

Holywell Evangelical Church Charity Commission Trustee's report for the period 6th April 2020 to 5th April 2021. The financial report is for the same period.

Holywell Evangelical Church (Charity Number 1167853) registered with the Charity Commission on 27th June 2016.

The church building is on Halkyn Street, Holywell, in the county of Flintshire, North Wales. CH8 7TX

The church's governing document and constitution were submitted to the Charity Commission when the church registered as a charity.

During the year reported there were no serious incidents.

Covid-19 had only recently become an issue in March 2019 just before this reporting period. For the majority of the year reported lockdown existed. Services were recorded on the church premises in accordance with Covid regulations, audio and video, for both Lord's Day (Sunday) services and the mid-week Thursday meeting/sermon. Recordings were made in advance (by only an hour or two) and uploaded just before the times that would have been applicable for normal services. Sermon Audio, Facebook and YouTube were used to publish the sermons. This enabled members the congregation to listen/watch the service at the time they would normally meet at the church premises. We were pleased to note that the view count was often substantially higher than our normal congregation. We are also encouraged that Christian folk we know from Germany; Switzerland, and the USA were/are regular listeners of the sermons.

For the mid-week Thursday meeting, in addition to the sermon recorded and published just in advance of the usual meeting time, the church held weekly Zoom prayer meetings.

We are thankful to God that we, as a church were able to continue hearing sermons from our Pastor and others Christian ministers during these Covid times.

Our Elder, and good friend of all, Mr. John Lowery of Holywell, went home to be with his Lord on 30th May 2020. He is missed by all. Christians who knew John will be once again be reunited with John in heaven when we leave this earth behind.

The objects of the charity: The principal object of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to Baptist principles and in accordance with the Basis of Faith as stated in Schedule 1. The charity may also carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

During the year reported the church has been faithful to her mandate in various ways:

1. The provision of two public worship services (including prayer, the reading of God's Word, the preaching of a sermon, and sung praise) every Sunday. See note above re sermon/service recordings published online due to attendance restrictions.
2. The administration of the Lord's Supper twice per month. Note, for this reporting period this was not possible on the grounds of Health and Safety, and of course Government guidance and legislation.

3. The holding of a prayer meeting and Bible study every Thursday evening. For this reporting period sermons were recorded, and the meeting took place via Zoom.
4. Monthly Christian tract distribution and preaching on Saturday morning in Holywell high street. Again, for the reported period, this activity was suspended due to Covid.
5. The holding of a monthly fellowship meal held on a Sunday to which all are welcome. On occasions this has sometimes been held on a Saturday evening. It is normal that open air preaching takes place the day before the fellowship meal where an open invitation to attend the free Sunday Lunch is given to all who pass by in the high street of Holywell town. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
6. The holding of a monthly over 50s tea held at the church, open to all. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
7. The holding of an annual bonfire night and fireworks display, together with the provision of free food and drinks. This is open to all. Normal attendance is between 50 to 80 persons. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
8. The holding of a monthly Christian service at an elderly resident's home in Buckley, Flintshire. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
9. Men's breakfast on a monthly basis, on a Saturday morning. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
10. Women's prayer meetings. Normally held monthly. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
11. Conducting Pastoral visits to those sick, bereaved and in need. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place. Pastor did continue to help those in need via telephone calls, video calls etc.
12. Taking religious assemblies at local Holywell schools, secondary and primary. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.
13. Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.
14. Two of our brethren preach in the open air in local towns on Saturday mornings, followed by a book table in Holywell high street on Saturday afternoon when free Bibles and children's literature is given out. For this reporting period these occasions did not take place.

The church makes no charge for any event, food, or provision. Anyone is welcome to attend the Church and open meetings. The costs of provisions are borne by voluntary giving from church members and those who wish to contribute from the congregation.

We, as a church give thanks to God for the people who attend our meetings who would not normally attend a church service.

HOLYWELL EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Halkyn Road
Holywell
CH8 7TX

ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED
5th April 2021

Church Officers: -

Pastor:	Rev John Thackway
Treasurer / Secretary:	Brian Evans
Charity Commission:	Paul Stamatiou
Deacon	Andy Trumper

Accounts Independently Examined
by
Mrs. L Freestone

In accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 as laid down following the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5) (b) and the keeping of records in accordance with Section 130.

Bankers: -

NatWest (Mold Branch)
48 High Street
Mold CH7 1BA

1. Income

	06/04/2019 05/04/2020	6/04/2020 5/04/2021
Bequest	372.00	
Gift Aid	26,265.44	35,783.24
Gift Aid Envelopes	100.00	
Gifts	2,113.80	10,923.52
Goodwill Payment		
Interest	4.10	
Offertory Box GASDS	7,976.72	1,746.56
Offertory Box None GASDS	1,348.00	220.00
Refund / Reimbursements	2,016.53	105.96
Share Dividend	2.77	00.00
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Tax Repayment Interest	0.17	
Tax Refund on GASDS	2,000.00	1,994.00
Tax Refund on Gift Aid	6,151.25	6,591.36
Total Income	48,346.68	57,364.64

2. Expenses

Church Premises

	9	58.48
Cleaning	45.06	
Insurance	1,120.14	1,180.37
Total Premises	2,065.20	1,238.85
<i>Maintenance</i>		
Building	1,324.00	554.09
Furnishings	37.54	
Total Maintenance	1,361.54	554.09
<i>Utilities</i>		
Electricity	629.85	449.76
Gas	477.96	432.67
Water Rates	234.96	157.92
Total Utilities	1,342.77	1,040.35
Total Church Premises	4,769.51	2,833.29

Ministerial Services

Pastors Expenses

Pastors Expenses Mileage	844.20	287.85
Pastors Expenses Tel/Broadband	288.00	288.00
Total Pastors Expenses	1,132.20	575.85
Pastors Stipend	26,383.16	26,667.44
Income Tax	4,491.00	4,688.00

Total Pastors Services

Visiting Preachers	1,903.00	755.00
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Total Ministerial Services

Missionaries	3,725.00	2,815.00
Evangelism	1,220.30	688.40
Fellowship	36.24	

YPF-Sunday School	167.11	58.36
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Total Outreach

Stationery (Office Expenses)	240.96	616.64
Sundries	328.99	105.96

Nett Ordinary Expenses	44,397.47	39,803.94
Surplus Totals	3,949.21	17,560.70

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3. RECONCILIATION

Cheque Account

	£	6,599 .	10,548.48
Brought Forward 6th April	27		
	£		57,364.64
Nett Ordinary Income 5th April	48,346.68		
Transfers to NatWest Transfer Currency Reserve	£		20,000.00
Transfers from NatWest Transfer Currency Reserve	£		
	£		47,913.12
Total	54,945.95		
	£		39,803.94
Total Nett Ordinary Expenses	44,397.47		
	£		8,109.18
Total in Cheque Account 5th April	10,548.48		

Currency Reserve

	£	22,532.42
NatWest Currency Reserve 5th April	22,487.42	
Transfers from NatWest Cheque Account	£	20,000.00
Transfers to NatWest Cheque Account	£	
Interest	45.39	9.38
Total in Currency Reserve Account 5th April	£ 22,532.42	42,541.80
	£	50,650.98
Total in Both Accounts 5th April	33,080.42	