

THE BETHEL INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH, CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1152630

Details

Other names THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH,CLAPHAM,NORTH YORKSHIRE.HEREIN AFTER CALLED THE CHARITY., THE BETHEL CHAPEL

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2013-06-27

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

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Activities

Objects: 1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN CLAPHAM AND THE SURROUNDING AREA.2) SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS SHALL, IN THE OPINION OF THE MANAGING TRUSTEES FURTHER THE WORK OF THE CHARITY.

Activities: The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily, but not exclusively, within Clapham, North Yorkshire and the surrounding area.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lancashire
- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£41,533	£32,847	-	-
2023-12-31	£42,307	£42,437	-	-
2022-12-31	£44,870	£48,185	-	-
2021-12-31	£29,905	£36,592	-	-
2020-12-31	£28,947	£28,625	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN BRYAN WOODHOUSE		2013-06-26
ALLAN WHITAKER		2013-06-26
GEORGE JAMES COATES		2013-06-26
Graham Paul Townley		2022-09-27
JONATHAN ERNEST TOWNLEY		2013-06-26
MR WILLIAM FAWCETT		2013-06-26
Mark Stanley Woodhouse		2023-02-16
Paul Close		2023-02-16
Peter William Fawcett		2023-02-16

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Trustees	G J Coates T W Fawcett J E Townley A Whitaker A B Woodhouse P Close M S Woodhouse P W Fawcett G P Townley
Elders	J E Townley A B Woodhouse T W Fawcett G P Townley
Treasurer	Paul Close
Secretary	J E Townley
Independent Examiners	Bennett Kirkhope Smith Chartered Certified Accountants Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks Hey Road, Barrow, Clitheroe Lancashire BB7 9WB
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Leicester LE87 2AB

THE BETHEL INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Structure, governance and management

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The method of appointment of the charity members is set out in the Church Rules: At The Bethel Independent and Evangelical Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, the membership of the charity consists of the elders, deacons and members.

The managing trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the charity including deciding on how funds of the charity are to be spent. The managing trustees must hold at least 4 meetings in each 12 month period.

Once a new managing trustee has been appointed they shall be provided with a copy of:

- the latest annual report and accounts of the church
- the constitution and church rules
- any other relevant documentation relating to the property of the church

The property owned by the charity is held in the names of all the trustees.

Objectives and activities

The charity has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The principal objectives are:

- the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Clapham, North Yorkshire and the surrounding area
- such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the managing trustees further the work of the charity

Achievements and performance

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 33 members.

The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- Fellowship Meetings/ Bible Studies every other Tuesday (except for Summer months)
- Thursday Friends meeting in the afternoon, served with tea and cakes, and a guest speaker (except for Summer months)
- Coffee Meetings every month on a Thursday evening (except for Summer months)
- Clapham Tots-Toddler Group every Friday (except school holidays)
- 5-11 year olds "Kmotion" group every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)
- 12-16 year olds "Encounter" group every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)

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These are all held in the church hall and are a benefit to the community as a whole.

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Other events that have been made available during the year are:

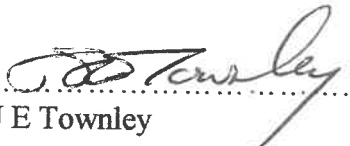
- a free Harvest Supper and guest speaker for anyone in the surrounding area
- a free Christmas meal and guest speaker for elderly people from the local community at the Chapel in December 2024
- Coffee, Cake & Chat. A once a month coffee morning and drop off time for foodbank donations. Money is given to Olive Branch Foodbank, Lancaster & food donations are given to Skipton Foodbank
- Sportsreach soccer & netball school for children aged 7-15 in August 2024
- An open day with children's craft activities, raising money for Yorkshire Air Ambulance
- Easter wreath making workshop open to anyone from the surrounding area
- Coffee morning raising £110.56 for Macmillan Cancer Support
- Christmas events, including a Christmas celebration and singing at Settle Christmas lights switch on event

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £41,533 and total expenses were £32,847, the net result for the year was a surplus of receipts over payments of £8,686.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December 2024 on unrestricted funds totalled £26,166.

The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity, however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.


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J E Townley

31/10/25
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Date

THE BETHEL INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BETHEL
INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Bethel Independent and Evangelical Church for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and 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 accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: AM Smith FCCA CTA
Address: Bennett Kirkhope Smith
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks
Hey Road,
Barrow, Clitheroe
Lancashire, BB7 9WB

Date:

11/12/2025

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary receipts	1	38,877	-	38,877	39,842
Other receipts	2	2,656	-	2,656	2,465
		41,533	-	41,533	42,307
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		41,533	-	41,533	42,307
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	32,847	-	32,847	42,437
		32,847	-	32,847	42,437
Purchase of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total payments		32,847	-	32,847	42,437
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		8,686	-	8,686	(130)
Bank account as at 1 January 2024		17,480	-	17,480	17,610
Bank account as at 31 December 2024		21,166	-	21,166	17,480

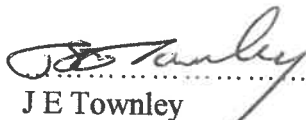
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	26,166	-	26,166	17,480
		26,166	-	26,166	17,480
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		5,202	-	5,202	4,737
Prepayments		190	-	190	212
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(3,591)	-	(3,591)	(1,634)
		27,967	-	27,967	20,795

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Independent and Evangelical Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC


J E Townley

31/10/25
Date

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Covenant gifts	19,800	17,780
Freewill offerings	235	590
Donations	4,928	7,409
Tax Refund	6,237	6,266
Gift Aid small donations scheme	7,046	6,463
Additional Gift Aid income	-	610
Stewardship	631	724
	<u>38,877</u>	<u>39,842</u>
2 OTHER RECEIPTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Gifts in kind	510	-
House rent, rates, water and power	1,883	2,043
Government heating grant	-	150
Wreath making workshop	-	145
Bank interest	263	127
	<u>2,656</u>	<u>2,465</u>
3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Gifts in kind: lunches/supers	510	-
Materials	-	524
Travel expenses	4,365	5,056
Events	600	670
Water rates	205	161
Donations and gifts	20,987	23,989
Books and bibles	437	629
Fuel and light	3,252	3,911
Repairs and renewals	648	3,265
Church insurance	807	793
Sundry expenses	1,036	919
Accountancy fees	-	2,520
	<u>32,847</u>	<u>42,437</u>
4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2024	2023
	£	£
Current account	3,536	2,631
Deposit account	22,420	14,157
Cash in hand	210	692
	<u>26,166</u>	<u>17,480</u>

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5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & EXPENSES	2024	2023
	£	£
G Coates - Expenses reimbursed	117	536
AB Woodhouse - Expenses reimbursed	-	437
	<u>117</u>	<u>973</u>

All expenses reimbursed were for donations or the purchase of items used directly in or by the Church.

6 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Costs of generating voluntary receipts includes the following monetary support payments to relatives of the trustees.

	2024	2023
	£	£
G Townley	2,400	3,400
M Fawcett	2,400	2,400
	<u>4,800</u>	<u>5,800</u>

G Townley is the brother of JE Townley and a Trustee of the Church. M Fawcett is the grandson of TW Fawcett.

Reimbursed Travel expenses and sundry expenses to members of the church includes payments to relatives of the trustees.

	2024	2023
	£	£
M Townley	-	40
M Fawcett	-	133
D Townley	16	-
	<u>16</u>	<u>173</u>

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Costs of generating voluntary receipts includes the following purchases of materials from relatives of the trustees.

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Achievements and performance

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 35 members.

The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- Fellowship Meetings/ Bible Studies every other Tuesday (except for Summer months)
- Thursday Friends meeting in the afternoon, served with tea and cakes, and a guest speaker (except for Summer months)
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- King's coronation activities including an open day with children's craft activities, raising money for CancerCare
- Easter wreath making workshop open to anyone from the surrounding area
- Gospel singing evening, with a singing group from Northern Ireland. A free event that was open to anyone
- Coffee morning raising £200 for Macmillan Cancer Support
- Craft afternoon raising £70 for CancerCare
- Christmas events, including a Christmas celebration and singing at Settle Christmas lights switch on event

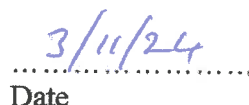
Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £42,307 and total expenses were £42,437, the net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £130.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December 2023 on unrestricted funds totalled £17,480.

The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity, however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.


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J E Townley


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Date

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Signed: 

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Address: Bennett Kirkhope Smith
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks
Hey Road,
Barrow, Clitheroe
Lancashire, BB7 9WB

Date: 18/11/2024

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary receipts	1	39,842	-	39,842	42,330
Other receipts	2	2,465	-	2,465	2,540
		<u>42,307</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,307</u>	<u>44,870</u>
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>42,307</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,307</u>	<u>44,870</u>
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	42,437	-	42,437	41,346
		<u>42,437</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,437</u>	<u>41,346</u>
Purchase of fixed assets		-	-	-	6,839
Total payments		<u>42,437</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,437</u>	<u>48,185</u>
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		<u>(130)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(130)</u>	<u>(3,315)</u>
Bank account as at 1 January 2023		<u>17,610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,610</u>	<u>20,925</u>
Bank account as at 31 December 2023		<u>17,480</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,480</u>	<u>17,610</u>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	17,480	-	17,480	17,610
		17,480	-	17,480	17,610
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		4,737	-	4,737	4,844
Prepayments		212	-	212	165
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(1,634)	-	(1,634)	(2,841)
		20,795	-	20,795	19,778

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Independent and Evangelical Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC


J E Townley


Date

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Covenant gifts	17,780	18,100
Freewill offerings	590	1,134
Donations	7,409	8,964
Tax Refund	6,266	5,196
Gift Aid small donations scheme	6,463	6,822
Additional Gift Aid income	610	
TV Screen Gifts	-	1,390
Stewardship	724	724
	<u>39,842</u>	<u>42,330</u>
2 OTHER RECEIPTS	2023	2022
	£	£
House rent, rates, water and power	2,043	2,528
Government heating grant	150	-
Wreath making workshop	145	-
Bank interest	127	12
	<u>2,465</u>	<u>2,540</u>
3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2023	2022
	£	£
Materials	524	-
Travel expenses	5,056	3,535
Events	670	3,100
Missionaries rent	-	2,320
Water Rates	161	127
Donations and gifts	23,989	21,838
Books and bibles	629	507
Fuel and light	3,911	3,887
Repairs and renewals	3,265	5,125
Church insurance	793	679
Office expenses	-	47
Sundry expenses	919	181
Accountancy fees	2,520	-
	<u>42,437</u>	<u>41,346</u>
4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2023	2022
	£	£
Current account	2,631	4,285
Deposit account	14,157	13,130
Cash in hand	692	195
	<u>17,480</u>	<u>17,610</u>

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5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & EXPENSES	2023	2022
	£	£
G Coates - Expenses reimbursed	536	549
AB Woodhouse - Expenses reimbursed	437	-
	<u>973</u>	<u>549</u>

All expenses reimbursed were for donations or the purchase of items used directly in or by the Church.

6 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Costs of generating voluntary receipts includes the following monetary support payments to relatives of the trustees.

	2023	2022
	£	£
G Townley	3,400	2,635
M Fawcett	2,400	2,400
	<u>5,800</u>	<u>5,035</u>

G Townley is the brother of JE Townley and a Trustee of the Church. M Fawcett is the grandson of TW Fawcett.

Reimbursed Travel expenses and Books,Bibles expenses to members of the church includes payments to relatives of the trustees.

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M Fawcett	133	-
	<u>173</u>	<u>-</u>

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NORTH YORKSHIRE**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Registered charity number	1152630
Working name	The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church
Contact address	The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church Clapham Lancaster Lancashire LA2 8DZ
Trustees	G J Coates T W Fawcett J E Townley A Whitaker A B Woodhouse
Elders	J E Townley A B Woodhouse T W Fawcett G Townley (appointed 27/09/22)
Treasurer	Paul Close
Secretary	J E Townley
Independent Examiners	Bennett Kirkhope Smith Chartered Certified Accountants Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks Hey Road, Barrow, Clitheroe Lancashire BB7 9WB
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Leicester LE87 2AB

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Structure, governance and management

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The managing trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the charity including deciding on how funds of the charity are to be spent. The managing trustees must hold at least 4 meetings in each 12 month period.

Once a new managing trustee has been appointed they shall be provided with a copy of:

- the latest annual report and accounts of the church
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- any other relevant documentation relating to the property of the church

The property owned by the charity is held in the names of all the trustees.

Objectives and activities

The charity has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The principal objectives are:

- the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Clapham, North Yorkshire and the surrounding area
- such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the managing trustees further the work of the charity

Achievements and performance

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 32 members. The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- Fellowship Meetings/ Bible Studies every other Tuesday
- Thursday Friends meeting in the afternoon, served with tea and cakes, and a guest speaker (except for Summer months)
- Coffee Meetings every month on a Thursday evening (except for Summer months)
- Clapham Tots-Toddler Group every Friday (except school holidays)
- 5-11 year olds "Kmotion" group every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)
- 12-16 year olds "Encounter" group every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)

These are all held in the church hall and are a benefit to the community as a whole.

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
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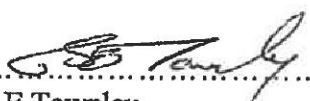
Other events that have been made available during the year are:

- a free Harvest Supper and guest speaker for anyone in the surrounding area
- a free Christmas meal and guest speaker for elderly people from the local community at the Chapel in December 2022
- Coffee, Cake & Chat. A once a month coffee morning and drop off time for foodbank donations, in support of charities Worldvision, Ukraine and Olive Branch Foodbank
- Church weekend away to Pine Lake in October 2022 with activities and Bible study meetings
- Sportsreach soccer & netball school for children aged 7-15 in August 2022
- Austwick Primary School visit to the Chapel for Christmas activities and story
- Queen's Jubilee activities including an open day with table top sale and children's craft activities, raising money for Clapham Park Association

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £44,870 and the net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £3,315.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December 2022 on unrestricted funds totalled £17,610. The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.


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J E Townley

..... 4/6/23
Date

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BETHEL
EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and 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 accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: AM Smith FCCA CTA
Address: Bennett Kirkhope Smith
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks
Hey Road,
Barrow, Clitheroe
Lancashire, BB7 9WB

Date:

8/6/2023

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary receipts	1	42,330	-	42,330	28,757
Other receipts	2	2,540	-	2,540	1,148
		<u>44,870</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,870</u>	<u>29,905</u>
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>44,870</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,870</u>	<u>29,905</u>
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	41,346	-	41,346	35,524
		<u>41,346</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,346</u>	<u>35,524</u>
Purchase of fixed assets		6,839	-	6,839	1,068
Total payments		<u>48,185</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,185</u>	<u>36,592</u>
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		<u>(3,315)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,315)</u>	<u>(6,687)</u>
Bank account as at 1 January 2022		<u>20,925</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,925</u>	<u>27,612</u>
Bank account as at 31 December 2022		<u>17,610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,610</u>	<u>20,925</u>

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	17,610	-	17,610	20,925
		<u>17,610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,610</u>	<u>20,925</u>
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		4,844	-	4,844	3,476
Prepayments		165	-	165	430
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(2,841)	-	(2,841)	(1,518)
		<u>19,778</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,778</u>	<u>23,313</u>

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC

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J.E Townley


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Date

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2022	2021
	£	£
Covenant gifts	18,100	16,880
Freewill offerings	1,134	35
Donations	8,964	4,220
Tax Refund	5,196	4,578
Gift Aid small donations scheme	6,822	2,319
TV Screen Gifts	1,390	-
Stewardship	724	725
	<u>42,330</u>	<u>28,757</u>
2 OTHER RECEIPTS	2022	2021
	£	£
House rent, rates, water and power	2,528	1,146
Bank interest	12	2
	<u>2,540</u>	<u>1,148</u>
3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2022	2021
	£	£
Travel expenses	3,535	2,850
Events	3,100	538
Missionaries rent	2,320	400
Water Rates	127	107
Donations and gifts	21,838	26,236
Books and bibles	507	431
Fuel and light	3,887	2,152
Repairs and renewals	5,125	295
Church insurance	679	643
Office expenses	47	-
Sundry expenses	181	684
Accountancy fees	-	1,188
	<u>41,346</u>	<u>35,524</u>
4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2022	2021
	£	£
Current account	4,285	2,578
Deposit account	13,130	18,117
Cash in hand	195	230
	<u>17,610</u>	<u>20,925</u>

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & EXPENSES	2022	2021
	£	£
G Coates - Expenses reimbursed	<u>549</u>	<u>1,268</u>
	<u>549</u>	<u>1,268</u>

All expenses reimbursed were for the purchase of fixed assets or renewable items used directly in or by the Church.

6 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Costs of generating voluntary receipts includes the following monetary support payments to relatives of the trustees.

	2022	2021
	£	£
G Townley	2,635	5,220
M Fawcett	<u>2,400</u>	<u>2,400</u>
	<u>5,035</u>	<u>7,620</u>

G Townley is the brother of JE Townley and was also appointed as an Elder on 27 September 2022. M Fawcett is the grandson of TW Fawcett.

THE BETHEL INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH, CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE

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THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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Objectives and activities

The charity has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The principal objectives are:

- the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Clapham, North Yorkshire and the surrounding area
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Achievements and performance

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 32 members. The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- fellowship meetings and Bible Studies every other Tuesday
- monthly coffee meetings during the winter on Thursdays
- monthly fellowship meetings on a Thursday
- monthly senior citizens meetings on a Thursday
- mums and tots facilities every Friday (except school holidays)
- 5-11 year olds "Kmotion" group every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)
- 12-16 year olds "Encounter" group every 2 weeks (except school holidays)

These are all held in the church hall and are a benefit to the community as a whole. Unfortunately due to Covid-19, the above had not taken place as a result of lockdowns and restrictions, but resumed again once restrictions eased in late Summer 2021.

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Despite Covid-19 restrictions the charity has however been able to do the following:

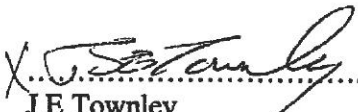
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- a free Christmas afternoon lunch for retired people from the local community at the Chapel in December 2021
- weekly zoom prayer meetings
- activity packs sent via mail to the children from K Motion (aged 4-11) and Encounter (aged 12+) several times during the year until we were able to meet face to face again from September 2021
- free Christian books and literature left outside Bethel Chapel for anyone to take
- a monthly collection of food, which was donated to Skipton Foodbank
- Sportsreach soccer & netball school for children aged 7-14 in August 2021
- Swimming at Ingleton Pool for Kmotion and Encounter children aged 5-16

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £29,905 and the net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £6,687.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December 2021 on unrestricted funds totalled £20,925.

The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.

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J E Townley

... 7.12.23
Date

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BETHEL
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Address: Bennett Kirkhope Smith
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks
Hey Road,
Barrow, Clitheroe
Lancashire, BB7 9WB

Date:

8/6/2021

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary receipts	1	28,757	-	28,757	28,487
Other receipts	2	1,148	-	1,148	460
		<u>29,905</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,905</u>	<u>28,947</u>
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>29,905</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,905</u>	<u>28,947</u>
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	35,524	-	35,524	27,372
		<u>35,524</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,524</u>	<u>27,372</u>
Purchase of fixed assets		1,068	-	1,068	1,253
Total payments		<u>36,592</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,592</u>	<u>28,625</u>
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		<u>(6,687)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,687)</u>	<u>322</u>
Bank account as at 1 January 2021		<u>27,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,612</u>	<u>27,290</u>
Bank account as at 31 December 2021		<u>20,925</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,925</u>	<u>27,612</u>

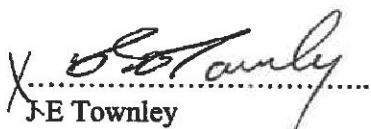
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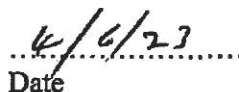
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	20,925	-	20,925	27,612
		20,925	-	20,925	27,612
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		3,476	-	3,476	3,233
Prepayments		430	-	430	356
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(1,518)	-	(1,518)	(1,272)
		23,313	-	23,313	29,929

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC

X 
J.E Townley


Date

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2021	2020
	£	£
Covenant gifts	16,880	15,280
Freewill offerings	35	153
Donations	4,220	4,344
Tax Refund	4,578	5,389
Gift Aid small donations scheme	2,319	2,594
Stewardship	725	727
	<u>28,757</u>	<u>28,487</u>
2 OTHER RECEIPTS	2021	2020
	£	£
House rent, rates, water and power	1,146	442
Bank interest	2	18
	<u>1,148</u>	<u>460</u>
3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2021	2020
	£	£
Travel expenses	2,850	1,560
Events	538	481
Missionaries rent	400	-
Water Rates	107	(62)
Donations and gifts	26,236	20,470
Books and bibles	431	309
Fuel and light	2,152	1,528
Repairs and renewals	295	472
Church insurance	643	627
Sundry expenses	684	667
Accountancy fees	1,188	1,320
	<u>35,524</u>	<u>27,372</u>
4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2021	2020
	£	£
Current account	2,578	3,417
Deposit account	18,117	24,115
Cash in hand	230	80
	<u>20,925</u>	<u>27,612</u>

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & EXPENSES	2021	2020
	£	£
G Coates - Expenses reimbursed	<u>1,268</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,268</u>	<u>-</u>

All expenses reimbursed were for the purchase of fixed assets or renewable items used directly in or by the Church.

6 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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	2021	2020
	£	£
G Townley	5,220	5,190
M Fawcett	<u>2,400</u>	<u>800</u>
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G Townley is the brother of JE Townley. M Fawcett is the grandson of TW Fawcett.

THE BETHEL INDEPENDENT AND EVANGELICAL CHURCH, CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1152630

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CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

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TRUSTEES REPORT

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Achievements and performance

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 30 members. The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- fellowship meetings and Bible Studies every Tuesday
- monthly coffee meetings during the winter on Thursdays
- monthly fellowship meetings on a Thursday
- monthly senior citizens meetings on a Thursday
- mums and tots facilities every Friday (except school holidays)
- 6-9 year olds playgroup every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)
- 10+ children's "Encounter,, group every 2 weeks
- a Knit & Knatter group to use the Chapel every other Monday afternoon

These are all held in the church hall and are a benefit to the community as a whole. Unfortunately due to Covid-19, the above ran from January 2020 until the March 2020 lockdown and have not taken place since then.

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

From March 2020 the charity has however been able to do the following:

- a free Christmas afternoon tea for retired people from the local community delivered to their home
- a virtual coffee morning which raised £185
- weekly zoom prayer meetings
- activity packs sent via mail to the children from K Motion (aged 4-9) and Encounter (aged 10+) several times during the year as we were not able to meet face to face
- a treasure hunt for families to complete by themselves sent via post
- free Christian books and literature left outside Bethel Chapel for anyone to take
- a monthly collection of food, which was donated to Skipton Foodbank
- a free summer afternoon tea delivered Covid securely to senior citizens homes

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £28,947 and the net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £322.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31st December 2020 on unrestricted funds totalled £27,612. The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.

.....
J E Townley

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Date

..... 7/12/21

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BETHEL
EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and 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 accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
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Hey Road,
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Date:

8/12/21

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary receipts	1	28,487	-	28,487	36,270
Other receipts	2	460	-	460	888
		<u>28,947</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,947</u>	<u>37,158</u>
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		<u>28,947</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,947</u>	<u>37,158</u>
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	27,372	-	27,372	39,648
		<u>27,372</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,372</u>	<u>39,648</u>
Purchase of fixed assets		1,253	-	1,253	549
Total payments		<u>28,625</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,625</u>	<u>40,197</u>
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		<u>322</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>322</u>	<u>(3,039)</u>
Bank account as at 1 January 2020		<u>27,290</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,290</u>	<u>30,329</u>
Bank account as at 31 December 2020		<u>27,612</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,612</u>	<u>27,290</u>

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
MONETARY ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	27,612	-	27,612	27,290
		27,612	-	27,612	27,290
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		3,233	-	3,233	4,148
Prepayments		356	-	356	13
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(1,272)	-	(1,272)	(1,846)
		29,929	-	29,929	29,605

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC

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J E Townley

..... 7/12/21
Date

THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH, CLAPHAM,
NORTH YORKSHIRE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2020	2019
	£	£
Covenant gifts	15,280	14,870
Freewill offerings	153	486
Donations	4,344	6,273
Tax Refund	5,389	5,321
Gift Aid small donations scheme	2,594	7,643
Stewardship	727	1,677
	<u>28,487</u>	<u>36,270</u>
2 OTHER RECEIPTS	2020	2019
	£	£
House rent, rates, water and power	442	839
Bank interest	18	49
	<u>460</u>	<u>888</u>
3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS	2020	2019
	£	£
Travel expenses	1,560	4,160
Events	481	383
Water rates	(62)	153
Donations and gifts	20,470	27,291
Books and bibles	309	645
Fuel and light	1,528	2,372
Repairs and renewals	472	272
Church insurance	627	602
Sundry expenses	667	590
Accountancy fees	1,320	3,180
	<u>27,372</u>	<u>39,648</u>
4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2020	2019
	£	£
Current account	3,417	2,991
Deposit account	24,115	24,097
Cash in hand	80	202
	<u>27,612</u>	<u>27,290</u>