

**THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH,
CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2022

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INFORMATION PAGE

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

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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Structure, governance and management

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a church constitution dated 24 June 2013 and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The method of appointment of the charity members is set out in the Church Rules. At The Bethel Evangelical and Independent 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 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.

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TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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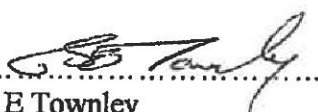
Other events that have been made available during the year are:

- 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

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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

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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
		44,870	-	44,870	29,905
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total receipts		44,870	-	44,870	29,905
PAYMENTS					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	41,346	-	41,346	35,524
		41,346	-	41,346	35,524
Purchase of fixed assets		6,839	-	6,839	1,068
Total payments		48,185	-	48,185	36,592
Excess Receipts over Payments/ (Payments over Receipts)		(3,315)	-	(3,315)	(6,687)
Bank account as at 1 January 2022		20,925	-	20,925	27,612
Bank account as at 31 December 2022		17,610	-	17,610	20,925

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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
		17,610	-	17,610	20,925
OTHER ASSETS					
Tax refunds		4,844	-	4,844	3,476
Prepayments		165	-	165	430
LIABILITIES					
Accruals		(2,841)	-	(2,841)	(1,518)
		19,778	-	19,778	23,313

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 
JE Townley


Date

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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>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

5 TRUSTEE REMUNERATION & EXPENSES	2022	2021
	£	£
G Coates - Expenses reimbursed	549	1,268
	<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	2,400	2,400
	<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.