

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	20		31	03	21

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Bala Evangelical Church
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Other names charity is known by Eglwys Efengylaidd Y Bala

Registered charity number (if any) 1159041

Charity's principal address	14 Pensarn Road
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Bala

Postcode

LL23 7SR

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mr Gareth Williams	Elder – Minister		BEC / EEYB
2	Mr Gwydion Lewis	Elder	Re-elected 25/11/20	BEC / EEYB
3	Mr David Gee	Deacon		BEC / EEYB

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Members in General Meeting in accordance with the Church Rules

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Managing Trustees of the Church are those persons appointed by the Church as Church Officers in accordance with the Church Rules (and believed by the Church to fulfil the criteria required by the New Testament writings of 1 Timothy and Titus).

Those charitable purposes the Church supports have been agreed upon by the Members of the Church in General Meeting and in accordance with the Church Rules.

The Church is affiliated to AECW (Associating Evangelical Churches of Wales) from which it derives guidance and support and advice. Regular Regional meeting are held and an annual Assembly.

At this stage the Trustees have not identified any significant risks to the future of the charity.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The purposes of the Church are:

1. The advancement of the Christian faith, in accordance with the Basis of Faith, primarily, but not exclusively, within Bala and the surrounding area; and
2. Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the Members of the Church in General Meeting, further the work of the Church.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Having had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, the trustees, (including the pastor / minister of the church), work to promote the ministry of the church in every way. This includes pastoral ministry to members and others who attend, evangelistic ministry to those outside the church, care for those in the community and overseas, and mission ministry supporting friends working in other parts of the world. We are committed to following the teaching of the Bible in our activities; and the church's basis of faith reflects that commitment.

The COVID-19 restrictions during the year affected some of the normal opportunities for the Church to benefit the public.

But despite this:

- The Church has maintained its life as a worshipping and witnessing community.
- For part of the year the Church provided opportunity to meet together; on Sundays for worship and on Wednesdays for bible study & prayer, at Bryn y Groes Conference Centre.
- During the remainder of the year online services were recorded and resources sent by email to help home bible study & prayer.
- Gareth Williams (the 'Minister') has continued to serve as the minister of the Church. and as a visiting lecturer / speaker to students in further education.
- The Church continues to support through other charitable bodies Christian Mission in Wales and Overseas.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The COVID-19 restrictions during the year affected some of the normal opportunities for the Church to physically meet so activities were, at times, limited.

Despite this the Charity was able:

- to maintain its life in the town of Bala as a worshipping, witnessing and welcoming community.
- from September to December, (apart from the firebreak lockdown, 23rd Oct to 9th Nov) to provide opportunities to meet together; on Sundays for worship and on Wednesdays for bible study & prayer at Bryn y Groes Conference Centre, Sports Hall.
- from April to August and January to March, to provide, through the minister Gareth Williams, recorded online services and resources by email to help with home bible study and prayer.
- during the year to be involved in helping with a number of funerals locally and further afield with minister Gareth Williams speaking.
- to diversify its ministry through a variety of means, including the teaching of students particularly in Wales.
- to support other charitable bodies, including mainly Christian evangelistic and humanitarian missions in the UK and Overseas.
- to maintain links with a variety of Churches and Bodies in Wales.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have not adopted a formal reserves policy but have carefully reviewed the current balances in the charity's accounts in the light of future commitments and feel the present balances are appropriate and prudent.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

GW / GL / DG

Full name(s)

Gareth Williams, Gwydion Lewis & David Gee

Position (Secretary, Chair, etc)

GW (Chairman)

Date

05 July 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report
on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
BALA EVANGELICAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31.3.21

Charity no
(if any)

1159041

Set out on pages

1-4

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below.*~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

S.H. Parry

Date:

18/10/21

Name:

S.H. - PARRY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

RETIRED CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Address:

39 PARKFIELDS,
PEN-Y-FAF
BRIDGEND, CF31 4NQ

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Bala Evangelical Church
Eglwys Efengylaidd Y Bala

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31st March 2021

	Unrestricted General £	Unrestricted Mission £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	2019-20 £
Incoming Resources					
Offerings and Donations	25,560			25,560	21,054
Gift Aid and GASDS	7,111			7,111	4,894
One Off Gifts	5000			5,000	1,000
Legacy Received	0			0	5,054
Returned Payments	225			225	25
Restricted Gifts: Caring for Life			175	175	25
Restricted Gifts: Tearfund			285	285	689
Restricted Gifts: Foodbank			60	60	0
Restricted Gifts: Barnabas Fund			30	30	0
Interest received	245			245	257
Total Income	38,141		550	38,691	32,998
Resources Expended					
<i>Ministry Costs</i>					
Pastor's salary and pension	25,284			25,284	25,081
Pastor's Travel expenses	219			219	1,458
Pastor's Conference Costs	94			94	0
Pastor's telephone	120			120	60
Preachers / Speakers Fees	75			75	1,114
				25,792	27,713
<i>Meeting Costs</i>					
Rent of Meeting Places	500			500	1,280
				500	1,280
<i>Fellowship Expenditure</i>					
Fellowship Gifts	0			0	100
AECW	150			150	150
Bookshop purchases	23			23	18
				173	268
<i>Administrative Costs</i>					
Insurance	234			234	232
Independent Examiner / Accounts	460			460	335
Advertising & Website	38			38	15
Copyright Licence	162			162	186
				894	768
<i>Missionary & Other Giving</i>					
Tear Fund			300	300	674
Barrie & Nancy Evans		350		350	325
Evangelical Movement of Wales		500		500	450
Barnabas Fund		500	30	530	450
UFM		1,075		1,075	975
AWM		775		775	700
South Gwynedd Foodbank			60	60	0
Operation Mobilisatio					50
SASRA					50
Caring For Life			175	175	25
				3,765	3,699
Total Resources Expended	27,359	3,200	565	31,124	33,728
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	10,782	-3,200	-15	7,567	-730
Transfer to mission fund re 2020-2021	-3,767	3,767			
Net Incoming Resources after transfers	7,015	567	-15	7,567	-730
Opening Fund Balances 1.4.2020	28,719	3,220	15	31,954	32,684
Closing Fund Balances 31.3.2021	35,734	3,787	0	39,521	31,954

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2021

	2020-21	2019-20
	£	£
Current Assets		
Kingdom Bank Bonds	27,000	24,000
Bank Current Account	8,541	5,987
Accrued Income - Gift Aid	4,531	2,573
Accrued Income - Interest	212	234
Total Current Assets	40,284	32,794
Current Liabilities		
Creditors & Accruals	-763	-840
Net Assets	39,521	31,954
Funds of the Charity		
Unrestricted General Funds	35,734	28,719
Unrestricted Mission Funds	3,787	3,220
Restricted Funds	0	15
Total Funds	39,521	31,954

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Notes to the Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March 2021

1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost to give a true and fair view in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

2 Accounting policies

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate

Donated services and facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Grants payable without performance conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.