

Charity Registration number: 1159137

**CHURCH ALIVE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2021
(A charitable incorporated organisation)**

AUKER RHODES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLP

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KEIGHLEY

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CHARITY INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER : 1159137

GOVERNING INSTRUMENT : Registered CIO dated 10 November 2014

TRUSTEES : Andrew Northcott (Chairman)
Steven Watts
Anna Greathead
Harry Naylor
Alan Wickens

TRUST OBJECTIVES : The advancement of the Christian Faith

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS : The Ledbury Centre
3 Ledbury Close
Ladywood
Birmingham
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER : R. J. Kenyon FCA
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

OBJECTIVES, ORGANISATION AND ACTIVITIES

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and was registered on 10 November 2014. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission in England (No:1159137).

The principal address of the Charity is The Ledbury Centre, 3 Ledbury Close, Ladywood, Birmingham, B16 8RR.

The objectives of the Charity are to advance and promote the Christian faith; the relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or who are aged or sick; the advancement of education on the basis of Christian principles.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees who served during the year were:-

Andrew Northcott (Chairman)
Steven Watts
Anna Greathead
Harry Naylor
Alan Wickens

Steven Watts resigned as Chairman on 21 July 2021 and was replaced by Andrew Northcott.

AGENTS AND ADVISERS

The Independent Examiner is Mr. R. J. Kenyon FCA, of Auker Rhodes Professional Services LLP, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors of Keighley.

The bank account of the Charity is maintained at the Co-operative Bank.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

REVIEW OF PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Initiatives intended to achieve the charity's objectives have been designed and implemented to benefit all people in the community, regardless of faith or religious affiliations.

Sunday morning meetings are open to the public who are welcome to attend. The website gives details of the venue and meeting times. Other activities for children, church members and the community take place from time to time. In particular, the church runs a number of meetings for Bible study, prayer and fellowship.

During much of 2020/21 we continued to maintain our Sunday morning and mid week meetings online. We also set up a specific hardship fund for those struggling financially during the lockdown period.

We continue our relationship with Lifelink Global both for spiritual and practical purposes. As a result of this relationship, we have raised money for projects in Africa.

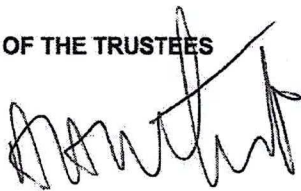
We have also liaised with other churches and agencies operating in the Ladywood area to develop understanding and support initiatives in the local community.

The Charity does not have any related charities. The Charity has links with another Christian charity, Lifelink Global, which may be regarded as a co-operating charity.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFAIRS

Full details of the financial transactions are contained in the attached accounts and the total receipts for the period were £81,625 (2020 : £95,204) and after deducting payments of £81,203 (2020 : £80,777) the net incoming resources were £422 as compared with net incoming resources of £14,427 in 2020.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES



Andrew Northcott
Chairman
Date : 14 December 2021

STATEMENT OF CHARITY TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any 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 Charity (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.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE CHURCH COMMITTEE OF
CHURCH ALIVE**

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's 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.

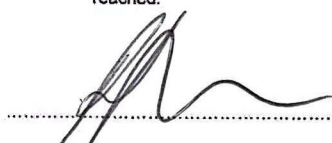
BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 presented with those records. 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 the course of 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
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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.



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Date : 14 December 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Period ended 31 March 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary Income	3	79,575	2,000	81,575	94,703
Investment Income	4	50	-	50	501
		<u>79,625</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>81,625</u>	<u>95,204</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities					
Grants payable	5	19,341	-	19,341	19,855
Costs of activities	6	53,838	23	53,861	54,527
Support costs	7	8,001	-	8,001	6,395
		<u>81,180</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>81,203</u>	<u>80,777</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>81,180</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>81,203</u>	<u>80,777</u>
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(1,555)	1,977	422	14,427
Net transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>(1,555)</u>	<u>1,977</u>	<u>422</u>	<u>14,427</u>
Balances at 1 April 2020		94,566	8,929	103,495	89,068
Balances at 31 March 2021		<u>93,011</u>	<u>10,906</u>	<u>103,917</u>	<u>103,495</u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the period as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

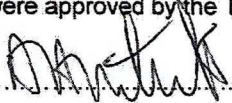
The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds 31 March 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	9	41,816	-	41,816	43,046
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	494	-	494	-
Cash in hand		53,485	8,929	62,414	61,235
		<u>53,979</u>	<u>8,929</u>	<u>62,908</u>	<u>61,235</u>
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	11	(807)	-	(807)	(786)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>53,172</u>	<u>8,929</u>	<u>62,101</u>	<u>60,449</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>94,988</u>	<u>8,929</u>	<u>103,917</u>	<u>103,495</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>94,988</u></u>	<u><u>8,929</u></u>	<u><u>103,917</u></u>	<u><u>103,495</u></u>
RESERVES					
Brought forward		94,566	8,929	103,495	89,068
Net (outgoing)/ incoming resources		(1,555)	1,977	422	14,427
Balances carried forward		<u><u>93,011</u></u>	<u><u>10,906</u></u>	<u><u>103,917</u></u>	<u><u>103,495</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14 December 2021.

Andrew Northcott 

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. General information

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and was registered on 10 November 2014.

The address of its registered office is

The Ledbury Centre

3 Ledbury Close

Ladywood

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2. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following are the more important Accounting Policies adopted by the Charity:

a) ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued March 2018 and the Charities Act 2011.

b) ACCRUALS BASIS

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis where income from donations and gifts and expenditure is brought into account when receivable or due.

c) DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is charged on fixed assets to write off the cost over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Building - 2% straight line

PA Equipment - Fully depreciated

d) FUNDS

Unrestricted funds are general funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restriction imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

3. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Grant receivable (inc. recov. tax)	13,701	-	13,701	14,801
Special offerings	5,835	2,000	7,835	20,510
Regular Giving / Tithes	60,039	-	60,039	59,392
	<u>79,575</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>81,575</u>	<u>94,703</u>

4. INCOME RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Bank Interest	50	-	50	257
Other income	-	-	-	244
	<u>50</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>501</u>

5. GRANTS PAYABLE

	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Lifelink Global	8,122	-	8,122	9,722
Relief and Development	2,572	-	2,572	3,018
Other Grants	8,647	-	8,647	7,115
	<u>19,341</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,341</u>	<u>19,855</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

6. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Accommodation	420	-	420	5,582
Children and Youth	302	-	302	470
Conferences	-	-	-	729
Food & Drink	-	-	-	159
Mission & Travel	-	23	23	-
Outreach & Hospitality etc	31	-	31	205
Pastoral Services	53,085	-	53,085	47,382
	<u>53,838</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>53,861</u>	<u>54,527</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Computer and website	835	-	835	39
Depreciation	1,230	-	1,230	1,230
Insurance & Licenses	1,134	-	1,134	1,115
Legal and professional fees	858	-	858	804
Mileage & Travel	-	-	-	597
Printing, Postage, Stationery	20	-	20	4
Repairs and Maintenance	2,520	-	2,520	290
Sundry Expenses	-	-	-	164
Training Courses & Materials	292	-	292	359
Utilities - heat & light etc	1,112	-	1,112	1,793
	<u>8,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,001</u>	<u>6,395</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

	Year ended 31 March 2021 £	Year ended 31 March 2020 £
Ministry remuneration	48,633	42,804
	<u>48,633</u>	<u>42,804</u>

Two trustees, Steven Watts and Andrew Northcott, were engaged in remunerated ministry during the year. The amount paid to them in respect of ministry fees and expenses during the year, in accordance with the trust deed was £48,633 (2020: £42,804). No other payments were made to any trustees during the year. In addition to the above, a wife of a trustee received £2,335 (2020 : £4,578) for pastoral and administration work in the church.

9. FIXED ASSETS

	The Ledbury Centre Buildings £	PA Equipment £	Total £
Cost at 1 April 2020	61,492	29,158	90,650
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-
Cost at 31 March 2021	<u>61,492</u>	<u>29,158</u>	<u>90,650</u>
Depreciation at 1 April 2020	18,446	29,158	47,604
Depreciation charge	1,230	-	1,230
Depreciation on Disposals	-	-	-
On Revaluation	-	-	-
Depreciation at 31 March 2021	<u>19,676</u>	<u>29,158</u>	<u>48,834</u>
Net book value at 31 March 2021	<u>41,816</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,816</u>
Net book value at 31 March 2020	<u>43,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,046</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

10. DEBTORS	31 March 2021	31 March 2020
	£	£
Pledged Special Offerings	494	-
	<u>494</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>494</u>	<u>-</u>
11. CREDITORS : amounts due within one year	31 March 2021	31 March 2020
	£	£
Accrued Expenses	807	786
	<u>807</u>	<u>786</u>
	<u>807</u>	<u>786</u>

The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisation (General) Regulations 2012, that at year end the CIO did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on assets of the CIO.

12. RESERVES

As at 31 March 2021 there were restricted funds £10,906 (2020 : £8,929) and unrestricted funds £93,011 (2020 : £94,566).

13. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Church was controlled by the Trustees throughout the current and previous year.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Year ended 31 March 2021		Year ended 31 March 2020	
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Grant receivable (Income Tax recoverable)	13,701		14,801	
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Regular Giving / Tithes	60,039		59,392	
Bank Interest	50		257	
Other income	-		244	
		81,625		95,204
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Printing, Postage, Stationery	20		4	
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Sundry Expenses	-		164	
Training Courses & Materials	292		359	
Utilities. Electric,Gas,Water,Rates	1,112		1,793	
		81,203		80,777
NET (OUTGOING) / INCOMING RESOURCES		422		14,427
Balance at 1 April 2020		103,495		89,068
Balance at 31 March 2021		<u>103,917</u>		<u>103,495</u>