

**NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH
(SOUTH GILLINGHAM) TRUST**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND
ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024**

Charity No: 1152608

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TRUST INFORMATION

The following Trustees were serving at the time these accounts were approved:

Carol Lunniss	Chairperson
Mark Anderton	Director/Trustee
Alan Eldridge	Director/Trustee
Daniel Okafor	Director/Trustee

Other senior officers of the Trust:

Bradman Sogie-Thomas	Financial Controller
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Charity Number	1152608
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Registered Office	19 Hobart Gardens Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1YD
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Bankers	National Westminster Bank PLC 87 High Street Sittingbourne Kent ME10 4AU
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Trustees and Directors

The four Trustee / Directors serving at the time these accounts were approved are shown on page 3.

Structure, Governance and Management

New Life Community Church (South Gillingham) Trust (the company) is a Limited Company with charitable status constituted by Articles of Association dated 18 March 2013. The Articles of Association govern the appointment of Directors who are also Trustees. Whenever this report refers to Trustees or Trustee, it is referring to those who hold the joint responsibilities of Director and Trustee. The Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies arising through removal, resignation or death of an existing Trustee, subject to the express approval of the Pastors / Elders.

Objectives and Activities

The Trust's objectives are:

- The advancement of the Christian Faith and the worship of God in Gillingham, Kent and elsewhere, through preaching, teaching, proclamation of the gospel, distribution of Christian literature and pastoral care.
- The relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress
- The advancement of education on the basis of Christian principles

The Company has been formed to support the ongoing work of the New Life Community Church, ("NLCC"), an active independent group that came into existence in 1987/8.

Achievements and Performance

With the association of the Church in the New Life group of churches centred on the Philippines, the church has been advertising itself under the name, "New Life Medway". Attendance at church meetings at the school has risen to about 80. Meetings have continued to be broadcast on the Internet to allow others to join in who cannot attend personally.

The Company with its Church body, New Life Community Church, has continued to support a number of individuals and charities involved in mission work at home and overseas. Principle areas of support have been:

The Princess project, Salvation Army, Family Trust and other missions [UK].

New Life Main for onward transmission to **New Life Myanmar** following the earthquake in the region.

New Life Surigao [**The Philippines**] for use in their new church building project.

New Life Alabang [**The Philippines**] for general church ministry work.

New Life Conference [**The Philippines**]. We sent our two Pastors to New Life annual conference in Manila.

This was felt to be of major importance for the Pastors and the Medway Church. We also contributed to the conference fund to support other Pastors who would otherwise have experienced financial difficulty.

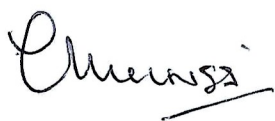
The Church has continued to grow throughout the remainder of the year. It is pleasing to note a wide range of ethnic backgrounds continues in the Church. The Church has been involved with many other churches in the Medway towns through both the 'Churches Together in Medway' and the 'Churches Together in Rainham'.

Future Developments

Under the Pastoral leadership of Mark and Belen Anderton, the Church will continue to support active evangelism in the "parish" area and seek to reach out and help adults, young people, children and those in debt and severe hardship. We will continue to support a wide range of mission work, both at home and overseas. The Trustees continually review our commitment to those ongoing ministries currently supported as well as investigating possible new commitments.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above. Signed on 26th October 2025 on behalf of the charity's Trustees:



Carol Lunniss

Chairperson – New Life Community Church (South Gillingham) Trust

Financial Review – 2024

The NLCC Board of Trustees/Directors continues to encourage the ethos of the Church in giving and supporting those in need, including UK charities and mission work in The Philippines.

The financial year shows a surplus of £15,008. In comparison to 2023, both income and expenditure increased by 14%. Charitable expenditure increased by £9.2k (15%) and includes an increase of £4.1k (58%) on mission giving, mainly to The Philippines.

1. VOLUNTARY INCOME

Details	2024	2023	Change
Gift Aid	12,272	10,064	2,208
Offerings	68,986	60,511	8,475
Stewardship (UKET)	5,854	5,745	109
Interest	655	379	276
Total Income	87,767	76,699	11,068

2. EXPENDITURE

Details	2024	2023	Change
Pastoral Costs	42,140	37,768	4,372
Missions	11,126	7,024	4,102
Ministry Support Costs	12,404	11,579	825
Other Charity Activity Costs	5,409	5,553	-144
Total Charitable Expenditure	71,079	61,924	9,155
Governance - Independent Examiner	1,680	1,680	0
Total Expenditure	72,759	63,604	9,155

3. MISSION GIVING

	2024	2023	Change
The Philippines	4,741	1,000	3,741
Other Ministries	6,385	6,024	361
Total	11,126	7,024	4,102

4. SUMMARY (£)

	2024	2023	Change	% change
Total Income	87,767	76,699	11,068	14%
Total Expenditure	72,759	63,604	9,156	14%
Surplus/(Deficit)	15,008	13,095	1,913	

Declaration

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 26th October 2025 and signed on its behalf:



Bradman Sogie-Thomas
Financial Controller

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT to the trustees of the NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH (SOUTH GILLINGHAM) TRUST

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 and consider that the company is exempt from an audit.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that any material error has occurred in respect of the accounting records; and
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 28th October 2025