

**SHEKINAH PRAISE MISSION
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31stAUGUST 2024**

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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

☐ Mr Everett Francis

☐ Jacqu Powell

☐ Helen Lyons

☐ Nadine Thomas

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.

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 P.O Box 1000
 Andover
 BX1 1LT

Accountants: **Morris Accounting Services**
 41 Waterlow Road
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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. Community Outreach through our community development initiatives
5. Bible Studies & Prayer Meetings
6. 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.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

The church has taken part in various Community Development Out-reach activities throughout 2023- 2024.

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.

Some initiatives still carried out via zoom were as follows:

1. Weekly Wednesday Prayer & Fasting Meetings

Since the lockdown, we started our weekly Wednesday prayer and fasting meetings in collaboration with other churches via zoom, which has proven successful, and we continued such practice as we facilitated up to 50 attendees across each months.

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 Saturday 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 few homeless friends attending prayer meetings hoping to build new relationship.

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 2022 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
41 Waterlow Road
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
SHEKINAH PRAISE MISSION

No (if any)
1153313

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/09/2023	To	Period end date 31/08/2024
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
TITHES & OFFERING	4,811	-	-	4,811	7,400
BUILDING FUNDS & DONATIONS		-	-	-	-
GIF AID		-	-	-	-
ANSVAR INSURANCE CLAIM	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,811	-	-	4,811	7,400
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,811	-	-	4,811	7,400
A3 Payments					
CONFERENCE COST	-	-	-	-	-
HIRE COST	1,450			1,450	1,250
MUSIC	1,100	-	-	1,100	-
CONSUMABLES	799	-	-	799	383
POSTAGE				-	24
BUILDING REPAIRS				-	1,000
MEMBERS WELFARE	600	-	-	600	200
MADAGASTER MISSION				-	654
EQUIPMENTS	820	-	-	820	-
WESTERN UNION	1,666	-	-	1,666	1,008
JAMAICA MISSION	1,500			1,500	
SOUP KITCHEN	1,086	-	-	1,086	-
TRANSPORT	47	-	-	47	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	9,068	-	-	9,068	4,519
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	9,068	-	-	9,068	4,519
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,257	-	-	- 4,257	2,881
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	57,835	12,962	-	70,797	-
Cash funds this year end	53,578	12,962	-	66,540	2,881

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 £
B1 Cash funds		44,060	12,962	-
		9,519	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	53,579	12,962	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			5,233	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		ELIZABETH MITCHELL	26/06/2025	