



ANNUAL REPORT: 2023

From the Pastors Desk

Welcome to 2024!

CLF Life Centre, God is truly leading us! In His infinite wisdom and power, He guides us forward, and I am thrilled to share this good news with you. These are truly exciting times for us as God's children. I continually remember each of you in my prayers before our Lord Jesus Christ, filled with gratitude for our partnership in the gospel. Together, we proclaim and demonstrate His love, standing as a Christ-centred community grounded in scripture and unified by a shared mission: to make disciples who bring transformation wherever they are.

Our mission remains steadfast. Alongside our sister churches under City Faith Ministries Trust (CFMT), also known as Christian Life Fellowship (CLF), we are committed to returning to the foundations of our faith, living out our values, and advancing the kingdom of God. In these challenging times, we cannot afford to waver. We, the church, are called to be the light of hope to a world in need, bearing the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ and shining for His purpose.

Now more than ever, we are called to work together, support one another, and ensure no one is left behind. Let us sit together, rise together, and walk together in unity, love, and purpose.

It is a privilege to serve you. I want to thank each of you for your continued cooperation, giving, and dedication to advancing God's kingdom, and I extend a special thank you to our workers who have shown remarkable faithfulness and hard work throughout 2023.

As we move forward, let's remember who we are as part of God's Ekklesia. Live with God's purpose at the forefront, loving Him supremely and our neighbours as ourselves. Pursue excellence, keep Jesus at the centre of our hearts and lives, and uphold unity in the Spirit through peace. Strive for holiness, guard our integrity, and steward what God has given us with eternity in mind. One day, we will all stand before Him to give an account of how we lived.

God bless,

Pastor John

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The Trustees

The Trustees are pleased to present their report and CLF LC's financial statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2023. The trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the governing document and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the applicable accounting standard FRS102.

Structure, Governance and Management

CLF LC is registered with the Charity Commissioners (No. 1168879) and constituted by a constitution. CLF Life Centre (CLF LC) is affiliated to City Faith Ministries Trust (CFMT) (No.1045627).

CLF Life Centre is an international community of New Testament believers committed to exalt the person and revelation of Jesus Christ as revealed in the bible and living a lifestyle centered on Him and His will. We are a member of the Evangelical Alliance UK (No. 241723)

Trustee Induction and Training

All trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the charity having served in this capacity for over 4 years.

The charity constitution provides for a minimum of three Trustees and there is no maximum number of charity trustees that may be appointed. Where there is a need for new Trustees, these would be identified and appointed by the current Trustees. The chair of Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new Trustee which involves awareness training of a Trustee's duties and responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures, the history and ethos of the charity. A new Trustee will also receive a copy of the previous year's annual report and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'.

At present CLF Life Centre has five Trustees from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the activities of the charity.

The Charity employs one full time pastor.

The object of the charity as set out in the constitution is to:


Advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of beliefs appearing in the Statement of Faith of the charity.

- We raise awareness and understanding of the Christian faith by various means including producing religious books, MP3s and through CLF LC channel on YouTube. We also promote the study of religious teachings and practices through various meetings.

As part of their pastoral remit our Pastor, executive team, Life Groups leaders and heads of departments look after the spiritual wellbeing of the members which includes the regular conduct of baby dedications, marriages, funerals and counselling.

Our Mission

We exist because of The Great commission of our Lord Jesus summarized in Matthew 28:18 to 20, which mandates us to make disciples of Jesus Christ.



Our Vision

Our vision is to make disciples of Christ by encouraging them to be “Difference Markers” full of the life of God and spirit filled to bring hope and deliverance to the world. We will fulfil this mandate (to make disciples of Jesus Christ) by:

- Telling (preach to) others (the lost) about Christ,
- Warning and teaching those who are saved; and,
- Ultimately present every man perfect in Christ;
 - From being youthful and immature to an individual who is full-grown and spiritually mature and living in accordance with the perfect will of God. (*Col 1:28*)

Our Core Values

Our core values are those ideals we are unwilling to compromise as we fulfil our vision. They are derived from our mission:

- Live with God's **PURPOSE**.
- **LOVE** God supremely and, my neighbour as myself.
- Be **EXCELLENT** in all I think and do.
- Make **JESUS** the *centre* of my heart and life.
- Always **TEAMWORK** thereby bringing, and keeping the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
- Be **HOLY** even as God is Holy.
- Keep, maintain and guard my **INTEGRITY** at all times.
- **STEWARDSHIP**; that is eternity will be at forefront in all I do. Because I will one day stand before God to give an account of what He gave me, and did with my life.

Highlights

- Early morning prayer meetings
- Kingdom Impact – Anniversary service
- Foodbank contributions
- Embrace – Watchnight service
- Leadership Training Sessions
- CLF LC Men's Fellowship continued in their growth of commitment and friendship via zoom
- Daughters of The Kingdom (DOTK)
- Global Missions Conference
- Monthly corporate prayer and fasting

Challenges

Beyond the normal pastoral and administrative issues of an organisation like ours, there were no other major challenges that we had to address.

Use of Volunteers

CLF LC consider its volunteers as one of its main resources in both faith and community work.

The Charity encourages all its members to be involved in voluntary activities and now have over twenty volunteers (including all the trustees) who regularly give of their time. All members who work with children and vulnerable groups are always DBS checked.

We carry out a wide range of activities in pursuance of its charitable aims. The trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide valuable benefits to the public both in the U.K and abroad.

All our activities are available to Christians and non-Christians, members and non-members alike.

In addition to our initiatives and activities, we also partnered with and/or supported the following organisations as they sought to fulfil their given vision/mission:

Lambeth Foodbank

Moree Church

Please refer to the **Missions** section to see our further contributions.

Projects in 2023

Ropolo (Sierra Leone)

- There was a pilot agricultural project of groundnut, pepper and cassava. There was also an onion plantation that was not successful
- The refurbishment and construction of the church building
- The purchase of school uniforms for the pupils in the Christian Life Primary school

Marfoki (Sierra Leone)

- The Reconstruction of Maforki church due to its dilapidated state
- Funds were raised by Omega Mission and PMission as part of their support for the church in Marfoki. The building project has reached window level, and funds are still being raised to complete the structure

Masiaka (Sierra Leone)

- The construction of the CLF church building saw the foundation stage completed, but there are not enough funds to continue further

Leadership Development

CLF has a seven-stage discipleship strategy to equip our members from new believers to ordained ministers as part of our Membership Discipleship Program (MDP). This strategy is further enhanced through our Bible school (Christian Life Training Institute (CLTI)), and various training initiatives and seminars as outlined below:

Christian Life Training Institute (CLTI)

CLTI is the Bible School initiative of CLF. It aims to serve our mission and vision to *make disciples of Jesus Christ* by equipping our members and the wider body of Christ with a Christ centred perspective to life and ministry.

CLTI offers two flagship courses – Ministerial Training Course (MTC) for the spiritually mature, and Christian Discipleship Course (CDC) for believers who desire to be equipped as Disciples of Christ. CLTI also offers other short courses in a variety of subjects and is currently established in the following countries:



United Kingdom:

- Ministerial Training Course
- Christian Discipleship Course
- Prophetic School of Ministry
- School of Evangelism
- Prayer School

Ghana:

- Ministerial Training Course
- Kenya – Christian Discipleship Course

Ministries

The ministries component within CLF comprises various initiatives and services whose remit and scope of operation goes beyond the CLF family to the wider body of Christ and/or the general community within society. The following were the active ministries in 2023:

- **Inside Out**
A ministry to prisoners and ex-prisoners to encourage them in their spirituality; and support them in a productive alternative after prison. In 2023, BlessUp meetings resumed on a monthly basis for ex-prisoners. The process of resuming Sunday services in Belmarsh Prison began, with dates being set for 2024. (Leader: Alison Smith)
- **International Christian Women's Network (ICWN)**
"Women of the Watch" (WOW) is an end time ministry of ICWN; raising intercessors throughout the earth to fulfil the call of standing in the gap and operating in the roll of the watchman in these last days. WOW is playing her part in preparing the (Bride) in ushering the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. In 2023 ICWN continued to host the annual "Women of the Watch" Weekend Prayer retreat at the Saint Columba's House in Surrey. During the August weekend there were approximately 23 women in attendance, mostly from the different CLF churches. We met with God in such a beautiful way, hearing God's prophetic word from Pastor Philip Ankrah and Pastor Martyn Reay. The ladies were stirred up for prayer and the call of the intercessor." (Leader: Sheron Ankrah)
- **Omega Generation**
A youth ministry empowering teenagers and young adults to a radical and relevant commitment to discipleship and missions. There were few active missions in 2023 both local and international, and funds raised to support some CLF projects. (Leader: Peter Mensah)
- **Abiding In Christ (AiC)**
Mission trips for women aimed at empowering them to impact their worlds using the tools of training, evangelism, and discipleship. In July 2023, we hosted a mission trip to Ghana and were joined by Rafiat Lawal from the UK. The AiC team carried out evangelism at a local mall, held workshops with teachers and pupils at a secondary school, delivered

training and ministered at a hospital, took part in a community project, ministered at a local prison and at church. The team also held a Healing workshop for Ladies. In October 2023, the team also facilitated a Prison Ministry visit with Fola Oyeleye from CLF Greenwich (Leader: Marilyn Mensah).

- **Neriah Nea Academy (NNA)**

This Academy seeks to provide an exceptional learning environment rooted in biblical principles. (Leader: Janet Doughan)

- **Daughters Of The King (DOTK)**

A global CLF women's ministry dedicated to empowering Christian women within the body of Christ. Our aim is to empower women to maximise their potential through wholehearted pursuit of God and His kingdom purpose for their lives. It also seeks to facilitate its mandate through Women's gatherings and prayer initiatives as well as equipping women in singleness, marriage, and leadership in the church and marketplace.

During 2023 our focus for the year was to build up the fellowship and relationship amongst the women throughout CLF. We had three organised fellowship gatherings. Throughout the year each gathering would discuss singleness, marriage, and motherhood. To include our CLF churches in Africa, Ps Marilyn Mensah ran one DOTK meeting in Ghana with Sierra Leone and Kenya taking part with interactive questions and answers online. The CLF UK DOTK's first session was held in Greenwich, the second in Medway and the 3rd a restaurant meal in Lambeth. However, the numbers of attendees throughout the year did not represent the number of ladies within our combined churches, we believe the reason for this was because of the new changes and challenges taking place within CLF in this season of transition. (Leader: Sheron Ankrah)

- **Stronger Men Ministries (SMM)**

A men's ministry to empower men to be strong in spirit, strong in leadership and stronger together. In 2023 SMM had not engaged in any major corporate activity however, there has been an increasing sense of a need for more engagement in the local branches across the CLF communities. (Leader: Peter Mensah)

- **MaryLayo Talks**

The ministry was launched in April 2023 to support, maintain and promote good mental health and spiritual wellbeing.

24 April 2023 started: Beyond the Smile podcast. Together with guests, MaryLayo discusses issues and life events that can affect mental wellbeing. 23 episodes on topics such as bereavement, perfectionism and brain tumour recovery have been published on platforms including Apple Podcasts, Spotify and Amazon music.

On 2 April, MaryLayo Talks YouTube channel launched to facilitate healing, growth and development through discussion on faith, social issues and mental health. The channel focuses on personal reflections, guest interviews and devotionals. (Leader: Mary Ogungbeje)

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- Apostolic Forum - (Kenya, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Zambia)
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Highlights of 2023

The highlights of 2023 are those achievements and activities scheduled in 2023 within the UK that emphasised the corporate progress of CLF during that year, including:

- Prayer night which ran every Friday in the various branches
- Congregational leader's meetings
- Online International Pastors and Ministers & Apostolic forums. These ran throughout the year on the last Thursday of each month
- CLF Global Prayer and Fasting in March, July and October
- Apostolic UK Forum took place in March and September.
- DOTK held in February, May, June and August.
- Mission 2023 Conference "*Go*" with Apostle Kingsley Gyasi.
- Embrace 2023 December 31st.

Financial Review

CLF Life Centre ended the year with a deficit on general funds of £1,731 (2022 £1,293 deficit) the details of which can be seen in the annexed financials statements (and notes) for the period.

The Trustees are very thankful to all the members (and other stakeholders) for their' continuous generosity which enables the Charity to maintain its vast array of charitable activities (for its size) in this harsh economic climate. The Trustees will continue to consider value for money against impact when delivering the charities strategic objectives.

Investment Policy

Aside from retaining a prudent amount in reserves each year, the Trustees will consider appropriate money-market investments over the near and medium future. Where general reserves grow beyond a target level equivalent to 9-month operation costs more long-term investments will be explored

Legal and Administrative Information

Trustees	Mr. Harold Williams Mr. Emmanuel Kodua Mr. Philip Ankrah Ms. Joy Campbell Mr. Akinlolu Adedayo Oladapo Adeagbo
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Accountant	Leanbase Ltd Company No. 12122543 Registered office address:89 Denmark Hill London SE5 8AA
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Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Mr. Emmanuel Kodua
(Trustee/Treasurer)
30 October 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of CLF Life Centre

Year ended 31 December 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of **CLF Life Centre** ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do 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.

Mr U Ajaelu
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18/10/2024





CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES



CLF LIFE CENTRE

1168879

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date

01.01.2023

To

Period end date

31.12.2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Tithes & Offering	80,255	-	-	80,255	74,943
Gift Aid Recovered	14,463	-	-	14,463	6,524
Other Income	32,730	-	-	32,730	13,031
Food Bank	-	-	-	-	12
Bank Interest	2	-	-	2	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	127,450	-	-	127,450	94,510
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	127,450	-	-	127,450	94,510

A3 Payments

Honoraria	4,500.00	-	-	4,500	1,800.00
Church Rental - ABT	0.00	-	-	-	760.00
Visual & Media Cost	7,671.95	-	-	7,672	851.60
Dept: Sound	42.99	-	-	43	428.85
Dept: Finance	441.76	-	-	442	3,695.55
Dept: Ushering & Protocol	128.90	-	-	129	600.17
Dept: Childrens Ministry	153.45	-	-	153	11.25
Dept: Worship Dept	0.00	-	-	-	143.66
Dept: Media	4,276.71	-	-	4,277	4,334.21
Dept: Evangelism	2,238.79	-	-	2,239	0.00
Dept: Catering	3,795.34	-	-	3,795	2,509.02
Dept: Admin	3,464.05	-	-	3,464	1,479.74
Database	182.00	-	-	182	379.41
Donation to CLM	5,865.62	-	-	5,866	4,065.22
Hospitality	201.00	-	-	201	0.00
Dept: Church Events	50.00	-	-	50	366.75
Prayer	375.00	-	-	375	1,000.00
Dept: AV	3,200.00	-	-	3,200	0.00
Other Ministries	4,619.09	-	-	4,619	351.87
Trustee Exps	540.00	-	-	540	0.00
Donations to Head Office	2,932.77	-	-	2,933	5,093.18
Pastor Gross Salaries On Costs (pensions, employers NI, etc)	33,750.38	-	-	33,750	33,334.11
Pastorial Care Car Fuel	115.01	-	-	115	324.60
Pst Exp : Retreats & Courses & Book	650.00	-	-	650	150.00
Pastorial Expenses Other	3,028.72	-	-	3,029	7,141.07
Pastorial Assistant Care Exp	8,470.00	-	-	8,470	60.00
Pastorial Care Travel Abroad	4,059.15	-	-	4,059	737.94
Ministerial Team Exps	1,666.80	-	-	1,667	0.00
Hospitality (Guest Minister)	1,156.00	-	-	1,156	0.00
Bereavement Fund	0.00	-	-	-	300.00
Insurance - Trustees And Professional Ideminity	689.18	-	-	689	663.06
Telephone & Fax	2,926.70	-	-	2,927	2,084.65
Internet / website costs	558.07	-	-	558	169.51
Office Rental Costs	10,372.51	-	-	10,373	12,339.29
Other Professional Fees	200.00	-	-	200	0.00
Bank and other financial charges	60.00	-	-	60	2,188.52
Church rental costs	16,799.40	-	-	16,799	8,439.40
Sub total	129,181	-	-	129,181	95,803
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	129,181	-	-	129,181	95,803
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,731	-	-	- 1,731	- 1,293
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	116,261	-	-	116,261	117,554
Cash funds this year end	114,530	-	-	114,530	116,261

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	<div>Bank accounts</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div>Total cash funds</div> <div>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</div>	<div>114,530</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>114,530</div> <div>OK</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>OK</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>OK</div>
B2 Other monetary assets	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B3 Investment assets	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which asset belongs</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Cost (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>Current value (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which asset belongs</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Cost (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>Current value (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>
B5 Liabilities	<div>Details</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Fund to which liability relates</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Amount due (optional)</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div> <div>-</div>	<div>When due (optional)</div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div>
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	<div>Signature</div> <div></div> <div></div>	<div>Print Name</div> <div>Mr. Emmanuel Kodua</div> <div></div>	<div>Date of approval</div> <div>30/04/2024</div> <div></div>	