

THIRD SPACE MINISTRIES
Charity Registration No 1155538
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the YEAR ended
31 DECEMBER 2022

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Legal and Administrative Information

The name of the charity is: Third Space Ministries

Registered Charity Number: 1155538

Third Space Ministries became officially incorporated as a charitable incorporated organisation on the 29th January 2014

Objective of the Charity:

The objective of the charity is to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public

Trustees:

Mr Peter Bailey
Mr Jerry Frempong
Mrs Helen Harris
Mr Andrew Paul - Treasurer

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Structure, Governance and Management

Third Space Ministries became officially incorporated as a charity on the 29th January 2014, and is set up as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). The Trustees for Third Space Ministries, who served during the year 2022, were:

Mr Peter Bailey
Mrs Naomi Paul – Treasurer (until 8th November 2022)
Mr Jerry Frempong
Mrs Helen Harris
Mr Andrew Paul

The Trustees are legally responsible for the governance of the charity and met six times during 2022. The Trustees set the direction for the charity.

Trustees are appointed following a discussion among current trustees and approaches being made to potential candidates. Current trustees meet and discuss Third Space Ministries and its mission with potential new trustees and also assess their skills and how these would add to the current board. A final discussion is then had among trustees before an offer is made.

New trustees will undergo an onboarding process with the CEO and trustees and also be required to familiarise themselves with the Charity Commission publications outlining trustee responsibilities. Public training courses may be utilised as necessary.

Day to day running of the charity's activities is delegated to Carolyn Skinner, CEO, based in Morden. Carolyn Skinner is also currently acting as secretary.

Third Space Ministries employed 5 staff members during 2022: Carolyn Skinner, Ellie Barrett & Madison Kinzley, Nightlife Ministries Coordinators (1-3 days a week), Luke Rollins, DJ Ministry Coordinator (2 ½ days a week), and Helen Da Costa, Fundraising and Communications Officer (1 ½ days a week). Ellie transitioned the nightlife work to Madison early in the year before leaving to pursue other ministry opportunities. There was a short period of handover.

The Charity's Activities, Achievements and Performance

The charitable objective of Third Space Ministries is to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public. It exists to advance the Christian faith in the 'third spaces' of society ie the leisure industry, through chaplaincy, team mission, teaching and training.

In shaping the objectives of Third Space Ministries, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The charity exists to benefit members of the general public, who frequent 'third spaces' by serving their emotional and spiritual needs.

Our aim is to meet people at their point of need, to help them pastorally, practically and spiritually. We aim to show people God's love in word and action, to break down some of the negative impressions people have of Christianity, and to seek to move them closer to understanding God's love. We seek to achieve this through chaplaincy work, team mission, teaching and training.

The issues we are trying to address in society are:

- Spiritual poverty: people who are lonely, soul searching, looking for deeper meaning to life.

- **Misunderstanding of Christianity:** to break down the often negative image people have of Christianity by showing them God's love through action as well as words.
- **Minimal Christian engagement with the community:** to help Christians think about intentional engagement with their community, to see how God can use them in third spaces, and to go to where people are and meet those who would never set foot in a church.

In the year to 31st December 2022 Third Space Ministries achieved the following:

DJ Ministry – the DJ Unity group continued to meet online for prayer. Luke started to host a monthly radio show on MyHouseYourHouse under the banner of Soundcheck. Soundcheck chaplaincy has had several more DJs getting in touch asking for support. We were also able to train more chaplains. We were particularly encouraged by Luke featuring on BBC 6 Music to be interviewed about Soundcheck during Mental Health Awareness Week. Luke led another night of prayer for the nightlife in November online.

Illuminate Soho –Ellie Barrett stepped down from the role of Strip Club Chaplaincy Coordinator and we recruited a new employee, Madison Kinzley in March. Madison trained up a team of 10 volunteers and has had great encouragement from regular visits to 2 clubs and positive connection with Westminster Council.

Sports –

Gym chaplaincy: Carolyn Skinner continued to meet weekly with staff and members from the gym and 2 individuals attended a Carol Service with Carolyn.

Sports Chaplaincy UK: Carolyn continued to work alongside Sports Chaplaincy UK and support athletes through prayer and pastoral care. In particular she mentors 1 athlete overseas monthly. She also helped to plan and host the annual SCUK conference, and helps with the online induction of new chaplains. Carolyn was also trained as a coach for Global Sports Chaplaincy Association, coaching 2 leaders globally. A particular highlight this year was the opportunity to serve as a chaplain at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham in the summer.

Love All Serve All: Wimbledon tennis went ahead this year with an overnight queue once again. There was a team of 65 volunteers from approx. 12 different churches/groups and there were prayer walks every lunchtime. They were encouraged by the opportunity to discuss faith, give out our LASA stressballs, and gospels and pray with people.

Space to Talk – this year we launched a listening service in partnership with a local coffee shop. This came as a response to observing societal needs post-pandemic. We recruited a team of volunteers and they have been trained in Mental Health First Aid and Active Listening. The service operates once a month and we have seen people come in to use this service each month, some of whom have credited this space for turning their lives around.

Speaking engagements –Carolyn & Madison spoke at 2 conferences, 1 festival, 6 churches

Teaching: Carolyn continued to lecture on the Pioneer Chaplaincy & Mission course with the Light College at their residentials 4x a year

Communications - Third Space Ministries staff have had approx. 10 media opportunities to speak on radio. These have included Premier Christian Radio, UCB, BBC. Highlights included Carolyn doing Prayer for The Day on Radio 4 for the second year running, and Luke appearing on BBC 6 Music. We continued to use our media consultant in a paid consultancy role.

We created a new Christmas meditation video which was suitable for those with faith or no faith.

Fundraising - Over 2022 we received grants from Baptist Insurance Committee and London Baptists.

Other activities:

Week of Prayer – we held an online week of prayer in May

Alpha – the team ran an online Alpha course with 2 guests

Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to those risks. The risk register is reviewed regularly at trustee meetings.

Financial review

The financial review for the period showed total income of £52.2k (2021: £64.2k) of which £8.7k (2021: £2.5k) was in restricted funds. £6k of grants were part of restricted income (2021: £0k). Total expenditure was £65.3k (2021: £60k) of which £27.2k (2021: £17.4k) was against restricted funds. Expenditure against unrestricted income included personnel costs of £34.6k (2021: £34.5k). The charity started the year with total funds of £54k, £0.7k of which was restricted, and ended the year with total funds of £41k, £0.6k of which is restricted.

The income for the period was in line with the trustee's expectations.

The expenditure was below budget. The main variances were in lower direct expenditure on costs of ministry for nightlife and DJ, lower travel costs and lower training expenditure.

The trustees had set a deficit budget for the year but were please to note that the deficit was not as large as budgeted.

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

The Trustees propose to maintain the charity's reserves at a level which is at least equivalent to four months operational expenditure (staffing costs) and have done so having regards to its manner of operation of likely funding streams. This equates to approximately £21,500 for the budgeted 2023 staffing costs..

The Trustees review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil the charity's continuing obligations on a quarterly basis at their finance meeting.

Free reserves (ie unrestricted funds less the reserves policy amount) at 31 December 2022 are approximately £20,000 which is above that which the trustees feel is necessary. The trustees are keen to maintain and enhance the ministry of the charity, maintaining and increasing the hours of staff. There is also an awareness that grant funding is more challenging in the current environment. The trustees have therefore again set a deficit budget for 2023 and while they will continue to monitor costs, expect the level of reserves to decrease across the coming year.

We will continue to pursue funding opportunities in order to maintain and grow the ministry as God directs us.

Thanks to all our supporters

We offer our very grateful thanks to Morden Baptist Church for their financial, prayer and practical support, including the provision of office space. And we are also grateful to Open Door Church, Market Deeping for their regular financial and prayer support.

We are very grateful to 24-7 Ibiza, the YMCA, Metronome in Merton and Sports Chaplaincy UK for such positive working relationships.

We are especially grateful to our volunteers and to all our individual donors who have given their money, time and talents to support our work. There are too many to list here. We are also very grateful for the committed prayer support of so many.

COVID-19

When the pandemic struck and lockdown was imposed in March 2020, the work of Third Space in supporting workers in the DJ and nightlife industries became even more important. As the pandemic continued and restrictions on third spaces remained, we were able to carry on our support virtually through Zoom chaplaincy

sessions and other platforms. This method of ministry continued and evolved as Third Spaces reopened and gives a good model for the future of the ministry.

On behalf of the Trustees of Third Space Ministries

Name: Andrew Paul

Signature:

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Position: Trustee

Dated: 28/10/2023

Name: Peter Bailey

Signature:

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Position: Trustee

Dated: 28/10/2023

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019;
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

The independent examiner, Mrs Jenny Faulkner was appointed at the trustees meeting held on the 22nd July 2019. Mrs Faulkner is a chartered accountant and technical consultant with Mercia Group Limited, a specialist technical and training company in the UK accountancy market, and has considerable experience of the charity sector.

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on the 28/10/2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Peter Bailey
Trustee



Andrew Paul
Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Third Space Ministries Charity

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 8 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed



Mrs Jennifer Faulkner, FCA

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31 October 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities for year ended 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds		Total	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources						
Preaching/Teaching Fees	1,504	917	-	-	1,504	917
Donations	25,085	31,403	1,680	2,728	26,765	34,131
Gift Aid	6,917	4,038	-	-	6,917	4,038
Grants	21,375	7,000		6,000	21,375	13,000
Fund raising	6,925	119	807	-	7,731	119
Other income	-	38	-	-	-	38
	61,805	43,515	2,487	8,728	64,292	52,243
Resources Expended						
Charity management and admin	3,786	2,423	326	301	4,112	2,724
DJ Ministry Direct Expenses	105	-	-	35	105	35
Donations to other charities	1,000	100	-	-	1,000	100
Employee Costs	34,529	34,596	16,345	23,303	50,874	57,898
Event Tickets	19	251	-	-	19	251
General Expenses	22	13	107	154	129	168
LASA Direct Expenses	-	-	47	1,447	47	1,447
Nightlife Direct Expenses	-	21	357	645	357	666
Sports Chaplaincy Direct Expenses	-	-	-	72	-	72
Time to Talk	-	155	-	-	-	155
Training Courses	2,414	-	-	50	2,414	50
Travel	594	385	221	1,241	816	1,626
Expenditure on raising funds	214	168	-	-	214	168
	42,685	38,112	17,403	27,248	60,088	65,360
Net incoming Resources	19,120	5,403	- 14,916	- 18,520	4,204	- 13,117
Transfers between funds	- 14,859	- 18,387	14,859	18,387	-	-
Funds brought forward	49,297	53,559	741	683	50,038	54,242
Funds carried forward	53,559	40,575	683	550	54,242	41,125

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

						2021	2022
						£	£
Current Assets							
Cash at Bank						54,242	41,125
Total Assets						54,242	41,125
Funds							
Unrestricted						53,559	40,575
Restricted							
Sports Chaplincy						292	200
Tennis - Love All Serve All						392	-
CEO Retreat							350
Total						684	550
Total Funds						54,242	41,125

Approved by the Trustees on the 28/10/2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Peter Bailey
Trustee



Andrew Paul
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. Accounting Policies

1.1. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis as permitted by Charity Law. The provisions of the Charities SORP 2019 (Accounting and Reporting by Charities) have been followed where required.

1.2. Incoming Resources

Income comprises grants received and donations received from various sources. Income is accounted for in the period in which the money is received.

1.3. Resources Expended

Expenditure is included in the period in which it is expended.

1.4 Funds

Restricted funds are those moneys given to the Charity for specific projects. Current restricted fund balances are shown on the balance sheet above.

Unrestricted funds are those moneys given to the Charity for the furtherance of our charitable objectives, but without any specific restrictions as to its use.