunday morning service. A monthly men's prayer breakfast takes place on a Saturday morning, and a women's prayer and bible study group meets weekly. Our minister and deacons (Charity Trustees) recently instituted a monthly prayer meeting (separate from our 'business' meetings).

Pastoral care

Pastoral care has been provided by our Interim Pastoral Lead (up to July 2025), our new Minister (from June 2025), and a small group of pastoral visitors. The team meet together regularly to ensure that pastoral needs are not overlooked and to coordinate pastoral care, however, we see pastoral care as a shared responsibility of all church members. Pastoral support within the fellowship happens through friendships, small groups and the various other groups that meet throughout the week.

Mission and evangelism

Preaching and publishing the gospel (i.e., the good news of Jesus) and helping those in need, both in the UK and overseas, is a demonstration of our faith. The church gives regularly towards the work of the Baptist Union of Great Britain Home Mission, Baptist Missionary Society World Mission, and Leeds Faith in Schools.

We held two special appeals during the year to help people both locally and across the world. Our Harvest 2024 Appeal supported the work of the *Bradford North Foodbank* – to help with the provision of emergency food to local people in need, and the *Great Lakes Outreach in Burundi* – to provide funding for school uniforms and stationery to young children, without which, they could not attend school. Our Christmas 2024 Appeal supported *Lighthouse, West Yorkshire* – a faith-based charity offering a wide range of support for vulnerable and marginalised people in the city of Leeds, and *Mercy Ships* – an international development organisation that deploys hospital ships to some of the poorest countries in the world, delivering vital, free healthcare to people in desperate need.

Money donated into our Communion Fund is used to provide financial gifts to members of the church family, or others known to them, who are experiencing hardship.

Small groups

Several groups take place – mainly in people's homes – so that adults can meet to study the bible, pray, and share aspects of their lives together. These groups serve to provide encouragement, friendship, learning, and pastoral care amongst those who attend.

Contact with adults

Throughout the week we have regular contact with 81 adults (aged over 30) and 38 young adults (aged 18 – 30).

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Connection with seniors

Cornerstone is a weekly luncheon club for the older members of our church and the local community. Each week we share a time of prayer and bible reflection followed by a simple meal and some sort of fun activity. Cornerstone provides a time of fellowship, stimulation, and companionship. It has grown to be a community that supports and encourages one another beyond the weekly meeting.

Every four weeks a small team visits a local care home that provides specialist care to those suffering with dementia and other degenerative conditions, The team shares a time of fellowship and stimulation through prayer, conversation and hymn singing. It is a ministry that brings joy to both the team and the residents.

Youth and children's work

Our children and young people have continued to grow in their relationship with God under the leadership of Joe Millar and our team of committed volunteers who support the youth and children's work. We have several groups for youth and children meeting through the week as well as groups with age-appropriate activities on Sunday mornings. Joe continues to be involved in the local school community where he provides pastoral care in the Student Support Centre, acting as a bridge between the school and GBC. We continue to run 'Mainly Music', a group where parents, carers, and pre-school children can come together to sing, play, and enjoy the company of other families. In August 2025 we held a Holiday Club that enabled us to deepen our relationship with the community and engage with new families. This has also enabled us to grow our children's groups and see new families attend some of our other groups. Throughout the year we have had regular attendance from 64 young people (secondary school, up to age 17), 31 children (primary school age) and 35 young children (pre-school age).

Foodbank

In March 2025 we partnered with Bradford North Foodbank and opened a Foodbank Centre which runs every Friday. Clients issued with a voucher by a Referral Partner (e.g., GP, social worker, school) are provided with a 3-day food parcel to support them during a period of crisis. We offer a welcoming and supportive environment for clients. In addition to providing food parcels, we take time to listen to clients who are often distressed, due to their social, economic or health situations. We signpost to support services where appropriate. We have a volunteer team of approximately 25 people, including a small management team. All volunteers receive induction, training and ongoing supervision.

During the year the chapel building has also continued to be used as a foodbank collection point. We have a basket in the foyer to receive food donations and other items, which are subsequently taken to the Bradford North Foodbank.

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Alpha Course

Throughout November and December 2024, we ran an Alpha course in the church on Wednesday evenings.

CAP Job Club

Our Christians Against Poverty (CAP) facilitated Job Club started in March 2025 and ran for eight weeks, led by a GBC member (*CAP Job Club Manager*), with the assistance of four volunteers.

Volunteers

We are thankful to all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular:

- Our Church Secretary, Joy Liles
- Our church finance team, made up of our Treasurer, Liz Allen, together with our Administrator, Sue Tofrik (who volunteers in the church office once a week and at home, as required) and Trevor Bradley
- Stewart Liles for taking care of fabric matters
- Other members of the diaconate for their valuable contribution to our ministry and general running of the church.

The Chapel Building

Our chapel building continues to be well used throughout the week by several different groups from within the church and the wider community and is available for special church services, such as weddings and funerals. We host two table tennis clubs which are attended by members of the local community. One is for young people, and the other for adults. Other groups using the chapel building include a flute ensemble and Slimming World.

Building development

In February 2024, we purchased the building adjoining our Chapel – now known as the Hub. The building was formerly our Sunday School, between the 1920s and 1990s, when it was sold to provide funds to renovate the main (chapel) building. In the intervening years since, it was used as offices and a call centre for a local business. We have been delighted to regain the building, which is now in use for youth ministry, our Foodbank, team offices, prayer ministry, and a range of other groups and meetings. We are exploring how we might make full use of the Hub going forward. Some building work and refurbishment was undertaken to provide a secure foodbank store and a café / meeting area.

In preparation for the arrival of our new minister and his family, the manse was updated, redecorated, and altered to install several accessibility improvements.

Following inspections in both the Chapel and the Hub, significant work was undertaken to ensure compliance with fire safety requirements.

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Involvement in Wider Baptist Life

We are involved with the Yorkshire Baptist Association (YBA), with some of our church members attending and/or supporting various initiatives. Our Church Secretary provides safeguarding training on behalf of the YBA. Our Youth and Children's Worker attended the annual Fresh Streams conference in January 2025, and our Minister will attend the annual YBA minister's conference in October 2025.

FUTURE PLANS

As we begin this new phase of mission and ministry, together with our new minister, we are excited by the possibilities that lie before us. Our immediate plans are around understanding our place in the community and beginning to develop opportunities to connect with the town. We want to consolidate the things we are doing well, and that are still relevant to the community but also be willing to step away from activities and events that no longer fulfil our mission. As a church, we are entering a period of discussion and vision casting to make sure we are aligned in our thinking and to understand the areas we can best serve our community.

We are keen to explore creating more small groups for people connected to the church, to meet and study together, as well as care for one another. This may include opportunities to engage with working age men in social groups and developing a group for young adults to share and grow in faith together. We have plans to expand the use of the Hub, both for church events and for community engagement and will be exploring possible opportunities for bereavement and dementia groups as well as other suggestions from the wider church membership. The coming year is an important opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to one another and to God's work.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

All assets of Guiseley Baptist Church are used for the direct charitable purposes of the Church. The trustees consider that the financial position at the Balance Sheet date is satisfactory, and the Church is able to meet future obligations.

At the year end the unrestricted fund balance was £147,616 (2024: £156,009) and the restricted fund balance was £22,483 (2024: 34,479).

During the year Guiseley Baptist Church had total receipts of £210,101 (2024: £228,355) and payments of £230,490 (2024: £224,994), resulting in a net deficit of £20,389. During the year, the YBA loan (£36k) for the manse was repaid in full, a £5k loan originally given for the building fund was repaid (as not required). The remaining £10,000 loan held for the building project is expected to be repaid by June 2028.

The Land and building value held as fixed assets value increased due to the renovation of the Hub kitchen and foodbank store. The value in the accounts is based on the insurance cover value.

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Reserves policy

As a guide the church seeks to keep unrestricted reserves of four months of normal running costs, plus any unknown upcoming additional expenditure, this is a target level of £64,638. At the year end the church held £137,616 as unrestricted free reserves, which is above the trustees agreed guidance.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year of the Charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

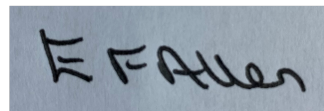
The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' annual report was approved and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Approved by the Trustees

Elizabeth Frances Allen

Name of Trustee:



Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

02/03/2026

Date of approval:

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Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Guiseley Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ending 30th September 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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: 04/03/2026

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

		2025		2024	
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Receipts					
Donations and legacies		186,626	15,025	201,651	209,730
Other income		7,966	484	8,450	18,625
Total Receipts	2	<u>194,592</u>	<u>15,509</u>	<u>210,101</u>	<u>228,355</u>
Payments					
Payment on charitable activities	3	<u>193,913</u>	<u>36,577</u>	<u>230,490</u>	<u>224,994</u>
Total Payments		<u>193,913</u>	<u>36,577</u>	<u>230,490</u>	<u>224,994</u>
Net Receipts / (Payments)		<u>679</u>	<u>(21,068)</u>	<u>(20,389)</u>	<u>3,361</u>
Net Income and Net Movement in Funds					
Total funds brought forward	9	156,009	34,479	190,488	187,127
Transfers		(9,072)	9,072	-	-
Total Funds (Cash) Carried Forward		<u>147,616</u>	<u>22,483</u>	<u>170,099</u>	<u>190,488</u>
Represented by					
General (unrestricted)		147,616	-	147,616	146,543
Designated funds		-	-	-	9,466
Restricted funds		-	22,483	22,483	34,479
		<u>147,616</u>	<u>22,483</u>	<u>170,099</u>	<u>190,488</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The accounts are prepared on a cash basis and thus there is no formal Balance Sheet or Statement of Financial Position. Instead, a statement of assets and liabilities is outlined giving an indication of the charity's assets at the year end.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fixed Assets		
Land and buildings	2,348,432	1,650,000
Fixtures and equipment	129,110	100,000
	<u>2,477,542</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>

Fixed asset are valued at the insurance cover value of the Chapel, Hub and their contents. During the year the value has increased due to the renovation of the Hub kitchen and foodbank store.

Bank and Cash in Hand Balances

BU deposit account	84,776	117,137
Guiseley Baptist Church Current Account	85,139	73,138
GBC 'Equals Money' account	154	193
Petty cash	30	20
	<u>170,099</u>	<u>190,488</u>

Loans and Creditors

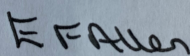
Long-term loan No. 1 - YBA	-	-
Long-term loan No. 2 - YBA	-	36,000
Interest-free member's loan	10,000	15,000
	<u>10,000</u>	<u>51,000</u>

These financial statements were approved and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth Frances Allen

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees:



Date of Approval:

02/03/2026

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis when receipts and payments take place through the bank account or petty cash.

Public Benefit

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity.

Going Concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and the money has been paid.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments have been made through the bank account or by petty cash.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a 'special offering' in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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2 Analysis of Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	145,017	480	145,497
One-off donations	6,820	12,030	18,850
Envelopes / cheques	960	-	960
Cash	8,690	450	9,140
Gift aid	24,909	2,065	26,974
Grants	230	-	230
	<u>186,626</u>	<u>15,025</u>	<u>201,651</u>
Other Receipts			
Hire of premises	5,323	-	5,323
Other income	-	484	484
Interest	2,643	-	2,643
	<u>7,966</u>	<u>484</u>	<u>8,450</u>
Total Receipts	<u>194,592</u>	<u>15,509</u>	<u>210,101</u>
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	143,843	480	144,323
One-off donations	160	3,665	3,825
Envelopes / cheques	1,270	-	1,270
Cash	6,478	362	6,840
Gift aid	40,961	12,511	53,472
Grants	-	-	-
	<u>192,712</u>	<u>17,018</u>	<u>209,730</u>
Other Receipts			
Hire of premises	8,691	-	8,691
Other income	4,944	850	5,794
Interest	4,140	-	4,140
	<u>17,775</u>	<u>850</u>	<u>18,625</u>
Total Receipts	<u>210,487</u>	<u>17,868</u>	<u>228,355</u>

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3 Payments on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £
Ministry	60,680	-	60,680
Mission	30,186	13,819	44,005
Premises	63,670	8,783	72,453
Capital equipment	2,552	8,975	11,527
Other	-	-	-
Loan repayments	36,825	5,000	41,825
Total Payments	193,913	36,577	230,490

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Ministry	93,950	-	93,950
Mission	20,213	5,168	25,381
Premises	23,173	12,668	35,841
Capital equipment	19,811	6,762	26,573
Other	-	-	-
Loan repayments	11,074	32,175	43,249
Total Payments	168,221	56,773	224,994

4 Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustee's report for further details about volunteer contributions to the organisation.

5 Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examination and preparation of the financial statements	994	960

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Notes to the Financial Statements

6 Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	37,784	30,080
Social security costs	4,586	3,457
Employer contributions to pension plans	7,466	6,432
	<u>49,836</u>	<u>39,969</u>

The average headcount of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Average Head Count	2	1

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be the staff team. The remuneration received by the full staff team is noted above.

7 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

During the year one trustee (2024: 1) received remuneration for their services to the charity as an employee and not for their duties as a trustee.

The employment remuneration payments have been authorised by the remaining members of the trustee board.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Revd G Thurgood	-	5,606
Revd M Hills	11,509	-

During the year 3 Trustees incurred out of pocket expenses of £2,971 (2024: £485) for the day to day running of the charity's activities. The types of expenditure include equipment purchases, pastoral meeting expenses, and other charitable activity expenditure.

8 Related Party Transactions

During the year the short term private loan in the Building Fund of £5,000 was repaid to Trustee Mr Crispin Northey and his wife Mrs Lana Northey. No interest was applied to the loan.

During the year ending September 2024 Trustee Tony Tofrik and his wife Mrs Sue Torfrik lent the church £10,000 as an interest-free private loan into the Building Fund. The loan is due to be repaid before June 2028, the full loan remains outstanding at the year end 30th September 2025.

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9 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	1 Oct 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	30 Sept 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	146,543	194,592	(184,447)	(9,072)	147,616
	146,543	194,592	(184,447)	(9,072)	147,616
Designated Funds					
Legacy fund	9,466	-	(9,466)	-	-
	9,466	-	(9,466)	-	-
Total Unrestricted	156,009	194,592	(193,913)	(9,072)	147,616
Restricted Funds					
Building fund	26,065	1,900	(22,758)	10,000	15,207
Communion	2,397	680	(1,080)	-	1,997
GBC Mainly Music	850	484	(406)	(928)	-
Other immaterial restricted funds	5,109	-	-	-	5,109
Special appeals (e.g. Harvest, Christmas)	58	12,445	(12,333)	-	170
Total Restricted	34,479	15,509	(36,577)	9,072	22,483
Total Funds	190,488	210,101	(230,490)	-	170,099

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Analysis of Charitable Funds cont.

	1 Oct 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	30 Sept 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	104,277	210,487	(168,221)	-	146,543
	104,277	210,487	(168,221)	-	146,543
Designated Funds					
Legacy fund	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
Total Unrestricted	113,743	210,487	(168,221)	-	156,009
Restricted Funds					
Building fund	65,905	11,765	(51,605)	-	26,065
Communion fund	2,120	727	(450)	-	2,397
GBC Mainly Music	-	850	-	-	850
Other immaterial restricted funds	5,109	-	-	-	5,109
Special appeals (e.g. Harvest, Christmas)	250	4,526	(4,718)	-	58
Total Restricted	73,384	17,868	(56,773)	-	34,479
Total Funds	187,127	228,355	(224,994)	-	190,488

Fund Descriptions

Designated Funds

Legacy fund

Funds relating to a legacy received by the Church.

Restricted Funds

Building fund

Funds were donated to support the purchase and adaptation for church use of the building and land adjacent to the chapel.

GBC Mainly Music

Contributions towards attending our 'Mainly music' group for young children and their carers.

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1151428

Accounts

Registered Charity no. 1151428

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Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
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Guiseley Baptist Church

Year Ended 30th September 2024

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Legal and Administrative Information

Reference

The Charity is called "Guiseley Baptist Church" and is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as an Unincorporated Association (1151428).

Guiseley Baptist Church is located in Guiseley, Leeds and is part of the Yorkshire Baptist Association and Baptist Union of Great Britain.

Registered Charity Number	1151428
Registered Office	Guiseley Baptist Church 24b Oxford Road, Guiseley LS20 9AS
Website	www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk
Trustees	Ministers: Revd Gill Thurgood Resigned November 2023
	Church Secretary: Mrs Joy Liles,
	Church Treasurer: Mrs Elizabeth Allen
	Deacons: Dr Paul Connor
	Mrs Carol Cook
	Mr Crispin Northey
	Mr Andrew Penny Resigned January 2024
	Mr Tony Tofrik
	Mrs Ruth Evans
	Mr Philip Lerman Appointed January 2024
Primary Bankers	Barclays Bank UK PLC 1 Churchill Place London E14 5HP
Independent Examiner	Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA Wyatt & Co Chartered Accountants 125 Main Street Garforth Leeds LS25 1AF

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Independent Examiner Nigel Wyatt BSc FCA
Wyatt & Co Chartered Accountants

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The governing document of Guiseley Baptist Church (GBC) is the Church Constitution. At GBC the Charity Trustees include one minister (when in post), and eight deacons elected by members of the church at our Ordinary Church Meetings. The method of appointment of deacons is set out in the Church Constitution. The Charity Trustees are responsible for making recommendations to the church, but ultimately decisions on all matters rest with church members at the Ordinary Church Meeting and/or Special Church Meeting. Other members of the church may take on specific responsibilities at certain times depending on their particular expertise, but they remain accountable to the Charity Trustees and, ultimately, to the Church Meeting.

During the period October 2023 to September 2024, the GBC Charity Trustees met thirteen times – eleven meetings to focus on items of routine business, and two to discuss issues of a more strategic nature. The ‘strategy’ meetings were initiated, during a time of pastoral vacancy, by the Charity Trustees to ensure matters relating to the longer term were being addressed. These additional (strategy) meetings will continue until we have a new minister in place. There were four Ordinary Church Members’ meetings, one taking place alongside an Annual General Meeting held in April 2024. No Special Church Meetings were called.

Policies for the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on our website and a hard copy can be provided on request. Our protection policies include an outline of the procedure for accepting volunteers and the requirement of a DBS check. Regular training sessions are provided and anyone working with children, young people and vulnerable adults is required to attend.

PUBLIC BENEFIT DISCLOSURE

Main activities

The Charity Trustees are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship and become part of the community and fellowship at GBC. We do this through our regular church services, which put faith into practice through prayer, the centrality of scripture, sung worship, sacrament, and through several other weekly programmes and activities.

When planning our activities for the year, the Charity Trustees have considered the Charity Commission’s guidance on the Public Benefit requirement under the Charities Act 2011, and specifically the advice to charities for the advancement of religion. We place a high value on enabling ordinary people of all ages to live out their faith as part of our community through:

- worship and prayer, bible study, communion, fellowship, preaching and teaching, in order to develop knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus Christ
- provision of pastoral care for people within the church and those living within the wider community
- mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, maintenance of the fabric of our church buildings is essential.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Purposes

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Charity Trustees of Guiseley Baptist Church (GBC) have the responsibility, together with the rest of the church, of co-operating with members of the ministry team, comprising our former Minister Revd Gill Thurgood (who resigned 30 November 2023), Youth and Children's Worker Joe Millar, and Interim Pastoral Lead Revd Helen Lambert (appointed in July 2024), in the advancement of the Christian faith and the promotion of the whole mission of the church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The Charity Trustees are also responsible for the maintenance of the church buildings. The main activities undertaken in relation to the purposes outlined above are summarised in the 'achievements and performance' section below.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Ministry

From October 2023 to September 2024 the ministerial team was made up of Revd Gill Thurgood, Minister (full-time) who left at the end of November 2023, and Mr Joe Millar, Youth and Children's Worker (full-time).

To provide support to the church family during the time of pastoral vacancy, Rev Helen Lambert commenced employment in a temporary (part-time) role from July 2024 as Interim Pastoral Lead.

Church services

We hold a weekly Sunday morning worship service, with significant input from members of our church family who are gifted in preaching, teaching, musicianship, and technology. Our young people lead a less formal monthly Sunday evening service called 'Step Out of the Traffic'. Additional services take place around Christmas and Easter.

Membership

As of 30th September 2024, GBC had 94 members, and others regularly attending the church services and other group activities.

Prayer

Prayer continues to be an essential aspect of our life at GBC. We have an established 'Prayernet' where people can send requests for prayer that are forwarded to all those who have signed up to receive email and/or text message updates. Prayer ministry is offered to people at the end of the Sunday morning service. A monthly men's prayer breakfast takes place on a Saturday morning and a women's prayer and bible study group meets weekly.

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House groups

Several groups take place – mainly in people’s homes – so that adults can meet to study the bible, pray, and share aspects of their lives together. These groups serve to provide encouragement, friendship, and pastoral care amongst those who attend.

Foodbank collection point

During the year the chapel building has continued to be used as a foodbank collection point. We have a basket in the foyer to receive food donations and other items, which are subsequently taken to the Bradford North Foodbank.

Alpha courses

In collaboration with the prison chaplaincy, we ran two Alpha courses with incarcerated men at a Yorkshire Prison. The last course had over 15 prisoners signed up to attend. Great feedback was received – the prisoners were very attentive and responded in different ways – some moving towards faith and sharing with others. In September 2024 we started an Alpha Course in the church on Wednesday evenings.

CAP Job Club

Our Christians Against Poverty (CAP) facilitated Job Club started in May 2024 and ran for eight weeks, led by a GBC member (*CAP Job Club Manager*), with the assistance of five volunteers.

Cornerstone

Cornerstone, our weekly Wednesday lunch group, welcomes older members of the church and community to share a simple meal with the opportunity for prayer and bible study offered to those who attend.

Involvement in wider Baptist life

We are involved with the Yorkshire Baptist Association (YBA), with some of our church members attending and/or supporting various initiatives. We appreciate the support the YBA team has provided to us – in particular, Rev Kez Robinson (Regional Minister) for her advice to the Charity Trustees during our pastoral vacancy, and Rev Ann Chesworth (Legal Property and Trust Officer) for her expertise in respect of the sale and purchase of property this year. Our Church Secretary provides safeguarding training on behalf of the YBA. Our Youth and Children’s Worker, and several of the Charity Trustees, attend the annual Fresh Streams conference.

The chapel building

Our chapel building continues to be well used throughout the week by several different groups from within the church and the wider community and is available for special church services, such as weddings and funerals.

We continue to host Mainly Music, a group where parents, carers, and pre-school children can come together to sing, play, and enjoy the company of other families.

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Community facility

We host two table tennis clubs which are attended by members of the local community. One is for young people, and the other for adults. Other groups using the chapel building include a flute ensemble and Slimming World.

Building development

In April 2023 church members agreed, at a Special Church Meeting, to purchase the building adjoining our chapel using proceeds from the sale of the church's second manse (which was no longer required), along with donations and loans from members and the wider church family. This was seen as a wonderful God-given opportunity with potential to improve our current ministries, extend the reach of the church, and enable greater connection with the community. It would also enable the church offices to be moved on site and made more accessible.

In February 2024, we were delighted to complete the sale of the second manse and the purchase of the adjoining building – known by its 'working title' – the Hub. The following month, we were released, one year early, from a lease to occupy some offices nearby, which we no longer required.

Youth and children's work

Our children and young people have continued to grow in their relationship with God under the leadership of Joe Millar and our team of committed volunteers who support the youth and children's work. We have several groups for youth and children meeting through the week as well as groups with age-appropriate activities on Sunday mornings. Joe continues to be involved in the local school community where he provides pastoral care in the Student Support Centre, acting as a bridge between the school and GBC.

Pastoral care

Pastoral care is provided by the current Interim Pastoral Lead and a small group of pastoral visitors. However, we see pastoral care as a shared responsibility of all church members. Pastoral support within the fellowship happens through friendships, house groups and the various other groups that meet throughout the week.

Mission and evangelism

Helping those in need, both in the UK and overseas, is a demonstration of our faith. The church gives regularly towards the work of the Baptist Union of Great Britain Home Mission, Baptist Missionary Society World Mission, and Leeds Faith in Schools.

We have made several special offerings during the year to help those in crisis. Our Harvest 2023 Appeal raised money to support the work of Tear Fund's 'Practice what you Pray' project, and money raised during our Christmas 2023 Appeal went to support the Joanna Project in Leeds.

Money donated into our Communion Fund is used to provide financial gifts to members of the church family, or others known to them, who are experiencing hardship.

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Volunteers

We are thankful to all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular:

- Our Church Secretary, Joy Liles
- Our church finance team, made up of our Treasurer, Liz Allen, together with our Administrator, Sue Tofrik (who volunteers in the church office once a week and at home, as required) and Trevor Bradley
- Stewart Liles for taking care of fabric matters
- Other members of the diaconate for their valuable contribution to our ministry and general running of the church.

FUTURE PLANS

In early May and June 2024, we held two prayer breakfasts to spend time listening to God and one another and looking at key bible verses. A number of themes emerged (summarised below) as to how we might adapt and use our new and existing buildings in the future, and the steps needed to increasingly make Jesus known to people in our area through missional and community activities.



Discipleship

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

Matthew 28:19

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:5



Living a righteous life

They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

Psalms 145:11-12

As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Romans 10:15b



May the Lord answer you when you are in distress; may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.

Psalms 20:1



God loves us all

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

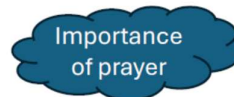
1 Corinthians 13:13

In Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others

Romans 12:5

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future

Jeremiah 29:11



Importance of prayer

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

All assets of Guiseley Baptist Church are used for the direct charitable purposes of the Church. The trustees consider that the financial position at the Balance Sheet date is satisfactory, and the Church is able to meet future obligations.

At the year end the unrestricted fund balance was £156,009 (2023: £113,743) and the restricted fund balance was £34,479 (2023: £73,384).

During the year Guiseley Baptist Church had total receipts of £228,355 and payments of £224,994, resulting in a net surplus of £3,361. During the year the church sold the second manse and purchased the 'Hub' for the same value. Their Land and building value held as fixed assets remained the same. During the year Guiseley Baptist Church repaid the outstanding loan on the second manse, leaving one remaining loan on the first manse, and expects to use some reserves to fully repay this loan in the coming year. Other loans for building projects will also be repaid in the next few years.

Reserves policy

As a guide the church seeks to keep unrestricted reserves of three months of normal running costs; £42,005 (2023: £36,709). At the year's end the church held £104,277 as unrestricted free reserves, which is above the trustee's agreed guidance.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its operations.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

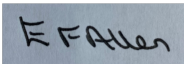
The trustees' annual report was approved and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth F Allen

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



13/01/2025

Date of approval:

Guiseley Baptist Church

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Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Guiseley Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ending 30th September 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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.

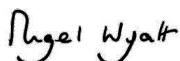
Independent Examiner's Statement

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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.



Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Independent Examiner
125 Main Street
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Leeds
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Date: 21/01/2025

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

		2024		2023	
	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Receipts					
Donations and legacies		192,712	17,018	209,730	227,597
Other income		17,775	850	18,625	35,779
Total Receipts	2	<u>210,487</u>	<u>17,868</u>	<u>228,355</u>	<u>263,376</u>
Payments					
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	<u>168,221</u>	<u>56,773</u>	<u>224,994</u>	<u>152,220</u>
Total Payments		<u>168,221</u>	<u>56,773</u>	<u>224,994</u>	<u>152,220</u>
Net Receipts / (Payments)		<u>42,266</u>	<u>(38,905)</u>	<u>3,361</u>	<u>111,156</u>
Net Income and Net Movement in Funds					
Total funds brought forward	9	113,743	73,384	187,127	75,971
Transfers		-	-	-	-
Total Funds (Cash) Carried Forward		<u>156,009</u>	<u>34,479</u>	<u>190,488</u>	<u>187,127</u>
Represented by					
General (unrestricted)		146,543	-	146,543	104,277
Designated funds		9,466	-	9,466	9,466
Restricted funds		-	34,479	34,479	73,384
		<u>156,009</u>	<u>34,479</u>	<u>190,488</u>	<u>187,127</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The accounts are prepared on a cash basis and thus there is no formal Balance Sheet or Statement of Financial Position. Instead, a statement of assets and liabilities is outlined giving an indication of the charity's assets at the year end.

Fixed assets are stated at the insurance cover value.

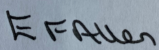
	2024	2023
	£	£
Fixed Assets		
Land and buildings	1,650,000	1,650,000
Fixtures and equipment	100,000	100,000
	<u>1,750,000</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>
 Bank and Cash in Hand Balances		
BU deposit account	117,137	109,565
Guiseley Baptist Church Current Account	73,138	77,413
GBC 'Equals Money' account	193	121
Petty cash	20	27
	<u>190,488</u>	<u>187,127</u>
 Loans and Creditors		
Long-term loan No. 1 - YBA	-	32,482
Long-term loan No. 2 - YBA	-	44,000
Interest-free member's loan	15,000	15,000
	<u>15,000</u>	<u>91,482</u>

These financial statements were approved and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by

Elizabeth Frances Allen

Name of Trustee:

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees:



Date of Approval:

13/01/2025

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis when receipts and payments take place through the bank account or petty cash.

Public Benefit

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity.

Going Concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and the money has been paid.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments have been made through the bank account or by petty cash.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a 'special offering' in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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2 Analysis of Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	143,843	480	144,323
One-off donations	160	3,665	3,825
Envelopes / cheques	1,270	-	1,270
Cash	6,478	362	6,840
Gift aid	40,961	12,511	53,472
	192,712	17,018	209,730
Other Receipts			
Hire of premises	8,691	-	8,691
Other income	4,944	850	5,794
Interest	4,140	-	4,140
Loan	-	-	-
	17,775	850	18,625
Total Receipts	210,487	17,868	228,355
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	134,862	120	134,982
One-off donations	513	52,283	52,796
Envelopes / cheques	1,140	3,850	4,990
Cash	9,158	2,405	11,563
Gift aid	23,266	-	23,266
	168,939	58,658	227,597
Other Receipts			
Hire of premises	20,138	-	20,138
Other income	481	-	481
Interest	160	-	160
Loan	-	15,000	15,000
	20,779	15,000	35,779
Total Receipts	189,718	73,658	263,376

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Notes to the Financial Statements

3 Payments on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Ministry	93,950	-	93,950
Mission	20,213	5,168	25,381
Premises	23,173	12,668	35,841
Capital equipment	19,811	6,762	26,573
Other	-	-	-
Loan repayments	11,074	32,175	43,249
Total Payments	168,221	56,773	224,994

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Ministry	91,845	2,075	93,920
Mission	20,577	3,308	23,885
Premises	26,837	-	26,837
Capital equipment	1,105	-	1,105
Other	2,536	-	2,536
Loan repayments	3,937	-	3,937
Total Payments	146,837	5,383	152,220

4 Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustee's report for further details about volunteer contributions to the organisation.

5 Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent examination and preparation of the financial statements	1,380	960

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6 Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	30,080	46,457
Social security costs	3,457	6,093
Employer contributions to pension plans	6,432	11,298
	<u>39,969</u>	<u>63,849</u>

The average headcount of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Average Head Count	1	2

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be the staff team. The remuneration received by the full staff team is noted above.

7 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

During the year one trustee (2023: 1) received remuneration for their services to the charity as an employee and not for their duties as a trustee.

The employment remuneration payments have been authorised by the remaining members of the trustee board.

	2024	2023
	£	£
Rev G Thurgood	5,606	39,629

During the year 3 Trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses of £485 (2023: £1,463) for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities. The types of expenditure include training, travel expenses, administration costs, pastoral gifts, and other charitable activity expenditures.

8 Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions which took place during the year (2023: £0)

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9 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	1 Oct 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	30 Sept 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	104,277	210,487	(168,221)	-	146,543
	<u>104,277</u>	<u>210,487</u>	<u>(168,221)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,543</u>
Designated Funds					
Legacy fund	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
	<u>9,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,466</u>
Total Unrestricted	<u>113,743</u>	<u>210,487</u>	<u>(168,221)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>156,009</u>
Restricted Funds					
Building fund	65,905	11,765	(51,605)	-	26,065
Communion	2,120	727	(450)	-	2,397
GBC Mainly Music	-	850	-	-	850
Other immaterial restricted funds	5,109	-	-	-	5,109
Special appeals (e.g. Harvest, Christmas)	250	4,526	(4,718)	-	58
Total Restricted	<u>73,384</u>	<u>17,868</u>	<u>(56,773)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,479</u>
Total Funds	<u>187,127</u>	<u>228,355</u>	<u>(224,994)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,488</u>

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Analysis of Charitable Funds cont.

	1 Oct 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	30 Sept 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	61,396	189,718	(146,837)	-	104,277
	61,396	189,718	(146,837)	-	104,277
Designated Funds					
Legacy fund	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
Total Unrestricted	70,862	189,718	(146,837)	-	113,743
Restricted Funds					
Building fund	-	67,980	(2,075)	-	65,905
Communion	-	4,310	(2,190)	-	2,120
Other immaterial restricted funds	5,109	-	-	-	5,109
Special appeals (e.g. Harvest, Christmas)	-	1,368	(1,118)	-	250
Total Restricted	5,109	73,658	(5,383)	-	73,384
Total Funds	75,971	263,376	(152,220)	-	187,127

Fund Descriptions

Designated Funds

Legacy fund

Funds relating to a legacy received by the Church.

Restricted Funds

Building fund

Funds were donated to support the purchase and adaptation for church use of the building and land adjacent to the chapel.

GBC Mainly Music

Contributions towards attending our 'Mainly music' group for young children and their carers.

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1151428

Accounts

Registered Charity no. 1151428

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Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
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Legal and Administrative Information

Reference

The Charity is called "Guiseley Baptist Church" and is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as an Unincorporated Association (1151428).

Guiseley Baptist Church is located in Guiseley, Leeds and is part of the Yorkshire Baptist Association and Baptist Union of Great Britain.

Registered Charity Number 1151428

Registered Office The Hub, Manchester House,
50a Oxford Road,
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Website www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk

Trustees

Ministers:	Revd Gill Thurgood	
Church Secretary:	Mrs Joy Liles,	
Church Treasurer:	Mrs Elizabeth Allen	<i>Appointed April 2023</i>
Deacons:	Dr Paul Connor	
	Mrs Carol Cook	
	Mr Crispin Northey	<i>Appointed February 2023</i>
	Mr Andrew Penny	
	Mr Tony Tofrik	
	Mrs Ruth Evans	
	Mr Mike Smith	<i>Resigned February 2023</i>

Primary Bankers Barclays Bank UK PLC
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Independent Examiner: Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Wyatt & Co Chartered Accountants
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Aims and purposes

The Charity Trustees of Guiseley Baptist Church (GBC) have the responsibility, together with the rest of the Church, of co-operating with Minister Revd Gill Thurgood, and Youth and Children's Worker Joe Millar, in the advancement of the Christian faith and the promotion of the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The Charity Trustees are also responsible for the maintenance of the Church buildings and offices.

Objectives and activities

Charity Trustees are committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship and become part of the community and fellowship at GBC. We do this through our regular worship services, which put faith into practice through prayer, the centrality of Scripture and music and sacrament, and through several other weekly programmes and activities.

When planning our activities for the year, the ministers and Charity Trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and specifically the advice to charities for the advancement of religion. We place a high value on enabling ordinary people of all ages to live out their faith as part of our community through:

- Worship and prayer, bible study, communion, fellowship, preaching and teaching
- To develop knowledge of and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people within the church and those living within the wider community; mission and outreach work.
- To facilitate this work, maintenance of the fabric of the church and offices is essential.

Achievements and performance

From October 2022 to September 2023 the ministerial team was made up of Revd Gill Thurgood, Minister (full-time), and Mr Joe Millar, Youth and Children's Worker (full-time).

Church services

We currently hold a weekly in-person Sunday morning worship service and a less formal monthly Sunday evening service.

Membership

As of 30th September 2023, GBC had 93 members, and others regularly attending the Church services and other group activities.

Prayer

Prayer continues to be an essential aspect of our life at GBC.

We have an established 'Prayernet' where people can send email requests for prayer to one of our church members who will then forward the request to all those who have signed up to receive email and/or text message updates.

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Food Bank collection point

During this period the church building has continued to be used as a food bank collection point. We have a basket in the foyer to receive food donations, which are subsequently taken to the Bradford North Food Bank.

Alpha course

In collaboration with the prison chaplaincy, we ran an Alpha Course with ten incarcerated men at a Yorkshire prison from May to June 2023. Five volunteers from GBC went into the prison every week for seven weeks. Another similar course commenced in September 2023. The feedback from all those attending the May/June course was very positive.

Job Club

Our Christians Against Poverty (CAP) facilitated Job Club began again in November 2022, running weekly for 8 weeks. The second 8-week course began in September 2023. A GBC member and CAP centre manager led both courses, assisted by nine volunteers.

Involvement in wider Baptist life

We are actively involved with the Yorkshire Baptist Association (YBA). Our Church members continue to support other YBA initiatives and Revd Gill Thurgood regularly meets with other Baptist ministers in the Leeds/Bradford area.

The church building

Our building continues to be well used throughout the week by several different groups from within the church and the wider community.

We host a table tennis club which is attended by members of the local community. This is run by our youth and children's worker and another member of GBC.

Cornerstone, our weekly Wednesday lunch group, welcomes older members of the Church and community to share a simple meal with entertainment afterwards.

We continue to host Mainly Music, a group where parents, carers, and pre-school children can come together to sing, play, and enjoy the company of other families. After starting from scratch after the Covid lockdowns, the group is once again at full capacity with a waiting-list in place.

As well as being used by other community groups including a Community Choir, Flute Group, and Slimming World, the building is also available for special church services, such as weddings and funerals.

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Youth and Children's work

Our children and young people have continued to grow in their relationship with God under the leadership of Joe Millar and our team of committed volunteers who support the youth and children's work. We have several groups for youth and children meeting through the week as well as groups with age-appropriate activities on Sunday mornings.

Joe continues to be involved in the local school community where he provides pastoral care in the Student Support Centre, acting as a bridge between the school and GBC.

Pastoral care

Pastoral care is provided by the minister and a small group of pastoral visitors. However, we see pastoral care as the responsibility of all church members. Pastoral support within the fellowship happens through friendships, house groups and the various groups that meet throughout the week. Over the last year, many have reported feeling very well supported and cared for by others in their house group.

Mission and evangelism

Helping those in need, both in the UK and overseas, is a demonstration of our faith. We have made several offerings during the year to help those in crisis. Our 2022 Harvest Appeal raised money to support the work of BMS World Mission in Nepal, and money raised during our Christmas 2022 Appeal went to support both Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and the Bradford North Foodbank.

The church has also given towards the work of The Baptist Union Home Mission Fund, Leeds Faith in Schools, The Wren Bakery, and the Joanna Project.

Volunteers

We are thankful to all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular:

- Our Church finance team, made up of our Treasurers, Mike Smith and Liz Allen, together with Trevor Bradley, Allan Stewart and Chris Burland
- Our Church Secretary, Joy Liles
- Stewart Liles for taking care of fabric matters
- Sue Tofrik, our administrator, for volunteering in the church office two days a week
- Other members of the diaconate for their valuable contribution to our ministry and general running of the Church.

Structure, governance, and management

At GBC, the Charity Trustees include our minister and eight deacons elected by members of the Church at our church meetings. The method of appointment of deacons is set out in the Church Constitution. The Charity Trustees are responsible for making recommendations to the Church but ultimately decisions on all matters rest with church members at the Church Meetings. Other

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members of the Church may take on specific responsibilities at certain times depending on their particular expertise, but they remain accountable to the Charity Trustees and, ultimately, to the Church Meeting.

During the October 2022 to September 2023 period, the GBC Charity Trustees met 12 times. There were four ordinary church members' meetings, including an AGM in April 2023 and one special church meeting, also in April 2023.

Policies for the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on our website and a hard copy can be provided on request. Our protection policies include an outline of the procedure for accepting volunteers and the requirement of a DBS check. Regular training sessions are provided and anyone working with children, young people, and vulnerable adults is required to attend.

Future plans

Early in 2023 we learned that the owner of the building adjoining the church was planning to re-let or sell the property. This is a two-storey building, built in 1922, which used to be part of GBC's buildings and used as school rooms. In 1991 the chapel building needed extensive repairs and the decision was made to sell the school rooms to pay for the renovation.

In April 2023, church members agreed, at a Special Church Meeting, to purchase the adjoining building using proceeds from the sale of the church's second manse, along with donations and loans from members and the wider church family. This has been seen as a wonderful God-given opportunity with the potential to improve our current ministries, extend the reach of the church, and enable greater connection with the community. It will also enable the church offices to be moved on site and made more accessible. The vision has been widely embraced by the church family who have given very generous financial support through their donations and loans for this project.

At the time of writing, completion of the purchase took place on 22nd February 2024!

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth F Allen

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

E F Allen

Date of approval:

29/04/2024

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Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Guiseley Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ending 30th September 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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.



Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Independent Examiner
125 Main Street
Garforth
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Date: 29/04/2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

		Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Income					
Donations and legacies		168,474	69,885	238,359	170,347
Other income		20,779	-	20,779	15,833
Total Income	2	<u>189,253</u>	<u>69,885</u>	<u>259,138</u>	<u>186,180</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	136,493	5,383	141,876	166,110
Total Expenditure		<u>136,493</u>	<u>5,383</u>	<u>141,876</u>	<u>166,110</u>
Net Income / (Expenditure) Before Gains/(Losses)		<u>52,760</u>	<u>64,502</u>	<u>117,262</u>	<u>20,070</u>
Gain/(loss) on revaluation of fixed asset		-	-	-	-
Net Income / (Expenditure) After Gains/(Losses)		<u>52,760</u>	<u>64,502</u>	<u>117,262</u>	<u>20,070</u>
Net Income and Net Movement in Funds					
Total funds brought forward	11	1,757,301	5,109	1,762,410	1,742,340
Transfers	11	-	-	-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward	11	<u>1,810,061</u>	<u>69,611</u>	<u>1,879,672</u>	<u>1,762,410</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Statement of Financial Position

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible fixed assets	9	1,750,000	1,750,000
Current Assets			
Debtors	10	34,029	23,266
Cash at bank and in hand		187,125	75,970
		<u>221,154</u>	<u>99,236</u>
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	11	<u>40,482</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>180,672</u>	<u>99,236</u>
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities	12	<u>1,930,672</u>	<u>1,849,236</u>
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After One Year		<u>51,000</u>	<u>74,626</u>
Net Assets		<u>1,879,672</u>	<u>1,774,610</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted funds	13	69,611	5,109
Unrestricted funds	13		
Unrestricted general fund		1,800,595	1,747,835
Designated funds		<u>9,466</u>	<u>9,466</u>
		<u>1,810,061</u>	<u>1,757,301</u>
Total Charity Funds		<u>1,879,672</u>	<u>1,762,410</u>

Trustees Responsibilities

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue:

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth Frances Allen

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees:

E F Allen

Date of Approval:

29/04/2024

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Basis of Preparation

Guiseley Baptist Church is a charitable organisation registered in the United Kingdom. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Assessment of Going Concern

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a 'special offering' in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income from members of the church are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as the point of entitlement).
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the church is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable.

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Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the trustees' meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Liability Recognition

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

Tangible Fixed Assets

Historically the church building along with its fixtures and equipment of the church have been held at the value of the insurance policy in place. This has been applied previously due to the accounts being prepared on cash accounting basis. Due to the nature of the building and fixtures it is deemed reasonable to continue holding the church building and fixtures and equipment on this valuation basis due to lack of other accurate valuation method. Please note that the church manses are held at cost and are not depreciated.

This means the any gain or loss in the deemed value of the fixtures and fittings and land and buildings is recognised in the statement of financial activity.

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Operating Leases

Rental charges payable under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the terms of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangements, as either financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

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Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the charity, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service. The charity operates a defined contribution plan for the benefit of its employees. Contributions are expensed as they become payable.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

There have been no significant judgements (apart from those involving estimates) made in the process of preparing the financial statements. There have been no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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2 Analysis of Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	134,862	120	134,982
One off donations	513	52,283	52,796
Envelopes / cheques	1,140	3,850	4,990
Cash	9,158	2,405	11,563
Gift aid	22,801	11,227	34,028
	<u>168,474</u>	<u>69,885</u>	<u>238,359</u>
Other receipts			
Hire of premises	20,138	-	20,138
Other income	481	-	481
Interest	160	-	160
	<u>20,779</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,779</u>
Total Income	<u>189,253</u>	<u>69,885</u>	<u>259,138</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations and legacies			
Standing orders	135,609	1,675	137,284
One off donations	-	-	-
Envelopes / cheques	124	-	124
Cash	7,579	100	7,679
Gift aid	25,260	-	25,260
	<u>168,572</u>	<u>1,775</u>	<u>170,347</u>
Other income			
Hire of premises	15,571	-	15,571
Other income	260	-	260
Interest	2	-	2
	<u>15,833</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,833</u>
Total Income	<u>184,405</u>	<u>1,775</u>	<u>186,180</u>

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3 Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Ministry	85,438	2,075	87,513
Mission	20,577	3,308	23,885
Premises	26,837	-	26,837
Capital equipment	1,105	-	1,105
Other	2,536	-	2,536
	<u>136,493</u>	<u>5,383</u>	<u>141,876</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Ministry	96,903	1,710	98,613
Mission	24,887	2,202	27,089
Premises	34,532	-	34,532
Capital equipment	1,371	-	1,371
Other	4,506	-	4,506
	<u>162,199</u>	<u>3,912</u>	<u>166,110</u>

4 Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustee's report for further details about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

5 Independent examination fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for:	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent examination and preparation of the financial statements	1,320	895

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6 Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	46,457	53,923
Social security costs	6,093	15,701
Employer contributions to pension plans	11,298	17,021
	<u>63,849</u>	<u>86,645</u>

The average headcount of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Average Head Count	2	3

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be the staff team. The remuneration received by the full staff team is noted above.

7 Trustee Remuneration and Expenses

During the year one trustee (2022: 2) received remuneration for their services to the charity as an employee and not for their duties as a trustee.

The employment remuneration payments have been authorised by the remaining members of the trustee board.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Rev G Thurgood	39,629	25,907

During the year 4 Trustees incurred out of pocket expenses (2022: nil) for the day to day running of the charity's activities. The types of expenditure include training, travel expenses, administration costs, pastoral gifts, and other charitable activity expenditure.

8 Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions which took place during the year (2022: £0)

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9 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property	Fixtures and Fittings £	Total £
Cost as at 1st October 2022	1,650,000	100,000	1,750,000
Additions	-	-	-
Cost as at 30th September 2023	<u>1,650,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>
Depreciation as at 1st October 2022	-	-	-
Depreciation charge	-	-	-
Depreciation as at 30th September 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net book value as at 30th September 2023	<u>1,650,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>
Net book value as at 30th September 2022	1,650,000	100,000	1,750,000

10 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
HMRC Gift Aid tax recoverable	34,029	23,266
	<u>34,029</u>	<u>23,266</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Loans	40,482	12,200
	<u>40,482</u>	<u>12,200</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Loans	51,000	74,626
	<u>51,000</u>	<u>74,626</u>

Guiseley Baptist Church

Year Ended 30th September 2023

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13 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	1 Oct 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	30 Sept 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General	1,747,835	189,253	(136,493)	-	1,800,595
	<u>1,747,835</u>	<u>189,253</u>	<u>(136,493)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800,595</u>
Designated Funds					
Legacy fund	9,466	-	-	-	9,466
	<u>9,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,466</u>
Total Unrestricted	<u>1,757,301</u>	<u>189,253</u>	<u>(136,493)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,810,061</u>
Restricted Funds					
Building fund	-	63,300	(2,075)	-	61,225
Other immaterial restricted funds	5,109	-	-	-	5,109
Communion	-	4,963	(2,190)	-	2,773
Special appeals (e.g. Harvest, Christmas)	-	1,622	(1,118)	-	504
	<u>5,109</u>	<u>69,885</u>	<u>(5,383)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,611</u>
Total Restricted	<u>5,109</u>	<u>69,885</u>	<u>(5,383)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,611</u>
Total Funds	<u>1,762,410</u>	<u>259,138</u>	<u>(141,876)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,879,672</u>

Fund Descriptions

Designated Funds

Legacy fund Funds relating to a legacy received by the Church.

Restricted Funds

Building fund Funds donated to support the purchase and adaptation for church use of the building and land adjacent to the chapel.

14 Events After the Reporting Period

In February 2024 the Church sold its second manse property for £390k and bought the building next door to the Church located on 24b/c Oxford Road for £390k.

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1151428

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1151428

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

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To facilitate this work, maintenance of the fabric of the Church and offices is essential.

Achievements and performance

From September 2021 to July 2022, the ministerial team comprised Revd Micky Munroe, Senior Minister (full-time), Revd Gill Thurgood, Minister (part-time), and Mr Joe Millar, Children and Youth Worker (full-time). In July 2022 Revd Micky Munroe left GBC to move to another church, and Revd Gill Thurgood moved to a full-time role.

Church services

Though in-person Church services resumed in August 2021, with face coverings and ventilation, the decision was taken by the trustees to return to online services over the Christmas 2021 period due to the emergence of the new Omicron Covid variant and subsequent uncertainty around its transmission. From January 2022, in-person services resumed with attendees following government guidelines concerning mask-wearing and room ventilation. We currently hold a weekly in-person Sunday morning worship service and a less formal monthly Sunday evening service.

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Membership

As of 30th September 2022, GBC had 90 members, and others regularly attending Church services.

Prayer

Prayer continues to be an essential aspect of our life at GBC.

We have established a web based "Prayernet" where people can send email requests for prayer to one of our church members who then forwards the request to all who have signed up to receive updates.

Food Bank collection point

During this period, the church building has continued to be used as a food bank collection point. We have a basket in the foyer to receive food donations, which are taken to the North Bradford Food Bank.

Job Club

Our regular Christians Against Poverty (CAP) facilitated Job Club did not run during this period due to ongoing Covid related restrictions.

Involvement in wider Baptist life

We are actively involved with the Yorkshire Baptist Association (YBA). Our Church members continue to support other YBA initiatives and Revd Micky Munroe and Revd Gill Thurgood regularly meet with other Baptist ministers in the Bradford area.

Revd Micky Munroe continues to be part of the editorial planning team of the Baptists Together magazine and Revd Gill Thurgood serves on the council of BMS World Mission.

The church building

Our building continues to be well-used throughout the week by several Church groups as well as groups from the wider community.

We host a table tennis club run by our youth and children's worker and another member of GBC, and attended by members of the local community.

Cornerstone, our weekly Wednesday lunch group welcomes older members of the Church and community to share a simple meal with entertainment afterwards.

We continue to host Mainly Music, a group where parents, carers and preschool children can come together to sing, play and enjoy the company of other families. During the Covid lockdowns, many of our previous regular attendees reached school age, so this group is now being built up again from scratch.

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As well as being used by community groups for Community Choir and Slimming World, the building is also available for special church services, such as weddings and funerals. From October 2021 to September 2022, one wedding ceremony and five funeral services were held in the building.

Youth and Children's work

Our children and young people have continued to grow in their relationship with God under the leadership of Joe Millar and our team of committed volunteers who support the youth and children's work. We have several groups for youth and children meeting throughout the week as well as groups with age-appropriate activities on Sunday mornings.

Joe continues to be involved in the local school community where he provides pastoral care in the Student Support Centre, acting as a bridge between the school and GBC.

Pastoral care

Ministers and a small group of pastoral visitors are responsible for pastoral care. However, all church members are encouraged to look out for and care for each other. Pastoral support within the fellowship happens through friendships, house groups and the various groups that meet throughout the week. Over the last year, many have reported feeling well supported and cared for by others in their house group.

Mission and evangelism

Helping those in need, both in the UK and overseas, is a demonstration of our faith. We have made several offerings during the year to help those in crisis. Our 2021 Harvest Appeal went to support the work of Welcome Churches and our December 2021 Christmas Appeal raised funds for the Great Lakes Outreach in Burundi.

The Church has also continued to support the work of Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and the Bradford North Foodbank, as well as giving financially to The Baptist Union Home Mission Fund, BMS World Mission, Leeds Faith in Schools, The Wren Bakery and the Joanna Project.

Alpha course

In collaboration with the prison chaplaincy, we ran an Alpha Course with ten incarcerated men at a Yorkshire Prison from October to November 2021. Six volunteers from GBC went into the prison every week for 8 weeks. The feedback from all those attending the course was very positive.

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Volunteers

We are thankful to all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular:

- Our Church Finance Team, made up of our Treasurer, Mike Smith, together with Trevor Bradley, Allan Stewart and Chris Burland
- Our Church Secretary, Joy Liles;
- Stewart Liles for taking care of fabric matters;
- Sue Tofrik for volunteering in the church office two days a week.
- We also want to thank the other members of the diaconate for their valuable contribution to our ministry and the general running of the Church.

Structure, governance, and management

At GBC, the Charity Trustees include our ministers and eight deacons elected by members of the Church at our church meetings. The method of appointment of deacons is described in the Church Constitution. The Charity Trustees are responsible for making recommendations to the Church but ultimately, decisions on all matters rest with church members at the Church Meetings. Other members of the Church may take on specific responsibilities at certain times depending on their particular expertise but remain accountable to the Charity Trustees and ultimately to the Church Meeting.

During the October 2021 to September 2022 period, the GBC Charity Trustees met 14 times. Church members' meetings were called 4 times, including an AGM in April 2022.

Policies for the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults are available on our website and a hard copy can be provided on request. Our protection policies include an outline of the procedure for accepting volunteers and the requirement of a DBS check. Regular training sessions are provided and anyone working with children, young people and vulnerable adults is required to attend.

Administration information

Guiseley Baptist Church is situated in Guiseley, Leeds and is part of the Yorkshire Baptist Association and Baptist Union of Great Britain. The correspondence address is The Hub, Manchester House, 50a Oxford Road, Guiseley LS20 8AB. The Church is registered as a charity, 1151428.

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

TRUSTEES REPORT

Charity Trustees

Those who served from October 2021 to the end of the church year (30 September 2022) are:

Ministers: Revd Micky Munroe (up to July 2022); Revd Gill Thurgood

Church Secretary: Mrs Joy Liles

Church Treasurer: Mr Mike Smith

Deacons: Mrs Ruth Evans; Mr Tony Tofrik; Mr Andrew Penny; Mr Graham Hoult (up to January 2022); Mrs Eleanor Thomson (up to January 2022); Dr Allan Stewart (up to January 2022)

From January 2022: Mrs Carol Cook; Dr Paul Connor

From July 2022: Mrs Liz Allen

Non-trustee who regularly attends trustees' meetings: Mr Joe Millar (Children's and Youth Worker)

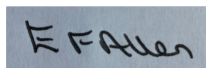
Website: www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth F Allen

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date of approval:

19/07/2023

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Guiseley Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ended 30 September 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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.



Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Independent Examiner

Date 20/07/2023

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GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOME					
Offerings					
Standing Orders	135,609	-	1,675	137,283	143,792
Envelopes / Cheques	124	-	-	124	7,041
Cash	7,579	-	100	7,679	2,631
	143,312	-	1,775	145,086	153,464
Income Tax Refund	25,260	-	-	25,260	28,469
Hire of Premises	15,571	-	-	15,571	12,124
Other Income	260	-	-	260	31
YBA Special Equipment Grant	-	-	-	-	-
Youth	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	2	-	-	2	4
YBA Loan	-	-	-	-	-
Total	184,405	-	1,775	186,179	194,092
PAYMENTS					
Ministry					
Staff Salaries	53,923	-	-	53,923	56,014
PAYE / NI	15,701	-	-	15,701	15,978
Pension (without PFD payments)	17,021	-	-	17,021	18,272
Manse / Accommodation	4,003	-	-	4,003	3,077
Expenses	4,901	-	-	4,901	2,007
Training	675	-	1,710	2,385	7,143
Administration	679	-	-	679	1,676
Service Costs	-	-	-	-	22
	96,903	-	1,710	98,613	104,189
Mission					
GBC Kids	-	-	-	-	106
Youth Work	1,180	-	-	1,180	590
Giving - BMS & Home Mission	15,600	-	-	15,600	15,600
Mission - Other	8,107	-	2,202	10,309	9,249
Wren Bakery	-	-	-	-	10,000
MOPAWI Appeal	-	-	-	-	3,268
	24,887	-	2,202	27,089	38,813

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Premises					
Manchester House Costs	14,594	-	-	14,594	8,657
Electricity	6,165	-	-	6,165	3,883
Insurances	2,517	-	-	2,517	1,794
Major Repair Works	5,020	-	-	5,020	-
Licences	1,616	-	-	1,616	1,182
Other Services	1,826	-	-	1,826	4,429
Cleaning & Maintenance etc	2,794	-	-	2,794	1,230
	34,532	-	-	34,532	21,175
Capital Equipment					
Hub Repairs	-	-	-	-	-
Church redecoration/repair	-	-	-	-	-
Church capital equipment	1,371	-	-	1,371	3,800
Extractor Fan Church	-	-	-	-	134
Vacuum Cleaner	-	-	-	-	322
Projector	-	-	-	-	530
	1,371	-	-	1,371	4,786
Other					
General	4,506	-	-	4,506	237
Loan Repayments	13,090	-	-	13,090	12,938
	17,596	-	-	17,596	13,175
Total	175,288	-	3,912	179,200	182,138
NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)	9,116	-	(2,137)	6,979	11,954
FUND (BANK) BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	63,341	-	5,651	68,992	57,037
TRANSFERS	(11,061)	9,466	1,595	-	-
FUND (BANK) BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	61,396	9,466	5,109	75,971	68,992

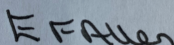
All receipts and payments derive from continuing activities.

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee:

Elizabeth F Allen

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date of approval:

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GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

At the accounts are prepared on a cash basis thus there is no formal Balance Sheet or Statement of Financial Position. Instead a statement of assets and liabilities is outlined giving an indication of the charity's assets and liabilities at the year end.

Fixed assets are stated at the insurance cover value apart from the new Manse which is included at cost value following the purchase of the building during the 2020 financial year.

	2022	2021
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Land and Buildings	1,650,000	1,650,000
Fixtures and Equipment	100,000	100,000
	<u>1,750,000</u>	<u>1,750,000</u>
BANK AND CASH IN HAND BALANCES		
General Account	62,892	53,703
No 2 Account	12,979	15,288
	<u>75,871</u>	<u>68,991</u>
LOANS AND CREDITORS		
Long-Term loan No 1 - YBA	52,000	60,000
Long-Term loan No 2 - YBA	34,826	31,661
Baptist Union Pension Deficit Liability	14,600	64,400
	<u>101,426</u>	<u>156,061</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis when receipts and payments take place through the bank account or petty cash.

Public Benefit

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and the money has been paid.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments have been made through the bank account or by petty cash.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a 'special offering' in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

GUISELEY BAPTIST CHURCH

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2. Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustee's report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

3. Independent examination fees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	426	400
Preparation of of the annual accounts	469	440

4. Fund Analysis

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Oct 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	63,341	184,405	(175,288)	(11,061)	61,397
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Designated funds

	At 1 Oct 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Christmas Appeal	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies Holding Fund	-	-	-	9,466	9,466
	-	-	-	9,466	9,466

Legacies Holding Fund

A transfer took place during the year show the remaning balance within the general fund relating to a legacy recived by the Church.

Restricted funds

	At 1 Oct 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Ministry Training Fund	115	-	(1,710)	1,595	-
Other immaterial funds	5,536	1,775	(2,202)	-	5,109
	5,651	1,775	(3,912)	1,595	5,109

Ministry Training Fund

Funds set aside for ministry training for K Brown.

5. Related parties

There have been no related party transactions during the year.

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6. Trustee remuneration and expenses

During the year 2 trustees (2020: 2) received remuneration for their services to the charity as employees and not for their duties as trustees.

The employment remuneration payments have been authorised by the remaining members of the trustee board.

	2022	2021
	£	£
Rev M Munroe	23,631	27,988
Rev G Thurgood	25,907	22,461

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Church services

Before October 2020, due to government restrictions, GBC moved to online services only. This continued until 1st August 2021 when, following the easing of restrictions and a decision made by the church membership, in-person services in our church building resumed. The in-person services were initially restricted in number and face coverings were required to protect vulnerable members of the congregation from possible Covid infection.

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Online services up to August 2021 were made available on Youtube, Facebook and the GBC church website. As with our in-person services, our aim with the online services was that those engaging in our services, whether for the first time or over many years, would find spiritual fulfilment and authentic Christian fellowship to enable them to be nurtured and grow in faith. During the year, we explored the Bible together through different sermon series.

As of 30th September 2021, GBC had 112 members, together with others who regularly attend the Church. There were no membership applications in this period.

Prayer

Prayer continues to be an essential aspect of our life at GBC, even with the move online, people have continued to gather to pray.

We have established a web-based "prayernet" where people can email requests for prayer to one of our church members who will then forward the request to all those who have signed up to receive updates.

From October 2020, as restrictions were eased and we were again able to use our church building, a regular in-person prayer meeting was held from 4 pm every Sunday. Numbers were strictly controlled to adhere to a re-entry risk assessment. Meetings continued until December 2020 when we were forced to close the building once again and revert to online prayer gatherings due to revised government restrictions. From April 2021, as restrictions eased, the in-personal prayer meetings were restarted.

Food Bank Collection Point

During this period the church building continued to be used as a food bank collection point. The building is opened up every Friday from 10 am to 1 pm to receive food donations, which are subsequently taken to the North Bradford Food Bank. In February 2021 GBC also became a collection point for Digital Access West Yorkshire to enable people to drop off donations of unwanted digital devices.

Involvement in wider Baptist life

We are actively connected and involved with the Yorkshire Baptist Association (YBA). One of our members, Mrs Liz Allen, is the chairperson of the Executive of the YBA. Our Church members have voluntarily supported other YBA initiatives and Micky Munroe and Gill Thurgood have continued to meet online with other Baptist ministers in the Bradford area.

Micky Munroe continues to be part of the editorial planning team of the Baptists Together magazine and Gill Thurgood serves on the council of BMS World Mission.

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The Church Building

Before the lockdown in March 2020, our building was well used throughout the week by several different groups from within the church and the wider community.

We were open weekly on a Wednesday lunchtime to welcome older members of the Church and community to a simple meal and entertainment afterwards. During the lockdown, with the building out of use, we were able to keep in touch with our Wednesday afternoon group and on one occasion were able to take afternoon "high tea in a box" to our members.

Our Mainly Music group for parents, carers and young children was thriving before lockdown and was so popular that there was a waiting list. Since the start of the lockdown, there have been various online events arranged to keep in touch with those families.

The reopening of the church building for gathered worship in August 2021 was welcomed by the church community, and services, whilst still restricted, were encouraging. To enable services and other events to be recorded and broadcast to an online community the church invested in new audio-visual, camera and broadcasting equipment in May 2021.

Up until October 2021, the church building was still closed for all other in-person activities.

Youth and children's Work

Our young people have continued to grow in their relationship with God under the leadership of Joe Millar and our team of gifted and committed volunteers.

Joe Millar continues to be a part of our local school community where he provides pastoral care in the Student Support Centre and acts as a bridge between the school and GBC. This work has been reduced during the lockdown period.

The role of nurturing and engaging the children of our church community also comes under the oversight of Joe Millar. Joe recruits and encourages a group of volunteers who support the children's work. During the lockdown, Joe has been actively seeking to maintain a connection with the children and youth, setting up Minecraft groups and online discipleship via Zoom virtual meeting technology, and these have been very much appreciated. He has also co-ordinated a weekly online service, which has involved Bible teaching and a craft activity.

Pastoral care

We see pastoral care as the responsibility of all church members. Good pastoral support within the fellowship happens through friendships, house groups and the various groups that meet through the week. Over the last year, many have reported how they have felt very well supported and cared for by others in their house group. Ministers have also tried to provide pastoral care, despite physical restrictions, through phone calls and Zoom conversations.

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From September 2020 to October 2021 we were saddened to say farewell to 4 church members who died. Funerals were held adhering to Government guidelines. A child's dedication service was held in October 2020. For the small number allowed in the church building and those engaging online, it was a joyful occasion. Another happy occasion was the wedding ceremony held in the church building in May 2021, again under strict Government restrictions.

Mission and Evangelism

Helping those in need, both in the UK and overseas, is a demonstration of our faith. We have made several offerings during the year to help those in crisis. Our Harvest Appeal for 2020 went to support the work of local Leeds charity Zarach, which aims to provide beds for children living in poverty in the city - £3,605 was raised. In December GBC's Christmas Appeal raised funds for Mopawi, a Christian organisation supporting rebuilding work in the Moskitia region of Honduras following two hurricanes - £3,200 was raised. At a church members' meeting in February, it was agreed that £10,000 would be donated to Wren Bakery. The money coming from a legacy left by a church member would be used to provide mentorship and training for women who experience disadvantage.

As a Church, we encourage fair trade. We have also continued to support the work of Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and Bradford North Foodbank. We regularly give financial support to the work of Home Mission, BMS World Mission and Leeds Faith in Schools.

Volunteers

We want to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular, we want to mention:

Our Church Treasurer, Allan Stewart who, ably assisted by Trevor Bradley, manages our financial affairs so well and helps us to understand the Church's accounts and its finances; Our Church Secretary, Joy Liles; Stewart Liles for undertaking fabric matters; Sue Tofrik for volunteering in the church office two days a week.

We also want to thank the other members of the diaconate for their valuable contribution to our ministry and for keeping the Church running.

Structure, governance, and management

At GBC, the Charity Trustees include our ministers together with deacons elected by members of the Church at our church meetings. The method of appointment of deacons is set out in the Church Constitution. The Charity Trustees are responsible for making recommendations to the Church but ultimately decisions on all matters rest with church members at the Church Meetings. Other members of the Church may take on specific responsibilities at certain times depending on their particular expertise, but they remain accountable to the Charity Trustees and ultimately to the Church Meeting.

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During the 2020 to 2021 period, the GBC Charity Trustees met 14 times and church members' meetings were called 4 times, including an AGM in April 2021. All Charity Trustee and Church Member meetings were held online using Zoom Virtual meeting technology. Where secret ballots were required confidential electronic voting software was used to facilitate this. Throughout the pandemic, as well as following government guidelines, we have sought to follow recommendations and advice given by the Baptist Union of Great Britain (Baptists Together).

In April 2021 a Special Church Members Meeting was convened to pass a resolution to amend the church constitution to enable Charity Trustees and Church Members Meetings to be held by suitable electronic means if required. The resolution was passed.

Policies for the protection of children and young people and also vulnerable adults are available to view by any enquirer. Our protection policies outline the procedure for accepting volunteers and the requirement of a DBS check. Regular training sessions are implemented and anyone working with children, young people and vulnerable adults is required to attend.

In October 2020 a house was purchased in the local community to serve as a second manse. The purchase was made possible with monies from a legacy from a church member and a loan from YBA.

Shortly after the purchase the house was let and is raising income for the church until such a time as it will be used by the church for other purposes.

Reserves Policy

In moving to two full-time ministers and one children's and youth worker in the 2019-2020 church year and following the purchase of a second manse, it was agreed to revise the reserves policy. The proposal considered by the Trustees is that the Treasurer shall endeavour to maintain reserves in Unrestricted Funds of at least three month's sum of stipend and salary amounts for ministers and paid staff on the basis of the values at 1 January of the currently reported church year, plus any additional funds necessary for any upcoming projects such as manse purchase or property improvements. The reserves would be maintained essentially to meet costs which cannot immediately be covered by income in the short term.

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Administration information

Guiseley Baptist Church is situated in Guiseley, Leeds and is part of the Yorkshire Baptist Association and Baptist Union of Great Britain. The correspondence address is The Hub, Manchester House, 50a Oxford Road, Guiseley LS20 8AB.

Charity Trustees who served from October 2020 to the end of the church year (30th September 2021) are:

Ministers: Revd Micky Munroe, Revd Gill Thurgood, Church Secretary: Mrs Joy Liles, Church Treasurer: Dr Allan Stewart (until April 2021),

Deacons: Mr Graham Houlton, Mrs Eleanor Thomson, Mrs Ruth Evans, Mr Mike Smith (elected as treasurer from April 2021), Dr Allan Stewart

From February 2021: Deacons: Mr Tony Tofrik and Mr Andrew Penny were re-elected to serve another three-year term

Non-trustees who regularly attend trustees' meetings are:

Mr Joe Millar (Children's and Youth Worker)

Website: www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk

Charity number: 1151428

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee:

Michael Smith

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date of approval:

28/07/2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Guiseley Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ended 30 September 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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.



Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Independent Examiner

Date 28/07/2022

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
INCOME					
Offerings					
Standing Orders	141,464	-	2,328	143,792	126,055
Envelopes / Cheques	7,041	-	-	7,041	9,231
Cash	2,631	-	-	2,631	4,646
	151,136	-	2,328	153,463	139,933
Income Tax Refund	28,469	-	-	28,469	-
Hire of Premises	12,124	-	-	12,124	2,694
Other Income	31	-	-	31	38,464
YBA Special Equipment Grant	-	-	-	-	1,000
Youth	-	-	-	-	55
Interest	4	-	-	4	110
YBA Loan	-	-	-	-	37,074
Total	191,763	-	2,328	194,091	219,330
PAYMENTS					
Ministry					
Minister's Stipend	56,014	-	-	56,014	54,912
PAYE / NI	15,978	-	-	15,978	11,691
Pension (without PFD payments)	18,272	-	-	18,272	16,889
Manse / Accommodation	3,077	-	-	3,077	2,881
Expenses	2,007	-	-	2,007	1,623
Training	-	-	7,143	7,143	529
Administration	1,676	-	-	1,676	3,131
Visiting Speakers	-	-	-	-	-
Service Costs	22	-	-	22	1,079
	97,046	-	7,143	104,189	92,734
Mission					
GBC Kids	106	-	-	106	88
Youth Work	590	-	-	590	-
Youth Events	-	-	-	-	1,209
Giving - BMS & Home Mission	15,600	-	-	15,600	15,600
Mission - Other	8,256	-	992	9,249	19,075
Wren Bakery	10,000	-	-	10,000	-
MOPAWI Appeal	-	-	3,268	3,268	-
	34,553	-	4,260	38,813	35,973

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STATEMENT OF RECIPITS AND PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Premises					
Manchester House Costs	8,657	-	-	8,657	11,103
Electricity	3,883	-	-	3,883	4,893
Insurances	1,794	-	-	1,794	2,135
Major Repair Works	-	-	-	-	-
Licences	1,182	-	-	1,182	1,329
Other Services	4,429	-	-	4,429	1,290
Cleaning & Maintenance etc	1,230	-	-	1,230	6,194
	21,175	-	-	21,175	26,946
Capital Equipment					
Hub Repairs	-	-	-	-	6,878
Church redecoration/repair	-	-	-	-	12,516
Church capital equipment	3,800	-	-	3,800	7,055
Projector	530	-	-	530	-
	4,786	-	-	4,786	26,449
Other					
General	237	-	-	237	800
Loan Repayments	12,938	-	-	12,938	11,345
	13,175	-	-	13,175	12,145
Total	170,734	-	11,403	182,138	194,247
NET RECIPITS / (PAYMENTS)	21,029	-	(9,076)	11,953	25,083
FUND (BANK) BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	44,460	(1,207)	13,786	57,039	31,956
TRANSFERS	(2,148)	1,207	941	-	-
FUND (BANK) BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	63,341	-	5,651	68,991	57,039

All receipts and payments derive from continuing activities.

Approved by the Trustees

Name of Trustee: Michael Smith

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date of approval: 28/07/2022

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

At the accounts are prepared on a cash basis thus there is no formal Balance Sheet or Statement of Financial Position. Instead a statement of assets and liabilities is outlined giving an indication of the charity's assets and liabilities at the year end.

Fixed assets are stated at the insurance cover value apart from the new Manse which is included at cost value following the purchase of the building during the 2020 financial year.

	2021	2020
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Land and Buildings	1,646,123	1,646,123
Fixtures and Equipment	98,050	98,050
	<u>1,744,173</u>	<u>1,744,173</u>
BANK AND CASH IN HAND BALANCES		
General Account	53,703	22,710
No 2 Account	15,288	34,328
	<u>68,991</u>	<u>57,039</u>
LOANS AND CREDITORS		
Long-Term loan No 1 - YBA	60,000	68,000
Long-Term loan No 2 - YBA	31,661	34,884
Baptist Union Pension Deficit Liability	64,400	64,400
	<u>96,061</u>	<u>99,284</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis when receipts and payments take place through the bank account or petty cash.

Public Benefit

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and the money has been paid.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments have been made through the bank account or by petty cash.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a 'special offering' in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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2. Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustee's report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

3. Independent examination fees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	400	600
Preparation of the annual accounts	440	-

4. Fund Analysis

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 Oct 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	44,460	190,763	(169,734)	(2,148)	63,341
	44,460	190,763	(169,734)	(2,148)	63,341

Designated funds

	At 1 Oct 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Christmas Appeal	(1,207)	-	-	1,207	-
	(1,207)	-	-	1,207	-

Christmas Appeal

A transfer took place during the year to clear the overdrawn balance on the designated Christmas Appeal Fund.

Restricted funds

	At 1 Oct 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 30 Sep 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Ministry Training Fund	7,258	-	(7,143)	-	115
Other immaterial funds	6,528	-	(992)	-	5,536
MOPAWI Appeal	-	2,328	(3,268)	941	-
	13,786	-	(8,135)	-	5,651

Ministry Training Fund

Funds set aside for ministry training for K Brown.

MOPAWI Appeal

Funds donated for the MOPAWI appeal. During the year a transfer took place to top up the MOPAWI fund due to the fund going overdrawn.

5. Related parties

There have been no related party transactions during the year.

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6. Trustee remuneration and expenses

During the year 2 trustees (2020: 2) received remuneration for their services to the charity as employees and not for their duties as trustees.

The employment remuneration payments have been authorised by the remaining members of the trustee board.

	2021	2020
	£	£
Rev M Munroe	27,988	29,822
Rev G Thurgood	22,461	24,639