

Cambridge Alliance Church (CAC) Annual Board Report 2021-2022

Edward Kwong Church Elder

The Vision and Mission of CAC

- A Caring Support Empowering & Networking Community Church
- The Strategic role of our church in Cambridge
- “ Reaching out to the local community and Chinese intellectuals at the campus.
- The Great Commandment (The book of Mark 12:30-31)
- The Great Commission (The book of Matthew 28:18-20)

1.0 Looking back

2021 / 2022 was an extraordinary year for the Cambridge Alliance Church (CAC). The COVID-19 pandemic prompted a historic shock to the UK community and impacted every fabric of society. Our way of life was completely disrupted. The lockdown measures over the last two years has changed the landscape of community services and format of interpersonal interactions across the UK. As the result of the unprecedented policies such as social distancing, restricted face-to-face interactions, the pre-pandemic normal on-site activities in the Cambridge Alliance Church came to a halt in September 2021. But the work of God has never stopped.

2.0 Transforming to a New Normal

Praise the Lord! Despite the challenging social environment, the CAC workers spared no effort to expand the ministries and brought about a facelift to the service. “The Church without walls” was no longer a just a slogan. We started on-line classes, workshops and sermons, and outreach flourished and extended to a new frontier last year. This Report highlights the outreach programs and activities carried out in CAC in 2021/22.

2.1 Church Meetings and Activities - Outreach to Cambridge and Beyond

Due to the infection control measures the church meetings were suspended for several months. All of the church activities such as Sunday worship, Bible study groups, Cell groups, Discipleship training, Parenting classes have moved from face-to-face to online via live Zoom meetings, reaching out to various parts of UK and even countries in the Far East. With the easing of lockdown measures, it was anticipated that the church activities would come back in full strength in year 2022.

2.2 Women's Fellowship and Catering Workers Outreach Ministry

In response to the call of God to serve less-reached groups, plans were made to establish regular Women's Fellowship and the Catering Workers Outreach Ministry meetings in 2022.

2.3 Cantonese Service for Hong Kongers

In contrast to the quietness in the campus due to lockdowns, it was predicted that a large number of Hong Kongers would migrate to the UK beginning in 2021 due to the BNO immigration route. Rev. Rosa Chan, Mr. Edward Kwong and leaders of the church council of the Cambridge Alliance Church (CAC) responded to the call of God to serve the growing number of Cantonese speaking Hong Kongers in Cambridge. This preparatory group held regular meetings to plan and prepare the ground work and future operations of the new Cantonese service. The on-line Sunday Cantonese Service started on 14 Feb 2021 with a congregation of only 14 members. When the congregation celebrated its first anniversary, the number had miraculously grown to 150 adults and 100 children and teens.

Many Hong Kong families who settled in Cambridge have school-aged children. The CAC felt the burning needs to lead this new generation to know Him, love Him, serve Him and glorify Him and become God's disciples. We are very grateful that God prepared a team of devoted leaders and programmes tailored for these children were planned and started in 2021/22, namely:

- Teen's Sunday Service (For Year 7-11 students)
- Children's Sunday Service (For Year 1-6 students)

By mid 2022, about 100 young people and children regularly attended the above programs.

2.4 Outreaching to Cantonese Speaking Non-believers

Following on from the vision of outreaching to non-believers, with much hard work, prayers and preparation, the CAC took a bold step to establish the first Cantonese Speaking Chinese School for teenagers and children aged from 5 to 13 in Cambridge. This teaches Cantonese aiming to serve the needs of the families from Hong Kong and extending our care to the community. The school was comprised of four cohorts (pre-school, lower, middle, higher) and was opened in the school year of 2022/23. This Chinese School has a unique role in our ministry plans by bridging the gap between the Church members and the Hong Kong community in Cambridge.

2.5 Outreaching to the Unknown

With the continued live-streaming of Sunday Services since the end of the lockdown, God's words were spread afar. Believers and non-believers from other corners of the world had the ability to join the Putonghua Sunday Service on-line. A couple from Sri Lanka who regularly attended the on-line Sunday Service were touched by God and they chose to be baptised

and now serve in their local church. We pray that their search for the truth and their faith in God may grow from strengths to strengths.

2.6 Stream of Praise 2022 – Music Ministries

Mr. Edward Kwong assumed the Chairman of London Chinese Christian Association (LCCA) over the past 5 years and was appointed the convener of the music ministry “Stream of Praise 2022” held in London. The concert was successfully held with an audience of 2000 on 29 October 2022 in London. Mr. Edward Kwong will step down from the chairmanship of LCCA next year and continue to focus on the campus and CAC ministry in coming years.

3.0 Challenges ahead

The effects of COVID-19 policies implemented in China and the changing tension of international relationships as well as the global economic situation, will continue to affect the number of students and families coming to Cambridge for further study and/or work. We have seen the overall Sunday service and other meetings attendance have significantly increased and we pray that God continues to use these programs for outreach especially to return the lost sheep to His flock.

The significant increase in Hong Kong people choosing to settle in Cambridge has brought both challenges and opportunities for CAC ministries and our work.

“The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest”. Matthew 9:37 – 38



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Cambridge Alliance Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1166560

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2022

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's 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 statement

[The charity'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 in connection with the examination (other than that
disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material
respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130
of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

20 Jan 2023

Name:

KWOK CHOI NG

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

ACCA

(if any):

Address:

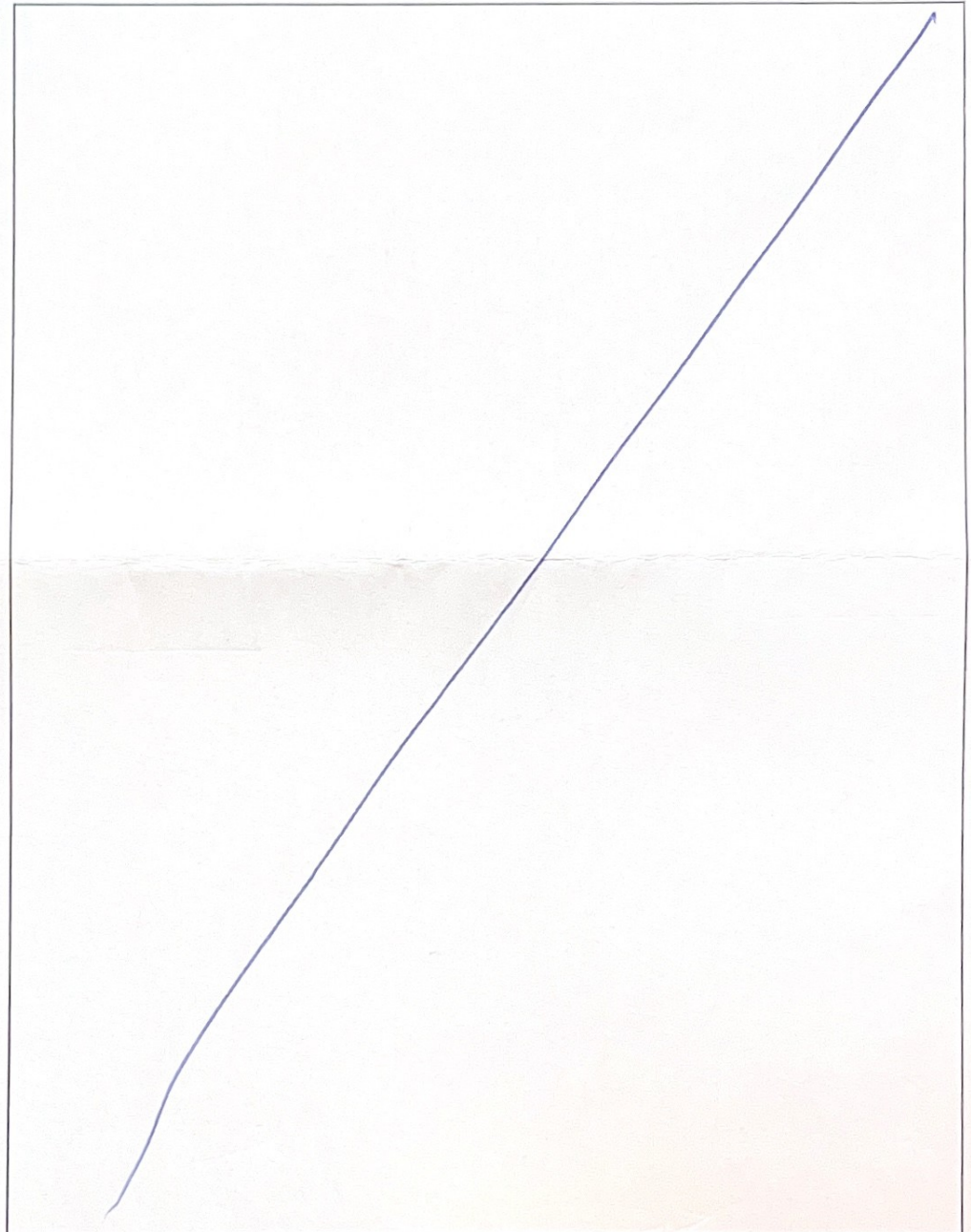
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Swindon

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.



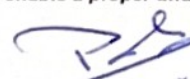
Cambridge Alliance Church (Charity No. 1166560)
Profit and Loss For the Period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022

Account	Total (£) 21/22	Total (£) 20/21
Income		
General Income		
General Donation	7,901	8,454
Sunday Offerings	46,773	6,010
Children's Ministry Offering	300	0
Special Offerings - Missionary	130	0
Total for General Income	55,104	14,464
Special Donation		
Special Donation (Campus Ministry)	3,206	1,500
Total for Special Donation	3,206	1,500
Other Income	677	0
Interest Income	2	7
Total Income	58,989	15,971
Expense		
Administration Expenses		
General Office Expenses and Utilities	8,042	563
Rent, Insurance & Council Tax	2,253	4,173
Information & Advertising	93	0
Accounting and Auditing	200	0
Bank Fees and Charges	64	0
Total for Administration Expenses	10,652	4,736
Missionary and Evangelism		
Donations To Other Organisations		
Support Missionary - Oversea	0	500
Support Missionary - UK	10,000	10,000
Total for Missionary and Evangelism	10,000	10,500
Worship/Fellowship/Gathering/Event		
Caring and Gift	724	266
Children's Ministry Expenses	1,733	0
Church Lunch and Meal	1,070	0
Honorarium (Sunday Cantonese Preaching)	1,470	0
Honorarium (Sunday Mandarin Preaching)	1,430	605
Total for Worship/Fellowship/Gathering/Event	6,427	871
Total Expense	27,079	16,107
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	31,911	-137

Prepared by Treasurer

Report to the members of Cambridge Alliance Church - accounts for the year to 31 March 2022

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts and state whether particular matters have come to my attention. My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the Church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts. In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Kwok Choi Ng (FCCA)
Hon. Auditor

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Balance Sheet as of 31/03/2022

Account	Total (£) 31/03/2022	Total (£) 31/03/2021
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank and Cash	82,605	51,371
Account Receivable	-	-
Total Current Assets	82,605	51,371
TOTAL ASSETS	82,605	51,371
LIABILITIES & EQUITIES		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Outstanding Cheques	0	677
Total Current Liabilities	0	677
Total Liabilities	0	677
Equities		
Current Year Earnings	31,911	-137
General Fund	52,322	52,322
Retained Earnings	-1,627	-1,490
Total Equities	82,605	50,695
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITIES	82,605	51,371

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