



Trustees' Annual Report and Unaudited Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2024



CHURCH OF CHRIST MILTON KEYNES
Charity No.: 1166161

Trustees' Annual Report

Period: 1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024

Charity Name: Church of Christ Milton Keynes

Charity Registration Number: 1166161

Aims and Objectives

The Church of Christ Milton Keynes exists to worship God in spirit and in truth, in accordance with the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. Our aim is to glorify God by strengthening the faith of believers, proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ, and serving the wider community through charitable works.

To achieve these objectives, the Church is structured in line with biblical principles. Elders provide spiritual oversight, while Deacons lead and coordinate specific areas of service, ensuring that members are actively engaged in worship, evangelism, edification, benevolence, and administration. Through this structure, the Church seeks to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in the United Kingdom and beyond, working collaboratively with other Churches of Christ locally and internationally.

The Trustees confirm that, in carrying out these activities, they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All activities during the year were carried out by volunteers.

Activities and Public Benefit

During the reporting period, the Church undertook the following activities in pursuit of its charitable purposes:

- Providing regular opportunities for public worship, Bible teaching, prayer, and fellowship.
- Educating children and young people on moral values and making positive life choices.
- Offering benevolent support to individuals and families in need, both locally and, where possible, internationally, including parts of Africa.
- Visiting adult care homes in and around Milton Keynes to provide companionship, encouragement, and entertainment to residents.
- Supporting individuals through life events such as bereavement and childbirth with practical help and financial assistance.

These activities have contributed to spiritual growth, social cohesion, and the relief of hardship, thereby delivering clear public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Throughout the year, the Church assisted individuals in need through financial support and the provision of essential items. We also provided a welcoming environment in which people could form meaningful friendships and engage in the study of the Bible. Many participants have testified to positive changes in their lives as a result of learning and applying the teachings of Christ.

The Trustees believe that these efforts contribute positively to the reduction of social challenges and promote responsible, values-based living. We are encouraged by the progress made and intend to strengthen and refine our strategies to achieve even greater impact in the coming years.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Church of Christ Milton Keynes is a faith-based charitable organisation operating in Milton Keynes, with a focus on worship, community outreach, and benevolence.

Governance

The charity is overseen by two Elders who provide spiritual leadership and governance. They are supported by four Deacons responsible for the day-to-day administration and ministry of the Church. The Elders exercise oversight willingly and by example, seeking the wellbeing of the congregation without exercising undue authority.

Management and Key Areas of Responsibility

Finance and Administration

This department oversees the organisation and coordination of Church activities, ensuring transparency, accountability, and good stewardship of financial resources.

Responsibilities include budgeting, financial reporting, managing correspondence, coordinating communication within and outside the Church, and supporting logistical needs such as transportation. Regular financial reports are provided to the congregation.

Edification

The Edification ministry oversees congregational worship and spiritual development. This includes organising Bible classes, appointing leaders for worship activities, and arranging lectures, workshops, and training sessions. Special programmes support families, married couples, singles, and small groups, strengthening both spiritual and social bonds within the Church. Regular prayer, Bible study and special programs are held throughout the year.

Benevolence and Visitation

This ministry focuses on meeting practical needs within the Church and the wider community. Support is provided through food distribution, financial assistance, hospital and home visits, bereavement support, and care for families with new births. Charity-focused initiatives are organised periodically to raise additional resources for those in need.

Youth and Children

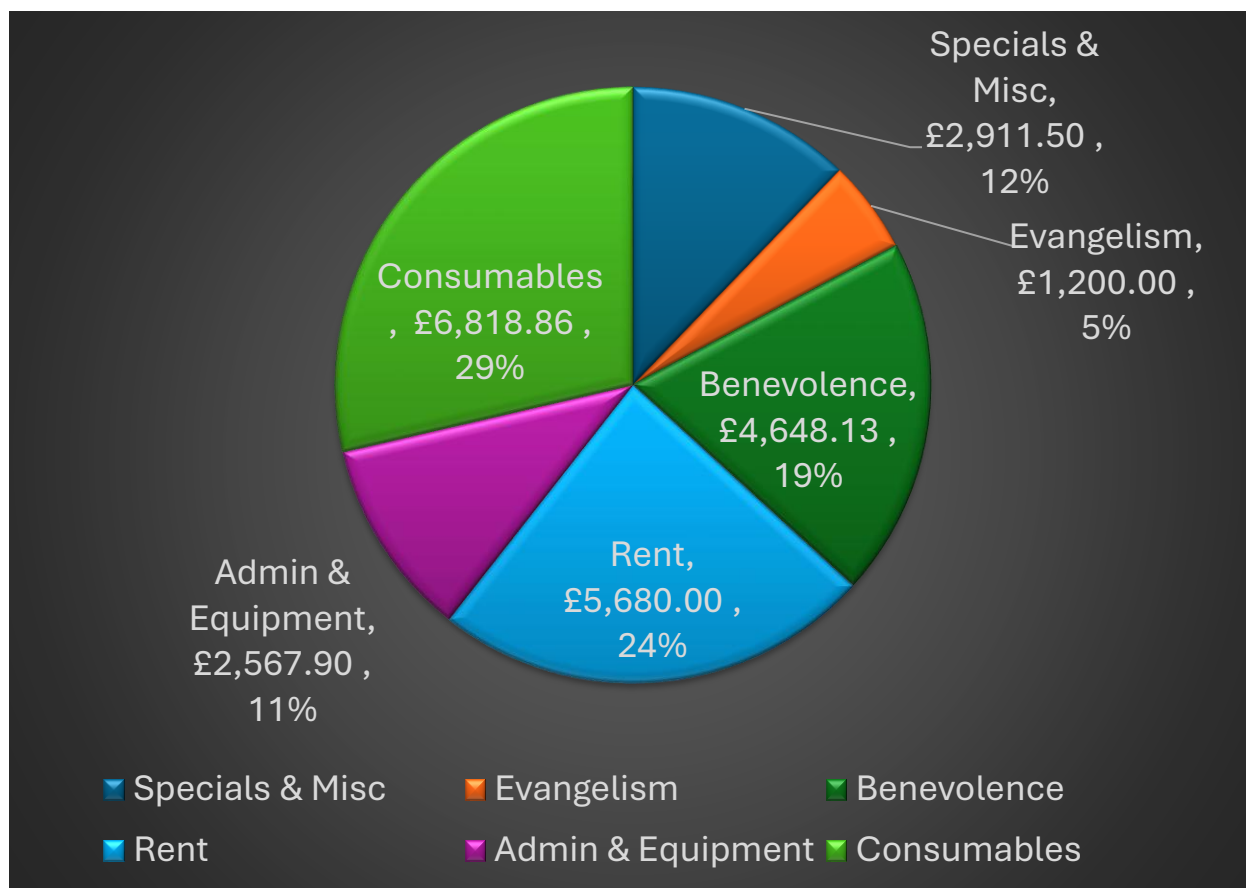
The Youth and Children's ministry is dedicated to nurturing young people through age-appropriate Bible teaching, mentoring, and activities designed to encourage positive character development, responsible behaviour, and spiritual growth.

Financial Review

The charity holds funds in a current account for day-to-day ministry activities and other saving accounts. Reserves are maintained to ensure the effective operation of ongoing ministries and to support long-term objectives.

The Church relies entirely on internal fundraising, primarily through weekly contributions and voluntary donations from members.

Income & Expenditure for the year ended 31 st December 2024			
Income £		Expenditure £	
Church collection (Giving):	39291.67	Evangelism	1200.00
Silver collections & Thanksgiving	2336.55	Benevolence	4648.13
		Hall Rental	5680.00
		Admin & Equipment	2567.90
		Consumables	6818.86
		Miscellaneous	2911.50
	£41628.22		£23826.39



Giving and Collections (2024)

For the year ended 31 December 2024, total Giving and Collections amounted to **£41,628.22**, comprising **£39,291.67** from regular giving and **£2,336.55** from silver collections, thanksgiving, and special offerings. Regular giving was steady throughout the year, averaging approximately **£3,274 per month**, with higher contributions in May and December. Special collections were received periodically, with the largest amount in July. Overall, the income provided stable support for the Church's activities and charitable work during the year.

Analysis of Expenditure

Total expenditure is distributed primarily across **Consumables (29%)** and **Rent (24%)**, which together account for over half of total spending, reflecting the Church's core operational needs. **Benevolence (19%)** represents a significant commitment to charitable support and community care. **Admin & Equipment (11%)** and **Specials & Miscellaneous (12%)** cover essential administrative and occasional costs, while **Evangelism (5%)** represents targeted outreach spending. Overall, expenditure reflects a balanced focus on operations, benevolence, and ministry support.

Conclusion

The Trustees are grateful for the dedication of all volunteers and members whose commitment has enabled the Church to fulfil its charitable purposes during the year. We remain confident that, with God's guidance and continued stewardship, the Church of Christ Milton Keynes will build on these foundations and continue to serve both its members and the wider community effectively.

Declarations:

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Bright Kennedy Kyei

Trustee

20.12.2025