

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY

England & Wales · Charity number 1154174

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08696063
Registered	2013-10-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS ARE, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH IN SOUTH EAST LONDON AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

Activities: We are an independent evangelical church in South East London. Our aim is that Grace Church Brockley would be a place where you make friends so that together we can learn more about Jesus; whatever your current stage of Christian understanding and commitment. We especially welcome anyone wanting to find out more about the claims of Christianity.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lewisham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£151,379	£168,915	-	-
2024-08-31	£157,720	£172,219	-	-
2023-08-31	£153,559	£145,751	-	-
2022-08-31	£190,818	£137,177	-	-
2021-08-31	£155,612	£125,274	-	-
2020-08-31	£115,791	£127,326	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SIMON ABRAMS	Chair	2013-09-20
Christopher Allen		2025-05-07
James Eaton		2025-01-12
Laurence Fu-Ta Lee-Tsang-Tan		2024-05-03
Robert Honeysett		2017-05-02

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Accounts



Grace Church Brockley
(A company limited by guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 August 2025

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Financial Statements for the period ending 31 August 2025

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Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	Grace Church Brockley
Charity registration number:	1154174
Company registration number:	8696063
Registered Office	8 Bankhurst Road London SE6 4XN

Directors of the Company and Trustees for the purpose of Charity Law

Mr S Abrams	Elder & Chair	
Mr R Honeysett	Elder	
Mr K Sarpong	Treasurer	Resigned May 2025
Mr L Lee-Tsang-Tan		
Mr J Eaton		Appointed January 2025
Mr C Allen	Treasurer	Appointed May 2025

In addition to the above, all of whom were members of the Church Council, the following were members of the Church Council but not Directors or Trustees:

Mrs M Lee	Deacon	
Mr A Widgery	Deacon	Resigned August 2024
Mrs R Khan	Deacon	

Independent Examiner

Nick Spear ACCA, Stewardship, 1 Lamb's passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Bankers

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

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2025

An introduction to Grace Church Brockley

Grace Church Brockley is an independent evangelical church which meets in different locations around the Brockley area of South London. The members of the church include people of all ages, races and backgrounds. What unites us is a commitment to know Jesus and to make Him known to others. Visitors are always welcome, particularly those investigating the claims of Jesus, or looking for a church family to make their own.

What sort of church are we?

We are Christian – that is we follow the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that although in the past God has spoken through the Old Testament prophets and writers, the supreme revelation of God is through His son Jesus (Hebrews 1 v2). Jesus alone provides salvation from the guilt, penalty, power and presence of sin through His perfect life and His death on the cross, where He took the punishment that we deserve. We believe that there is no other way to escape God's judgement on human sin than to trust in Jesus.

We are evangelical – that is we believe that the Bible is breathed out by God, and is true, infallible and trustworthy. The Bible is a plain book with a straightforward message of salvation through Jesus Christ, and we believe that Christians must submit to its supreme authority.

These are mainstream orthodox Christian doctrines, which the vast majority of Christians throughout the world have believed for centuries.

Our mission statement

Our mission statement is “Partnering together to know Jesus and to make Him known”.

To advance our mission statement we seek to build up the members of the church in their Christian faith, and to reach out to others in the community and elsewhere with the truths about Jesus.

To build up the members of the church, we encourage church members to meet together regularly, for mutual encouragement and teaching and also for accountability, so that we can encourage each other to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. To reach out to the community we run community outreach projects, so that we can serve and get to know others in the community. We also run a number of guest events. A few times a year we also make home visits around Brockley, to invite people to the church meetings.

Our Core Activities

The principal activities of Grace Church Brockley are:

- Church meetings every Sunday. We meet together on Sunday afternoons to sing, to pray, and to hear the Bible explained by our preachers. We believe that the most effective way of teaching the Bible at our church meetings is by expository preaching – where the preacher explains the meaning of a passage of the Bible in its original context, and considers how that applies to us today in South East London.
- Monthly prayer meetings. Once a month, the church family meets together mid-week to pray together for the work of the church and for Christians around the world.
- “Fellowship Groups”. We have a number of Fellowship Groups, each with around 6-10 members, which meet mid-week. Each group studies a passage of the Bible together,

and also prays together. The Fellowship Groups are important for practicing mutual accountability and offering pastoral support to those within the church. The relatively small size of the groups means that it is possible for group members to get to know each other well, and support each other in their Christian faith and with their lives generally. There is a specific Fellowship Group for local students who also enjoy a meal together.

- “Chatterbox” – a group designed for parents/carers and pre-school children. We offer activities and snacks for the children and refreshments and chat for the parents/carers. A key part of these meetings is the Bible talk, where an aspect of the Christian faith is explained.
- Baptismal services. From time to time, we incorporate baptism into our regular Sunday church meetings, where members of the congregation publicly demonstrate their commitment to the Christian faith.
- We are delighted to have been able to plant a new church in the Catford area, New Life Church Catford (NLCC). A number of individuals from our congregation joined NLCC which started to meet informally from April 2018 and officially launched in September 2018. We continue to support NLCC in prayer and in other ways where possible.
- Partnership with Christians around the world. We have a number of “mission partners” around the world, which we support financially and also with mutual prayer.

In planning all of these activities, the Directors have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Mission Partnerships

The company continued in gospel partnership with the following main mission partners throughout the year:

- A couple who work with Josiah Venture to help churches throughout Central and Eastern Europe reach out to unchurched youth through a network of evangelistic rock/gospel choirs and performing arts groups;
- An evangelical church in Novi Sad, Serbia, known as Grace Church Novi Sad. The Company supports the church through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- A couple supported for medical Christian work in Central Asia. The company supports this couple through Reach Across UK.
- A couple training for ministry work in Kampala, Uganda, currently studying at Oak hill. The company supports this couple through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org)
- A couple seeking to share the gospel in Ukraine. The company supports this couple through Every Nation London.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18 September 2013 and registered as a charity as from 11 October 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each.

The charity's objects, as stated in the governing document, are: for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in South East London and in such other part of the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

Recruitment and appointment of the Church Council, Directors of the company and Trustees for the purposes of charity law

Under the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, appointments of new members of the Church Council or re-appointments of existing members of the Church Council shall be by election at the Annual General Meeting, with the approval of the Church Council and for a fixed period of three years.

The Directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The appointment or re-appointment of any Director shall be by the Church Council.

Financial review

The company is dependent for funding on donations solely from members of the company and other individual donors. In the year to 31 August 2025, the company recorded a deficit of £17,536 (2024 a deficit of £14,500). At the year-end the company's net assets were £97,477, which included cash of £72,068.

Reserves

The company does not currently own any building or other significant fixed assets nor is it contemplating any longer term financial projects that would require the establishment of substantial reserves. Consequently, the Directors consider that whilst this remains the case a prudent reserve of around 3-6 months of annual expenditure should be maintained, which equates to around £30,000-£60,000. At the end of the period, the unrestricted fund reserves of the company stood at £97,297 (2024: £114,832) and the Directors are considering how best to use some of these reserves.

Responsibilities of Directors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for the financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Directors are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Stewardship Services were re-appointed as accountants to the company and an employee nominated by Stewardship acts as the company's Independent Examiner.

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the directors on date: Apr 7, 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Chris Allen

Chris Allen (Apr 7, 2026 20:37:05 GMT+1)

Christopher Allen (Director)

Company Number: 8696063, Charity Number: 1154174

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Grace Church Brockley ("the Company")

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2025 on pages 8 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

Nick Spear

Nick Spear (Apr 13, 2026 14:15:07 GMT+1)

Nick Spear ACCA
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London, EC1Y 8AB

Date: Apr 13, 2026

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
INCOME FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	148,113	150	148,263	154,249
Charitable activities		2,940	-	2,940	3,255
Investments: bank interest		176	-	176	215
Total income and endowments		<u>151,229</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>151,379</u>	<u>157,720</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3	168,765	150	168,915	172,219
Total expenditure		<u>168,765</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>168,915</u>	<u>172,219</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>(17,536)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,536)</u>	<u>(14,500)</u>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>(17,536)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,536)</u>	<u>(14,500)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		114,832	180	115,012	129,511
Total funds carried forward		<u>97,297</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>97,477</u>	<u>115,012</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	35,905	-	35,905	42,397
Cash at bank	7	71,888	180	72,068	80,074
		107,793	180	107,973	122,472
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	10,496	-	10,496	7,460
Net Current Assets		97,297	180	97,477	115,012
NET ASSETS		97,297	180	97,477	115,012
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds		97,297	-	97,297	114,832
Restricted Funds	9	-	180	180	180
		97,297	180	97,477	115,012

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Chris Allen

Chris Allen (Apr 7, 2026 20:37:05 GMT+1)

Christopher Allen

Apr 7, 2026

Date

Company number: 8696063

Charity number: 1154174

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

1 Accounting Policies

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ('the Charities SORP')", with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from conferences, retreats and other events and courses.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Computer software & hardware	Over 2 years
Fixtures and fittings	Over 5 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

1 Accounting Policies continued

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
General donations	122,405	-	122,405	128,919
Acts 435	-	150	150	90
Gift aid receivable	25,709	-	25,709	25,240
	<u>148,113</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>148,263</u>	<u>154,249</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
a Direct Charitable Costs				
Clergy staff costs	58,955	-	58,955	69,709
Staff accommodation costs	47,298	-	47,298	39,250
Venue related costs	21,288	-	21,288	22,676
CAP expenses including related staff costs	11,072	-	11,072	11,067
Acts 435	-	150	150	-
Other ministry costs	12,688	-	12,688	9,593
Grants payable	12,858	-	12,858	15,414
	<u>164,159</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>164,309</u>	<u>167,710</u>

Note 3c

b Support & Administration

Governance costs - independent examiner's fee	2,280	-	2,280	1,860
Professional fees	1,506	-	1,506	1,877
Insurance	820	-	820	773
	<u>4,606</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,606</u>	<u>4,510</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>168,765</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>168,915</u>	<u>172,219</u>
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c Grants

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2025 £	2024 £
Missionary support in Czech Republic (via Josiah Ventures)	2,000	-	2,000	5,938
Missionary support in Central Asia (ReachAcrossUK)	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Missionary support in Serbia (via Crosslinks)	3,250	-	3,250	2,000
Missionary support in Uganda (via Crosslinks)	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Missionary support in Ukraine (Every Nation London)	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
FIEC	1,608	-	1,608	1,476
	<u>12,858</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,858</u>	<u>15,414</u>

The grants were predominantly in relation to supporting individuals in training for full-time ministry or individuals working in Christian ministry in the UK and overseas.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

4 Staff & Trustees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gross salaries	50,608	68,813
Employer's National Insurance costs	694	657
Employer's Pension costs	7,652	7,070
Total staff costs	<u>58,955</u>	<u>76,540</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 4 (2024: 4). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the Senior Minister. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £28,865 (2024: £28,865).

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £49,298 (2024: £44,250) in respect of the customary provision of accommodation to the Senior Minister to that they could better perform their duties.

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year. No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer software & hardware £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2024	1,893	2,806	4,698
Additions in year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2025	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 September 2024	1,893	2,806	4,698
Charge for the year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2025	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Net book value			
At 31 August 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1 September 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gift aid receivable	29,234	29,260
Prepayments and other debtors	6,671	13,137
	<u>35,905</u>	<u>42,397</u>

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank operating accounts	71,805	78,517
Other cash amounts	263	1,557
	<u>72,068</u>	<u>80,074</u>

8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals	10,496	7,460
	<u>10,496</u>	<u>7,460</u>

9 Restricted funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2025 £	Incoming resources 2025 £	Outgoing resources 2025 £	Transfers in the year 2025 £	Closing balance 2025 £
ACTS 435	180	150	150	-	180
Total	<u>180</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>180</u>

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

9 Restricted funds continued

Analysis of net assets by fund

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	35,905	-	35,905
Cash at bank and in hand	71,888	180	72,068
Creditors falling due within one year	(10,496)	-	(10,496)
	97,297	180	97,477

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2024 £	Incoming resources 2024 £	Outgoing resources 2024 £	Transfers in the year 2024 £	Closing balance 2024 £
CAP Debt Management	1,346	-	1,346	-	-
ACTS 435	90	90	-	-	180
Ukraine	-	3,938	3,938	-	-
Total	1,436	4,028	5,284	-	180

Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	42,397	-	42,397
Cash at bank and in hand	79,894	180	80,074
Creditors falling due within one year	(7,460)	-	(7,460)
	114,832	180	115,012

The CAP Debt Management Fund was created from donations received to run money management courses for those who are finding it difficult to manage their finances.

The ACTS 435 Fund was created from donations received to help provide assistance for those in need.

The Ukraine Fund was created from donations received to help grant making to ministry that works with those affected by the war in Ukraine.

10 Lease Commitments

The charity has operating leases for accommodation provided to the senior minister. The minimum amount payable in respect of this lease is as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Payments falling due:		
Within one year	42,000	48,000
Between one and five years	-	42,000
	42,000	90,000

During the year the charity paid rent of £44,000 (2024: £39,000) in respect of its operating leases.

11 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- received donations (including related gift aid) totalling £30,631 (2024: £44,670) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity, no expenses (2024: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees.

Except as disclosed in note 4 'Staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

12 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £1.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

		Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
	Note	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
Donations and legacies	2	148,113	150,221	150	4,028	148,263	154,249
Charitable activities		2,940	3,255	-	-	2,940	3,255
Investments: Bank interest		176	215	-	-	176	215
Total income and endowments		<u>151,229</u>	<u>153,692</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>4,028</u>	<u>151,379</u>	<u>157,720</u>
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable activities	3	168,765	166,935	150	5,284	168,915	172,219
Total expenditure		<u>168,765</u>	<u>166,935</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>5,284</u>	<u>168,915</u>	<u>172,219</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(17,536)	(13,244)	-	(1,256)	(17,536)	(14,499)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(17,536)	(13,244)	-	(1,256)	(17,536)	(14,499)
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		114,832	128,075	180	1,436	115,012	129,511
Total funds carried forward		<u>97,297</u>	<u>114,832</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>97,477</u>	<u>115,012</u>

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY

England & Wales - Charity number 1154174

Accounts



Grace Church Brockley
(A company limited by guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 August 2024

Charity number 1154174
Company number 8696063

Grace Church Brockley (A company limited by guarantee)

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 August 2024

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Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	Grace Church Brockley
Charity registration number:	1154174
Company registration number:	8696063
Registered Office	37 Pragnell Road London SE12 0LF

Directors of the Company and Trustees for the purpose of Charity Law

Mr S Abrams	Elder & Chair
Mr R Honeysett	Elder
Mr K Sarpong	Treasurer (& Deacon)
Mr L Lee-Tsang-Tan	Trustee (from May 2024)

In addition to the above, all of whom were members of the Church Council, the following were members of the Church Council but not Directors or Trustees:

Mr T Brown (Senior Minister)	Elder
Mrs M Lee	Deacon
Mr A Widgery	Deacon
Mrs Ruth Mulvenna	Deacon
Ms Ruth Khan	Deacon (from May 2024)

Independent Examiner

Ajay Rajani FCIE, Stewardship, 1 Lamb's passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Bankers

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

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2024

An introduction to Grace Church Brockley

Grace Church Brockley is an independent evangelical church which meets in different locations around the Brockley area of South London. The members of the church include people of all ages, races and backgrounds. What unites us is a commitment to know Jesus and to make Him known to others. Visitors are always welcome, particularly those investigating the claims of Jesus, or looking for a church family to make their own.

What sort of church are we?

We are Christian – that is we follow the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that although in the past God has spoken through the Old Testament prophets and writers, the supreme revelation of God is through His son Jesus (Hebrews 1 v2). Jesus alone provides salvation from the guilt, penalty, power and presence of sin through His perfect life and His death on the cross, where He took the punishment that we deserve. We believe that there is no other way to escape God's judgement on human sin than to trust in Jesus.

We are evangelical – that is we believe that the Bible is breathed out by God, and is true, infallible and trustworthy. The Bible is a plain book with a straightforward message of salvation through Jesus Christ, and we believe that Christians must submit to its supreme authority.

These are mainstream orthodox Christian doctrines, which the vast majority of Christians throughout the world have believed for centuries.

Our mission statement

Our mission statement is “Partnering together to know Jesus and to make Him known”.

To advance our mission statement we seek to build up the members of the church in their Christian faith, and to reach out to others in the community and elsewhere with the truths about Jesus.

To build up the members of the church, we encourage church members to meet together regularly, for mutual encouragement and teaching and also for accountability, so that we can encourage each other to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. To reach out to the community we run community outreach projects, so that we can serve and get to know others in the community. We also run a number of guest events. A few times a year we also make home visits around Brockley, to invite people to the church meetings.

Our Core Activities

The principal activities of Grace Church Brockley are:

- Church meetings every Sunday. We meet together on Sunday afternoons to sing, to pray, and to hear the Bible explained by our preachers. We believe that the most effective way of teaching the Bible at our church meetings is by expository preaching – where the preacher explains the meaning of a passage of the Bible in its original context, and considers how that applies to us today in South East London.
- Monthly prayer meetings. Once a month, the church family meets together mid-week to pray together for the work of the church and for Christians around the world.

- “Fellowship Groups”. We have a number of Fellowship Groups, each with around 6-10 members, which meet mid-week. Each group studies a passage of the Bible together, and also prays together. The Fellowship Groups are important for practicing mutual accountability and offering pastoral support to those within the church. The relatively small size of the groups means that it is possible for group members to get to know each other well, and support each other in their Christian faith and with their lives generally.
- CAP - Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a Christian charity serving people trapped in debt or with other money worries across the UK. It was set up in 1996 by John Kirkby, inspired by his faith in Jesus Christ and his first-hand experience of struggling with debt. CAP work in partnership with local churches, including our church, to run Debt Centres, Job Clubs, Money Management courses and more.
- Youth (Ages 11–17) - We provide a fun, friendly, and safe space for young people to explore faith, ask big questions, and build lasting friendships. In this formative stage of life, we encourage teens to ground themselves in biblical truth and grow in their personal relationship with Jesus. Every second Friday, youth from four local churches gather at Honor Oak Christian Fellowship (HOCF) for an evening of games, laughter, and meaningful conversation. It's a space to explore Christianity, pray together, and support one another.
- “Chatterbox” – a group designed for parents/carers and pre-school children. We offer activities and snacks for the children and refreshments and chat for the parents/carers. A key part of these meetings is the Bible talk, where an aspect of the Christian faith is explained.
- Baptismal services. From time to time, we incorporate baptism into our regular Sunday church meetings, where members of the congregation publicly demonstrate their commitment to the Christian faith.
- Partnership with Christians around the world. We have a number of “mission partners” around the world, which we support financially and also with mutual prayer.

In planning all of these activities, the Directors have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Mission Partnerships

The company continued in gospel partnership with the following main mission partners throughout the year:

- A couple who work with Josiah Venture to help churches throughout Central and Eastern Europe reach out to unchurched youth through a network of evangelistic rock/gospel choirs and performing arts groups;
- An evangelical church in Novi Sad, Serbia, known as Grace Church Novi Sad. The company supports the church through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- A family seeking to share the gospel in Central Asia. The company supports the church through ReachAcrossUK;
- A family seeking to share the gospel in Uganda. The company supports the family through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- An individual seeking to share the gospel in Ukraine. The company supports this individual through Every Nation London.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18 September 2013 and registered as a charity as from 11 October 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each.

The charity's objects, as stated in the governing document, are: for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in South East London and in such other part of the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

Recruitment and appointment of the Church Council, Directors of the company and Trustees for the purposes of charity law

Under the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, appointments of new members of the Church Council or re-appointments of existing members of the Church Council shall be by election at the Annual General Meeting, with the approval of the Church Council and for a fixed period of three years.

The Directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The appointment or re-appointment of any Director shall be by the Church Council.

Financial review

The company is dependent for funding on donations solely from members of the company and other individual donors. In the year to 31 August 2024, the company reported a deficit of £14,500 (2023: a surplus of £7,808). At the year-end the company's net assets were £115,012, which included cash of £80,074.

Reserves

The company does not currently own any building or other significant fixed assets nor is it contemplating any longer term financial projects that would require the establishment of substantial reserves. Consequently, the Directors consider that whilst this remains the case a prudent reserve of around 3-6 months of annual expenditure should be maintained, which equates to around £30,000-£60,000. At the end of the period, the unrestricted fund reserves of the company stood at £114,832 (2023: £128,075) and the Directors are considering how best to use some of these reserves.

Responsibilities of Directors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for the financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Directors are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Stewardship Services were re-appointed as accountants to the company and an employee nominated by Stewardship acts as the company's Independent Examiner.

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the directors on 25 April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

K Sarpong

K Sarpong

Mr K Sarpong (Director)

Company Number: 8696063, Charity Number: 1154174

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Grace Church Brockley ("the Company")

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2024 on pages 8 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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

Ajay Rajani

Ajay Rajani FCIE
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London, EC1Y 8AB

28 April 2025

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	150,221	4,028	154,249	151,182
Charitable activities		3,255	-	3,255	2,194
Investments : bank interest		215	-	215	183
Total income and endowments		153,692	4,028	157,720	153,559
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3	166,935	5,284	172,219	145,751
Total expenditure		166,935	5,284	172,219	145,751
Net income/(expenditure)		(13,244)	(1,256)	(14,500)	7,808
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(13,244)	(1,256)	(14,500)	7,808
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		128,075	1,436	129,511	121,703
Total funds carried forward		114,832	180	115,012	129,511

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	42,397	-	42,397	38,185
Cash at bank	7	79,894	180	80,074	95,725
		122,292	180	122,472	133,911
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	7,460	-	7,460	4,400
Net Current Assets		114,832	180	115,012	129,511
NET ASSETS		114,832	180	115,012	129,511
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	9	114,832	-	114,832	128,075
Restricted Funds		-	180	180	1,436
		114,832	180	115,012	129,511

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

K Sarpong
Kobby Sarpong

25th April 2025
Date

Company number: 8696063 Charity number: 1154174

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

1 Accounting Policies

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP")", with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from conferences, retreats and other events and courses.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Computer software & hardware	Over 2 years
Fixtures and fittings	Over 5 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

1 Accounting Policies continued

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS 102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
General donations	125,769	3,150	128,919	125,226
Acts 435	-	90	90	380
Gift aid receivable	24,452	788	25,240	25,576
	<u>150,221</u>	<u>4,028</u>	<u>154,249</u>	<u>151,182</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
a Direct Charitable Costs				
Clergy staff costs	69,709	-	69,709	63,913
Staff accommodation costs	39,250	-	39,250	34,428
Venue related costs	22,676	-	22,676	19,708
CAP expenses including related staff costs	9,721	1,346	11,067	10,418
Acts 435	-	-	-	290
Other ministry costs	9,593	-	9,593	5,153
Grants payable Note 3c	11,476	3,938	15,414	7,032
	<u>162,426</u>	<u>5,284</u>	<u>167,710</u>	<u>140,942</u>
b Support & Administration				
Governance costs - independent examiner's fee	1,860	-	1,860	2,250
Professional fees	1,877	-	1,877	1,484
Insurance	773	-	773	1,074
	<u>4,510</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,510</u>	<u>4,808</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>166,935</u>	<u>5,284</u>	<u>172,219</u>	<u>145,751</u>
c Grants				
	Institutions £	Individuals £	2024 £	2023 £
Missionary support in Czech Republic (via Josiah Ventures)	2,000	3,938	5,938	1,500
Missionary support in Middle East (via United For Mission)	-	-	-	1,500
Missionary support in Central Asia (ReachAcross UK)	2,000	-	2,000	-
Missionary support in Serbia (via Crosslinks)	2,000	-	2,000	1,500
Missionary support in Uganda (via Crosslinks)	2,000	-	2,000	-
Missionary support in Ukraine (Every Nation London)	2,000	-	2,000	-
Missionary support in Spain (via European Mission Fellowship)	-	-	-	1,500
FIEC	1,476	-	1,476	1,032
	<u>11,476</u>	<u>3,938</u>	<u>15,414</u>	<u>7,032</u>

The grants were predominantly in relation to supporting individuals in training for full-time ministry or individuals working in Christian ministry in the UK and overseas.

4 Staff & Trustees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross salaries	68,813	63,806
Employer's National Insurance costs	657	-
Employer's Pension costs	7,070	6,925
Total staff costs	<u>76,540</u>	<u>70,731</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 4 (2023: 4). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the Senior Minister. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £28,865 (2023: £28,085).

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £44,250 (2023: £34,428) in respect of the customary provision of accommodation to the Senior Minister so that they could better perform their duties.

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year. No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer software & hardware £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2023	1,893	2,806	4,698
Additions in year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2024	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 September 2023	1,893	2,806	4,698
Charge for the year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2024	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Net book value			
At 31 August 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1 September 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift aid receivable	29,260	34,667
Prepayments and other debtors	13,137	3,519
	<u>42,397</u>	<u>38,185</u>

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank operating accounts	78,517	94,165
Other cash amounts	1,557	1,561
	<u>80,074</u>	<u>95,725</u>

8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	7,460	4,400
	<u>7,460</u>	<u>4,400</u>

9 Restricted funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2024	Incoming resources 2024	Outgoing resources 2024	Transfers in the year 2024	Closing balance 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
CAP Debt Management	1,346	-	1,346	-	-
ACTS 435	90	90	-	-	180
Ukraine	-	3,938	3,938	-	-
Total	1,436	4,028	5,284	-	180

9 Restricted funds continued

Analysis of net assets by fund

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds	Restricted funds	2024
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	42,397	-	42,397
Cash at bank and in hand	79,894	180	80,074
Creditors falling due within one year	(7,460)	-	(7,460)
	<u>114,832</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>115,012</u>

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers in the year	Closing balance
	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
CAP Debt Management	11,764	-	10,418	-	1,346
ACTS 435	-	380	290	-	90
Total	<u>11,764</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>10,708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,436</u>

Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds	Restricted funds	2023
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	38,185	-	38,185
Cash at bank and in hand	94,289	1,436	95,725
Creditors falling due within one year	(4,400)	-	(4,400)
	<u>128,075</u>	<u>1,436</u>	<u>129,511</u>

The CAP Debt Management Fund was created from donations received to run money management courses for those who are finding it difficult to manage their finances.

The ACTS 435 Fund was created from donations received to help provide assistance for those in need.

The Ukraine Fund was created from donations received to help grant making to ministry that works with those affected by the war in Ukraine.

10 Lease Commitments

The charity has operating leases for accommodation provided to the senior minister. The minimum amount payable in respect of this lease is as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Payments falling due:		
Within one year	48,000	33,000
Between one and five years	42,000	-
	<u>90,000</u>	<u>33,000</u>

During the year the charity paid rent of £39,000 (2023: £27,000) in respect of its operating leases.

11 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- received donations (including related gift aid) totalling £44,670 (2023: £35,131) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity, no expenses (2023: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees.

Except as disclosed in note 4 'Staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

12 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £1.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

		Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
	Note	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
Donations and legacies	2	150,221	150,802	4,028	380	154,249	151,182
Charitable activities		3,255	2,194	-	-	3,255	2,194
Investments : Bank interest		215	183	-	-	215	183
Total income and endowments		153,692	153,179	4,028	380	157,720	153,559
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable activities	3	166,935	135,043	5,284	10,708	172,219	145,751
Total expenditure		166,935	135,043	5,284	10,708	172,219	145,751
Net income/(expenditure)		(13,244)	18,136	(1,256)	(10,328)	(14,500)	7,808
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(13,244)	18,136	(1,256)	(10,328)	(14,500)	7,808
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		128,075	109,939	1,436	11,764	129,511	121,703
Total funds carried forward		114,832	128,075	180	1,436	115,012	129,511

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY

England & Wales - Charity number 1154174

Accounts



Grace Church Brockley
(A company limited by guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 August 2023

Charity number 1154174
Company number 8696063

Grace Church Brockley (a company limited by guarantee)

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2023

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Grace Church Brockley (a company limited by guarantee)

Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	Grace Church Brockley
Charity registration number:	1154174
Company registration number:	8696063
Registered Office	37 Pragnell Road London SE12 0LF

Directors of the Company and Trustees for the purpose of Charity Law

Mr S Abrams	Elder & Chair
Mr R Honeysett	Elder
Mr R Srinivasan	Elder (resigned 3 May 2023)
Mr K Sarpong	Treasurer

In addition to the above, all of whom were members of the Church Council, the following were members of the Church Council but not Directors or Trustees:

Mrs M Lee	Deacon
Mr K Sarpong	Deacon
Mr A Widgery	Deacon
Mrs Ruth Mulvenna	Deacon

Independent Examiner

Ajay Rajani FCIE, Stewardship, 1 Lamb's passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Bankers

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

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2023

An introduction to Grace Church Brockley

Grace Church Brockley is an independent evangelical church which meets in different locations around the Brockley area of South London. The members of the church include people of all ages, races and backgrounds. What unites us is a commitment to know Jesus and to make Him known to others. Visitors are always welcome, particularly those investigating the claims of Jesus, or looking for a church family to make their own.

What sort of church are we?

We are Christian – that is we follow the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that although in the past God has spoken through the Old Testament prophets and writers, the supreme revelation of God is through His son Jesus (Hebrews 1 v2). Jesus alone provides salvation from the guilt, penalty, power and presence of sin through His perfect life and His death on the cross, where He took the punishment that we deserve. We believe that there is no other way to escape God's judgement on human sin than to trust in Jesus.

We are evangelical – that is we believe that the Bible is breathed out by God, and is true, infallible and trustworthy. The Bible is a plain book with a straightforward message of salvation through Jesus Christ, and we believe that Christians must submit to its supreme authority.

These are mainstream orthodox Christian doctrines, which the vast majority of Christians throughout the world have believed for centuries.

Our mission statement

Our mission statement is “Partnering together to know Jesus and to make Him known”.

To advance our mission statement we seek to build up the members of the church in their Christian faith, and to reach out to others in the community and elsewhere with the truths about Jesus.

To build up the members of the church, we encourage church members to meet together regularly, for mutual encouragement and teaching and also for accountability, so that we can encourage each other to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. To reach out to the community we run community outreach projects, so that we can serve and get to know others in the community. We also run a number of guest events. A few times a year we also make home visits around Brockley, to invite people to the church meetings.

Our Core Activities

In October 2022 we were pleased to welcome our new Senior Minister and it has been tremendously encouraging to see how the church is developing under his leadership.

The principal activities of Grace Church Brockley are:

- Church meetings every Sunday. We meet together on Sunday afternoons to sing, to pray, and to hear the Bible explained by our preachers. We believe that the most effective way of teaching the Bible at our church meetings is by expository preaching – where the preacher explains the meaning of a passage of the Bible in its original context, and considers how that applies to us today in South East London.

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2023

Our Core Activities continued

- Monthly prayer meetings. Once a month, the church family meets together mid-week to pray together for the work of the church and for Christians around the world.
- “Fellowship Groups”. We have a number of Fellowship Groups, each with around 6-10 members, which meet mid-week. Each group studies a passage of the Bible together, and also prays together. The Fellowship Groups are important for practicing mutual accountability and offering pastoral support to those within the church. The relatively small size of the groups means that it is possible for group members to get to know each other well, and support each other in their Christian faith and with their lives generally. There is a specific Fellowship Group for local students who also enjoy a meal together.
- “Chatterbox” – a group designed for parents/carers and pre-school children. We offer activities and snacks for the children and refreshments and chat for the parents/carers. A key part of these meetings is the Bible talk, where an aspect of the Christian faith is explained.
- Baptismal services. From time to time, we incorporate baptism into our regular Sunday church meetings, where members of the congregation publically demonstrate their commitment to the Christian faith.
- We are delighted to have been able to plant a new church in the Catford area, New Life Church Catford (NLCC). A number of individuals from our congregation joined NLCC which started to meet informally from April 2018 and officially launched in September 2018. We continue to support NLCC in prayer and in other ways where possible.
- Partnership with Christians around the world. We have a number of “mission partners” around the world, which we support financially and also with mutual prayer.

In planning all of these activities, the Directors have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Mission Partnerships

The company continued in gospel partnership with the following main mission partners throughout the year:

- A couple who work with Josiah Venture to help churches throughout Central and Eastern Europe reach out to unchurched youth through a network of evangelistic rock/gospel choirs and performing arts groups;
- An evangelical church in Novi Sad, Serbia, known as Grace Church Novi Sad. The company supports the church through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- A family seeking to share the gospel in the Middle East. The company supports the church through United for Mission (www.ufm.org.uk)
- A couple seeking to share the gospel in Spain. The company supports this couple through European Mission fellowship.

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Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2023

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18 September 2013 and registered as a charity as from 11 October 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each.

The charity's objects, as stated in the governing document, are: for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in South East London and in such other part of the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

Recruitment and appointment of the Church Council, Directors of the company and Trustees for the purposes of charity law

Under the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, appointments of new members of the Church Council or re-appointments of existing members of the Church Council shall be by election at the Annual General Meeting, with the approval of the Church Council and for a fixed period of three years.

The Directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The appointment or re-appointment of any Director shall be by the Church Council.

Financial Review

The company is dependent for funding on donations solely from members of the company and other individual donors. In the year to 31 August 2023, the company recorded a surplus of £7,808 (2022 £53,642). At the year-end the company's net assets were £129,511, which included cash of £95,725.

Reserves

The company does not currently own any building or other significant fixed assets nor is it contemplating any longer term financial projects that would require the establishment of substantial reserves. Consequently, the Directors consider that whilst this remains the case a prudent reserve of around 3-6 months of annual expenditure should be maintained, which equates to around £30,000-£60,000. At the end of the period, the unrestricted fund reserves of the company stood at £128,075 (2022: £109,939) and the Directors are considering how best to use some of these reserves.

Responsibilities of Directors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for the financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors should follow best practice and:

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Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2023

Responsibilities of Directors continued

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Directors are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

Stewardship Services were re-appointed as accountants to the company and an employee nominated by Stewardship acts as the company's Independent Examiner.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the directors and signed on their behalf by:

Kobby Sarpong
Kobby Sarpong (Apr 22, 2024 11:09 GMT+1)

K Sarpong

Mr K Sarpong (Director)

Company Number: 8696063, Charity Number: 1154174

Date: Apr 22, 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Grace Church Brockley ("the Company")

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2023 on pages 8 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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


Ajay Rajani (Apr 22, 2024 13:09 GMT+1)

Ajay Rajani FCIE
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London, EC1Y 8AB

Date: Apr 22, 2024

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	150,802	380	151,182	180,322
Charitable activities		2,194	-	2,194	10,495
Investments: bank interest		183	-	183	-
Total income and endowments		<u>153,179</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>153,559</u>	<u>190,817</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3	135,043	10,708	145,751	137,175
Total expenditure		<u>135,043</u>	<u>10,708</u>	<u>145,751</u>	<u>137,175</u>
 Net income/(expenditure)		<u>18,136</u>	<u>(10,328)</u>	<u>7,808</u>	<u>53,642</u>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>18,136</u>	<u>(10,328)</u>	<u>7,808</u>	<u>53,642</u>
 Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		109,939	11,764	121,703	68,061
Total funds carried forward		<u><u>128,075</u></u>	<u><u>1,436</u></u>	<u><u>129,511</u></u>	<u><u>121,703</u></u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	38,185	-	38,185	36,585
Cash at bank	7	94,289	1,436	95,725	87,190
		132,475	1,436	133,911	123,774
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	4,400	-	4,400	2,071
Net Current Assets		128,075	1,436	129,511	121,703
NET ASSETS		128,075	1,436	129,511	121,703
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	9	128,075	-	128,075	109,939
Restricted Funds		-	1,436	1,436	11,764
		128,075	1,436	129,511	121,703

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Kobby Sarpong
Kobby Sarpong (Apr 22, 2024 11:15 GMT+1)

Kobby Sarpong

Apr 22, 2024

Date

Company number: 8696063 Charity number: 1154174

The notes on page 10 to 14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from conferences, retreats and other events and courses.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Computer software & hardware	Over 2 years
Fixtures and fittings	Over 5 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
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1 Accounting Policies continued

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
General donations	125,226	-	125,226	116,621
Donated accommodation for use by Senior Minister	-	-	-	1,360
CAP	-	-	-	16,397
Acts 435	-	380	380	780
Ukraine Appeal	-	-	-	12,515
Tax recoverable	25,576	-	25,576	32,948
	<u>150,802</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>151,182</u>	<u>180,622</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
a Direct Charitable Costs				
Clergy staff costs	63,913	-	63,913	46,811
Staff accommodation costs	34,428	-	34,428	9,277
Venue related costs	19,708	-	19,708	12,875
CAP expenses including related staff costs	-	10,418	10,418	20,496
Acts 435	-	290	290	780
Other ministry costs	5,153	-	5,153	16,586
Depreciation	-	-	-	264
Profit/Loss on sales of asset	-	-	-	317
Grants payable	7,032	-	7,032	18,467
	<u>130,234</u>	<u>10,708</u>	<u>140,942</u>	<u>125,872</u>

b Support & Administration

Governance costs - independent examiner's fee	2,250	-	2,250	1,500
Professional fees	1,484	-	1,484	9,461
Insurance	1,074	-	1,074	342
	<u>4,808</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,808</u>	<u>11,303</u>

Combined charitable activity cost

	<u>135,043</u>	<u>10,708</u>	<u>145,751</u>	<u>137,175</u>
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c Grants

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2023 £	2022 £
Missionary support in Brazil	-	-	-	1,500
Missionary support in Czech Republic (via Josiah Ventures)	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Middle East (via United For Mission)	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Serbia (via Crosslinks)	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Spain (via European Mission Fellowship)	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
FIEC	1,032	-	1,032	967
Ukraine Appeal	-	-	-	10,000
	<u>7,032</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,032</u>	<u>18,467</u>

The grants were predominantly in relation to supporting individuals in training for full-time ministry or individuals working in Christian ministry in the UK and overseas.

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4 Staff & Trustees

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gross salaries	63,806	47,943
Employer's National Insurance costs	-	970
Employer's Pension costs	6,925	7,105
Total staff costs	<u>70,731</u>	<u>56,018</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 4 (2022: 2). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the Senior Minister. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £28,085 (2022: £13,178).

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £34,428 (2022: £9,277) in respect of the customary provision of accommodation to the Senior Minister to that they could better perform their duties.

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year. No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer software & hardware £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2022	1,893	2,806	4,698
Additions in year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2023	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 September 2022	1,893	2,806	4,698
Charge for the year	-	-	-
At 31 August 2023	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>4,698</u>
Net book value			
At 31 August 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1 September 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2023	2022
	£	£
Tax recoverable	34,667	36,148
Prepayments and other debtors	<u>3,519</u>	<u>437</u>
	<u>38,185</u>	<u>36,585</u>

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank operating accounts	94,165	86,414
Other cash amounts	<u>1,561</u>	<u>776</u>
	<u>95,725</u>	<u>87,190</u>

8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	<u>4,400</u>	<u>2,071</u>
	<u>4,400</u>	<u>2,071</u>

9 Restricted funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2023 £	Incoming resources 2023 £	Outgoing resources 2023 £	Transfers in the year 2023 £	Closing balance 2023 £
CAP Debt Management	11,764	-	10,418	-	1,346
ACTS 435	-	380	290	-	90
Total	<u>11,764</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>10,708</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,436</u>

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

9 Restricted funds continued

Analysis of net assets by fund

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	38,185	-	38,185
Cash at bank and in hand	94,289	1,436	95,725
Creditors falling due within one year	(4,400)	-	(4,400)
	128,075	1,436	129,511

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2022 £	Incoming resources 2022 £	Outgoing resources 2022 £	Transfers in the year 2022 £	Closing balance 2022 £
CAP Debt Management	11,764	20,496	20,496	-	11,764
ACTS 435	-	780	780	-	-
Ukraine Appeal	-	15,269	10,000	(5,269)	-
Senior Minister Accommodation	-	1,360	1,360	-	-
Total	11,764	37,905	32,636	(5,269)	11,764

Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	General funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-
Debtors	36,585	-	36,585
Cash at bank and in hand	75,426	11,764	87,190
Creditors falling due within one year	(2,071)	-	(2,071)
	109,939	11,764	121,703

The CAP Debt Management Fund was created from donations received to run money management courses for those who are finding it difficult to manage their finances.

The ACTS 435 Fund was created from donations received to help provide assistance for those in need.

The Ukraine Fund was created for donations received to help those who have been affected by the war in Ukraine. In the previous year the unused funds were transferred to the General Fund with agreement from donors.

The Senior Minister Accommodation fund represents the rent waived by another Christian charity for accommodation used by the Senior Minister in 2022.

10 Lease Commitments

The charity has an operating lease for accommodation provided to the senior minister and during the year the charity paid rent of £27,000 for this lease. The minimum amount payable in respect of this lease is £33,000, all of which falls due within one year.

11 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- received donations (including related gift aid) totalling £35,131 (2022: £54,436) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity, no expenses (2022: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees.

Except as disclosed in note 4 'Staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

12 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £1.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

		Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
	Note	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
Donations and legacies	2	150,802	142,416	380	37,905	151,182	180,322
Charitable activities		2,194	10,495	-	-	2,194	10,495
Investments: Bank interest		183	-	-	-	183	-
Total income and endowments		153,179	152,912	380	37,905	153,559	190,817
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable activities	3	135,043	104,539	10,708	32,636	145,751	137,175
Total expenditure		135,043	104,539	10,708	32,636	145,751	137,175
Net income/(expenditure)		18,136	48,373	(10,328)	5,269	7,808	53,642
Transfers between funds		-	5,269	-	(5,269)	-	-
Net movement in funds		18,136	53,642	(10,328)	-	7,808	53,642
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		109,939	56,297	11,764	11,764	121,703	68,061
Total funds carried forward		128,075	109,939	1,436	11,764	129,511	121,703

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY

England & Wales - Charity number 1154174

Accounts



Grace Church Brockley
(A company limited by guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 August 2022

Charity number 1154174
Company number 8696063

Grace Church Brockley (A company limited by guarantee)

Financial Statements for the period ending 31 August 2022

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Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	Grace Church Brockley
Charity registration number:	1154174
Company registration number:	8696063
Registered Office	37 Pragnell Road London SE12 0LF

Directors of the Company and Trustees for the purpose of Charity Law

Mr S Abrams	Elder & Chair
Mr R Honeysett	Elder
Mr R Srinivasan	Elder
Mr G Burns	Elder (Elected 6 th May 2022)
Mr K Sarpong	Treasurer

In addition to the above, all of whom were members of the Church Council, the following were members of the Church Council but not Directors or Trustees:

Mr R Brown (Senior Minister)	Elder (resigned 31 December 2021)
Mrs M Lee	Deacon
Mr K Sarpong	Deacon
Mr A Widgery	Deacon
Mrs Ruth Mulvenna	Deacon (Elected 6 ^h May 2021)

Independent Examiner

Ajay Rajani FCIE, Stewardship, 1 Lamb's passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Bankers

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

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2022

An introduction to Grace Church Brockley

Grace Church Brockley is an independent evangelical church which meets in different locations around the Brockley area of South London. The members of the church include people of all ages, races and backgrounds. What unites us is a commitment to know Jesus and to make Him known to others. Visitors are always welcome, particularly those investigating the claims of Jesus, or looking for a church family to make their own.

What sort of church are we?

We are Christian – that is we follow the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that although in the past God has spoken through the Old Testament prophets and writers, the supreme revelation of God is through His son Jesus (Hebrews 1 v2). Jesus alone provides salvation from the guilt, penalty, power and presence of sin through His perfect life and His death on the cross, where He took the punishment that we deserve. We believe that there is no other way to escape God's judgement on human sin than to trust in Jesus.

We are evangelical – that is we believe that the Bible is breathed out by God, and is true, infallible and trustworthy. The Bible is a plain book with a straightforward message of salvation through Jesus Christ, and we believe that Christians must submit to its supreme authority.

These are mainstream orthodox Christian doctrines, which the vast majority of Christians throughout the world have believed for centuries.

Our mission statement

Our mission statement is “Partnering together to know Jesus and to make Him known”.

To advance our mission statement we seek to build up the members of the church in their Christian faith, and to reach out to others in the community and elsewhere with the truths about Jesus.

To build up the members of the church, we encourage church members to meet together regularly, for mutual encouragement and teaching and also for accountability, so that we can encourage each other to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. To reach out to the community we run community outreach projects, so that we can serve and get to know others in the community. We also run a number of guest events. A few times a year we also make home visits around Brockley, to invite people to the church meetings.

Our Core Activities

The principal activities of Grace Church Brockley are:

- Church meetings every Sunday. We meet together on Sunday afternoons to sing, to pray, and to hear the Bible explained by our preachers. We believe that the most effective way of teaching the Bible at our church meetings is by expository preaching – where the preacher explains the meaning of a passage of the Bible in its original context, and considers how that applies to us today in South East London.
- Monthly prayer meetings. Once a month, the church family meets together mid-week to pray together for the work of the church and for Christians around the world.
- “Fellowship Groups”. We have a number of Fellowship Groups, each with around 6-10 members, which meet mid-week. Each group studies a passage of the Bible together,

and also prays together. The Fellowship Groups are important for practicing mutual accountability and offering pastoral support to those within the church. The relatively small size of the groups means that it is possible for group members to get to know each other well, and support each other in their Christian faith and with their lives generally. There is a specific Fellowship Group for local students who also enjoy a meal together.

- “Chatterbox” – a group designed for parents/carers and pre-school children. We offer activities and snacks for the children and refreshments and chat for the parents/carers. A key part of these meetings is the Bible talk, where an aspect of the Christian faith is explained.
- Baptismal services. From time to time, we incorporate baptism into our regular Sunday church meetings, where members of the congregation publically demonstrate their commitment to the Christian faith.
- We are delighted to have been able to plant a new church in the Catford area, New Life Church Catford (NLCC). A number of individuals from our congregation joined NLCC which started to meet informally from April 2018 and officially launched in September 2018. We continue to support NLCC in prayer and in other ways where possible.
- Partnership with Christians around the world. We have a number of “mission partners” around the world, which we support financially and also with mutual prayer.

In planning all of these activities, the Directors have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Mission Partnerships

The company continued in gospel partnership with the following main mission partners throughout the year:

- An individual training for full-time ministry in Sao Paolo, Brazil with the intention of sharing the gospel in the local area. The company supports the individual through Latin Link (www.latinlink.org.uk);
- A couple who work with Josiah Venture to help churches throughout Central and Eastern Europe reach out to unchurched youth through a network of evangelistic rock/gospel choirs and performing arts groups;
- An evangelical church in Novi Sad, Serbia, known as Grace Church Novi Sad. The company supports the church through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- A family seeking to share the gospel in the Middle East. The company supports the church through United for Mission (www.ufm.org.uk)
- A family seeking to share the gospel in South Africa. The company supports the church through the Senior Minister’s previous church in Durban, South Africa.

In addition, during the year the company received donations to help Ukrainians affected by the war and these were used to make a grant to a Christian charity working in Czech Republic with Ukrainian refugees.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18 September 2013 and registered as a charity as from 11 October 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each.

The charity's objects, as stated in the governing document, are: for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in South East London and in such other part of the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

Recruitment and appointment of the Church Council, Directors of the company and Trustees for the purposes of charity law

Under the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, appointments of new members of the Church Council or re-appointments of existing members of the Church Council shall be by election at the Annual General Meeting, with the approval of the Church Council and for a fixed period of three years.

The Directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law. The appointment or re-appointment of any Director shall be by the Church Council.

Financial review

The company is dependent for funding on donations solely from members of the company and other individual donors. In the year to 31 August 2022, the company recorded a surplus of £53,642 (2021: £30,338). At the year-end the company's net assets were £121,703, which included cash of £87,190.

Reserves

The company does not currently own any building or other significant fixed assets nor is it contemplating any longer term financial projects that would require the establishment of substantial reserves. Consequently, the Directors consider that whilst this remains the case a prudent reserve of around 3-6 months of annual expenditure should be maintained, which equates to around £30,000-£60,000. At the end of the period, the unrestricted fund reserves of the company stood at £109,939 (2021: £56,297) and the Directors are considering how best to use some of these reserves.

Responsibilities of Directors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for the financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Directors are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Stewardship Services were re-appointed as accountants to the company and an employee nominated by Stewardship acts as the company's Independent Examiner.

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the directors on 1st April 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Sarpong', with a stylized flourish at the end.

K Sarpong

Mr K Sarpong (Director)

Company Number: 8696063, Charity Number: 1154174

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Grace Church Brockley ("the Company")

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2022 on pages 8 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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



Ajay Rajani FCIE
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
London, EC1Y 8AB

3 April 2023

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	142,416	37,905	180,322	155,418
Charitable activities		10,495	-	10,495	194
Total income and endowments		<u>152,912</u>	<u>37,905</u>	<u>190,818</u>	<u>155,612</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3	104,539	32,636	137,177	125,274
Total expenditure		<u>104,539</u>	<u>32,636</u>	<u>137,177</u>	<u>125,274</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>48,373</u>	<u>5,269</u>	<u>53,642</u>	<u>30,338</u>
Transfers between funds		5,269	(5,269)	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>53,642</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>53,642</u>	<u>30,338</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		56,297	11,764	68,061	37,724
Total funds carried forward		<u>109,939</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>121,703</u>	<u>68,061</u>

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

The notes on page 10-14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	-	-	-	582
		-	-	-	582
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	36,585	-	36,585	8,620
Cash at bank	7	75,336	11,854	87,190	68,153
		111,920	11,854	123,774	76,773
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	1,981	90	2,071	9,294
Net Current Assets		109,939	11,764	121,703	67,479
NET ASSETS		109,939	11,764	121,703	68,061
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	9	109,939	-	109,939	56,297
Restricted Funds		-	11,764	11,764	11,764
		109,939	11,764	121,703	68,061

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 1 April 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



Kobby Sarpong

Company number:

8696063

Charity number:

1154174

The notes on page 10-14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

1 Accounting Policies

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from conferences, retreats and other events and courses.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Computer software & hardware	Over 2 years
Fixtures and fittings	Over 5 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

1 Accounting Policies continued

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
General donations	116,621	-	116,621	100,525
Donated accommodation for use by Senior Minister	-	1,360	1,360	3,910
CAP	-	16,397	16,397	22,487
Acts 435	-	780	780	480
Ukraine Appeal	-	12,215	12,215	-
Tax recoverable	25,795	7,153	32,948	28,017
	142,416	37,905	180,321	155,418

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
a Direct Charitable Costs				
Staff salary and directly related costs	46,811	-	46,811	53,235
Staff accommodation costs	7,916	1,360	9,277	27,840
Venue related costs	12,875	-	12,875	10,689
CAP expenses including related staff costs	0	20,496	20,496	16,332
Acts 435	0	780	780	480
Other ministry costs	16,586	-	16,586	6,418
Depreciation	264	-	264	654
Profit/Loss on sales of asset	317	-	317	0
Grants payable Note 3c	8,467	10,000	18,467	8,467
	93,237	32,636	125,872	124,114
b Support & Administration				
Governance costs - independent examiner's fee	1,500	-	1,500	828
Professional fees	9,461	-	9,461	0
Insurance	342	-	342	333
	11,303	-	11,302	1,161
Combined charitable activity cost	104,539	32,636	137,175	125,274
c Grants				
	Institutions £	Individuals £	2022 £	2021 £
Missionary support in Brazil	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Czech Republic	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Middle East	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Serbia	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in South Africa	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
FIEC	967	-	967	967
Ukraine Appeal	10,000	-	10,000	0
	10,967	7,500	18,467	8,467

The grants were predominantly in relation to supporting individuals in training for full-time ministry or individuals working in Christian ministry in the UK and overseas.

4 Staff & Trustees

	2022 £	2021 £
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	47,943	84,371
Employer's National Insurance costs	970	638
Pension costs	7,105	6,304
Total staff costs	56,018	91,313

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 2 (2021: 3). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the Senior Minister. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £13,178 (2021: £33,357).

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £9,276 (2021: £27,840) in respect of the customary provision of accommodation to the Senior Minister to that they could better perform their duties.

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year. No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer software & hardware £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2021	1,893	3,123	5,016
Disposals in year	-	(317)	(317)
At 31 August 2022	1,893	2,806	4,698
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 September 2021	1,893	2,541	4,435
Charge for the year	-	264	264
At 31 August 2022	1,893	2,806	4,698
Net book value			
At 31 August 2022	-	-	-
At 1 September 2021	-	582	582

6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2022 £	2021 £
Tax recoverable	36,148	3,200
Prepayments	436	5,419
	36,585	8,620

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank operating accounts	86,414	67,970
Other cash amounts	776	184
	87,190	68,153

8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals	2,071	2,727
Deferred Income	0	6,567
	2,071	9,294

9 Restricted funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2022 £	Incoming resources 2022 £	Outgoing resources 2022 £	Transfers in the year 2022 £	Closing balance 2022 £
CAP Debt Management	11,764	20,496	20,496	-	11,764
ACTS 435	-	780	780	-	-
Ukraine Appeal	-	15,269	10,000	(5,269)	-
Senior Minister Accommodation	-	1,360	1,360	0	-
Total	11,764	37,905	32,636	(5,269)	11,764

9 Restricted funds continued

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2021 £	Incoming resources 2021 £	Outgoing resources 2021 £	Transfers in the year 2021 £	Closing balance 2021 £
CAP Debt Management	-	28,096	16,332	-	11,764
ACTS 435	-	480	480	-	-
Senior Minister Accommodation	-	3,910	3,910	-	-
Total	-	32,485	20,721	-	11,764

The CAP Debt Management fund was created from donations received to run money management courses for those who are finding it difficult to manage their finances

The Acts 435 fund was created from donations received to help provide assistance to those in need.

The Ukraine Fund was created for donations received to help those who have been affected by the war in Ukraine. With the agreement of donors, the left over money in the fund has been transferred to the general fund.

The Senior Minister Accommodation fund represents the rent waived by another Christian charity (see note 11 'Related Party Transactions') for accommodation used by the Senior Minister.

10 Lease Commitments

During the year the charity paid £7,046 (2021: £21,785) to lease a property occupied by the Senior Minister and his family. The lease was terminated in December 2021 and no further payments were due from that date onwards.

11 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- a) received donations (including related gift aid) totalling £54,436 (2021: £53,101) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- b) except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity, no expenses (2021: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees.

The property occupied by the Senior Minister is jointly owned by the wife of the Senior Minister, the wife of a trustee (Mr Ravi Srinivasan) and by another local Christian charity. With respect to this property, during the year the charity paid rent as follows:

- a) £5,327 (2021: £16,098) to the wife of the Senior Minister
- b) £1,719 (2021: £5,688) to the wife of a trustee

The local charity waived its entitlement to rent and the value of this donation, which is £1,360 (2021: £3,910), has been included in these accounts (see note 2 'Donations and legacies').

Except as disclosed in note 4 'Staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

12 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £1.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

		Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
	Note	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
Donations and legacies	2	142,416	122,933	37,905	32,485	180,322	155,418
Charitable activities		10,495	194	-	-	10,495	194
Total income and endowments		<u>152,912</u>	<u>123,127</u>	<u>37,905</u>	<u>32,485</u>	<u>190,818</u>	<u>155,612</u>
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable activities	3	104,539	104,553	32,636	20,721	137,176	125,274
Total expenditure		<u>104,539</u>	<u>104,553</u>	<u>32,636</u>	<u>20,721</u>	<u>137,176</u>	<u>125,274</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>48,373</u>	<u>18,574</u>	<u>5,269</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>53,642</u>	<u>30,338</u>
Transfers between funds		5,269	0	(5,269)	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		<u>53,642</u>	<u>18,574</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>53,642</u>	<u>30,338</u>
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		56,297	37,724	11,764	0	68,061	37,724
Total funds carried forward		<u>109,939</u>	<u>56,297</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>121,703</u>	<u>68,061</u>

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1154174

Accounts



**Grace Church Brockley
(A company limited by guarantee)**

**Report and Financial Statements
For the year ending 31 August 2021**

**Charity number 1154174
Company number 8696063**

Grace Church Brockley (A company limited by guarantee)

Financial Statements for the period ending 31 August 2021

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Reference and administrative information

Charity name:	Grace Church Brockley
Charity registration number:	1154174
Company registration number:	8696063
Registered Office	63 Mayow Road Forest Hill London SE23 2XH

Directors of the Company and Trustees for the purpose of Charity Law

Mr S Abrams	Elder & Chair
Mr R Honeysett	Elder
Mr R Srinivasan	Elder
Mr K Sarpong	Treasurer

In addition to the above, all of whom were members of the Church Council, the following were members of the Church Council but not Directors or Trustees:

Mr R Brown (Senior Minister)	Elder
Mrs M Lee	Deacon
Mr K Sarpong	Deacon
Mr A Tidball	Deacon
Mr A Widgery	Deacon

Independent Examiner

Ajay Rajani FCIE, Stewardship, 1 Lamb's passage, London EC1Y 8AB

Bankers

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

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Report of the Directors for the year ended 31 August 2021

An introduction to Grace Church Brockley

Grace Church Brockley is an independent evangelical church which meets in different locations around the Brockley area of South London. The members of the church include people of all ages, races and backgrounds. What unites us is a commitment to know Jesus and to make Him known to others. Visitors are always welcome, particularly those investigating the claims of Jesus, or looking for a church family to make their own.

What sort of church are we?

We are Christian – that is we follow the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that although in the past God has spoken through the Old Testament prophets and writers, the supreme revelation of God is through His son Jesus (Hebrews 1 v2). Jesus alone provides salvation from the guilt, penalty, power and presence of sin through His perfect life and His death on the cross, where He took the punishment that we deserve. We believe that there is no other way to escape God's judgement on human sin than to trust in Jesus.

We are evangelical – that is we believe that the Bible is breathed out by God, and is true, infallible and trustworthy. The Bible is a plain book with a straightforward message of salvation through Jesus Christ, and we believe that Christians must submit to its supreme authority.

These are mainstream orthodox Christian doctrines, which the vast majority of Christians throughout the world have believed for centuries.

Our mission statement

Our mission statement is “Partnering together to know Jesus and to make Him known”.

To advance our mission statement we seek to build up the members of the church in their Christian faith, and to reach out to others in the community and elsewhere with the truths about Jesus.

To build up the members of the church, we encourage church members to meet together regularly, for mutual encouragement and teaching and also for accountability, so that we can encourage each other to lead lives which are holy and pleasing to God. To reach out to the community we run community outreach projects, so that we can serve and get to know others in the community. We also run a number of guest events. A few times a year we also make home visits around Brockley, to invite people to the church meetings.

Our Core Activities

The principal activities of Grace Church Brockley are:

- Church meetings every Sunday. We meet together on Sunday afternoons to sing, to pray, and to hear the Bible explained by our preachers. We believe that the most effective way of teaching the Bible at our church meetings is by expository preaching – where the preacher explains the meaning of a passage of the Bible in its original context, and considers how that applies to us today in South East London.
- Monthly prayer meetings. Once a month, the church family meets together mid-week to pray together for the work of the church and for Christians around the world.
- “Fellowship Groups”. We have a number of Fellowship Groups, each with around 6-10 members, which meet mid-week. Each group studies a passage of the Bible together,

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and also prays together. The Fellowship Groups are important for practicing mutual accountability and offering pastoral support to those within the church. The relatively small size of the groups means that it is possible for group members to get to know each other well, and support each other in their Christian faith and with their lives generally. There is a specific Fellowship Group for local students who also enjoy a meal together.

- “Chatterbox” – a group designed for parents/carers and pre-school children. We offer activities and snacks for the children and refreshments and chat for the parents/carers. A key part of these meetings is the Bible talk, where an aspect of the Christian faith is explained.
- A debt centre, run in partnership with the charity “Christians Against Poverty” (CAP). We offer support, in partnership with CAP, to those struggling under the burden of debt. Two people are employed, on a job-share arrangement, to manage this work, and members of the congregation visit those requiring assistance with one of the debt centre managers. We seek intentionally to use these opportunities to communicate to those with whom we have contact the truths of the Christian faith, and to invite them to church events.
- Baptismal services. From time to time, we incorporate baptism into our regular Sunday church meetings, where members of the congregation publically demonstrate their commitment to the Christian faith..
- A number of individuals from our congregation joined NLCC which started to meet informally from April 2018 and officially launched in September 2018. We continue to support NLCC in prayer and in other ways where possible.
- Partnership with Christians around the world. We have a number of “mission partners” around the world, which we support financially and also with mutual prayer.

In planning all of these activities, the Directors have had regard to the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Mission Partnerships

The company continued in gospel partnership with the following main mission partners throughout the year:

- An individual training for full-time ministry in Sao Paolo, Brazil with the intention of sharing the gospel in the local area. The company supports the individual through Latin Link (www.latinlink.org.uk);
- A couple who work with Josiah Venture to help churches throughout Central and Eastern Europe reach out to unchurched youth through a network of evangelistic rock/gospel choirs and performing arts groups;
- An evangelical church in Novi Sad, Serbia, known as Grace Church Novi Sad. The company supports the church through Crosslinks (www.crosslinks.org);
- A family seeking to share the gospel in the Middle East. The company supports the church through United for Mission (www.ufm.org.uk)
- An individual training as an apprentice seeking to share the gospel in South Africa. The company supports the church through the Senior Minister’s previous church in Durban, South Africa.

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Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 18 September 2013 and registered as a charity as from 11 October 2013. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, the members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 each.

The charity's objects, as stated in the governing document, are: for the public benefit, to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith in South East London and in such other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

Recruitment and appointment of the Church Council, Directors of the company and Trustees for the purposes of charity law

Under the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, appointments of new members of the Church Council or re-appointments of existing members of the Church Council shall be by election at the Annual General Meeting, with the approval of the Church Council and for a fixed period of three years.

The Directors of the company are also trustees for the purposes of charity law. . The appointment or re-appointment of any Director shall be by the Church Council.

Financial review

The company is dependent for funding on donations solely from members of the company and other individual donors. In the year to 31 August 2021, the company recorded an unrestricted fund surplus of £18,574 (2020: £11,535 Deficit) and a restricted fund surplus of £11,764 (2020: £nil). At the year-end the company's net assets amounted to £68,060. This included cash of £68,153, of which £56,149 was unrestricted.

Reserves

The company does not currently own any building or other significant fixed assets nor is it contemplating any longer term financial projects that would require the establishment of substantial reserves. Consequently, the Directors consider that whilst this remains the case a prudent reserve of around 3-6 months of annual expenditure should be maintained; which equates to around £30,000-£60,000. At the end of the period, the unrestricted reserves of the company stood at £56,296 (2020: £37,727). There is no expectation that in the longer term the reserves of the company should increase significantly beyond the current levels.

Responsibilities of Directors

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for the financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

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- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume the company will continue on that basis.

The Directors are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Stewardship Services were re-appointed as accountants to the company and an employee nominated by Stewardship acts as the company's Independent Examiner.

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the directors on 1st April 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



K Sarpong

Mr K Sarpong (Director)

Company Number: 8696063, Charity Number: 1154174

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Grace Church Brockley ("the Company")**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2021 on pages 8 to 14 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

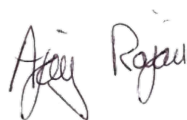
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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



Ajay Rajani FCIE

7 April 2022

Stewardship
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London, EC1Y 8AB

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
INCOME FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	122,933	32,485	155,418	117,335
Charitable activities		194	-	194	2,328
Total income and endowments		123,127	32,485	155,612	119,663
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3	104,553	20,721	125,274	131,198
Total expenditure		104,553	20,721	125,274	131,198
Net income/(expenditure)		18,574	11,764	30,338	(11,535)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		18,574	11,764	30,338	(11,535)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		37,724	-	37,724	49,259
Total funds carried forward		56,297	11,764	68,061	37,724

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.

The notes on page 10-14 form part of these accounts.

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GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	582	-	582	1,236
		<u>582</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>582</u>	<u>1,236</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	8,620	-	8,620	3,029
Cash at bank	7	56,149	12,004	68,153	38,087
		<u>64,769</u>	<u>12,004</u>	<u>76,773</u>	<u>41,116</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Liabilities falling due within one year	8	9,054	240	9,294	4,628
Net Current Assets		<u>55,715</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>67,479</u>	<u>36,488</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>56,297</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>68,061</u>	<u>37,724</u>
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	9	56,297	-	56,297	37,724
Restricted Funds		<u>-</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>56,297</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>68,061</u>	<u>37,724</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 01 April 2022 and were signed on its behalf by

_____  _____
Kobby Sarpong

Company number: 8696063 Charity number: 1154174

The notes on page 10-14 form part of these accounts.

GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1 Accounting Policies

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page. These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP")", with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items).

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from conferences, retreats and other events and courses.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Computer software & hardware	Over 2 years
Fixtures and fittings	Over 5 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

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1 Accounting Policies continued

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS 102. Creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
General donations	100,525	-	100,525	92,964
Donated accommodation for use by Senior Minister	-	3,910	3,910	3,872
CAP	-	22,487	22,487	-
Acts 435	-	480	480	-
Tax recoverable	22,408	5,609	28,017	20,499
	<u>122,933</u>	<u>32,485</u>	<u>155,418</u>	<u>117,335</u>

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
a Direct Charitable Costs				
Staff salary and directly related costs	53,235	-	53,235	68,352
Staff accommodation costs	23,931	3,910	27,840	27,282
Venue related costs	10,689	-	10,689	12,643
CAP	0	16,332	16,332	-
Acts 435	0	480	480	-
Other ministry costs	6,418	-	6,418	6,934
Depreciation	654	-	654	312
Grants payable	8,467	-	8,467	13,847
	<u>103,393</u>	<u>20,721</u>	<u>124,114</u>	<u>129,370</u>
b Support & Administration				
Governance costs - independent examiner's fee	828	-	828	1,144
Insurance	333	-	333	685
	<u>1,161</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,161</u>	<u>1,828</u>
Combined charitable activity cost	<u>104,553</u>	<u>20,721</u>	<u>125,274</u>	<u>131,198</u>

c Grants

	Institutions	Individuals	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Missionary support in Brazil	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Czech Republic	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Middle East	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in Serbia	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Missionary support in South Africa	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
UK based individuals	-	-	-	5,000
FIEC	967	-	967	1,258
TNT Ministries	-	-	-	89
	<u>967</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>8,467</u>	<u>13,847</u>

The grants were predominantly in relation to supporting individuals in training for full-time ministry or individuals working in Christian ministry in the UK and overseas.

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4 Staff & Trustees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Gross wages, salaries & benefits in kind	84,371	85,459
Employer's National Insurance costs	638	2,536
Pension costs	6,304	7,639
Total staff costs	<u>91,313</u>	<u>95,634</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 3 (2020: 2). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the Senior Minister. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £33,537 (2020: £32,951).

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £27,840 (2020: £27,282) in respect of the customary provision of accommodation to the Senior Minister to that they could better perform their duties.

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year. No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer software & hardware £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 September 2020	1,893	3,123	5,016
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 August 2021	<u>1,893</u>	<u>3,123</u>	<u>5,016</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 September 2020	1,893	1,887	3,780
Charge for the year	-	654	654
At 31 August 2021	<u>1,893</u>	<u>2,541</u>	<u>4,434</u>
Net book value			
At 31 August 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>582</u>	<u>582</u>
At 1 September 2020	<u>(0)</u>	<u>1,236</u>	<u>1,236</u>

6 Debtors and Prepayments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Tax recoverable	3,200	2,911
Other Debtors	-	-
Prepayments	5,419	118
	<u>8,620</u>	<u>3,029</u>

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2021	2020
	£	£
Bank operating accounts	67,970	37,739
Other cash amounts	184	348
	<u>68,153</u>	<u>38,087</u>

8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	2,727	4,628
Deferred income	6,567	-
	<u>9,294</u>	<u>4,628</u>

Deferred income represents income from advance ticket sales for a church retreat that took place after the year end. Prepayments included prepaid venue hire for this event.

9 Restricted funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2021 £	Incoming resources 2021 £	Outgoing resources 2021 £	Transfers in the year 2021 £	Closing balance 2021 £
CAP Debt Management	-	28,096	16,332	-	11,764
ACTS 435	-	480	480	-	-
Senior Minister Accommodation	-	3,910	3,910	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>32,485</u>	<u>20,721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,764</u>

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9 Restricted funds continued

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2020 £	Incoming resources 2020 £	Outgoing resources 2020 £	Transfers in the year 2020 £	Closing balance 2020 £
Senior Minister Accommodation	-	3,872	3,872	-	-
Total	-	3,872	3,872	-	-

The CAP Debt Management fund was created from donations received to run money management courses for those who are finding it difficult to manage their finances

The Acts 435 fund was created from donations received to help provide assistance to those in need.

The Senior Minister Accommodation fund represents the rent waived by another Christian charity (see note 11 'Related Party Transactions') for accommodation used by the Senior Minister.

10 Lease Commitments

During the year the charity paid £21,785 (2020: £21,302) to lease a property occupied by the Senior Minister and his family. The lease is a rolling one month lease; at the balance sheet date, there was no obligation for future lease payments.

11 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- received donations (including related gift aid) totalling £53,101 (2020: £22,113) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity, no expenses (2020: £nil) were paid to, or for, the trustees.

The property occupied by the Senior Minister is jointly owned by the wife of the Senior Minister, the wife of a trustee (Mr Ravi Srinivasan) and by another local Christian charity. With respect to this property, during the year the charity paid rent as follows:

- £16,098 (2020: £15,769) to the wife of the Senior Minister
- £5,688 (2020: £5,533) to the wife of a trustee

The local charity waived its entitlement to rent and the value of this donation, which is £3,910 (2020: £3,872), has been included in these accounts (see note 2 'Donations and legacies').

Except as disclosed in note 4 'Staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

12 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £1.

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GRACE CHURCH BROCKLEY DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

		Unrestricted Funds - General		Restricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
		2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM							
Donations and legacies	2	122,933	113,463	32,485	3,872	155,418	117,335
Charitable activities		194	2,328	-	-	194	2,328
Total income and endowments		<u>123,127</u>	<u>115,790</u>	<u>32,485</u>	<u>3,872</u>	<u>155,612</u>	<u>119,663</u>
EXPENDITURE ON							
Charitable activities	3	104,553	127,326	20,721	3,872	125,274	131,198
Total expenditure		<u>104,553</u>	<u>127,326</u>	<u>20,721</u>	<u>3,872</u>	<u>125,274</u>	<u>131,198</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>18,574</u>	<u>(11,535)</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,338</u>	<u>(11,535)</u>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>18,574</u>	<u>(11,535)</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,338</u>	<u>(11,535)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		37,724	49,259	-	-	37,724	49,259
Total funds carried forward		<u>56,297</u>	<u>37,724</u>	<u>11,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,061</u>	<u>37,724</u>

Movements on reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above.