

Northern Lights Church
Statement of Accounts
For the Year Ended 30 April 2021

Charity Registration Number 1161494

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**Charity Information
For the Year Ended 30 April 2021**

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Report of the Trustees For the Year Ended 30 April 2021

Structure, Governance & Management

Northern Lights Church was established as a registered Charity in April 2015 and is affiliated with a family of churches known as 'CRC Churches International'. The Church also works with other church and mission organisations of similar vision, to pursue its objectives.

The governance of the church is undertaken by a board of trustees who, with the leadership of the pastor, manage the affairs of the Church, and initiate and support the spiritual programme of the Church to fulfil its charitable purpose. There should be at least three trustees on the board at any one time.

Trustees can be appointed to and removed from the board upon the recommendation of the pastor with the concurrence of at least three fifths of the board. There is no minimum or maximum tenure.

Governing Document

The Constitution was adopted on 26th September 2013, and has been subsequently amended on 20th April 2015.

Objectives

The objectives of the Church are to advance religion in the provision and maintaining of places of worship, and to provide better understanding of Christ's Gospel.

Public Benefit

The Church aims to provide spiritual advice and counselling, reaching out to the unfortunate and needy of the community. The Church also supports the cohesion of society, by ministering directly to whatever definable segment of society it may be able to, whether by gender, age, religion, cultural background or socio-economic circumstances. Charitable, Christ-centred churches are set up to the betterment of the local community.

Activities & Achievements

This year was obviously affected in numerous ways by the Covid-19 pandemic. The church adapted quickly to the restrictions that we faced by holding online meetings and a series of outdoor meetings as well. These were good and were certainly better than not meeting at all, but they were not the same as our normal schedule of in person services and classes.

The biggest impact was the impossibility of travelling to Moldova or anywhere else for the purpose of missions. This has been at the heart of our church from the moment that we started, so it was a deep loss to have to shut down this ministry entirely. International travel is amongst the last industries to return to normal after the pandemic, so it is hard to see precisely when our travel to Eastern Europe can resume.

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Activities & Achievements *continued*

The accounts show that despite the pandemic the church's income was essentially unchanged from the previous year which is encouraging. Also positive was a small number of baptisms at our Todmorden youth church and our Halifax church despite all the disruptions.

Thank you to all the trustees who served faithfully again, and to all the church leaders and volunteers who give of their time and love to make the church thrive and prosper.

John Warren
Senior Pastor

Financial Review

Full details of the financial transactions are contained in the attached accounts and total income for the year was £43,572 (2020: £64,218), and after deducting total expenditure £43,818 (2020: £49,408) the net expenditure was £246 (2020: net income £14,810)

During the year the charity invested £Nil in to a high interest deposit account (2020 : £4,800)

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 28 February 2022

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Mr J Warren
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibility For the Year Ended 30 April 2021

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 charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements giving a true and fair view the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the Charity will continue operating.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and 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 or other irregularities.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Northern Lights Church For the Year Ended 30 April 2021

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 30th April 2021, which are set out on pages 5 and 6

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity Trustees 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Report

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the accounts do 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.

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S J Sutcliffe F.C.C.A.

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Date: 28 February 2022

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year Ended 30 April 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
<u>Incoming Resources</u>					
Voluntary Income:					
General Donations		33,181	-	33,181	50,489
Charitable Activities		8,626	-	8,626	13,729
Government JRS Grants		1,765	-	1,765	-
Total Incoming Resources		<u>43,572</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,572</u>	<u>64,218</u>
 <u>Resources Expended</u>					
Charitable Activities:	3	42,388	-	42,388	48,653
Other	4	1,430	-	1,430	755
Total Resources Expended		<u>43,818</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,818</u>	<u>49,408</u>
 Total Resources for the year		 (246)	 -	 (246)	 14,810
 Investments - CCLA		 -	 -	 -	 (4,800)
 Fund balances brought forward		 27,360	 -	 27,360	 17,350
 Fund balances carried forward	5	<u>27,114</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,114</u>	<u>27,360</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements **For the Year Ended 30 April 2021**

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

2. Assets

During the year equipment amounting to £1,204 (2020: £250) was purchased for the charities use.

3. Charitable Activities

	2021	2020
Wages	18,871	19,624
Training & Conferences	727	2,425
Guest Ministries & Missions	3,327	3,264
Printing, postage and stationery	689	269
Administrative costs	11,871	9,024
Hospitality & Travel	5,636	13,731
Equipment	1,204	250
Sundries	63	66
	<u>42,388</u>	<u>48,653</u>

4. Independent Examiners Fee

	2021	2020
Examiners fee	1,430	755
	<u>1,430</u>	<u>755</u>

5. Bank Account - Cash Funds

At the end of the financial year 30 April 2021 the balance available to be withdrawn from the Yorkshire Bank Accounts was £27,114 (2020:£27,360)

Northern Lights Church**Profit & Loss Account****For the Year Ended 30 April 2021**

	Year End 30 April 2021		Year End 30th April 2020	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Donations	33,181		50,489	
Gift Aid & Tax	8,626		13,729	
Other Income	<u>1,765</u>		<u>-</u>	
		43,572		64,218
Expenditure				
Wages	18,871		19,624	
Rent & Room Hire	3,970		8,422	
Leaflets, Printing & Advertising	689		269	
Conference Costs	147		675	
Guest Ministries & Missions	3,327		3,264	
Insurance	477		422	
Subscriptions	140		176	
Refreshments & Hospitality	9,211		8,135	
Training	580		1,750	
Accountancy	1,430		756	
Travel & Accommodation	3,709		5,599	
Sundry	<u>63</u>		<u>66</u>	
		<u>42,614</u>		<u>49,158</u>
Net Profit		958		15,060
Equipment Purchased		(1,204)		(250)
Investments - CCLA		-		(4,800)
Loss/Profit for the Year		<u><u>(246)</u></u>		<u><u>10,010</u></u>