



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	22		31	03	23

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	01/04/22 to 08/03/23	BEC / EEYB
3	Mr Stuart Keen	Deacon	29/06/22 to 31/03/23	BEC / EEYB
4	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)

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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.

Details as follows:

- The Church has maintained its life as a worshipping and witnessing community.
- The Church provided opportunity to meet together; on Sundays for worship in Canolfan Bro Tegid.
- Midweek the Church meets for Bible Study and Prayer. Fortnightly on a Wednesday in Canolfan Bro Tegid and the remaining weeks in three Home Groups in the town.
- 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

During the year the Church was able:

- to maintain its life in the town of Bala as a worshipping, witnessing and welcoming community.
- to provide opportunities to meet together; on Sundays for worship and midweek for Bible Study and Prayer; fortnightly on a Wednesday in Canolfan Bro Tegid and the remaining weeks on a Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at Home Groups in the town.
- 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.

Specific events during the year were...

- in May to arrange the Baptism of a new member. A short Sunday service was held in Bryn y Groes, then the Baptism in the leisure centre swimming pool followed by refreshments at Bryn y Groes.
- for July & August to host Sunday services in Canolfan Bro Tegid for the Young Peoples camps taking place at Bryn y Groes.
- during October to hold a Harvest Supper at Bryn y Groes. The meal in the dining room was followed by a talk in the lounge by Dafydd Job from Bangor and was attended by ~40 people.
- during December our Carol Service was held at Bryn y Groes with cuppa and minces pies followed by a fellowship lunch.
- In late March we had a farewell lunch at the Golfclub for our Elder and his wife who had been in the church for ~10 years. They had managed Bryn y Groes but were returning to South 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 / SK / DG

Full name(s)

Gareth Williams, Stuart Keen
& David Gee

Position (Secretary, Chair, etc)

GW (Chairman)

Date

24th November 2023

Accounts for Full Year 2022/2023 Compared to Full Year 2021/2022

	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	Apr22-Mar23 Full Year	Apr21-Mar22 Full Year
	£	£	£	£
<u>Income</u>				
Offerings and Donations	27123.56		27123.56	24887.66
Gift Aid and GASDS	8067.27		8067.27	4534.91
One Off Gifts	2000.00		2000.00	0.00
Restricted Gifts: Harvest Supper				105.00
Restricted Gifts: Barnabas Fund		100.00	100.00	50.00
Restricted Gifts: Caring for Life		111.00	111.00	107.50
Restricted Gifts: South Gwynedd Foodbank		110.00	110.00	57.50
Restricted Gifts: Tearfund Cmas App Burundi		377.00	377.00	377.29
Restricted Gifts: Tearfund Earthquake Syria		660.00	660.00	
Restricted Gifts: Gwydion & Catrin		325.00	325.00	
Interest received from Bonds	102.23		102.23	272.53
Total Income	37293.06	1683.00	38976.06	30392.39
			3729.31	2969.51
<u>Expenditure</u>				
<i>Ministry Costs</i>				
Pastor's Salary (£24373 A-N & £28866 D-M)	25870.64		25870.64	24472.84
Pastor's Expenses	714.40		714.40	557.40
Employers NI Contributions				
Employers Pension Contribution	1003.96		1003.96	1031.52
Preachers / Speakers Fees	920.00		920.00	725.00
Preachers / Speakers Fees (Returned)	-145.00		-145.00	-340.00
			28364.00	26446.76
<i>Special Expenditure</i>				
Equipment (Laptop & Video Camera)				497.92
			0.00	497.92
<i>Meeting Costs</i>				
Rent for Canofan Bro Tegid	1172.00		1172.00	630.00
Rent of Leisure Centre (Baptism)	35.00		35.00	
Gifts Use of ByG (Sports Hall & Lounge/Dining)	375.00		375.00	1275.00
			1582.00	1905.00
<i>Fellowship Expenditure</i>				
Fellowship Gifts		222.00	222.00	50.00
Fellowship Meal	468.00	103.00	571.00	
AECW (Chairman & North Wales)	150.00		150.00	150.00
			943.00	200.00
<i>Administrative Costs</i>				
Gifts for Accounts & Wages	150.00		150.00	250.00
Insurance Policy	238.23		238.23	236.00
Music Licence (CCL)	123.00		123.00	114.17
Website Hosting				38.38
Hymn Quest				
Adverts, Literature, Stationery, Printg & Postge	285.14		285.14	104.21
Electronic Equipment Misc	15.98		15.98	23.67
			812.35	766.43
<i>Missionary & Other Giving</i>				
AWM - Rob & Gill Burridge	850.00		850.00	925.00
Barnabas Fund	500.00		500.00	625.00
Barrie & Nancy Evans				425.00
Evangelical Movement of Wales	500.00		500.00	575.00
UFM - Emmanuel & Esther Durand	1150.00		1150.00	1275.00
Caring For Life	139.00	111.00	250.00	150.00
South Gwynedd Foodbank		100.00	100.00	150.00
Tearfund Cmas Appeal Burundi	23.00	377.00	400.00	400.00
Tearfund Earthquake Appeal Syria	40.00	660.00	700.00	
	3202.00		4450.00	4525.00
<i>Admin Expenses</i>				
HSBC Fees & Charges	151.23		151.23	49.01
Total Expenditure	34729.58	1573.00	36302.58	34390.12

Accounts for Full Year 2022/2023 Compared to Full Year 2021/2022

	Apr22-Mar23	Apr21-Mar22
	Full Year	Full Year
<u>Current Account</u>		
Opening Balance	6543.24	8540.97
Income	38976.06	30392.39
Income Matured Bonds	1000.00	6000.00
Expenditure	-36302.58	-34390.12
Expenditure New Bonds	0.00	-4000.00
Closing Balance	<u>10216.72</u>	<u>6543.24</u>
<u>Bond Summary</u>		
Opening Balance	25000.00	27000.00
Matured Bonds	-1000.00	-6000.00
New Bonds	0.00	4000.00
Interest	102.23	272.53
Interest to Current Account	-102.23	-272.53
Closing Balance	<u>24000.00</u>	<u>25000.00</u>
Total Funds Opening Balance (Current A/C & Bonds)	31543	35541
Total Funds Closing Balance (Current A/C & Bonds)	34217	31543

Bala Evangelical Church - Notes to Accounts 2022/23

Note	Details
[1]	Tab: Accounts Full Year Apr22-Mar23 show the Balance Sheet presented on the basis of "Receipts and Payments"
[2]	Tab: Income Apr22-Mar23 shows Sunday collection dates together with the date the money was credited to the church Current Account. All Bank Transfers are shown on the date the money was credited to the Current Account.
[3]	Tab: Income Apr22-Mar23 shows 3 HMRC Tax Reclaims under Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme GASDS. These are Half Year Apr21-Sep21, Half Year Oct21-Mar22 & Half Year Apr22-Sep22
[4]	Tab: Income Apr22-Mar23 shows rollover of 4 Kingdom Bank Bonds with £1000 Capital and £102.21 Interest being transferred to the Current Account over the year. At the end of the year the Church holds £24,000 in Kingdom Bank Bonds, each is £2000 with a 36month term and 4 bonds mature every
[5]	Tab: Tax Reclaim Gift Aid & GASDS shows the calculation of the HMRC Tax Reclaims under Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme GASDS. Half Year Apr22-Sep22 has been reclaimed while Half Year Oct22-Mar23 will be claimed with Half Year Apr23-Sep23 in early 2024.
[6]	Tab: Expend Apr22-Mar23 shows Cheques used and Bank Transfers made from the Current Account. Returned Cheques are shown as an extra negative line on Expenditure Sheet and appear on the as a negative line on the Balance Sheet. All destroyed Cheques are shown with the blank line on the Expenditure Sheet.
[7]	Tab: Expend Apr22-Mar23 shows Nest Pension payments on the date the money was debited from the Current Account. Payments were made during the year to correct for underpayments during the year 2020/21 and to ensure that the Nest payments matched the monthly payslips.
[8]	Tab: Expend Apr22-Mar23 shows the HSBC monthly "Activity Charges" and "Account charges" introduced on 20th Nov 2021. These are shown on the last day of the charging period. Moves were made during the year to pay some items by Bank Transfer so reducing the charges.