



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	11	2024		31	10	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Grace Baptist Women's Association

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1168383

Charity's principal address

c/o Joanne Coleman

17 Hillyfields

Dunstable, Bedfordshire

Postcode

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Beverley Keble			The GBWA Council
2	Ibidunni Akinrogunde			
3	Patsy Jackson	Treasurer		
4	Lena King	Conference secretary		
5	Sandra Piggott			
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7	Joanne Coleman	Chair		
8	Emma Nash			
9	Shirley Pontin			
10	Kathryn Hanna			
11	Lynne Boyt			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Each trustee is appointed by the GBWA council with recommendation from their local church leadership.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The advancement of the christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal basis primarily (but not exclusively) by training, equipping and supporting women involved in Grace Baptist Churches.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The main focus of the GBWA is to run conferences for Christian women, in their local areas. These are held once or twice a year in each region, and women receive bible teaching, relaxation and opportunities for friendship. A weekend residential conference is also held every other year.

A magazine is produced twice a year providing a platform for women to share stories and testimonies for mutual encouragement.

We have a website and facebook page to keep women informed of upcoming events, and again provide opportunities for teaching and sharing encouragements.

The GBWA also seeks to support a nominated charity each year, either in the UK or abroad, whose aims are in line with ours.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

All of our work is undertaken by volunteers. We have no paid (by GBWA) workers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The committee continues to meet twice a year, both meetings are held virtually on Zoom. We continue to encourage opportunities for teaching and fellowship within each of the districts represented by GBWA. A number of conferences took place throughout 2024/2025 which were very well received. These are recorded and available for people to access via the website after the event.

A weekend conference is planned for September 2026 at High Leigh Conference Centre. The speaker is Naomi Skull. The conference will consist of teaching and worship sessions, as well as a number of seminars and workshops. 120 places are available and bookings will open early next year.

The Sharing magazine continues to be well received and contains good representation from women in all walks of life.

Our nominated charity for 2024/2025 is OM Africa Disability Ministry. This is a mission committed to ensuring that people with disabilities in Africa have equal access to the gospel and are able to perform active roles in the church. They are providing updates at a number of our conferences, including the weekend conference in September, and their work is promoted in the Sharing magazine.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

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Details of any funds materially in deficit

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Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

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Section F Other optional information

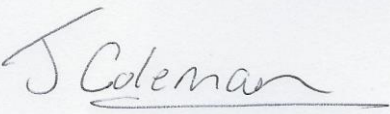
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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

	
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Full name(s)

Joanne Ruth Coleman	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair	
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Date 20/10/2025

Grace Baptist Women's Association (East Anglia)

Accounts for year ended 31st December 2023

<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Expenditure</u>		
		220
50 Secretary's honorarium	£50.00	
Treasurer's honorarium	£50.00	
11 Secretary's Expenses	£16.80	
740 Project	£628.48	740
50 GBM	£50.00	
		116
Gift	£25.00	
Conference	£534.67	
225 Excess of Income over Expenditure	£542.03	
<u>1076</u>	<u>£1,896.98</u>	<u>1076.00</u>

Accumulated Income Account

Balance as at 1st January 2023

Plus balance of Income over Expenditure Account

Current Assets

Community Account

		424.45
		0.00
pro in	project	783.48
643.48	dons	180.00 Inc
112.00	C	20.00
96.50		

0.00

783.48	exp
680.00	
<u>195.00</u>	
1658.48	

2023

Income

Subscriptions £215.00

Project £1,091.98

Conference £590.00

£1,896.98

£424.45

£542.03

£966.48

£966.48

1566.98	dons	payts
180.00	75.00	628.48 p
743.48	50.00	
<u>20.00</u>	55.00	
943.48	15.00	
<u>424.45</u>		
1367.93		
 <u>-628.48</u>		
739.45		

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610.00	175.00 Wetherden	15.00
	165.00 Stoke ash	20.00
	269.67 Beccles	20.00
	16.80 Kesgrave	20.00
	50.00 Stowmarket	20.00
	50.00 Ptley	10.00
	CH Road	20.00
	726.47 Tunstall	10.00
	Waldringfield	15.00
	Shep D	20.00
	Hadleigh	10.00
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		195.00

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

ORGANISATION: GRACE BAPTIST WOMENS ASSOCIATION
STATUS: CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION
PERIOD: 1st JANUARY – 31st DECEMBER 2024

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the GRACE BAPTIST WOMENS ASSOCIATION as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 and to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

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Name: Dennis Dewsbery

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Address: Fen House, Fairfield Road,

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Framlingham, Woodbridge,

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Suffolk, IP13 9LE

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Date:

..... 23rd September 2025