

Annual Report 2021-2022

Aim and purpose

Victory Church Blaenavon is a small non denomination church which operates solely through volunteers. The mission of the church is to reach the community of Blaenavon and surrounding areas through pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical means.

The church is pastored by Nick and Suzanne Walters who were appointed when the church was planted in 2013.

The organisation is a registered charity and is run by the trustees, church elders and the church deacons.

Objectives and Activities

The leadership is committed to ensure that as many people as possible are offered the opportunity to come and worship in a friendly cheerful environment. A place where people can come and share their problems and receive prayers and hope.

The church meets weekly for a single church service which includes, lively modern worship, preaching from scripture, prayer and communion.

The leadership are regularly reviewing ways in which we can help our local community and improve public benefit. The church has a passion for the lost and the broken which has led to the establishment of our Foodbank.

Through the volunteer scheme, many roles within the church are carried out by ordinary people of faith.

Achievements and Performance

COVID-19

During 2021, the continued COVID-19 health crisis closed all our church ministries several times. It was a time of re-adjustment, and the use of online technology was utilised to maintain communication with church members.

During the autumn of 2021, we re-opened the church, following a full risk assessment and adherence to the Welsh Assembly's guidance.

Worship and Prayer

One of the biggest challenges during this period was transitioning away from traditional in person church services to pre-recorded services broadcast on YouTube and shared onto our Facebook page and then quickly onto Livestreaming our recorded services to allow people to interact at the service was being broadcast.

This enabled us to communicate in real-time as the service was ongoing with members of the church and people from our local community who joined us online.

Pastoral Care

With the inability to meet in general, communication was limited. Communication was carried out over the phone or via text messages.

Kid's church

Kids church has returned to in person weekly meetings. This has had a dramatic impact on our children who have suffered during lockdowns.

Mission and Evangelism

Foodbank

During this period foodbank continued to operate. Door to door deliveries were utilised to allow safe delivery of food parcels during a very busy year with many people in financial difficulty.

The trustees would like to thank Mrs Suzanne Walters and Mrs Nick Paine for their dedication during this difficult season, operating 6 days a week as and when the referrals were emailed to them.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £27,831, most of which was generated by those attending the church regularly.

The total payments made was £26,039 including rent for 16 Broad Street, which are rented rooms that is used on a weekly basis.

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £1,792 on all funds.

Volunteers

All of the church activities are carried out by volunteers. The leadership would like to thank all those that have given up their time to help run our church as a loving community.

Structure and governance

Trustees

The church as a registered charity has trustees. These are:

Mr Phil Paine

Mr Nick Walters

The trustees are responsible for all legal, ethical and financial matters.

The trustees met 3 times during the year.

Church Elders

The church elders are responsible for day to day decisions and the spiritual direction of the church.

The church elders are:

Mr Phil Paine

Mr Nick Walters

Church Deacons

The church deacons are responsible for practical matters within the church including settings up the hall for the service. The church deacons are:

Mr Steve George, Mrs Laura George, Mrs Janet George, Mr Richard Matthews, Mrs Andrea Matthews, Mrs Susan White and Mrs Janine Jones.

Approved by the trustees on 10th January 2021 and signed by Pastor Nick Walters and Trustee Phil Paine.

N Walters

Phil Paine

Financial Statement for the year ending 31 January 2022

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2021 £
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT					
Receipts					
Regular Giving	22,958	-	-	22,958	17,001
Donations	2,164	-	-	2,164	1,094
Rent	25	-	-	25	315
Other	300	-	-	300	1,919
Foodbank	2,384	-	-	2,384	3,045
	27,831	-	-	27,831	23,373
Payments					
Ministry/Events	4,100	-	-	4,100	4,755
Gifts/Donations	5,831	-	-	5,831	519
Rent/Hire of Rooms	3,134	-	-	3,134	2,957
Renovation / Repairs	8,428	-	-	8,428	156
Large Purchases	1,138	-	-	1,138	5,590
Consumables	151	-	-	151	2,881
Foodbank	3,258	-	-	3,258	2,312
	-	-	-	-	-
	26,039	-	-	26,039	19,169
Excess of Receipts over Payments	1,792	-	-	1,792	4,205
Bank account 01 Feb 2021	17,012			17,012	12,807
Bank account 31 Jan 2022	18,804			18,804	17,012

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash Funds					
Bank Current Account	17,012	-	-	17,012	12,808
Other Monetary Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Assets retained for Church use	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-

The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the trustees on 10th January 2020 and signed by Pastor Nick Walters and Trustee Phil Paine.

N Walters
PPaine

NOTES

1. The financial statements of the trustees have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis.
2. It was agreed by the trustees that due to the income being below the required £25,000 threshold that an external examiner's report was not required. The accounts were prepared by trustee Nick Walters.
3. The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (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.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the
trustees/directors/
members of

Charity Name
Victory Church Blaenavon

On accounts for the year
ended

31 January 2022

Charity no.:

1165688

Company no.:

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

Independent
examiner's statement

[The company's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

~~MA~~ Alex

Date:

22/10/22

Name:

MOSES ALEX KEENE

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

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.