

MONTPELIER CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1168853

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-08-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: Montpelier Church has a regular service each Sunday at 10.30am for worship and communion. There is opportunity for prayer and bible study at various times. A mid-week gathering takes place for bible study most weeks alongside activities for toddler to primary aged children. A parent and toddler group meets in some school holidays. The church supports community-focused projects in the Purley area.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Croydon
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£61,248	£52,699	-	-
2023-12-31	£58,758	£60,692	-	-
2022-12-31	£44,849	£61,450	-	-
2021-12-31	£41,805	£56,696	-	-
2020-12-31	£38,391	£54,490	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Danny Morris		2021-11-09
Jonathan Crabtree		2024-06-06
MARK RICHARD GEORGE SMITH		2016-08-22
Neil Timothy Perrett		2024-12-16
Nick Joubert		2024-12-16

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Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2024

Administration Details

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L Downham
D Morris
M R G Smith

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Structure, Governance and Management

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Activities

Monthly café style Sunday services took place through the year, with interactive group discussions over refreshments, as well as regular Church services on the other Sundays. The Kids' Church and Crèche ministries ran on most Sundays during termtime catering for children up to primary school age. At the beginning of March the Church held a quiz night ahead of the pastor going on a three month sabbatical. A bring-and-share fellowship meal held in April raised funds for the Church's sponsor child in Malawi. A summer fête took place in June, with stalls run by Church and community members, including kids' activities, barbeque, books & toys, raffle, and tombola, raising a significant sum of money for the running of the Church. In the autumn, the Harvest service saw the Church congregation donating a useful quantity of items to the local Food Bank. At the end of the year the congregation said farewell to the pastor as he and his family returned to Canada after eight years of involvement with the Church.

Achievements and Performance

During the year links were forged with churches and Christian organisations in the local area, especially Innovation Churches and Purley Baptist Church.

The Church continues to support a range of Christian missions, both locally and internationally, with whom there is a personal connection to the current congregation or where there is a close alignment of values.

The increase in premises hires over recent years has continued, with International Needs (one of the Church's supported missions) renewing their licence to use part of the main Church building this year, maintaining close ties. La Maternelle Nursery School started operating from the Church hall at the start of the year, during term time. With these term licensees, weekly, monthly and ad hoc hires in place, the Church has made effective use of its internal and external space this year, much of which was largely empty during the week until a few years ago.

With the decision by the pastor in May that he and his family would return to Canada at year end, the Church Leadership carried out much work through the summer and autumn to establish a way forward for the Church, with consultation of the congregation, whilst considering pastor-based and partnership-based models, and through conversations with Church Trustees and others in an advisory position.

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Achievements and Performance (continued)

A Transitional Leadership Team was formed from the Trustees and Leadership to help discern the way forward. Having worked with Forestdale Church (part of Innovation Churches) successfully during the pastor's sabbatical, it was decided to engage their support with service leadership and pastoral guidance over a trial period of six months to June 2025, whilst sourcing guest preachers from other local churches, with whom links had also been forged during the sabbatical.

The Church continued to support the Growbaby project which enables provision of clothes and other necessities to children of families in need, including refugees. The Church and Growbaby ran a joint Christmas gift campaign enabling Christmas presents to be given out to families.

Modernisation of the sanctuary, that started in 2023, has continued. There has been a huge improvement to the Church grounds, with regular garden maintenance continuing, to align with the needs of La Maternelle Nursery School.

Links with the local food bank, Purley Food Hub, have been maintained.

The Church continues to support Christian missions locally and around the world.

Financial Review

In 2024 the Church's total funds increased from £21,897 to £30,446. Total incoming resources increased from £58,758 in 2023 to £61,248 this year. The largest factor in this improvement was a £12,866 increase in premises hires, though this was somewhat offset by a decline in donations and offerings. Total resources expended reduced from £60,692 to £50,270. Some of this reduction came from no longer paying the pastor stipend this year. A surplus of £8,548 was achieved, this being the first year this has happened since 2015. The Church's total cash reserves were consequently in a less fragile position at year end, than in 2023, though still remain much lower than, say, a decade ago.

Hire of Church premises formed 60.6% of unrestricted income this year, compared to 39.8% in 2023.

Continued willingness of the congregation, with further increase in their number, to give financially to the Church through offerings is still needed to aid the position. Indeed, this is a Biblical principle and, for the Church to remain viable as a place of worship longer term, it is important to find ways of encouraging people in the local community to join the fellowship.

The Church continues to direct a portion of offerings and ad hoc donations toward the Christian missions whose work it supports.

Whilst the Church's finances are now more stable than in recent years, its relatively low reserves remain a concern. The Church retains funds to cover outgoings with reasonable contingency. The Church leadership have realised that help from outside the Church is required for it to be sustainable longer term and this is part of the reason for forging links with other local churches.

The Church's financial policy is to hold funds readily available to meet the ongoing costs of the Charity.

Approved by the trustees on 22/07/2025

Signed MR G Smith

Trustee name MARK R G SMITH



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Receipts and Payments Account

for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Voluntary Income	21,005.36	3,626.56	24,631.92	33,760.15
Investment Income	-	-	-	-
Income from Church Activities	560.64	-	560.64	228.86
Other Incoming Resources	34,979.08	1,076.69	36,055.77	24,768.77
Total incoming resources	56,545.08	4,703.25	61,248.33	58,757.78
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Charitable Activities	1,175.76	3,769.25	4,945.01	4,107.41
Ministry Costs	21,000.00	-	21,000.00	25,366.00
Other Costs	26,754.24	-	26,754.24	31,218.13
Total resources expended	48,930.00	3,769.25	52,699.25	60,691.54
Net movement in funds	7,615.08	934.00	8,549.08	(1,933.76)
At 1 January	18,493.17	3,404.00	21,897.17	23,831.00
Balance at 31 December	26,108.25	4,338.00	30,446.25	21,897.24

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities
at 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank – Current Account	30,446	21,897
Cash at Bank – Deposit Account	0	0
Totals Monetary Assets	<u><u>30,446</u></u>	<u><u>21,897</u></u>
Represented by the following funds:		
General	26,108	18,494
Restricted – Mission Fund	3,612	3,404
Restricted – Terry Nyirenda	726	0
Totals Funds	<u><u>30,446</u></u>	<u><u>21,897</u></u>
Non-Monetary Current Assets		
Prepayment	0	39
Income Tax Recoverable	54	88
Total Non-Monetary Current Assets	<u><u>54</u></u>	<u><u>127</u></u>
Liabilities Accrued Expenses	<u><u>450</u></u>	<u><u>395</u></u>
Non-Monetary Fixed Assets		
Freehold Land and Buildings		
Valuation estimated from buildings sum insured*	<u><u>£1,185,055</u></u>	<u><u>£1,157,280</u></u>

*The buildings sum insured in 2023 shown above is correct. Whereas, in 2023's accounts, an incorrect figure of £1,336,630 was used. This is because, in April 2023, shortly before renewal, the Church's insurers temporarily and incorrectly increased the amount after a rebuild cost assessment had mistakenly included a non-existent floor in the main building. The Church's treasurer then inadvertently used the incorrect figure for the 2023 accounts.

Note: Immaterial accruals and prepayments of utilities and other church expenses have been ignored.

The Accounts set out on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Trustees.

Signed by the trustees on 22/07/2025

Signed MRG Smith

Trustee name MARK R G SMITH

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Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

The Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities have been prepared under the historical accounting convention. They have been prepared in accordance with the relevant recommendations of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (2005) and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Funds

General Funds

All funds are unrestricted and represent undistributed income.

Restricted Funds

These arise from specific gifts from donors to support full time Christian workers (Missionary Fund) or to provide for other church needs. The monies held at the year end will be distributed according to the specific gifts in the forthcoming accounting periods.

(c) Income and Expenditure: are both shown when received or paid respectively.

(d) Grants Payable

These are recognised when the Trustees have approved and paid the grant.

2 Trustees Emoluments

The Trustees receive no remuneration or reimbursed personal expenses from the Charity.

Independent Examiners Report
to the Trustees of Montpelier Church
on the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 6

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

- a) examine the accounts under section 145 of The Act
- b) to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and
- c) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of 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 the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required from 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:

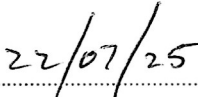
- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements:
 - 1 to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of The Act; and
 - 2 to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of The Act

have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date



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Activities

Monthly café style Sunday services took place through the year, with interactive group discussions over refreshments, as well as regular Church services on the other Sundays. The CLT members took turns at preaching during January on 'Names of God' and during April on 'Heroes of Faith'. The sermon series from February to Easter was 'Recognising the road to redemption in the Old Testament'. Running up to summer the theme was 'Building & Battling: Forging and fighting for our Identity in Christ'. A women's breakfast was held in June including worship and a guest speaker. Later in the summer men attended a local outdoor Christian event. The autumn sermon series followed the missionary journeys of Paul. Two family services also took place during the autumn. Christmas was celebrated through a Christmas decorating party and Carol Service, plus children's performance. The Kids' Church and crèche ministries took place every Sunday during termtime. The Church's Messy Wednesday toddler group was streamlined to operate on an occasional basis only, during school holidays.

Achievements and Performance

During the year links were forged with Churches in the local area, especially Innovation Churches and Purley Baptist Church. The Church supports Christian missions with whom there is a personal connection to the current congregation or where there is a close alignment of values, both locally and internationally.

The growth of premises hire in recent years has continued, with International Needs now operating from the premises, promoting closer ties with this supported mission. Much work was required to re-arrange the internal configuration in the main building to still cater for Grace Vineyard Church's 'Growbaby' project. This enables provision of clothes and other necessities to children of families in need, including refugees. The Church and Growbaby ran a joint Christmas gift campaign enabling Christmas presents to be given out to families.

Just before year end, following much preparatory work, a licence agreement was signed with La Maternelle Nursery School for them to operate from the Allen Hall on weekdays during termtime. The Kids' Church ministry saw the introduction of a new curriculum from Scripture Union. The crèche is more ordered now, taking place in the Church lounge. The Messy Wednesday toddler group, previously running once a week in termtime, was streamlined to operate on occasional basis only, during school holidays.

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Achievements and Performance (continued)

Sign-ups for ministries rotas via app and online donations, are now possible via the Church’s new website which went live in April. A start was made on modernising the sanctuary later in the spring. During the early autumn there was a huge improvement to Church grounds, with regular garden maintenance begun in November. Various premises safety improvements have taken place, with a fire risk assessment conducted at the end of August, and fixed wire testing (requiring a few remedial actions) and PAT testing conducted during the autumn.

Towards the end of the year, gates were installed either side of the Church building, protecting not only La Maternelle Nursery School children but also the children at Montpelier, along with fencing put in around the garden (paid for by the nursery school). Flooring in the Allen Hall toilets was repainted as part of a conversion for use by the nursery school.

Links with the local food bank, Purley Food Hub, were re-established during the year.

Offerings continued to be made to support a number of Christian Missions locally and around the world.

Financial Review

In 2023 the Church's total funds reduced from £23,831 to £21,897. Total incoming resources increased from £44,849 in 2022 to £58,758 this year. The largest two factors in this improvement were a £6,979 increase in premises hires and a £4,295 increase in donations and offerings. Total resources expended reduced slightly from £61,450 to £60,692. Much of the £13,123 saving from no longer paying the pastor stipend after March (see below) was offset by a £8,233 increase in repairs and renewals (allied to work required ahead of new term premises hires starting this year) and by increased energy costs. A much-reduced deficit compared to recent years, of £1,934, was sustained. The Church's total cash reserves remain in a fragile position.

Since 2019 the Church has paid for accommodation to house the Pastor and his family within walking distance of the Church, together with a stipend. The trustees have been aware of the financial impact of paying both the stipend and for housing the Pastor locally, and measures to mitigate this impact were considered during 2022.

With the imperative to retain funds to cover outgoings with reasonable contingency, it was decided (in September 2022) that the pastor's stipend would be discontinued after March 2023, whilst the Church still committed to paying for the Pastor's housing going forward.

The Church's principal source of funding remains offerings made by the fellowship and others through monthly standing orders. Hire of Church premises formed 39.8% of unrestricted income this year, compared to 34.5% in 2022.

Continued willingness of the congregation, with further increase in their number, to give financially through offerings to the Church is needed to aid the position further. Such giving is a Biblical principle. The Church continues to direct a portion of offerings and ad hoc donations toward Christian missions whose work it supports.

Whilst the Church's finances are now more stable than in recent years, its low reserves (at a little over £20,000) remain a concern. The Church leadership have realised that help from outside the Church is required for it to be sustainable longer term and this is part of the reason for forging links with other local Churches.

The Church's financial policy is to hold funds readily available to meet the ongoing costs of the Charity.

Approved by the trustees on 07/06/2024

Signed 

Trustee name Mark R G Smith

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Receipts and Payments Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Voluntary Income	30,017	3,743	33,760	27,582
Investment Income	-	-	-	-
Income from Church Activities	229	-	229	440
Other Incoming Resources	23,464	1,305	24,769	16,827
Total incoming resources	53,710	5,048	58,758	44,849
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Charitable Activities	597	3,510	4,107	6,411
Ministry Costs	25,366	-	25,366	38,489
Other Costs	31,218	-	31,218	16,550
Total resources expended	57,181	3,510	60,692	61,450
Net movement in funds	(3,471)	1,538	(1,934)	(16,601)
At 1 January	21,965	1,866	23,831	40,432
Balance at 31 December	18,494	3,404	21,897	23,831

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	2023	2022
	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank – Current Account	21,897	23,831
Cash at Bank – Deposit Account	0	0
Totals Monetary Assets	<u>£21,897</u>	<u>£23,831</u>
Represented by the following funds:		
General	18,493.65	21,965
Restricted – Mission Fund	3,403.59	3,141
Restricted – Compassion International	0	-1,305
Restricted – Christmas Lunch on Jesus	0	30
Totals Funds	<u>£21,897</u>	<u>£23,831</u>
Non-Monetary Current Assets		
Prepayment	39	0
Income Tax Recoverable	88	1,781.46
Total Non-Monetary Current Assets	<u>£127</u>	<u>£1,781</u>
Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	<u>£395</u>	<u>£390</u>
Non-Monetary Fixed Assets		
Freehold Land and Buildings		
Valuation estimated from buildings sum insured	<u>£1,336,630</u>	<u>£926,409</u>

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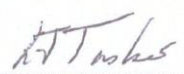
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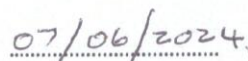
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Activities

Montpelier Church's long-established weekly parent and toddler group, Messy Wednesday, continued to take place termtime in the Allen Hall. The following activities took place to mark special events during the year. Easter Sunday featured interactive activities for children and adults in the service, followed by a bring and share Easter lunch. Much-needed work was carried out in the church garden by an after-service work party in early May in readiness for the summer. The Church celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June by holding a larger scale outdoor event fronting the street, with barbecue and a range of activities. Over 60 people attended this including several visitors. August saw a visit by Whyteleafe Free Church (also see Achievements) with fellowship lunch provided by the Church. A midweek evening children's group was trialled in October (also see Achievements) and again at the start of December with a Christmas theme. Christmas itself was celebrated through a Christmas Decorating Party, Carol Service incorporating children's performances followed by refreshments, and Christmas Day Service.

Achievements and Performance

Montpelier Church's new Core Leadership Team (CLT) was inaugurated in January 2022 comprising a team of six bringing a good range of experience, skills and background. Recruitment, selection and training had taken place for the new CLT in late 2021, it being imperative to have a strong team in place, especially given that a longstanding Church leader was expected to move away mid-year.

The Pastor and his wife continued to promote the Church within the local community. Consistent numbers attended Sunday services through the year, with a live 'YouTube' video feed introduced early in the year to replace the previous 'Zoom' video format. The new families who had joined the Church the previous year continued to strengthen the fellowship.

Some of the fellowship have been unable to attend services regularly and these people have been supported through the year as far as possible, through visits to offer prayer, support, encouragement and, where not possible to make visits in person, regular telephone calls have been made.

Safeguarding training took place for the Core Leadership Team and church workers through February. Also this month the Church introduced card readers for donations, offering greater convenience for all. Through the year Crèche and Hospitality leaders and teams were formed for weekly service.

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Montpelier Church

Trustees Report (Continued)

Montpelier Church strengthened links to other churches in the area during 2022. Two joint services were held with Whyteleafe Free Church in August, one hosted by Whyteleafe and another by Montpelier.

Part of the Church premises continued to be shared with Grace Vineyard Church Purley's Growbaby project, enabling provision of clothes and other necessities for children of families in need, including refugees. Later in the year Montpelier and Growbaby ran a joint Christmas gift campaign enabling 80 Christmas presents to be given out to families.

Links with the local food bank, Purley Food Hub, continued also.

Offerings continued to be made to support a number of Christian Missions locally and around the world. Early in the year the Church and fellowship gave substantially to International Needs' Emergency Appeal to support refugees of the war in Ukraine.

An improvement project this year was re-organising the Allen Hall kitchen and storage alongside re-organising and labelling of all storage.

Hire of the Church premises has grown this year with a new regular hirer coming on board and over 50% increase in premises hire income compared to 2021.

In October and December the Church trialled Kids' Club events as a 'Beta' for a weekly children's group to run parallel with the mid-week adult group planned for 2023.

Financial Review

In 2022 the Church's unrestricted funds reduced from £40,432 to £23,831, continuing a downward trend of recent years. Since 2019 the Church has paid a stipend to the Pastor together with paying for accommodation to house him and his family within walking distance of the Church. The trustees are aware of the financial impact of paying both the stipend and for housing the Pastor locally and measures to mitigate this have been considered. Whilst income from premises hire has increased this year, other income has dropped slightly, and the overall increase has made little impact to an ongoing deficit of typically £1,300 per month. With little or no prospect of alleviating this position in the short term and recognition of the imperative to retain funds to cover outgoings with reasonable contingency, a decision was taken in September 2022 to discontinue payment of the stipend after March 2023 whilst still paying for the Pastor's housing going forward. Unrestricted funds are expected to have reduced to around £20,000 at that point. With the current stipend being slightly greater than the monthly deficit, it is expected that the Church will achieve a near break-even position in 2023, factoring in stipend payments in the first 3 months of the year. The intention is for the Pastor to be self-funding by the time the stipend is discontinued.

The Church's principal source of funding remains offerings made by the fellowship and others through monthly standing orders. Hire of church premises formed more than 32% of income this year, compared to around 20% in 2021. Total income increased slightly on 2021's figures, as did total outgoings. The overall small increase in income falls significantly short of offsetting the ongoing deficit position, hence the decision taken as described in the above paragraph.

Continued willingness of the fellowship, with further increase in their number, to give financially through offerings to the Church is needed to aid the position further. Such giving is a Biblical principle. The Church continues to direct a portion of offerings and ad hoc donations toward missionary individuals and organisations whose work it supports. However, financial support of a sponsor child though Compassion UK ceased in December, with a former member taking this on independently. The Church had previously funded this from offerings made at monthly lunches however these had ceased in 2020 with the covid pandemic resulting in an accumulated deficit for this fund.

The Church's financial policy is to hold funds readily available to meet the ongoing costs of the Charity.

Approved by the trustees on 15/05/2023

Signed MRG Smith

Trustee MARK R G SMITH

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Receipts and Payments Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Voluntary income	24,427	3,155	27,582	41,676
Investment Income	-	-	-	-
Income from Church Activities	440	-	440	129
Other Incoming Resources	16,827	-	16,827	-
Total incoming resources	41,694	3,155	44,849	41,805
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Charitable Activities	2,021	4,390	6,411	9,587
Ministry Costs	38,489	-	38,489	37,764
Other Costs	16,550	-	16,550	9,345
Total resources expended	57,060	4,390	61,450	56,696
Net movement in funds	(15,366)	(1,235)	(16,601)	(14,891)
At 1 January	37,331	3,101	40,432	55,323
Balance at 31 December	21,965	1,866	23,831	40,432

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
at 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank – Current Account	23,831	40,432
Cash at Bank – Deposit Account	0	0
Totals Monetary Assets	<u>£23,831</u>	<u>£40,432</u>
Represented by the following funds:		
General	21,965	37,331
Restricted – Missionary Fund	3,141	3,890
Restricted – Benevolent Fund	0	0
Restricted – Compassion International	-1,305	-819
Restricted – Christmas Lunch on Jesus	30	30
Totals Funds	<u>£23,831</u>	<u>£40,432</u>
Non-Monetary Current Assets		
Prepayment	0	0
Income Tax Recoverable	1,748.96	1749.35
Total Non-Monetary Current Assets	<u>£1,749</u>	<u>£1,749</u>
Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	<u>£390</u>	<u>£375</u>
Non-Monetary Fixed Assets		
Freehold Land and Buildings		
Valuation estimated from buildings sum insured	<u>£926,409</u>	<u>£834,603</u>

Note: Immaterial accruals and prepayments of utilities and other church expenses have been ignored.

The Accounts set out on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Trustees.

Signed on their behalf

 MARK R G SMITH.

Date: 15/05/2023

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

The Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities have been prepared under the historical accounting convention. They have been prepared in accordance with the relevant recommendations of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (2005) and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Funds

General Funds

All funds are unrestricted and represent undistributed income.

Restricted Funds

These arise from specific gifts from donors to support full time Christian workers (Missionary Fund) or to provide for other church needs. The monies held at the year end will be distributed according to the specific gifts in the forthcoming accounting periods.

(c) Income and Expenditure: are both shown when received or paid respectively.

(d) Grants Payable

These are recognised when the Trustees have approved and paid the grant.

2 Trustees Emoluments

The Trustees receive no remuneration or reimbursed personal expenses from the Charity.

Independent Examiners Report
to the Trustees of Montpelier Church
on the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 4 to 6

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

- a) examine the accounts under section 145 of The Act
- b) to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and
- c) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of 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 the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required from 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:

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements:
 - 1 to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of The Act; and
 - 2 to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of The Act

have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date

15/05/2023

MONTPELIER CHURCH

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Montpelier Church

Registered Charity Number 1168853

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Administration Details

Trustees who have served during the year

L Downham
P G Goldsmith
D Morris (appointed 09/11/2021)
M R G Smith

Church Address Biddulph Road, South Croydon, CR2 6QB
Bankers TSB plc, 40 Woodcote Road, Wallington, SM6 0NR

Structure, Governance and Management

The Church was set up by a Deed of Trust dated 29 May 1929 to operate a Christian place of worship under the practices of the Christian Brethren.

On 22 August 2016 the Church registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charities Commission.

On 1 December 2016 all the assets and liabilities of the trust were transferred to the CIO.

The Church operates under the Constitution submitted to the Charities Commission. The trust was and the Charity is governed by a board of trustees who delegate the spiritual governance to a group of elders and the practical maintenance of the buildings to suitably qualified individuals. The appointment of trustees is made by the board; the Church leadership by the group of Church leaders. All appointments are made by unanimous agreement.

Activities

Up to mid-May 2021 the Church conducted its weekly services solely via the 'Zoom' video conferencing platform due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Whilst harnessing this technology enabled the Church to continue functioning as near to normal as possible during Covid-19, a milestone was reached on 23rd May when in-person services resumed after more than a year. Messy Wednesday, the Church's long-established parent and toddler group resumed in-person on 9th June. Meantime the Church's midweek gathering and small study group meetings generally stayed on 'Zoom' for convenience. Summer activities comprised a church garden tidy-up over several Saturdays in July and a fellowship tea at the end of August. The latter part of the year featured two very successful events: a worship night in October and Christmas social in December.

Achievements and Performance

Consistent numbers continued to be attracted to Sunday morning services during 2021, the second year of Covid-19 pandemic. Completion of the foyer refurbishment earlier in the year enabled the Church to offer a more welcoming environment, in readiness for resumption of in-person services. The Church has since been blessed with attendance by some new families, three of which had become regular attendees by year end. The Church leadership created a new remunerated Premises Co-ordinator role during the year leading to appointment of the successful candidate in October, since when there have been a number of achievements e.g. review of fire safety, rationalisation of shared digital filing, introduction of a scheduling tool for managing church rotas, ongoing review of hall hire documentation and rates with a view to maximising utilisation of the premises, with wifi extension/remote heating control to the Church's Allen Hall imminent at year end. Indeed, hire of the Allen Hall to suitable parties has seen increasing uptake through the year.

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Montpelier Church

Trustees Report (Continued)

The Pastor and his wife continued to promote the Church within the local community and this year, with a number of new families joining, there is clear evidence of this yielding greater attendance at Sunday services. These have continued to be offered via video conferencing format even after in-person worship resumed, with some people preferring this, who would otherwise be unable to attend. A few members have been unable to attend regularly and other Church members have supported these people through the year as much as possible.

Offerings continued to be made to support a number of Christian Missions. Speakers from these missions are invited to report to the Church from time to time. 2021 has seen speakers delivering their message both from the UK and abroad via Zoom, and in person from late May onwards.

Church members have made visits to offer prayer, support, and encouragement to members unable to attend. Where not possible to make visits in person, telephone calls have been made to offer this.

Part of the church premises continued to be shared with Grace Vineyard Church Purley to enable them to provide clothes and other necessities for children of families in need, including refugees. Links with the local food bank, Purley Food Hub, continued also.

Financial Review

The Church's unrestricted funds have reduced by approximately 26% this year. The background to this is that, in addition to continuing to engage the services of a Pastor, the Church continued to pay for the Pastor's accommodation in order to house him and his family within walking distance of the Church. The trustees are aware of the financial impact of the decision to house the Pastor locally and measures to mitigate this are being considered.

The Church's principal source of funding remains offerings regularly made by the members. Collections at services could not be made until in-person services resumed mid-year though facility continued to be provided for these to be made via other means. Total incomings increased slightly on 2020's figures, as have total outgoings. However, given the continued reduction in unrestricted funds, other sources have been explored to aid the Church's financial position. Old-style wooden seats were sold to raise some money earlier in the year. Hire of the church premises accounts for almost 20% of incomings this year. The aim is to maximise utilisation of, and receipts from, hiring out the church premises.

Willingness of new members to make offerings, together with further increase in their number, will be needed to aid the position further; indeed such giving to the Church is a Biblical principle.

The Church members assist in the maintenance of the buildings and the surrounding grounds.

The investment policy of the Church is to hold funds readily available to meet the ongoing costs of the Charity and to make payments to missionaries and missionary organisations whose work the church supports.

Approved by the trustees on 29/05/2022

Signed MRG Smith

Trustee MARK R G SMITH

Montpelier Church
 Registered Charity Number 1168853
Receipts and Payments Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021	Total Funds 2020
	£	£	£	£
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Voluntary Income	37,786	3,890	41,676	38,295
Investment Income	-	-	-	-
Income from Church Activities	129	-	129	96
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	37,915	3,890	41,805	38,391
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Charitable Activities	4,154	5,433	9,587	7,298
Ministry Costs	37,764	-	37,764	37,995
Other Costs	9,345	-	9,345	9,197
Total resources expended	51,263	5,433	56,696	54,490
Net movement in funds	(13,348)	(1,543)	(14,891)	(16,099)
At 1 January	50,679	4,644	55,323	71,422
Balance at 31 December	37,331	3,101	40,432	55,323

Montpelier Church
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Statement of Assets and Liabilities
at 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank – Current Account	40,432	55,323
Cash at Bank – Deposit Account	0	0
Totals Monetary Assets	<u>£40,432</u>	<u>£55,323</u>
Represented by the following funds:		
General	37,331	50,679
Restricted – Missionary Fund	3,890	4,947
Restricted – Benevolent Fund	0	0
Restricted – Compassion International	-819	-333
Restricted – Christmas Lunch on Jesus	30	30
Totals Funds	<u>£40,432</u>	<u>£55,323</u>
Non-Monetary Current Assets		
Prepayment	0	0
Income Tax Recoverable	1,749	2261
Total Non – Monetary Current Assets	<u>£1,749</u>	<u>£2,261</u>
Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	<u>£375</u>	<u>£375</u>
Non-Monetary Fixed Assets		
Freehold Land and Buildings		
Valued by Trustees at 16/03/2021	<u>£834,603</u>	<u>£803,275</u>

Note: Immaterial accruals and prepayments of utilities and other church expenses have been ignored.

The Accounts set out on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Trustees.

Signed on their behalf



Date:

29/05/2022

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

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These are recognised when the Trustees have approved and paid the grant.

2 Trustees Emoluments

The Trustees receive no remuneration or reimbursed personal expenses from the Charity.

Independent Examiners Report
to the Trustees of Montpelier Church
on the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

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Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner

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It is my responsibility to

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Basis of examiner's report

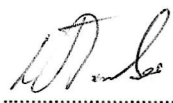
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have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Date

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Montpelier Church

Registered Charity Number 1168853

Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2020

Administration Details

Trustees who have served during the year

L Downham
 P G Goldsmith
 T J B Jolliffe (retired 30 November 2020)
 M R G Smith

Church Address Biddulph Road, South Croydon, CR2 6QB

Bankers TSB plc, 40 Woodcote Rd, Wallington, SM6 0NR

Structure, Governance and Management

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Activities

This year the Church initially conducted its weekly services from its property in Biddulph Road, South Croydon up to 15th March, after which services were delivered via the 'Zoom' video conferencing platform due to the Covid-19 pandemic and ensuing lockdown regulations. The readiness to adopt this technology enabled the church to continue functioning as near to normal as possible during the pandemic. Indeed its size lends itself well to this format whereby everyone attending services can participate and contribute. Many of the Church's other weekly activities also transferred to video conferencing, including some children's activities, 'Gather' study meetings, smaller Bible study groups and prayer times.

Achievements and Performance

Consistent numbers continued to be attracted to Sunday morning worship services and Bible study groups notwithstanding the pandemic. The Church continued to be involved in the local food bank, known as Purley Food Hub (*Registered Charity Number 1152807*), run by Churches Together in Purley and Kenley. Part of the church premises continued to be shared with Grace Vineyard Church Purley (*Registered Charity number 1103412*) to enable them to operate their Growbaby activity more efficiently and effectively. Growbaby provides clothes and other necessities for children to families in need, including refugees. A summer work party took place during temporarily eased lockdown restrictions in collaboration with Grace Vineyard Church, Purley, to begin refurbishment works to the Church foyer. The Christmas Carol service was also conducted in collaboration with Grace Vineyard.

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Montpelier Church

Trustees Report (Continued)

The Pastor and his wife continued to promote the Church within the local community and there is evidence of this yielding some new attendees at Sunday services, in addition to the regular congregation. Indeed since services transferred to video conferencing format, some people have become regular attendees of services who may otherwise not have been able to. By the same token a few members have been unable to join for technical reasons and Church members have supported these people through the year as much as possible.

Hire of the church's Allen Hall to suitable parties, which had seen increasing uptake through 2019, was unable to continue beyond March due to the lockdown arising from the pandemic. Offerings continued to be made to support a number of Christian Missions. Speakers from these missions are invited to report to the Church from time to time. 2020 has seen speakers delivering their message live from places such as Egypt, Jamaica and Kentucky, USA, utilising the technology harnessed to continue with services during the pandemic.

As much as possible within lockdown restrictions, Church members have made visits to offer prayer, support, and encouragement to members unable to attend. Where not possible to make visits in person, telephone and video calls have been made to offer this.

Financial Review


The Church's unrestricted funds have reduced by approximately 24% this year. The background to this is that, in addition to continuing to engage the services of a Pastor, the Church continued to pay for the Pastor's accommodation in order to house him and his family within walking distance of the Church. In September the Pastor and his family transferred to more suitable accommodation than initially arranged in March 2019. Although this comes at a slightly higher cost to the Church, the tenancy agreement for the new accommodation is more flexible (monthly rental as opposed to six-monthly). The trustees are aware of the financial impact of the decision to house the Pastor locally and measures to mitigate this are being considered.

The Church's principal source of funding is offerings regularly made by the members. Collections at services could not be made beyond March though facility was provided for these to be made via other means. Total incomings have remained similar to 2019, as have total outgoings. However, given the continued reduction in unrestricted funds, potential funding sources have been explored, to aid the Church's financial position. Willingness of newer members to make offerings, together with an increase in their number, will be needed to aid the position. Also the Pastor has engaged in fundraising activities via his links with North America and there is some expectation this will eventually make an impact too.

Food has been donated to Purley Food Hub via our premises, which is not accounted for in these accounts as it is given directly to that charity. The Church members assist in the maintenance of the buildings and the surrounding grounds.

The investment policy of the Church is to hold funds readily available to meet the ongoing costs of the Charity and to make payments to missionaries and missionary organisations whose work the church supports.

Approved by the trustees on 27/05/21

Signed: 
 MARK R G SMITH

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Receipts and Payments Account

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
<u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u>				
Voluntary Income	33,298	4,997	38,295	37,998
Investment Income	-	-	-	586
Income from Church Activities	96	-	96	831
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	33,394	4,997	38,391	39,415
<u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u>				
Charitable Activities	2,002	5,296	7,298	8,510
Ministry Costs	37,995	-	37,995	37,029
Other Costs	9,197	-	9,197	9,282
Total resources expended	49,194	5,296	54,490	54,821
Net movement in funds	(15,800)	(299)	(16,099)	(15,406)
At 1 January	66,479	4,943	71,422	86,828
Balance at 31 December	50,679	4,644	55,323	71,422

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
at 31 December 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Monetary Assets		
Cash at Bank – Current Account	55,323	71,422
Cash at Bank – Deposit Account	0	0
Totals Monetary Assets	<u>£55,323</u>	<u>£71,422</u>
Represented by the following funds:		
General	50,679	66,479
Restricted – Missionary Fund	4,947	4,669
Restricted – Benevolent Fund	0	0
Restricted – Compassion International	-333	244
Restricted – Christmas Lunch on Jesus	30	30
Totals Funds	<u>£55,323</u>	<u>£71,422</u>
Non-Monetary Current Assets		
Prepayment	0	0
Income Tax Recoverable	2,261	2593
Total Non – Monetary Current Assets	<u>£2,261</u>	<u>£2,593</u>
Liabilities		
Accrued Expenses	<u>£375</u>	<u>£375</u>
Non-Monetary Fixed Assets		
Freehold Land and Buildings Valued by Trustees at 17/03/2020	<u>£803,275</u>	<u>£765,024</u>

Note: Immaterial accruals and prepayments of utilities and other church expenses have been ignored.

The Accounts set out on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Trustees.

Signed on their behalf



Date: 27/05/21

Montpelier Church
Registered Charity Number 1168853
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

The Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities have been prepared under the historical accounting convention. They have been prepared in accordance with the relevant recommendations of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (2005) and the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Funds

General Funds

All funds are unrestricted and represent undistributed income

Restricted Funds

These arise from specific gifts from donors to support full time Christian workers (Missionary Fund) or to provide for other church needs. The monies held at the year end will be distributed according to the specific gifts in the forthcoming accounting periods.

(c) Income and Expenditure: are both shown when received or paid respectively.

(d) Grants Payable

These are recognised when the Trustees have approved and paid the grant.

2 Trustees Emoluments

The Trustees receive no remuneration or reimbursed personal expenses from the Charity.

Independent Examiners Report
to the Trustees of Montpelier Church
on the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 4 to 6

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

- a) examine the accounts under section 145 of The Act
- b) to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and
- c) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of 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 the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required from 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:

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements:
 - 1 to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of The Act; and
 - 2 to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of The Act

have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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