

# MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1168113

## Details

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**Other names** MBC

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2016-07-07

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 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 OF THE CONSTITUTION. THE CHARITY MAY ALSO CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Albania
- Australia
- Canada
- Cyprus
- Denmark
- Ethiopia
- Finland
- Germany
- Kenya
- Netherlands
- Northern Ireland
- Philippines
- Romania
- Scotland
- Sweden
- United States
- Zambia
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£172,320	£177,432	-	-
2024-03-31	£145,489	£162,996	-	-
2023-03-31	£140,925	£129,359	-	-
2022-03-31	£139,983	£113,456	-	-
2021-03-31	£164,152	£114,336	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>JEREMY ROBERT WALKER</b>	Chair	2015-06-01
MICHAEL DAVID FINN		2015-06-01
Paul Jonathan Smith		2024-01-24
TIMOTHY RICHARD NORTON BSC, MSC		2015-06-01

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# Accounts

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

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During the year in question, Maidenbower Baptist Church has maintained a regular schedule of preaching and teaching of the Bible to people of all ages and backgrounds in, around and beyond our immediate sphere. This includes Crawley more widely, various places around the United Kingdom, and overseas. We have also supported ministry in places including Albania, Australia, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, Kenya, Lithuania, Moldova, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Portugal, Romania, Sweden, the United States, and Zambia, both financially and in providing counsel and encouragement in these and other places. A variety of benevolent investments have been made within and around the immediate congregation of the church, and the members of the church have been often engaged in ministering both in word and deed to friends, neighbours, and others in need in Crawley and beyond. We have initiated or sustained, or participated in, a number of community activities.

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (Cont.)**

**Achievements and Performance (continued)**

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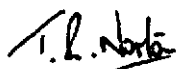
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Maidenbower Baptist Church maintains a reserve principally against critical material need in this or other churches in this or other countries, unexpected failure of or need regarding the fabric of our premises, and the provision of gospel ministry (especially the financial support of additional preachers) in this or other congregations.

The principal source of Maidenbower Baptist Church's funds is the voluntary giving of church members and other friends. During the year under review, payments exceeded receipts by approximately £5,100 (2024, deficit £17,500). This was on account of restricted fund donations received in the previous year now being expended. All funds are disbursed in accordance with biblical principles of charity and integrity. The trustees consider that the state of affairs of the charity is satisfactory.

On behalf of the Pastor & Deacons



Trustee

Date: 10 June 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT****TO THE TRUSTEES OF MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner**

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 44(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give 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.



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Date: 10 June 2025

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted Funds</u> £	<u>2025 Total</u> £	<u>2024 Total</u> £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Voluntary income		156,631	14,319	<b>170,950</b>	144,320
Investment income		1,370	-	<b>1,370</b>	1,169
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>158,001</b>	<b>14,319</b>	<b>172,320</b>	<b>145,489</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Cost of Generating Funds	2	1,432	-	<b>1,432</b>	378
Charitable Activities	3	142,422	31,271	<b>173,693</b>	139,070
		143,854	31,271	<b>175,125</b>	139,448
Asset purchases		2,307	-	<b>2,307</b>	23,548
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>146,161</b>	<b>31,271</b>	<b>177,432</b>	<b>162,996</b>
<b>Net receipts</b>		11,840	(16,952)	<b>(5,112)</b>	(17,507)
Transfers between Funds		-	-	-	-
		11,840	(16,952)	<b>(5,112)</b>	(17,507)
<b>Cash Funds brought forward</b>		214,196	21,266	<b>235,462</b>	252,969
<b>Cash Funds carried forward</b>		<b>226,036</b>	<b>4,314</b>	<b>230,350</b>	<b>235,462</b>

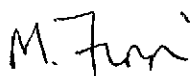
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## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2025 Total £</b>	<b>2024 Total £</b>
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Treasurers Account	101,768	4,364	<b>106,132</b>	112,614
Instant Access Account	124,218	-	<b>124,218</b>	122,848
	<u>225,986</u>	<u>4,364</u>	<b><u>230,350</u></b>	<u>235,462</u>
<b>Debtors</b>				
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	17,520	-	<b>17,520</b>	11,085
	<u>243,506</u>	<u>4,364</u>	<b><u>247,870</u></b>	<u>246,547</u>
<b>Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				
	<b>Fund</b>			
Freehold property	General			
Furniture & Equipment	General			
Electronic/computer equipment	General			
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Due within one year	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>	<b><u>500</u></b>	<u>500</u>

Approved on 10 June 2025



Treasurer


  
Elder

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025****1. Accounting Policies**

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Church's Financial Statements.

**(a) Accounting Convention.**

The Financial Statements are prepared under the Historical Cost Convention. Because the Church's income is under £250,000 the accounts are now prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis, to avoid the need to comply with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

**(b) Income.**

Donations represent cash received during the year, including tax repayments received. Charitable Activities Income comprises the sale of Christian books and other materials. Investment income comprises interest received from money in deposit accounts.

**(c) Expenditure**

The cost of generating funds are costs incurred in promoting the Church and its work. Charitable Activities Expenditure comprises all expenditure directly related to the Church's objects.

<b>2. Costs of Generating Funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>2025 Total</b>	<b>2024 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Printing & internet costs	1,432	-	<b>1,432</b>	378
<b>3. Charitable Activities</b>				
Staff costs (note 7)	97,039	-	<b>97,039</b>	96,164
Other Ministry & Missions (note 4)	28,366	31,221	<b>59,587</b>	21,224
Property Expenses (note 5)	14,142	-	<b>14,142</b>	19,186
Administration expenses (note 6)	2,375	50	<b>2,425</b>	2,001
Governance costs	500	-	<b>500</b>	495
	<b>142,422</b>	<b>31,271</b>	<b>173,693</b>	<b>139,070</b>
<b>4. Other Ministry and Missions</b>				
Conference costs & Hospitality	4,808	-	<b>4,808</b>	825
Other preachers	4,318	-	<b>4,318</b>	2,538
Missionary & Relief gifts	17,225	31,221	<b>48,446</b>	15,481
Sermon Audio	1,216	-	<b>1,216</b>	677
Diaconal fund	799	-	<b>799</b>	1,703
	<b>28,366</b>	<b>31,221</b>	<b>59,587</b>	<b>21,224</b>

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 (Cont.)**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
<b>5. Property Expenses</b>				
Light & Heat	4,007	-	4,007	3,184
Water rates	134	-	134	262
Insurance	1,219	-	1,219	88
Repairs & Maintenance	8,782	-	8,782	15,652
	<u>14,142</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,142</u>	<u>19,186</u>
<b>6. Administration Expenses</b>				
Telephone & internet costs	1,194	-	1,194	1,116
Office & administration	1,181	50	1,231	885
	<u>2,375</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>2,425</u>	<u>2,001</u>
<b>7. Employee information</b>				
Gross wages & salaries	84,024	-	84,024	80,554
Employers' National Insurance	2,078	-	2,078	1,682
Pension scheme payments	6,039	-	6,039	5,995
Employees' travel expenses	3,567	-	3,567	5,932
Employees' other expenses	1,331	-	1,331	2,001
	<u>97,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>97,039</u>	<u>96,164</u>

The average number of persons employed during the year was 2 (2024: 2). One employee received remuneration in the band: £60,000-£70,000p.a. No trustee received any remuneration or expenses, apart from Mr Jeremy Walker for his work as pastor of the church, whose remuneration is included in the figures above.

<b>9. Restricted Funds</b>	Brought Forward	Received	Paid	Transfers	Carried Forward
S Chammo - Sweden	85	-	-	-	85
Marinduque Land Fund	20,125	-	(20,125)	-	-
Gospel Endeavours	1,056	14,319	(11,146)	-	4,229
	<u>21,266</u>	<u>14,319</u>	<u>(31,271)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,314</u>

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On behalf of the Pastor & Deacons

Trustee

Date: 11 June 2024

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> £	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	<b>2024 <u>Total</u> £</b>	2023 <u>Total</u> £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Voluntary income		122,889	21,431	<b>144,320</b>	140,789
Investment income		1,169	-	<b>1,169</b>	136
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>124,058</u>	<u>21,431</u>	<b><u>145,489</u></b>	<u>140,925</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Cost of Generating Funds	2	378	-	<b>378</b>	227
Charitable Activities	3	138,820	250	<b>139,070</b>	128,090
		<u>139,198</u>	<u>250</u>	<b><u>139,448</u></b>	<u>128,317</u>
Asset purchases		23,548	-	<b>23,548</b>	1,042
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>162,746</u>	<u>250</u>	<b><u>162,996</u></b>	<u>129,359</u>
<b>Net receipts</b>		<u>(38,688)</u>	<u>21,181</u>	<b><u>(17,507)</u></b>	<u>11,566</u>
Transfers between Funds		-	-	-	-
		<u>(38,688)</u>	<u>21,181</u>	<b><u>(17,507)</u></b>	<u>11,566</u>
<b>Cash Funds brought forward</b>		252,884	85	<b>252,969</b>	241,403
<b>Cash Funds carried forward</b>		<u>214,196</u>	<u>21,266</u>	<b><u>235,462</u></b>	<u>252,969</u>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2024 Total £</b>	<b>2023 Total £</b>
<u>Cash Funds</u>				
Treasurers Account	91,348	21,266	<b>112,614</b>	181,290
Instant Access Account	122,848	-	<b>122,848</b>	71,679
	<hr/> 214,196	21,266	<b>235,462</b>	<hr/> 252,969
<u>Debtors</u>				
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	11,085	-	<b>11,085</b>	14,792
	<hr/> 225,281	21,266	<b>246,547</b>	<hr/> 267,761
<b>Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				
	<b>Fund</b>			
Freehold property	General			
Furniture & Equipment	General			
Electronic/computer equipment	General			
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Due within one year	<hr/> 500	-	<b>500</b>	<hr/> 495

Approved on 11 June 2024

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Treasurer

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Elder

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Printing & internet costs	378	-	<b>378</b>	227
<b>3. Charitable Activities</b>				
Staff costs (note 7)	96,164	-	<b>96,164</b>	85,013
Other Ministry & Missions (note 4)	20,974	250	<b>21,224</b>	29,467
Property Expenses (note 5)	19,186	-	<b>19,186</b>	9,848
Administration expenses (note 6)	2,001	-	<b>2,001</b>	2,429
Legal fees		-	-	858
Governance costs	495	-	<b>495</b>	475
	<u>138,820</u>	<u>250</u>	<b><u>139,070</u></b>	<u>128,090</u>
<b>4. Other Ministry and Missions</b>				
Conference costs & Hospitality	825	-	<b>825</b>	3,504
Other preachers	2,538	-	<b>2,538</b>	4,025
Missionary & Relief gifts	11,150	250	<b>11,400</b>	15,860
Ministry training costs	-	-	-	3,427
Evangelistic expenses & conferences	4,081	-	<b>4,081</b>	537
Sermon Audio	677	-	<b>677</b>	701
Diaconal fund	1,703	-	<b>1,703</b>	1,413
	<u>20,974</u>	<u>250</u>	<b><u>21,224</u></b>	<u>29,467</u>

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (Cont.)**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>2024 Total £</b>	2023 Total £
<b>5. Property Expenses</b>				
Light & Heat	3,184	-	<b>3,184</b>	2,758
Water rates	262	-	<b>262</b>	158
Insurance	88	-	<b>88</b>	1,606
Repairs & Maintenance	15,652	-	<b>15,652</b>	5,326
	<u>19,186</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>19,186</b></u>	<u>9,848</u>
<b>6. Administration Expenses</b>				
Telephone & internet costs	1,116	-	<b>1,116</b>	2,068
Office & administration	885	-	<b>885</b>	361
	<u>2,001</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>2,001</b></u>	<u>2,429</u>
<b>7. Employee information</b>				
Gross wages & salaries	80,554	-	<b>80,554</b>	72,565
Employers' National Insurance	1,682	-	<b>1,682</b>	1,345
Pension scheme payments	5,995	-	<b>5,995</b>	4,505
Employees' travel expenses	5,932	-	<b>5,932</b>	3,869
Employees' other expenses	2,001	-	<b>2,001</b>	2,729
	<u>96,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>96,164</b></u>	<u>85,013</u>

The average number of persons employed during the year was 2 (2023: 2). No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000 p.a. No trustee received any remuneration or expenses, apart from Mr Jeremy Walker for his work as pastor of the church, whose remuneration is included in the figures above.

<b>9. Restricted Funds</b>	Brought Forward	Received	Paid	Transfers	Carried Forward
S Chammo - Sweden	85	-	-	-	85
Church Member	-	250	(250)	-	-
Marinduque Land Fund	-	20,125	-	-	20,125
Gospel Endeavours	-	1,056	-	-	1,056
	<u>85</u>	<u>21,431</u>	<u>(250)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,266</u>

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (Cont.)**

**Achievements and Performance (continued)**

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The principal source of Maidenbower Baptist Church's funds is the voluntary giving of church members and other friends. During the year under review, payments exceeded receipts by approximately £17,500 (2023, surplus £11,600). This was on account of asset purchases made in the year, together with higher than usual expenditure on repairs. All funds are disbursed in accordance with biblical principles of charity and integrity. The trustees consider that the state of affairs of the charity is satisfactory.

On behalf of the Pastor & Deacons

Trustee

Date: 11 June 2024

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168113

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On behalf of the Pastor & Deacons

Trustee

Date: 8 June 2023

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> £	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	<b>2023 <u>Total</u> £</b>	2022 <u>Total</u> £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Voluntary income		140,034	755	<b>140,789</b>	139,976
Investment income		136	-	<b>136</b>	7
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>140,170</u>	<u>755</u>	<b><u>140,925</u></b>	<u>139,983</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Cost of Generating Funds	2	227	-	<b>227</b>	201
Charitable Activities	3	125,040	3,050	<b>128,090</b>	106,419
		<u>125,267</u>	<u>3,050</u>	<b><u>128,317</u></b>	<u>106,620</u>
Asset purchases		1,042	-	<b>1,042</b>	6,836
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>126,309</u>	<u>3,050</u>	<b><u>129,359</u></b>	<u>113,456</u>
<b>Net receipts</b>		<u>13,861</u>	<u>(2,295)</u>	<b><u>11,566</u></b>	<u>26,527</u>
Transfers between Funds		(1,960)	1,960	-	-
		<u>11,901</u>	<u>(335)</u>	<b><u>11,566</u></b>	<u>26,527</u>
<b>Cash Funds brought forward</b>		240,983	420	<b>241,403</b>	214,876
<b>Cash Funds carried forward</b>		<u>252,884</u>	<u>85</u>	<b><u>252,969</u></b>	<u>241,403</u>

The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these financial statements.

## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

<b>Assets</b>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> <u>£</u>	Restricted <u>Funds</u> <u>£</u>	<b>2023</b> <b>Total</b> <b>£</b>	2022 <u>Total</u> <u>£</u>
<u>Cash Funds</u>				
Treasurers Account	181,205	85	<b>181,290</b>	169,860
Instant Access Account	71,679	-	<b>71,679</b>	71,543
	<hr/> 252,884	85	<b>252,969</b>	<hr/> 241,403
<u>Debtors</u>				
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	14,792	-	<b>14,792</b>	17,145
	<hr/> 267,676	85	<b>267,761</b>	<hr/> 258,548
<b>Assets retained for charity's own use</b>				
	<b>Fund</b>			
Freehold property	General			
Furniture & Equipment	General			
Electronic/computer equipment	General			
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Due within one year	<hr/> 495	-	<b>495</b>	<hr/> 475

Approved on 8 June 2023

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Treasurer

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Elder

The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these financial statements.

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****1. Accounting Policies**

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Church's Financial Statements.

**(a) Accounting Convention.**

The Financial Statements are prepared under the Historical Cost Convention. Because the Church's income is under £250,000 the accounts are now prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis, to avoid the need to comply with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

**(b) Income.**

Donations represent cash received during the year, including tax repayments received. Charitable Activities Income comprises the sale of Christian books and other materials. Investment income comprises interest received from money in deposit accounts.

**(c) Expenditure**

The cost of generating funds are costs incurred in promoting the Church and its work. Charitable Activities Expenditure comprises all expenditure directly related to the Church's objects.

<b>2. Costs of Generating Funds</b>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> £	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	<b>2023</b> <u>Total</u> £	2022 <u>Total</u> £
Printing & internet costs	227	-	<b>227</b>	201
<b>3. Charitable Activities</b>				
Staff costs (note 8)	85,013	-	<b>85,013</b>	78,450
Other Ministry & Missions (note 4)	26,417	3,050	<b>29,467</b>	19,575
Property Expenses (note 5)	9,848	-	<b>9,848</b>	6,134
Administration expenses (note 6)	2,429	-	<b>2,429</b>	1,810
Legal fees	858	-	<b>858</b>	-
Governance costs	475	-	<b>475</b>	450
	<b>125,040</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>128,090</b>	<b>106,419</b>
<b>4. Other Ministry and Missions</b>				
Conference costs & Hospitality	3,504	-	<b>3,504</b>	296
Other preachers	4,025	-	<b>4,025</b>	4,096
Missionary & Relief gifts	12,810	3,050	<b>15,860</b>	12,754
Ministry training costs	3,427	-	<b>3,427</b>	-
Evangelistic expenses & conferences	537	-	<b>537</b>	713
Sermon Audio	701	-	<b>701</b>	443
Diaconal fund	1,413	-	<b>1,413</b>	1,273
	<b>26,417</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>29,467</b>	<b>19,575</b>

## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023 (Cont.)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
<b>5. Property Expenses</b>				
Light & Heat	2,758	-	<b>2,758</b>	2,145
Water rates	158	-	<b>158</b>	142
Insurance	1,606	-	<b>1,606</b>	712
Repairs & Maintenance	5,326	-	<b>5,326</b>	3,095
Office equipment	-	-	-	40
	<u>9,848</u>	-	<u><b>9,848</b></u>	<u>6,134</u>
<b>6. Administration Expenses</b>				
Telephone & internet costs	2,068	-	<b>2,068</b>	982
Office & administration	361	-	<b>361</b>	828
	<u>2,429</u>	-	<u><b>2,429</b></u>	<u>1,810</u>
<b>8. Employee information</b>				
Gross wages & salaries	72,565	-	<b>72,565</b>	66,409
Employers' National Insurance	1,345	-	<b>1,345</b>	2,723
Pension scheme payments	4,505	-	<b>4,505</b>	4,357
Employees' travel expenses	3,869	-	<b>3,869</b>	3,128
Employes' other expenses	2,729	-	<b>2,729</b>	1,833
	<u>85,013</u>	-	<u><b>85,013</b></u>	<u>78,450</u>

The average number of persons employed during the year was 2 (2022: 2). No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000 p.a. No trustee received any remuneration or expenses, apart from Mr Jeremy Walker for his work as pastor of the church, whose remuneration is included in the figures above.

<b>9. Restricted Funds</b>	Brought Forward	Received	Paid	Transfers	Carried Forward
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I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner**

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 44(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act; and
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Date: 08/06/2023

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In carrying out its activities in the year under review, the trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission and are satisfied that the activities mentioned above have all been for the public benefit.

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Date: 22/06/2022

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Date: 07/07/22

## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted Funds</u> £	<b><u>2022 Total</u></b> £	<u>2021 Total</u> £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Voluntary income		139,356	620	<b>139,976</b>	164,133
Investment income		7	-	7	19
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>139,363</u>	<u>620</u>	<b><u>139,983</u></b>	<u>164,152</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Cost of Generating Funds	2	201	-	<b>201</b>	1,794
Charitable Activities	3	105,919	500	<b>106,419</b>	110,125
		<u>106,120</u>	<u>500</u>	<b><u>106,620</u></b>	<u>111,919</u>
Asset purchases		6,836	-	<b>6,836</b>	2,417
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>112,956</u>	<u>500</u>	<b><u>113,456</u></b>	<u>114,336</u>
<b>Net receipts</b>		<u>26,407</u>	<u>120</u>	<b><u>26,527</u></b>	<u>49,816</u>
Transfers between Funds		(300)	300	-	-
		<u>26,107</u>	<u>420</u>	<b><u>26,527</u></b>	<u>49,816</u>
<b>Cash Funds brought forward</b>		214,876	-	<b>214,876</b>	165,060
<b>Cash Funds carried forward</b>		<u>240,983</u>	<u>420</u>	<b><u>241,403</u></b>	<u>214,876</u>

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
Assets	£	£	£	£
<u>Cash Funds</u>				
Treasurers Account	169,440	420	<b>169,860</b>	143,340
Instant Access Account	71,543	-	<b>71,543</b>	71,536
	240,983	420	<b>241,403</b>	214,876
<u>Debtors</u>				
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	14,792	-	<b>14,792</b>	16,303
	255,775	420	<b>256,195</b>	231,179

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	Fund
Freehold property	General
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**Liabilities**

Due within one year	475	-	<b>475</b>	<b>450</b>
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Approved on 22/06/2022

MF M. J. J. J.  
Treasurer

JW [Signature]  
Elder

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<b>2. Costs of Generating Funds</b>	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>2022 Total £</b>	2021 Total £
Printing & internet costs	201	-	<b>201</b>	1,794
<b>3. Charitable Activities</b>				
Staff costs (note 8)	78,450	-	<b>78,450</b>	88,627
Other Ministry & Missions (note 4)	19,075	500	<b>19,575</b>	12,440
Property Expenses (note 5)	6,134	-	<b>6,134</b>	7,350
Administration expenses (note 6)	1,810	-	<b>1,810</b>	1,258
Governance costs	450	-	<b>450</b>	450
	<b>105,919</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>106,419</b>	<b>110,125</b>
<b>4. Other Ministry and Missions</b>				
Conference costs & Hospitality	296	-	<b>296</b>	165
Other preachers	4,096	-	<b>4,096</b>	335
Missionary & Relief gifts	12,254	500	<b>12,754</b>	10,320
Evangelistic expenses & conferences	713	-	<b>713</b>	-
Sermon Audio	443	-	<b>443</b>	395
Diaconal fund	1,273	-	<b>1,273</b>	1,225
	<b>19,075</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>19,575</b>	<b>12,440</b>

## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
<b>5. Property Expenses</b>				
Light & Heat	2,145	-	<b>2,145</b>	1,692
Water rates	142	-	<b>142</b>	196
Insurance	712	-	<b>712</b>	1,358
Repairs & Maintenance	3,095	-	<b>3,095</b>	3,465
Office equipment	40	-	<b>40</b>	639
	<u>6,134</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>6,134</b></u>	<u>7,350</u>
<b>6. Administration Expenses</b>				
Telephone & internet costs	982	-	<b>982</b>	607
Office & administration	828	-	<b>828</b>	651
	<u>1,810</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>1,810</b></u>	<u>1,258</u>
<b>8. Employee information</b>				
Gross wages & salaries	66,409	-	<b>66,409</b>	76,639
Employers' National Insurance	2,723	-	<b>2,723</b>	3,546
Pension scheme payments	4,357	-	<b>4,357</b>	4,017
Employees' travel expenses	3,128	-	<b>3,128</b>	1,797
Employees' other expenses	1,833	-	<b>1,833</b>	2,628
	<u>78,450</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>78,450</b></u>	<u>88,627</u>

The average number of persons employed during the year was 2 (2021: 3). No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000 p.a. No trustee received any remuneration or expenses, apart from Mr Jeremy Walker for his work as pastor of the church, whose remuneration is included in the figures above.

<b>9. Restricted Funds</b>	<u>Brought Forward</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Carried Forward</u>
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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1168113

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# Accounts

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

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#### **Achievements and Performance**

During the year in question, Maidenbower Baptist Church has maintained a regular schedule of preaching and teaching of the Bible to people of all ages and backgrounds in, around and beyond our immediate sphere. This includes Crawley more widely, various places around the United Kingdom, and—for example—in the Philippines and the US. Under the circumstances of the past year, much of this has been remotely (online provision). We have also supported ministry in places including Albania, Cyprus, Finland, Kenya, the Philippines, Sweden, and Zambia, both financially and in providing counsel and encouragement in these and other places. A variety of benevolent investments have been made within and around the immediate congregation of the church, and the members of the church have been often engaged in ministering both in word and deed to friends, neighbours, and others in need in Crawley and beyond. We have both initiated or sustained, or participated in, a number of community activities.

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (Cont.)**

**Achievements and Performance (continued)**

In carrying out its activities in the year under review, the trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission and are satisfied that the activities mentioned above have all been for the public benefit.

As mentioned above, the impact of the Covid-19 epidemic has meant that most of the church's work has been done remotely. However, it is not believed likely that the epidemic will negatively affect the church's work in the long run.

**Financial Review**

Funds are used to pay a pastor's salary and a former pastor's pension, to maintain the church premises in a state fit for purpose, to support other churches and missionaries, to provide benevolence, and to fund various other projects as appropriate.

Maidenbower Baptist Church maintains a reserve principally against critical material need in this or other churches in this or other countries, unexpected failure of or need regarding the fabric of our premises, and the provision of gospel ministry (especially the financial support of additional preachers) in this or other congregations.

The principal source of Maidenbower Baptist Church's funds is the voluntary giving of church members and other friends. During the year under review, the receipts exceeded the payment by approximately £50,000 (2020, deficit £20,000). All funds are disbursed in accordance with biblical principles of charity and integrity. The trustees consider that the state of affairs of the charity is satisfactory.

On behalf of the Pastor & Deacons

Trustee

Date:

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT****TO THE TRUSTEES OF MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
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- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act
- have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David Cooke MA (Oxon) FCA FCIE

David Cooke and Co.

Chartered Accountants

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Date:

**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	<u>Note</u>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> £	Restricted <u>Funds</u> £	<b>2021 <u>Total</u> £</b>	2020 <u>Total</u> £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Voluntary income		164,133	-	<b>164,133</b>	103,740
Investment income		19	-	<b>19</b>	36
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>164,152</u>	-	<b><u>164,152</u></b>	<u>103,776</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Cost of Generating Funds	2	1,794	-	<b>1,794</b>	1,509
Charitable Activities	3	110,125	-	<b>110,125</b>	121,911
		<u>111,919</u>	-	<b><u>111,919</u></b>	<u>123,420</u>
Asset purchases		2,417	-	<b>2,417</b>	-
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>114,336</u>	-	<b><u>114,336</u></b>	<u>123,420</u>
<b>Net receipts</b>		49,816	-	<b>49,816</b>	(19,644)
Transfers between Funds		-	-	-	-
		<u>49,816</u>	-	<b><u>49,816</u></b>	<u>(19,644)</u>
<b>Cash Funds brought forward</b>		165,060	-	<b>165,060</b>	184,704
<b>Cash Funds carried forward</b>		<u>214,876</u>	-	<b><u>214,876</u></b>	<u>165,060</u>

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**MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2021 Total £</b>	<b>2020 Total £</b>
<u>Cash Funds</u>				
Treasurers Account	143,340	-	<b>143,340</b>	93,543
Instant Access Account	71,536	-	<b>71,536</b>	71,517
	<hr/> 214,876	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>214,876</b>	<hr/> 165,060
<u>Debtors</u>				
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	16,303	-	<b>16,303</b>	-
	<hr/> 231,179	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>231,179</b>	<hr/> 165,060

**Assets retained for charity's own use**

	<b>Fund</b>
Freehold property	General
Furniture & Equipment	General
Electronic/computer equipment	General

**Liabilities**

Due within one year	<hr/> 450	<hr/> -	<hr/> <b>450</b>	<hr/> 450
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Approved on \_\_\_\_\_

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Treasurer\_\_\_\_\_  
Elder

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Printing & internet costs	1,794	-	<b>1,794</b>	1,509
<b>3. Charitable Activities</b>				
Staff costs (note 8)	88,627	-	<b>88,627</b>	92,834
Other Ministry & Missions (note 4)	12,440	-	<b>12,440</b>	18,053
Property Expenses (note 5)	7,350	-	<b>7,350</b>	9,246
Administration expenses (note 6)	1,258	-	<b>1,258</b>	1,343
Governance costs	450	-	<b>450</b>	435
	<u>110,125</u>	<u>-</u>	<b><u>110,125</u></b>	<u>121,911</u>
<b>4. Other Ministry and Missions</b>				
Conference costs & Hospitality	165	-	<b>165</b>	959
Other preachers	335	-	<b>335</b>	2,315
Missionary & Relief gifts	10,320	-	<b>10,320</b>	9,744
Evangelistic expenses & conferences	-	-	-	3,031
Sermon Audio	395	-	<b>395</b>	397
Diaconal fund	1,225	-	<b>1,225</b>	1,607
	<u>12,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<b><u>12,440</u></b>	<u>18,053</u>

## MAIDENBOWER BAPTIST CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 (Cont.)

	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u> <u>£</u>	Restricted <u>Funds</u> <u>£</u>	<b>2021</b> <b>Total</b> <b>£</b>	2020 <b>Total</b> <b>£</b>
<b>5. Property Expenses</b>				
Light & Heat	1,692	-	<b>1,692</b>	1,786
Water rates	196	-	<b>196</b>	-
Insurance	1,358	-	<b>1,358</b>	1,481
Repairs & Maintenance	3,465	-	<b>3,465</b>	4,305
Office equipment	639	-	<b>639</b>	1,674
	<u>7,350</u>	-	<u><b>7,350</b></u>	<u>9,246</u>
<b>6. Administration Expenses</b>				
Telephone	607	-	<b>607</b>	657
Office & administration	651	-	<b>651</b>	686
	<u>1,258</u>	-	<u><b>1,258</b></u>	<u>1,343</u>
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Gross wages & salaries	76,639	-	<b>76,639</b>	76,469
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Employees' travel expenses	1,797	-	<b>1,797</b>	4,300
Employes' other expenses	2,628	-	<b>2,628</b>	4,248
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