

Northern Lights Church
Statement of Accounts
For the Year Ended 30 April 2022

Charity Registration Number 1161494

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**Charity Information
For the Year Ended 30 April 2022**

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Report of the Trustees For the Year Ended 30 April 2022

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 began and was dominated by getting the Church back on track after the Covid 19 pandemic. In June 2021 we made the decision to cease doing an online Sunday morning service, this was not because our inability to make it happen from a technical point of view, but because of our conviction that it was the right time for people to return to in person meetings. Online church was better than no church at all, but it is certainly not as good as meeting in the flesh. In hindsight I believe this decision was correct. Northern Lights Church is a group of local churches, we are not a Christian television station. This was the year that we returned to being what we truly are.

Of course the pandemic weakened the Church in a number of ways, and strengthening what remained was a major priority. In any season in church life there are some people in the process of coming, and some people in the process of leaving. The pandemic made it easier for people to leave but harder for new people to come. Many people were also rattled by the uncertainty that the pandemic brought. Through the efforts of our pastors, leaders

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Activities & Achievements *continued*

and volunteers the Church is once again stable and reaching out to the various communities in Calderdale.

The church's finances were hurt by the pandemic, but expenses were down as well, so it wasn't hard to find the right financial balance.

Everyone in the Church is looking forward to a more normal 2022-23.

I remain deeply appreciative of all the work that our various leaders have done throughout the year, it was a year like no other but I am glad that we have come through it together.

Financial Review

Full details of the financial transactions are contained in the attached accounts and total income for the year was £36,499 (2021: £43,572), and after deducting total expenditure £54,212 (2021: £43,818) the net expenditure was £17,713 (2021: 246)

During the year the charity invested £Nil in to a high interest deposit account (2021 : £NIL)

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on

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Mr J Warren
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibility For the Year Ended 30 April 2022

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 2022

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 30th April 2022, 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:

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year Ended 30 April 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
<u>Incoming Resources</u>					
Voluntary Income:					
General Donations		30,774	-	30,774	33,181
Charitable Activities		5,725	-	5,725	8,626
Government JRS Grants		-	-	-	1,765
Total Incoming Resources		<u>36,499</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,499</u>	<u>43,572</u>
 <u>Resources Expended</u>					
Charitable Activities:	3	53,720	-	53,720	42,388
Other	4	492	-	492	1,430
Total Resources Expended		<u>54,212</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,212</u>	<u>43,818</u>
 Total Resources for the year		 (17,713)	 -	 (17,713)	 (246)
 Investments - CCLA		 -	 -	 -	 -
 Fund balances brought forward		 27,114	 -	 27,114	 27,360
 Fund balances carried forward	5	<u>9,401</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,401</u>	<u>27,114</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 April 2022

1. Accounting Policies

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

2. Assets

During the year equipment amounting to £2,128 (2021: £1,204) was purchased for the charities use.

3. Charitable Activities

	2022	2021
Wages	21,641	18,871
Training & Conferences	654	727
Guest Ministries & Missions	3,298	3,327
Printing, postage and stationery	1,469	689
Administrative costs	14,745	11,247
Hospitality & Travel	6,602	6,260
Equipment	2,128	1,204
Sundries	3,183	63
	<u>53,720</u>	<u>42,388</u>

4. Independent Examiners Fee

	2022	2021
Examiners fee	492	1,430
	<u>492</u>	<u>1,430</u>

5. Bank Account - Cash Funds

At the end of the financial year 30 April 2022 the balance available to be withdrawn from the Yorkshire Bank Accounts was £9,401 (2021:£27,114)

Northern Lights Church**Profit & Loss Account****For the Year Ended 30 April 2022**

	Year End 30th April 2022		Year End 30th April 2021	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Donations	30,774		33,181	
Gift Aid & Tax	5,725		8,626	
Other Income	-		1,765	
		36,499		43,572
Expenditure				
Wages	21,641		18,871	
Administration	6,660		6,660	
Rent & Room Hire	7,488		3,970	
Leaflets, Printing & Advertising	1,469		689	
Conference Costs	240		147	
Guest Ministries & Missions	3,298		3,327	
Insurance	414		477	
Subscriptions	166		140	
Refreshments & Hospitality	2,285		2,551	
Training	414		580	
Accountancy	492		1,430	
Travel & Accommodation	4,317		3,709	
Bank Charges	17		-	
Sundry	3,183		63	
		52,084		42,614
Net (Loss)/ Profit		(15,585)		958
Equipment Purchased		(2,128)		(1,204)
Investments - CCLA		-		-
		(17,713)		(246)
Loss for the Year				