

# Christian Faith Fellowship UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1173461

## Details

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**Other names** DIVINE LOVE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY LUTON

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2017-06-16

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CIO ARE:THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE HOLDING OF PRAYER MEETINGS, LECTURES, PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN FESTIVALS AND PRODUCING/DISTRIBUTING LITERATURE ON CHRISTIAN FAITH TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION.

**Activities:** The advancement of the Christian religion in the United Kingdom for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures (public celebration of Christian festivals) producing and / or distributing literature on Christian faith to enlighten others about the Christian religion. Practising through philanthropy and other charitable activities globally.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Luton

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-30	£11,807	£18,995	-	-
2024-01-30	£15,070	£21,340	-	-
2023-01-30	£11,556	£23,544	-	-
2022-01-30	£24,735	£20,582	-	-
2021-01-30	£18,130	£25,335	-	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Mlundira		2020-03-07
MANUEL BARE		2017-07-01
Tinashe Bare		2018-12-09

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# Accounts

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# Christian Faith Fellowship UK

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 January 2025

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**Christian Faith Fellowship UK**  
**Reference and Administrative Details**

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Andrew Mulundira  
Manuel Bare

**Principal Office**

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**Charity Registration Number**

1173461

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**Christian Faith Fellowship UK**  
**Trustees' Report 2024-25**

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When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the Christian Faith Fellowship UK trustee board have taken into consideration the Commission's guidance on public benefit and particularly the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to encourage and enable ordinary people to follow the teachings of the Word of God as written in the bible and to have the liberty to practise their faith through the following:

- Prayer and worship of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Reading and listening to the Bible and sermons from the prophet of the day.
- Developing the community faith and trust in Jesus through knowledge.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living within the local community.
- Carrying out missionary and outreach work in the UK and Africa.

## Achievements and performance

### Worship and prayer

The Christian Faith Fellowship UK offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year and our community finds this both beneficial and spiritually uplifting and profoundly fulfilling. Every Wednesday evening the minister or an invited guest presides over devotional worship and prayer. This midweek service is part of the spiritual reinforcement between the main weekend meetings. Friday evening services provide the community with an opportunity to reflect and be intimate with the creator. The Friday evening prayer services include exhortation from the minister.

During the year Christian Faith Fellowship UK resolved to shift the operational base to Shutlanger village. The committee viewed this as a means to reach additional communities unfamiliar with the gospel message. Membership has remained unchanged during the year under review, but it has been observed that existing members and congregants have been more grounded and have become stronger pillars of the church. The church continued to host sister groups for Sunday worship. This provided a welcome environment for unity, brotherly love and kindness which are necessary in the building of good communities. The church also continued to host visiting parishioners and offered healing, counselling and prayers to the community.

Christian Faith Fellowship UK also strengthened faith in the community by carrying out regular holy communion. The services also help members to reflect on their behaviours and relationship with Christ. The church also promoted and reinforced the listening of taped sermons from the prophet of the age. Sunday School for children was reintroduced to cater for the increasing number of children being born in the church. The Sunday school lessons are a welcome forum for the young people to discuss and study the bible by sharing lessons and experiences. The little children are introduced to children's bible stories as they learn about heroes of the faith while they play and learn.

Christian Faith Fellowship UK planned to conduct outreach services in the locality of Shutlanger village. The door-to-door outreach which includes passing of leaflets about the gospel.

The church also continued to conduct 'zoom' services to reach out to believers further away from the new locality of Shutlanger village. These zoom meetings were also useful in obtaining preaching services from distant teachers and evangelists including those from overseas. Special trips were conducted for Southern Africa outreach during the month of August 2024.

Local community activities were carried out in the village of Shutlanger. This required transportation and the board allowed the use of a vehicle while paying for loan over a full month.

The Christian Faith Fellowship UK welcomes everyone to our Wednesday and Friday evening prayer services as well as our Sunday worship service. The movement to Shutlanger had the effect of restoring children's Sunday classes due to more room. There was a rise in the number of midweek church attendance due to the maintenance of virtual meetings.

### **Board of Trustees.**

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### **Shutlanger Village Hall.**

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### **Financial Review**

Total receipts on unrestricted funds during the year under review were £11,807, charitable expenditure is £18,035 Leaving a deficit for the year of £6,227, and an overall deficit on the unrestricted fund of £7,188

### **Reserves policy**

Although the charity's reserves policy sets a target of maintaining unrestricted reserves equivalent to three months of unrestricted expenditure (£6,000), the charity closed the year with a Trust account balance of £274, which is below the desired level. The trustees are aware of this position and have taken active steps after the year end to improve cash levels. A series of fundraising initiatives, including community events and targeted offerings, have been undertaken with the aim of increasing unrestricted funds and rebuilding available cash towards the level required under the reserves policy. The trustees continue to monitor financial performance closely to ensure that progress is made in strengthening the charity's financial position.

### **Volunteers**

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community that it is. Special mention must be made of Andrew Mlundira who took over the Sunday School bible teaching. We would also like to make a special mention of our church band whose contribution during outreach services has been immense.

The church band has been a wonderful component of our Sunday worship services as well. I would also like to thank the elder sisters for their unwavering support and contribution in making food for visitors and entertaining strangers.

### **Structure, governance and management.**

The method of appointment of the trustee board is set out in the Christian Faith Fellowship UK Constitution. At Christian Faith Fellowship UK membership consists of a trustee board of at least three persons. The leader of the church is also a member of the trustee board. Deacons are elected by the members of the congregation whose membership is determined by their attendance to worship services.

The trustee board is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the church including deciding on how the funds of the church are spent.

The trustee board met three times during the year with a 100% attendance. The trustee board is presently in charge of all church programmes due to the present small size of membership.

Duties will be delegated to committees as the church grows.

### **Public benefit**

Each of the activities mentioned above has a direct benefit to parts of the general public.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have

due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

Reduced donations

General risks include an economic downturn in the country which might affect the generality of the church and thereby affecting the donors' giving.

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Follow the Charities SORP methods and principles.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.
- The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the
- charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 20/11/25 and signed on its behalf by:**

*Manuel Bare*

**Manuel Bare  
Trustee**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Christian Faith Fellowship UK**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 January 2025.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the company, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Commission.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and I confirm that no 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 Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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: or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



27 Nov 2025

Gary Harris

G A Harris & Co-Ltd

Christian Faith Fellowship UK

Statement Of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31st January 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary Income	2	11,807	11,807	15,070
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<u>11,807</u>	<u>11,807</u>	<u>15,070</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable activities	3	18,035	18,035	20,860
Governing costs	4	960	960	480
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>18,995</u>	<u>18,995</u>	<u>21,340</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		- 7,188	- 7,188	- 6,270
Funds brought forward from previous period		- 6,827	- 6,827	- 557
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>- 14,015</u>	<u>- 14,015</u>	<u>- 6,827</u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All Incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet  
For the year ended 31st January 2025

	Notes	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	5	2,333	3,333
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		273	6,461
		<u>273</u>	<u>6,461</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year - Accountancy		480	480
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>- 207</u>	<u>5,981</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>2,126</u>	<u>9,314</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>2,126</u>	<u>9,314</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	6	2,126	9,314
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>2,126</u>	<u>9,314</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 26/11/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:**

*Manuel Bare*

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Trustee

**Christian Faith Fellowship UK**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the year ended 31st January 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the statement of recommended practice: Accounting and Reporting by charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011

**Financial reporting standard number 1**

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the charity qualifies as a small charity.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Donations	11,807	11,807	15,070
Loan repay	-	-	
	<u>11,807</u>	<u>11,807</u>	<u>15,070</u>

**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Catering & Hospitality	2,790	2,790	4,286
Equipment, Repairs & Renewals	749	749	1,238
Grants given	1,233	1,233	2,000
Office & General Admin	1,781	1,781	2,385
Finance Costs		-	18
Rent & Room hire	3,635	3,635	2,299
Fuel	387	387	162
Travel & Accommodation	5,611	5,611	7,494
Car Hire	413	413	-
Depreciation motor	1,000	1,000	1,000
	434	434	-
	<u>18,035</u>	<u>18,035</u>	<u>20,862</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
For the year ended 31st January 2025

4. GOVERNANCE COSTS	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Accountancy	960	960	480
	<u>960</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>480</u>

**TRUSTEES EXPENSES**

There were no Trustees' expenses paid for the year 31st January 2025

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
<b>COST</b>		
At 1st February 2024	5,000	5,000
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
At 31st January 2025	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>		
At 1st February 2024	1,667	1,667
Depn sold asset	-	-
Charge for the year	1,000	1,000
At 31st January 2025	<u>2,667</u>	<u>2,667</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>		
At 31st January 2025	<u>2,333</u>	<u>2,333</u>
At 31st January 2024	<u>3,333</u>	<u>3,333</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	As at 01/02/2024 £	Net movement in funds £	As at 31/01/2025 £
	9,314	- 7,188	2,126
	<u>9,314</u>	<u>- 7,188</u>	<u>2,126</u>

7. TOTAL FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
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# **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

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### **Aim and purposes**

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### **Achievements and Performance**

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This service provides an opportunity for the community to reflect and be intimate with their creator after exhortation from the minister.

This is the fourth year for the registered charity and church membership is still comparatively small. The church continued to host sister Christian groups for Sunday worship for the benefit of members and the community. This provided a welcome environment for unity and brotherly love and kindness which are very necessary to build good communities. The church was also able to host visiting parishioners and offer spiritual help through counselling and prayer.

The DLCA also enhanced fellowship through instituting communion service once every two months. This communion service has provided members to reflect on humility and service to one another.

The church made changes on Sunday school lessons by including adults in the children and youth classes. This improved the whole church in their knowledge of the bible and aspired all to be better Christians and good members of the community. The Sunday school is a welcome forum for the young people to discuss and study the bible by sharing lessons and experiences. The young people have shown great enjoyment of this part of the DLCA service.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

The DLCA also conducted outreach services mainly in Luton City centre. The open street outreach was an opportunity for those going about their Saturday shopping to hear the gospel freely with least interference to their daily chores.

The DLCA also distributed scripture leaflets as part of the community service. The church has made efforts to welcome more new families and has instituted programmes and preaching services that cater for the different needs within the old and new families. One other need for the families is the baptism of young children as they reach the age of accountability. It is hoped that more people will be baptised as efforts to spread the gospel continue. No baptisms were reported in the year under review due to the need to enhance the Christian experience and more witnessing in the community.

In addition, a great deal of time, thought and research was spent sharing and conducting message tape services and worship sessions on Sundays. These tape services continue to be of immense benefit to the parishioners and many have commented well on the benefits of hearing these pre-recorded messages. Many have appreciated the fact that these messages have also been made available on line and are available free of charge.

The DLCA welcomes everyone to our Friday evening prayer service and our Sunday worship service. There are at present 20 parishioners on the electoral roll. Five members left to join other fellowship groups in the year. The average weekly attendance counted during the month of October was 20. This number however increased during revival meetings when additional chairs had to be arranged for the increased number of attendees.

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Total receipts on unrestricted funds during the year under review were £15,070, charitable expenditure is £21,340. Leaving a deficit for the year of £6,270, and an overall deficit on the unrestricted fund of £6,827.

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It is DLCA policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, equivalent to £6,000, to cover emergency situations and off-site functions and activities that may arise from time to time. The trust account closed the year with a balance of £6,461.

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We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community that it is. Special mention must be made of Andrew Mlundira who took over the Sunday School bible teaching. We would also like to make a special mention of our church band whose contribution during outreach services has been immense.

The church band has been a wonderful component of our Sunday worship services as well. I would also like to thank the elder sisters for their unwavering support and contribution in making food for visitors and entertaining strangers.

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### **Structure, governance and management.**

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The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

#### **Reduced donations**

General risks include an economic downturn in the country which might affect the generality of the church and thereby affecting the donors' giving.

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### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

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**The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 20/11/24 and signed on its behalf by:**

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Manuel Bare  
Trustee

**Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 January 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the company, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Commission.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

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Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

Statement Of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31st January 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary Income	2	15,070	15,070	11,556
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>15,070</u>	<u>15,070</u>	<u>11,556</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable activities	3	20,860	20,860	23,064
Governing costs	4	480	480	480
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>21,340</u>	<u>21,340</u>	<u>23,544</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		- 6,270	- 6,270	- 11,988
Funds brought forward from previous period		- 557	- 557	11,431
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>- 6,827</u>	<u>- 6,827</u>	<u>- 557</u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

**Balance sheet  
For the year ended 31st January 2024**

	<i>Notes</i>	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	5	3,333	4,333
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		6,461	12,051
		<u>6,461</u>	<u>12,051</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year - Accountancy		480	800
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>5,981</u>	<u>11,251</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>9,314</u>	<u>15,584</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>9,314</u>	<u>15,584</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	6	9,314	15,584
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>9,314</u>	<u>15,584</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 20/11/2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:**

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Trustee

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**Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31st January 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the charity qualifies as a small charity.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Donations	15,070	15,070	11,558
Loan repay	-	-	6,150
	<u>15,070</u>	<u>15,070</u>	<u>17,706</u>

**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Catering & Hospitality	4,266	4,266	3,814
Equipment, Repairs & Renewals	1,238	1,238	809
Grants given	2,000	2,000	3,344
Office & General Admin	2,385	2,385	2,085
Finance Costs	18	18	16
Rent & Room hire	2,299	2,299	1,149
Fuel	162	162	497
Travel & Accommodation	7,494	7,494	7,711
Car Hire	-	-	3,192
Depreciation	1,000	1,000	867
	<u>20,860</u>	<u>20,860</u>	<u>23,064</u>

Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
For the year ended 31st January 2024

4. GOVERNANCE COSTS	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Accountancy	480	480	480
	<u>480</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>480</u>

**TRUSTEES EXPENSES**

There were no Trustees' expenses paid for the year 31st January 2024

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
<b>COST</b>		
At 1st February 2023	5,000	5,000
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
At 31st January 2024	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>		
At 1st February 2023	667	667
Depn sold asset	-	-
Charge for the year	1,000	1,000
At 31st January 2024	<u>1,667</u>	<u>1,667</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>		
At 31st January 2024	<u>3,333</u>	<u>3,333</u>
At 31st January 2023	<u>4,333</u>	<u>4,333</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	As at 01/02/2023 £	Net movement in funds £	As at 31/01/2024 £
	15,584	- 6,270	9,314
	<u>15,584</u>	<u>- 6,270</u>	<u>9,314</u>

7. TOTAL FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	15,070	21,340	- 6,270
	<u>15,070</u>	<u>21,340</u>	<u>- 6,270</u>

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# Accounts

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# Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 January 2023

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**Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton  
Reference and Administrative Details**

<b>Trustees</b>	Tinashe Bare Andrew Mulundira Manuel Bare
<b>Principal Office</b>	27 Millbank Northampton NN3 5HJ
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1173461
<b>Accountant</b>	G A Harris & Co Ltd Brulimar House Jubilee Road Middleton Manchester M24 2LX

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

### **Aim and purposes**

The Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton, (DLCA) trustee board has a responsibility for the advancement of the Christian religion in the United Kingdom for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of Christian festivals and producing/distributing literature on Christian faith to enlighten others about the Christian religion. The DLCA Luton trustee board is also specifically responsible for ensuring the availability of places of worship and particularly the current rented premises at Sundon Village Hall.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The DLCA Luton trustee board is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at DLCA Luton. The trustee board maintains an overview of worship and prayer in the local area of Luton. Ministers within the trustee board invite and liaise with other Christian groups and ministries in the United Kingdom and abroad to ensure that the local community benefits from the preaching of the Word.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the DLCA Luton trustee board have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, particularly the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to encourage and enable ordinary people to follow the teachings of the Word of God as written in the Bible and to have the liberty to practice their faith through the following:

- Prayer and worship to the Lord Jesus Christ
- Developing the community faith and trust in Jesus through knowledge.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living within the local community.
- Carrying out missionary and outreach work.

### **Achievements and Performance**

#### **Worship and prayer**

The DLCA are keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year and our community find this both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. Every Friday evening the minister presides over worship and prayer.

This service provides an opportunity for the community to reflect and be intimate with their creator after exhortation from the minister.

This is the fourth year for the registered charity and church membership is still comparatively small. The church continued to host sister Christian groups for Sunday worship for the benefit of members and the community. This provided a welcome environment for unity and brotherly love and kindness which are very necessary to build good communities. The church was also able to host visiting parishioners and offer spiritual help through counselling and prayer.

The DLCA also enhanced fellowship through instituting communion service once every two months. This communion service has provided members to reflect on humility and service to one another.

The church made changes on Sunday school lessons by including adults in the children and youth classes. This improved the whole church in their knowledge of the bible and aspired all to be better Christians and good members of the community. The Sunday school is a welcome forum for the young people to discuss and study the bible by sharing lessons and experiences. The young people have shown great enjoyment of this part of the DLCA service.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

The DLCA also conducted outreach services mainly in Luton City centre. The open street outreach was an opportunity for those going about their Saturday shopping to hear the gospel freely with least interference to their daily chores.

The DLCA also distributed scripture leaflets as part of the community service. The church has made efforts to welcome more new families and has instituted programmes and preaching services that cater for the different needs within the old and new families. One other need for the families is the baptism of young children as they reach the age of accountability. It is hoped that more people will be baptised as efforts to spread the gospel continue. No baptisms were reported in the year under review due to the need to enhance the Christian experience and more witnessing in the community.

In addition, a great deal of time, thought and research was spent sharing and conducting message tape services and worship sessions on Sundays. These tape services continue to be of immense benefit to the parishioners and many have commented well on the benefits of hearing these pre-recorded messages. Many have appreciated the fact that these messages have also been made available on line and are available free of charge.

The DLCA welcomes everyone to our Friday evening prayer service and our Sunday worship service. There are at present 20 parishioners on the electoral roll. Five members left to join other fellowship groups in the year. The average weekly attendance counted during the month of October was 20. This number however increased during revival meetings when additional chairs had to be arranged for the increased number of attendees.

### **Board of Trustees.**

The trustee board has three members. The board acts as an important link between church and other external bodies which would be conducting business with DLCA Luton. One trustee resigned from the board and was immediately replaced by another one.

### **Sundon Village Hall.**

Although Sundon Village Hall is used for many other activities, it has remained to be reserved for DLCA Luton every Sunday, Friday evening and every New Year's Eve. Relations with the Sundon Village Hall management are very cordial, and liaison is currently through e mails and the occasional Sunday morning liaison visits. The wood flooring showed signs of wear during the year and the trustee board advised the management to attend to the repairs. This was done promptly and the hall is now in a good state. The two fridges in the kitchen were also replaced with new ones.

### **Pastoral Care**

The church service is divided into a Sunday school service and the main preaching service. While the Sunday school is aimed at the children and young people, it is being attend by the whole church because of the nature of the various bible lessons discussed during the class. During the year under review a total of eight children attended the Sunday school classes. We were particularly pleased to be able to offer bible lessons to the enthusiastic group and their individual contributions made the whole experience very rewarding. Br Bare would give lessons reflecting on the good characters of the bible and the different experiences of many of the characters which help mould good behaviour in young people.

The church elder Brother Bare has taken it upon himself to continue providing transport for those members who need transport assistance. Assistance in rent payments was also provided for some desperate members. The year has been a very busy one in offering encouragement to the discouraged and bringing relief to the depressed.

DLCA teamed up with The Revealed Word Fellowship in Wolverhampton for revival meetings in new premises acquired by the Wolverhampton fellowship. The group stayed at a hotel for three days and had wonderful fellowship with other believers. The three-day excursion helped to reinforce bonds of friendship, fellowship and humble service to one another as well as offering the atmosphere of rededication.

The DLCA fellowship organised a church retreat in Yorkshire Center Parks. This was designed to cement our bonds and improve our spiritual well-being and experiences.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

Some members of our fellowship are not able to attend church services due to sickness and other reasons beyond their control. Brother Bare visited those members in need of support and together with other members celebrated communion in the homes.

### **Mission and Evangelism**

DLCA Luton continued to uphold the values of giving and living for one another. The fellowship believes in the continuation of the Book of Acts where the spirit of God was always present among the believers. During the year under review DLCA Luton continued to support missionary work by giving financial contributions to Voice of God. Most of the support is directed to the needy believers in Africa, South America and other poor countries.

It is our desire as the DLCA to spread the gospel starting from the local area of Luton and spreading as far as the Word would reach. During the year the church continued to carry out outreach street witnessing and tract distribution in Luton town city centre. This exercise has been growing with each foray. The church printed gospel tracts and posters for distribution during the witnessing.

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**The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 22/04/24 and signed on its behalf by:**



**Manuel Bare  
Trustee**

**Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
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Gary Harris FCA

G A Harris & Co Ltd  
22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024

Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

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For the year ended 31st January 2023

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Voluntary income	2	11,556	11,556	24,735
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<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable activities	3	23,064	23,064	20,182
Governing costs	4	480	480	400
<b>Total resources expensed</b>		<u>23,544</u>	<u>23,544</u>	<u>20,582</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		- 11,988	- 11,988	4,153
Funds brought forward from previous period		27,572	27,572	23,419
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>15,584</u>	<u>15,584</u>	<u>27,572</u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

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Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

**Balance sheet**  
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<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	5	4,333	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		12,051	22,222
member loans		-	6,150
		<u>12,051</u>	<u>28,372</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year		800	800
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>11,251</u>	<u>27,572</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>15,584</u>	<u>27,572</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>15,584</u>	<u>27,572</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	6	15,584	27,572
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>15,584</u>	<u>27,572</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 10/01/2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



MANUEL BARÉ

Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

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Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Donations	11,556	11,556	24,735
	<u>11,556</u>	<u>11,556</u>	<u>24,735</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Catering & Hospitality	3,814	3,814	718
Equipment, Repairs & Renewals	609	609	1,740
Grants given	3,344	3,344	12,321
Office & General Admin	2,065	2,065	1,263
Finance Costs	16	16	4
Printing, Stationery & Telephone	-	-	154
Rent & Room hire	1,149	1,149	130
Fuel	497	497	223
Travel & Accommodation	7,711	7,711	3,629
Car Hire	3,192	3,192	-
Depreciation	667	667	-
	<u>23,064</u>	<u>23,064</u>	<u>20,182</u>

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4. GOVERNANCE COSTS	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Accountancy	480	480	400
	<u>480</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>400</u>

**TRUSTEES EXPENSES**

There were no Trustees' expenses paid for the year 31st January 2023

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
<b>COST</b>		
At 1st February 2022		-
Additions	5,000	5,000
Disposals		-
At 31st January 2023	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>		
At 1st February 2022	-	-
Depn sold asset	-	-
Charge for the year	667	667
At 31st January 2023	<u>667</u>	<u>667</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>		
At 31st January 2023	<u>4,333</u>	<u>4,333</u>
At 31st January 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	As at 01/02/2022 £	Net movement in funds £	As at 31/01/2023 £
	27,572	- 11,988	15,584
	<u>27,572</u>	<u>- 11,988</u>	<u>15,584</u>

7. TOTAL FUNDS

Unrestricted funds General fund	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	11,556	23,544	- 11,988
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Annual Report and Financial Statements

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DLCA is an independent Christian group which links closely with other Pentecostal and believers in the original scriptures. As a non-denominational church, we welcome and wish to fellowship with all who call themselves Christians. We continue to hold combined meetings with other churches both in Luton and further afield. Revival meetings were held with the Revealed Word Church in Wolverhampton. DLCA Luton was also able to go to Rotherham to fellowship with the Voice of God outreach programme.

### **Financial Review**

Total receipts on unrestricted funds during the year under review were £24,735, charitable expenditure is £20,582. Leaving a surplus for the year of £4,153, and an overall surplus on the unrestricted fund of £27,572.

### **Reserves policy**

It is DLCA policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, equivalent to £6,000, to cover emergency situations and off-site functions and activities that may arise from time to time. The trust account closed the year with a balance of £22,222.

### **Volunteers**

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community that it is. Special mention must be made of Andrew Mlundira who took over the Sunday School bible teaching. We would also like to make a special mention of our church band whose contribution during outreach services has been immense.

The church band has been a wonderful component of our Sunday worship services as well. I would also like to thank the elder sisters for their unwavering support and contribution in making food for visitors and entertaining strangers.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

### **Structure, governance and management.**

The method of appointment of the trustee board is set out in the DLCA Luton Constitution. At DLCA Luton membership consists of a trustee board of at least three persons. The leader of the church is also a member of the trustee board. Deacons are elected by the members of the congregation whose membership is determined by their attendance to worship services.

The trustee board is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the church including deciding on how the funds of the church are spent.

The trustee board met three times during the year with a 100% attendance. The trustee board is presently in charge of all church programmes due to the present small size of membership. Duties will be delegated to committees as the church grows.

### **Public benefit**

Each of the activities mentioned above has a direct benefit to parts of the general public.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

#### **Reduced donations**

General risks include an economic downturn in the country which might affect the generality of the church and thereby affecting the donors' giving.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 05/07/23 and signed on its behalf by:**

Manuel Bare  
Trustee



**Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 January 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the company, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Commission.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and I confirm that no 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 Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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: or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



G A Harris & Co Ltd

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Statement Of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31st January 2022

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>				
Voluntary income	2	24,735	24,735	18,130
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>24,735</u>	<u>24,735</u>	<u>18,130</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable activities	3	20,182	20,182	26,918
Governing costs	4	400	400	400
<b>Total resources expensed</b>		<u>20,582</u>	<u>20,582</u>	<u>27,318</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
		4,153	4,153	- 9,188
Funds brought forward from previous period		23,419	23,419	32,607
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>27,572</u>	<u>27,572</u>	<u>23,419</u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All incoming resources and resources expensed arise from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance sheet  
For the year ended 31st January 2022

Notes	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Tangible assets	-	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at bank	22,222	23,819
member loans	6,150	
	<u>28,372</u>	<u>23,819</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year	800	400
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<u>27,572</u>	<u>23,419</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<u>27,572</u>	<u>23,419</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>		
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>27,572</u>	<u>23,419</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>		
Unrestricted funds	5	27,572
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>27,572</u>	<u>23,419</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 05/07/2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



Manuel Bare

Trustee

**Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31st January 2022**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the statement of recommended practice: Accounting and Reporting by charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011

**Financial reporting standard number 1**

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the charity qualifies as a small charity.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Taxation**

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Tfr		-	2,150
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Rent & Room hire	130	130	1,420
Fuel	223	223	-
Travel & Accommodation	3,629	3,629	818
Shipping		-	118
	<u>20,182</u>	<u>20,182</u>	<u>26,918</u>

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Accountancy	400	400	400
	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>

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There were no Trustees' expenses paid for the year 31st January 2022

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6. TOTAL FUNDS Unrestricted funds General fund TOTAL FUNDS	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
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### **Mission and Evangelism**

DLCA Luton continued to uphold the values of giving and living for one another. The fellowship believes in the continuation of the Book of Acts where the spirit of God was always present among the believers. During the year under review DLCA Luton continued to support missionary work by giving financial contributions to Voice of God. Most of the support is directed to the needy believers in Africa, South America and other poor countries. A total of £845.00 was donated to this cause.

It is our desire as the DLCA to spread the gospel starting from the local area of Luton and spreading as far as the Word would reach. During the year the church continued to carry out outreach street witnessing and tract distribution in Luton town city centre. This exercise has been growing with each foray. The church printed gospel tracts and posters for distribution during the witnessing.

### **Relationships with other churches.**

DLCA is an independent Christian group which links closely with other Pentecostal and believers in the original scriptures. As a non-denominational church, we welcome and wish to fellowship with all who call themselves Christians. We continue to hold combined meetings with other churches both in Luton and further afield. Revival meetings were held with the Revealed Word Church in Wolverhampton. DLCA Luton was also able to go to Rotherham to fellowship with the Voice of God outreach programme.

### **Humanitarian Aid**

The cyclone Idai disaster which ravaged the southern African countries of Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe was of major concern to DLCA. The charity mobilised relief in the form of second hand clothing and funds and forwarded to the groups in the three countries affected. Funds were channeled through Voice of God (Malawi), Pastor Elias Mtisi in Chimanimani, Zimbabwe and Pastor Pedro Charles Biera in Mozambique.

### **Financial Review**

Donations received during the year were £18,130 Charitable expenditure was £24,935, with governance costs only being £400. The deficit for the year was £7205. The trustees agreed to give a £15,000 donation to another church in Halifax during the year, hence the reason for the current year deficit.

### **Reserves policy**

It is DLCA policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, equivalent to £18000, to cover emergency situations and off-site functions and activities that may arise from time to time. The trust account closed the year with a balance of £25,402

### **Volunteers**

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community that it is. Special mention must be made of Andrew Mlundira who took over the Sunday School bible teaching. We would also like to make a special mention of our church band whose contribution during outreach services has been immense.

The church band has been a wonderful component of our Sunday worship services as well. I would also like to thank the elder sisters for their unwavering support and contribution in making food for visitors and entertaining strangers.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

### **Structure, governance and management.**

The method of appointment of the trustee board is set out in the DLCA Luton Constitution. At DLCA Luton membership consists of a trustee board of at least three persons. The leader of the church is also a member of the trustee board. Deacons are elected by the members of the congregation whose membership is determined by their attendance to worship services.

The trustee board is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the church including deciding on how the funds of the church are spent.

The trustee board met three times during the year with a 100% attendance. The trustee board is presently in charge of all church programmes due to the present small size of membership. Duties will be delegated to committees as the church grows.

### **Public benefit**

Each of the activities mentioned above has a direct benefit to parts of the general public.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

#### **Reduced donations**

General risks include an economic downturn in the country which might affect the generality of the church and thereby affecting the donors' giving.

## **Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton Trustees' Report**

### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 8/01/2023 and signed on its behalf by:**



**Manuel Bare  
Trustee**

**Divine Love Christian Assembly (Luton)**  
**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly**  
**(Luton)**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 January 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the company, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Commission.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. the accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



G A Harris & Co Ltd  
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors  
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8<sup>TH</sup> January 2023

Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton

**Statement Of Financial Activities  
For the year ended 31st January 2021**

	<i>Notes</i>	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income	2	18,130	18,130	43,774
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>18,130</u>	<u>18,130</u>	<u>43,774</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Charitable activities	3	24,935	24,935	17,936
Governing costs	4	400	400	400
<b>Total resources expensed</b>		<u>25,335</u>	<u>25,335</u>	<u>18,336</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		- 7,205	- 7,205	25,438
Funds brought forward from previous period		32,607	32,607	7,169
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>25,402</u>	<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements


**Divine Love Christian Assembly Luton**

**Balance sheet  
For the year ended 31st January 2021**

	Notes	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets		983	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		23,819	33,007
Debtor		1,000	
		<u>25,802</u>	<u>33,007</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year		400	400
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after one year		-	-
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	5	25,402	32,607
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			
		<u>25,402</u>	<u>32,607</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 30/11/2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:**



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Trustee

Manuel Bare

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31st January 2021**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the statement of recommended practice: Accounting and Reporting by charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011

**Financial reporting standard number 1**

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the charity qualifies as a small charity.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Depreciation**

This is provided at 20% reducing balance on all fixtures and fittings

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
Donations	18,130	18,130	43,774
	<u>18,130</u>	<u>18,130</u>	<u>43,774</u>

**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
Catering & Hospitality	497	497	1,154
Equipment Hire & repairs	712	712	557
Grants given	21,772	21,772	6,551
Office & General Admin	265	265	37
Printing, Stationery & Telephone	205	205	423
Rent & Room hire	420	420	2,580
Travel & Accommodation	818	818	5,750
Sundry	-	-	885
Depreciation	246	246	
	<u>24,935</u>	<u>24,935</u>	<u>17,937</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
For the year ended 31st January 2021

4. GOVERNANCE COSTS	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
Accountancy	400	400	400
	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>
<b>TRUSTEES EXPENSES</b>			
There were no Trustees' expenses paid for the year 31st January 2021			
5. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	As at 01/02/2020 £	Net movement in funds £	As at 31/01/2021 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,607	- 7,205	25,402
	<u>32,607</u>	<u>- 7,205</u>	<u>25,402</u>
6. TOTAL FUNDS	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund			
TOTAL FUNDS	18,130	25,335	- 7,205
	<u>18,130</u>	<u>25,335</u>	<u>- 7,205</u>
7 Debtors		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Repayable loan		1000	-