

FOURSQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH, ESSEX

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CHARITY REG 1156691

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

FOURSQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH, ESSEX

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

TRUSTEES:

Pastor Adebayo Lawal (Chair)
Reverend Akindele Ogundayisi
Reverend Akindele Adarijo

SECRETARY:

Mrs Oluyomi Ayannuga

CHARITY NUMBER:

1156691

BANKERS:

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ACCOUNTANTS:

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their annual report and accounts for the year ended 30th November 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 16 to 18 and comply with Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2015) and the applicable law.

CONSTITUTION, OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CHARITY

The charity is constituted under the declaration of Trust Deed dated 25 November 2013 and is a UK registered charity with number 1156691 and was entered on the Register of Charities on 15 April 2014.

The objectives of the charity as set out in the Trust Deed are :-

- (a) The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement Of Faith detailed in the Schedule hereto ("THE STATEMENT OF FAITH");
- (b) The relief of the poor, aged, sick and those in conditions of hardship or distress.
- (c) The promotion of fulfilment of such other charitable purposes as the trustees may from time to time determine.

The Trust was involved in Christian outreach programmes designed to increase Christian awareness and spread the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The principal activities of the Charity during the year under review is the advancement of christian religion in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Bible strictly guided by the tenets and doctrines of Foursquare Gospel Churches worldwide.

ECUMENICAL LINKS AND RELATIONSHIPS

The Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex is an affiliation of the Foursquare Church Great Britain (GB), which is an affiliate of the Foursquare Gospel Church (USA), an international denomination church with branches in every nation of the world.

Foursquare Gospel Church (USA) was founded in 1923 by Sister Aimee McPherson in Los Angeles (USA).

Foursquare Gospel Churches are independently managed by local trustees and accountable to the National Leadership of each country but member churches are universally linked by theological allegiance to the International headquarters in Los Angeles, (USA).

The UK National body of Foursquare Gospel Churches known as Foursquare Great Britain is headed by the National Leader and managed by elected governing board members.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

The Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex and other Foursquare churches in UK make financial contributions and undertakes joint worships, prayers, training and seminars periodically under the UK National body.

Foursquare Great Britain has an internationally accredited pastoral training school where continued development programmes, training and seminars are organised for both aspiring and existing pastors by UK National body.

The Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex coordinates their Christian activities within a cluster area of Foursquare Church groupings in the UK and rest of EU under the UK national body. The representatives of the Foursquare Essex attend annual conventions and periodic international gatherings coordinated by the Foursquare Church (HQ) in Los Angeles, USA.

APPOINTMENT AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the trustees who are appointed and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

THE INDUCTION AND TRAINING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS

The induction process for any newly appointed member of the board of trustees comprises of an initial meeting with the chair and other trustees where the powers and responsibilities of the trustees are clearly explained. To further enhance the governance skills of trustees, they are registered for different training events, conferences and seminars. This ensures strict compliance with relevant regulations in achieving the objectives of the charity.

To meet the spiritual needs of the members and the development of the total man, the church sends its members and leaders to the national headquarters of Foursquare Church Great Britain Leadership Training School from time to time as scheduled by the academy. The objectives of the academy is to raise people that are sound in Christian faith and encourage character that will make them good parents, peaceful neighbours and law abiding citizens.

RISK POLICY

The Board of Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed particularly those relating to the operations and finance and are satisfied with the risk management systems in place to mitigate the risk exposure to the charity. Internal procedures and controls are established which are regularly reviewed to ensure their continued compliance.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

RESERVE POLICY

The trustees of the charity have a prudent reserve policy, conscious of the fact that the charity is not self-financing and the awareness that reserve must be set aside in case of funding challenges. The existing policy adopted is to set aside £500 every month (which is £6,000 per year) until further notice. The charity was able to achieve this set goal during the financial year ended 30th November 2024 due to higher income from improved attendance. The reserve policy of the charity will be reviewed due to declining income in recent years.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

The Trustees are pleased to report that the Church continued to be successful spiritually by ministering to many people.

The church has improved in evangelical and leadership training activities and is increasingly reaching out to the community in Essex and the rest of the UK.

PUBLIC BENEFIT REPORTING

In pursuing the objects of the charity as duly stipulated in the Trust Deed, the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and advancement of religion through the following achievements :-

(a)

WEEKLY WORSHIP HOURS IN THE ESSEX COMMUNITY

During the financial year ended 30th November 2024, Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex has opened its doors to all members of the public to participate in the weekly activities and worships in the Essex Community. Foursquare Essex organises crusades, regular evangelism events, prayer meetings and Bible studies for members of the community and the following group activities have been carried out during the financial year.

(b)

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Youth development activities are undertaken by using christian virtues and doctrines to raise public awareness in the Essex community. These activities help the young people to become responsible adults and useful members of the society at large.

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The social activities undertaken are those affecting the daily lives of the youth and includes careers event, issues relating to dangerous drugs, knife crimes, youth pregnancies and the effects of single parentage among others.

(c)

WELFARE SCHEME

The trustees of the charity also paid due regard to the public benefits by ensuring that basic needs of people within the Essex community are catered for and this are not restricted to the members of the Foursquare church. The welfare scheme of the trustees includes December food and grocery bank, feeding the homeless around the church premises after Sunday worship hours, donating gift items to old people homes and distribution of annual gifts to the children unit of Great Ormond Hospital.

(d)

PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELLING

The ministerial team at Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex are well informed and committed in enabling the local community in Essex to worship and benefit from the pastoral care of the church. This is achieved through counselling services to any member of the public like old people, single parents and the hopeless.

(e)

EVANGELISM AND MISSION TEAM SUPPORTS

The trustees of Foursquare Gospel Church, Essex are committed to inviting as many people as possible to worship in Dagenham and Essex.

The invitations are achieved during the outings of the evangelical team who distributes christian tracts and preached the gospel of Jesus Christ to members of the public.

(f)

MEETINGS HELD DURING THE YEAR

The Church Council meet weekly to plan and organise the programmes and activities of the church, while the Board of Trustees meet quarterly to review the charity's policies and strategies thereby reflecting on the past and future activities of the church.

(g)

MEMBERSHIP GROUPING AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

The trustees are committed in ministering to the needs of the various membership grouping

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

within and outside the church. The charity provides forum for manpower development of its members, equipping them educationally, socially, spiritually.

To enable the charity meet the needs of every age group, different forum are created as follows;

- I. Sunday School - comprising children between ages 3 to 12 inclusive
- II. Youth Group - comprising teenagers between ages 13 to 20 inclusive
- III. The singles Fellowship - comprising the unmarried males and female members
- IV. The Women's Group - comprising all married women and single women
- V. The Men's Group - comprising all married men and single men
- VI. The Elders' Forum - comprising men and women aged 50 and above.

The above groups meet regularly to fellowship together, discuss and encourage one another on issues ranging from social to spiritual wellbeing peculiar to each group.

They also have anniversary week in the year to demonstrate their ingenuity as well as to enhance their skills and acquire more.

Various workshops and seminars opened to the community were held periodically. Young people also engaged in outreach events like drama and dance performances. The church encourages participation, creativity, teamwork and leadership skills of the young people during retreat programmes by sponsoring their events. Annual Summer Holiday Club activities are organised for children in the Essex community.

ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR

The church made significant progress towards achieving the objects of the charity by empowering the youth, and engaging in outreach programmes, evangelism and mission events as listed below.

- * Annual celebration for hosting and supplying gift materials to the people in the community.
- * Weekly conduct of Sunday worship and services, seminars, Bible studies, prayer meetings etc
- * Annual youth party celebration for marking the end of every school and academic year thereby creating awareness for holidays programs and training like singing, multi-media and musical events.
- * Periodic donations of basic items such as toiletries, biscuits, chocolates, pen and writing material to all youths and adults who came to the complex (Castle Green Leisure Centre) where we fellowship during Christmas Festive Times.
- * Weekly impact to the community by donating snacks and drinks on Sundays for the homeless and the less privileged.

FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FACING THE CHURCH

The main challenge facing the church is the high cost of renting the venues used for conducting our

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

weekly activities. This challenge was further compounded with the dwindling income level of the church which posed as limiting factors for embarking on the laudable projects of the charity.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

The immediate future years will see a continued emphasis on achieving the main charitable objects of the charity. There are concluded plans to:-

- 1) design programme of youth orientated events and activities. This will benefit young people by developing their self-confidence together with social and life skills.
- 2) give all young people in the community opportunities to attend the weekly services regardless of their personal background, faith, gender or personal circumstances and the programmes will enrich every attendee by sharing of skills, aptitudes and life experience.
- 3) undertake evangelical activities which comes up monthly where christian tracts and newsletters are distributed to the people along with preaching the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the neighbourhood.
- 4) improve membership strength by engaging more revivalists to organise periodic crusades and more prayer meetings.
- 5) advance the mental, physical and spiritual welfare of young people by promoting scheme of awards and their personal development.
- 6) secure a permanent office and place of worship through purchase or leasehold property.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that gives a true and fair view of the charity's incoming resources, application of resources during the year and its state of affairs at the end of the year.

In preparing those financial statements we are required to;

- (1) Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (2) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

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- (3) State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, 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 accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity, which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

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 breaches of law and regulations.

Internal controls and the mitigation of major risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed particularly those relating to the operations and finance and are satisfied with the risk management systems in place to mitigate any risk exposure.

Independent Examiners

Messrs Daniel Famok & Associates were re-appointed during the calendar year 2025 as the independent examiners of the charity for the financial year ended 30th November 2024 and they have indicated their intention to continue in office.

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL POSITION

The net incoming resources for the accounting year amounted to a surplus of £1,276 (previous year was a deficit of £11) and all of which are allocated to the unrestricted reserves of the charity.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)


BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The members of the board of trustees who served during the period were:-

Pastor Adebayo Lawal (Chair)
Reverend Akindele Ogundayisi
Reverend Akindele Adarijo

APPROVAL

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 10th August 2025
and signed on its behalf by:-


Secretary : Mrs Oluyomi Ayannuga

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FOURSQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH, ESSEX
CHARITY NUMBER 1156691

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30th November 2024, which are set out on pages 12 to 13.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to :

- * examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- * follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- * state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts.

It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention :-

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- * to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and

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* to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



10th August 2025

MR D. A. FAMAKIN (MSc, FCA)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	1.1	£	£	£
<i>Incoming Resources from generated funds</i>				
Voluntary Tithes and Offerings		29,464	29,464	20,678
Building funds & Special Donations		-	-	-
HMRC Charities Gift Aid		-	-	-
Other Voluntary income		-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources		29,464	29,464	20,678
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>	1.2			
<i>Charitable Activities</i>	2	27,788	27,788	20,289
<i>Governance costs</i>	3	400	400	400
Total resources expended		28,188	28,188	20,689
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	4	1,276	1,276	(11)
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>				
Total funds brought forward		16,461	16,461	16,472
Total funds carried forward		17,737	17,737	16,461

There were no recognised gains or losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA). All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on Pages 14 to 18 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>		£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	7	<u>1,142</u>	<u>1,074</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Investment Savings Account	4	14,342	11,760
Cash at Bank and in hand		3,153	4,627
		<u>17,495</u>	<u>16,387</u>
<u>LESS CREDITORS:</u>			
(Amounts falling due within one year)	8	<u>900</u>	<u>1,000</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	11	16,595	15,387
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		<u><u>17,737</u></u>	<u><u>16,461</u></u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Unrestricted Funds	9	17,737	16,461
Restricted Funds	10	-	-
		<u><u>17,737</u></u>	<u><u>16,461</u></u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 10th August 2025 and signed on its behalf by :-



Pastor Adebayo Lawal (Chair)

FOURSQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH, ESSEX

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published on 16th July 2014.

1.1 Incoming Resources

Voluntary Income

Income from tithes and offerings collected are included in voluntary incoming resources when these are receivable.

Other Income

These comprises other miscellaneous income and are accounted for in the period in which it is entitled.

Gift Aid Tax Repayment Claim

Tax repayments due from HM Revenue & Customs in respect of members' giving are included in incoming resources and restricted for building funds when received. The charity has been recognised and approved by HMRC Charities for claiming tax on donations received.

Cash flow statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirements to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it qualifies as a small charity.

1.2 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on accrual bases, inclusive of any Value Added Tax (VAT) which cannot be recovered. Certain expenditure are attributable to specific activities and have been included in those cost categories.

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1.3 Tangible Fixed Assets for use by the charity and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Charity are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of fixed assets, over their estimated useful lives on the following basis:

Equipment & Musical Instruments 25% per annum.

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>
<u>2. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Evangelism & Overseas Missions	5,598	-
Honoraria and gifts	2,152	1,160
Church Hall Rental and Service Charges	9,158	10,425
Donations to Other Charities	1,025	830
Members' Welfare and Supports	3,845	660
Printing, Postage and Stationery	343	51
Travels and Motor expenses	1,034	312
Depreciation of fixed assets	381	400
Insurance Premiums	187	187
Food, drinks & Hospitality	2,675	2,754
Subscriptions and Membership	-	183
Equipment Repairs and Maintenance	224	515
Media, Training and Seminary fees	633	720
Youth & Volunteers' Expenses	533	2,092
	<u>27,788</u>	<u>20,289</u>
<u>3. GOVERNANCE COSTS</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Bookkeeping & Accountancy fees	400	400
Legal and Professional fees	-	-
	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>

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<u>4. DEBTORS:</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Sundry Debtors	-	-
	-	-

<u>5. NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
The net movement in funds for the year is stated after charging :	381	400
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets- for use by the charity		
Accountancy and Independent examination fees	400	400

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

No Trustee has had expenses reimbursed in the period.

There is no staff whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 during the period

<u>7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT & INSTRUMENTS</u>	<u>OFFICE COMPUTERS</u>	<u>TOTAL 2024</u>
<u>COST</u>	£	£	£
As at 1st December 2023	4,512	1,800	6,312
Additions during the year	449	-	449
As at 30th November 2024	4,961	1,800	6,761
<u>DEPRECIATION</u>			
As at 1st December 2023	3,509	1,729	5,238
Charges for the year	363	18	381
As at 30th November 2024	3,872	1,747	5,619
Net Book Value As At 30th November 2024	1,089	53	1,142
Net Book Value As At 30th November 2023	1,003	71	1,074

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8. CREDITORS: (AMOUNT FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR)

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Accruals for fees	900	1,000
	<u>900</u>	<u>1,000</u>

9. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS OF THE CHARITY

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund</u>
	£	£
Balance as at 1st December 2023	16,461	16,472
Movement in the funds for the period	1,276	(11)
Balance as at 30th November 2024	<u>17,737</u>	<u>16,461</u>

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<u>Building</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Balance as at 1st December 2023	-	-
Movement in the funds for the period	-	-
Balance as at 30th November 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> <u>£</u>
Tangible fixed assets	1,142	1,142
Net Current Assets	<u>16,595</u> <u>17,737</u>	<u>16,595</u> <u>17,737</u>