

**SHEKINAH PRAISE MISSION  
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup>AUGUST 2020**

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## **Legal and administrative information**

The name of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) is: Shekinah Praise Mission

Principal office of Shekinah Praise Mission is: 98 Forest Road, Lower Edmonton, London N9 8RX

## **Registered charity number: 1153313**

### **Trustees**

The trustees of the CIO who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

☐ Mrs Elizabeth Mitchell

☐ Ms Monica Anderson

☐ Mr Andrew Simmons

☐ Mrs Anoria Simmons

☐ Mr Everett Francis

If Shekinah Praise Mission is wound up, each member of Shekinah Praise Mission is liable to contribute to the assets of Shekinah Praise Mission such amount (but not more than £1.00) as may be required for payment of the debts and liabilities of Shekinah Praise Mission contracted before that person or organisation ceases to be a member, for payment of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for adjustment of the rights of the contributing members among themselves.

**Bankers:**        **Lloyds Bank**  
                     **P.O Box 1000**  
                     **Andover**  
                     **BX1 1LT**

**CAF Bank Ltd.**  
**25 Kings Hill Avenue**  
**Kings Hill**  
**West Malling**  
**Kent ME19 4JQ**

**Accountants:** **Morris Accounting Services**  
                     **41 Waterlow Road**  
                     **Bedfordshire**  
                     **LU6 1LX**

## **Trustees' Report**

The objectives of Shekinah Mission are:

- 1) Discovering the will of God in our lives: His purposes for us as individuals and the body of Christ as a whole
- 2) Working co-operatively to fulfil the church's mission
- 3) Building relationships with other churches

## **Report on activities in the year under review**

In our reflection over the last year we give thanks to God for all his faithfulness and provision. Many thanks to the members of the church and the community for their contribution to the life of Shekinah Praise Mission. The past year has been one of consolidation rather than one of major growth, but none the less there is much for which the church needs to be grateful for.

The church has been engaged in the following activities:

1. Prayer & Fasting (community, country, & continent)
2. Mother's Day Service
3. Father's Day Service
4. Prayer Breakfast in collaboration with other churches
5. Community Outreach through our community development initiatives
6. Bible Studies & Prayer Meetings
7. Mission support to projects in other countries

Many of the activities listed above will be reported on later in the report. A major positive of the year under review is the growth of our Prayer and Fasting Ministry. This ministry is built on prayers of saints – churches, prayer groups and individuals who support us through their Ministry of Intercession. We are looking for many more prayer partners to carry the vision across the globe. Other notable achievements include the innovations in our Sunday worship service, growth in our Children Church Ministry, the creation of our own Bible Study group, the generosity of the members of the church that have enabled all the monthly bills to be paid as well as enabling us to save towards securing our own building in the future, and increased giving to Missions at home and abroad.

It is also important to acknowledge the year has included a number of challenges along the way. Some of our brethren were unwell, however, with support from the church, friends, and family they were restored and assisted us in achieving our goal of expanding the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Mr. Andrew Simmons resigned from his role on the trustee board on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July 2020 after serving with us for over 5 years. We officially acknowledged his contribution to the progress and development made to our charity.

## **RETREAT REPORT**

Our annual retreat for August 2020 was cancelled because of Covid-19. We were working in collaboration with 3 other local churches and several working party meetings. The decision to cancel the event was made following the March 2020 lockdown.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

The church has taken part in various Community Development Out-reach activities throughout 2019- 2020.

During the first lockdown, in March 2020, we moved all our face-to-face groups to phone and online support, using WhatsApp for messaging and Zoom for our groups and one-to-one when required. It was our intention to resume our face-to face and drop-in services as the demand for our projects and services had significantly increased in the local community where we are located however we observed the government guidelines and as such we remained on zoom up until the end of the financial year.

Some of the initiatives we carried out via zoom were as follows:

### **1. Weekly Wednesday Prayer & Fasting Meetings**

In March 2020 following lockdown, we started our weekly Wednesday prayer and fasting meetings in collaboration with other churches via zoom. It was very successful, and we facilitated up to 50 attendees across the months to August 2020 when we stopped.

### **2. Youth Meetings**

We also hosted our weekly Friday night Youth meetings via zoom. It was very successful, and we had many contributions from other church and community members supporting the meetings.

### **Provision of monetary support to Madagascar**

Shekinah Praise Mission is providing monetary support to Apostle Gerard Church in Madagascar. Monies were spent to purchase a set of chairs for seating the growing congregation.

### **Evangelism**

Our mission at Shekinah Praise is to meet the needs of our local community. Each week on a Wednesday we meet at Tottenham High Road, at the corner of White Hart Lane N17 at 6:45pm where we take time to engage with members of the public to see how best we can serve our community.

During these evangelism sessions we distribute biblical tracts/leaflets, meet the needs of the homeless and destitute by providing beverages, meals and money when needed and also provide relevant advice to seekers. Information about our church and what we do are also shared with community residents.

We are cognizant that in the London Borough of Haringey many people are facing homelessness, unemployment and loneliness. As a church we feel it necessary to reach vulnerable people to offer them hope and a listening ear. We also like to pray with those who require prayer.

There is so much happening in the society, and as a Church we recognise that people need hope and support to cope with the everyday life. The aim of our evangelism is not only to share the Gospel, but to see what programmes we can develop to provide the required help for our community.

One of the highlights of our evangelism ministry is the installation of one of our homeless friend into membership of the church. He now attends church regularly and building relationships with members of the church.

Another aspect of the Evangelism ministry is our quarterly prayer walk along the streets in Tottenham against knife and gun crimes among our youths. We are looking at what more initiatives the church can engage in to support our communities in Haringey.

### **MOVING FORWARD**

The focus for the future of Shekinah Praise Mission should be on building the capacity of the membership of the church to fulfil its mission as a Christian charitable institution and to effectively deliver programmes to enhance the wellbeing of members and the wider community. To move forward, the implementation of the following is necessary for the effective functioning of and expansion of the church:

- 1) Need for further clarification on the roles of officers and members of the church and devising of effective capacity development programmes to enhance these roles.
- 2) Development of committees/sub-committees with defined roles and responsibilities in light of overall management and co-ordination of the church.
- 3) Organisation of members meetings on a bi-monthly basis
- 4) Building the capacity of the members of the church to contribute to the overall management of the church.
- 5) Development of a members' skills database as a strategy for accessing the talent of individual for use for the good of the church and community
- 6) Educate members of the church on the roles and obligations of the Charity Commission in particular and the wider community in general.
- 7) Development of the church strategic, management and marketing plans of the church.
- 8) The implementation of regular monitoring and evaluation of the activities of the church to ensure their effectiveness and relevance.

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Shekinah Praise Mission**

I report on the accounts of the Shekinah Praise Mission for the year ended 31 August 2019 which are set out on pages 9 to 10.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. The accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. That the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or

4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and I have no concerns in respect of any of the matters (1) and (4) listed above and in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

Dalton Morris

Morris Accounting Services  
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31st January 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  No (if any)

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
TITHES & OFFERING	15,810	-	-	15,810	33,722
BUILDING FUNDS & DONATIONS	-	-	-	-	1,721
GIF AID	6,185	-	-	6,185	4,155
ANSVAR INSURANCE CLAIM	-	-	-	-	1,125
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>21,995</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,995</b>	<b>40,723</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>21,995</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,995</b>	<b>40,723</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
CONFERENCE COSTS	17,995	-	-	17,995	-
HIRED COSTS	2,927	-	-	2,927	5,709
MINISTER'S STIPEND	4,900	-	-	4,900	4,600
CHURCH SERVICE / MUSIC COSTS	2,380	-	-	2,380	5,005
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	450	-	-	450	746
PRINTING, POSTING & STATIONERY	-	-	-	-	302
MEMBERS WELFARE & GIFTS	422	-	-	422	391
DONATIONS	-	-	-	-	370
TRAVEL EXPENSES	227	-	-	227	68
INSURANCE	256	-	-	256	258
SUNDRY EXPENSES	85	-	-	85	331
BANKCHARGES	60	-	-	60	60
FUNDAY	-	-	-	-	522
CATERING	-	-	-	-	88
TRANSPORT & RETREAT	900	-	-	900	1,546
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>30,602</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,602</b>	<b>19,996</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>30,602</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,602</b>	<b>19,996</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 8,607</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 8,607</b>	<b>20,727</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>45,535</b>	<b>12,962</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,497</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>36,928</b>	<b>12,962</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,890</b>	<b>20,727</b>



## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	CASH CAF ACCOUNT	- 5	-	-
	CAF ACCOUNT	30,354	12,962	-
	LLOYDS ACCOUNT	5,932	-	-
	CASH IN HAND	647		
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>36,928</b>	<b>12,962</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		UNRESTRICTED	3,327	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	professional fees		450	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		ELIZABETH MITCHELL		
		MONICA ANDERSON		