



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	21		31	03	22

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Bala Evangelical Church

Other names charity is known by Eglwys Efengylaidd Y Bala

Registered charity number (if any) 1159041

Charity's principal address 14 Pensarn Road

Bala

Postcode

LL23 7SR

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for the 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		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. They are committed to following the teaching of the Bible in the activities; and the church's basis of faith reflects that commitment.

The continuing prevalence of COVID-19 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 first part of the year the Church provided opportunity to meet together; on Sundays for worship and on Wednesdays for bible study & prayer, at the Bryn y Groes Conference Centre.
- For the remainder of the year the Church returned to the Canolfan for Sundays worship and on a Wednesday, for 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 continuing prevalence of COVID-19 during the year affected some of the normal opportunities for the Church to benefit the public.

However despite this the Church was able:

- to maintain its life in the town of Bala as a worshipping, witnessing and welcoming community.
- from April to August to provide opportunities to meet together; on Sundays for worship and on Wednesdays for bible study & prayer using the Bryn y Groes Conference Centre, Sports Hall.
- from September to March the Church felt able to return to the Canolfan for worship on a Sunday and bible study & prayer on a Wednesday. Gareth Williams has continued to send out helpful notes from the Sunday Services and resources by email to help with home study and prayer.
- during October to hold a Harvest Supper at Bryn y Groes. The meal in the dining room followed by a talk in the lounge by Dafydd Cunningham from Denbigh was well attended by 30-40 people.
- also during October, to arrange a thanksgiving service to mark forty years since the Church was started in Bala, the speaker was Peter Milsom who was involved in the early days of the church.
- 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

22nd November 2022



**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. 22

Charity no
(if any)

1159041

Set out on pages

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(Remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31. 3. 22.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:

1/12/22

Name:

SUZANNE HELEN PARRY

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

RETIRED CHARTERED
ACCOUNTANT

Address:

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

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 brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts for Full Year 2021/2022 Compared to Full Year 2020/2021

	Unrestricted General £	Restricted Funds £	Apr21-Mar22 Full Year £	Apr20-Mar21 Full Year £
<u>Income</u>				
Offerings and Donations	24887.66		24887.66	25545.09
Gift Aid and GASDS	4534.91		4534.91	5155.40
One Off Gifts				5000.00
Restricted Gifts: Harvest Supper		105.00	105.00	
Restricted Gifts: Barnabas Fund		50.00	50.00	30.00
Restricted Gifts: Caring for Life		107.50	107.50	175.00
Restricted Gifts: South Gwynedd Foodbank		57.50	57.50	60.00
Restricted Gifts: Tearfund		377.29	377.29	300.00
Interest received from Bonds	272.53		272.53	265.71
Total Income	29695.10	697.29	30392.39	36531.20
<u>Expenditure</u>				
<i>Ministry Costs</i>				
Pastor's Salary (Gross Annual £24373)	24472.84		24472.84	24413.90
Pastor's Expenses	557.40		557.40	432.70
Employers NI Contributions	0.00			
Employers Pension Contribution	1031.52		1031.52	957.84
Preachers / Speakers Fees	725.00		725.00	25.00
Preachers / Speakers Fees (Returned)	-340.00		-340.00	-25.00
			26446.76	25804.44
<i>Special Expenditure</i>				
Equipment (Laptop & Video Camera)	497.92		497.92	0.00
			497.92	0.00
<i>Meeting Costs</i>				
Rent for Canofan Bro Tegid	630.00		630.00	
Gifts Use of ByG (Sports Hall & Lounge/Dining)	1170.00	105.00	1275.00	500.00
			1905.00	500.00
<i>Fellowship Expenditure</i>				
Fellowship Gifts	50.00		50.00	50.00
AECW (Chairman & General)	150.00		150.00	150.00
			200.00	200.00
<i>Administrative Costs</i>				
Gifts for Accounts & Wages	250.00		250.00	250.00
Insurance Policy	236.00		236.00	234.23
Music Licence (CCL)	114.17		114.17	112.00
Website Hosting	38.38		38.38	38.38
Hymn Quest				50.00
Literature, Printing, Post & Stationery	104.21		104.21	23.04
Electronic Equipment & Upgrades	23.67		23.67	
			766.43	707.65
<i>Missionary & Other Giving</i>				
AWM - Rob & Gill Burridge	925.00		925.00	775.00
Barnabas Fund	575.00	50.00	625.00	530.00
Barrie & Nancy Evans	425.00		425.00	350.00
Evangelical Movement of Wales	575.00		575.00	500.00
UFM - Emmanuel & Esther Durand	1275.00		1275.00	1075.00
Caring For Life	42.50	107.50	150.00	175.00
South Gwynedd Foodbank	92.50	57.50	150.00	60.00
Tear Fund	22.71	377.29	400.00	300.00
			4525.00	3765.00
<i>Admin Expenses</i>				
HSBC Fees & Charges	49.01		49.01	0.00
Total Expenditure	33692.83	697.29	34390.12	30977.09

Accounts for Full Year 2021/2022 Compared to Full Year 2020/2021

	Apr21-Mar22 Full Year	Apr20-Mar21 Full Year
<u>Current Account</u>		
Opening Balance	8540.97	5986.86
Income	30392.39	36531.20
Income Matured Bonds	6000.00	3000.00
Expenditure	-34390.12	-30977.09
Expenditure New Bonds	-4000.00	-6000.00
Closing Balance	6543.24	8540.97
<u>Bond Summary</u>		
Opening Balance	27000.00	24000.00
Matured Bonds	-6000.00	-3000.00
New Bonds	4000.00	6000.00
Interest	272.53	265.71
Interest to Current Account	-272.53	-265.71
Closing Balance	25000.00	27000.00
Total Funds Opening Balance (Current A/C & Bonds)	35541	29987
Total Funds Closing Balance (Current A/C & Bonds)	31543	35541

Bala Evangelical Church - Notes to Accounts 2021/22

Note	Explanation
[1]	The account sheet for 2021/22 has been presented on the basis of "Receipts and Payments" accounts. For consistency the comparison balance sheet for 2020/21, originally presented as "Accruals" accounts, has been reworked on the same basis.
[2]	Sunday collections dates are shown together with the date the money was credited to the church Current Account. Bank Transfers are just shown based on the date the money was credited to the Current Account.
[3]	Returned cheques are shown as an extra negative line on both the Expenditure tab and the Accounts tab.
[4]	Restricted giving is shown on the Income tab, the Expenditure tab and the Accounts tab.
[5]	Nest Pension payments are shown on the date the money was debited from the Current Account.
[6]	Current Account "Activity Charges" and "Account charges" were introduced on 20th Nov 2021. These are shown on the Expenditure tab for the last day of the charging period.
[7]	Transfers to and from the Kingdom Bank Bonds are shown in the Current Account table and Bond Summary table but are not shown as Income or Expenditure on the Accounts table.