



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6 April 2023                      Period start date  
To 5 April 2024                      Period end date

**Charity name: Bethania Evangelical Church**

**Charity registration number: 1173470**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To advance the Christian faith, for the public benefit, by seeking to meet the needs that are identified in the local community, using the principles of the Christian faith to guide our actions.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	During this year we continued our prayer and community activities, Our prayer activities include weekly prayer, monthly 'prayer for the city' and monthly worship evenings. The Chaplaincy in our local High School continued with 3-5 chaplains supporting the students and staff during the period. This year we extended this work to a Sunday Afternoon youth group. In order to facilitate and improve this, including our digital presence we commenced a local partnership
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	We have complied with our duty to have due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
	Para 1.38	During this period we handed over our Food Pantry responsibility to a local residents group, having fulfilled our mission

Contribution made by volunteers		to provide a Covid related community food support. With a reduced number of volunteers, we continued our School Chaplaincy and support for our prayer initiatives for the local area and City. We have also been able to provide a hospitable and safe environment for gatherings in our building
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>During this period, our focus has been in two main areas Prayer and Community Support. Whilst these are strongly linked, they are here described separately:</p> <p><u>Prayer Initiatives</u></p> <p>We have continued to gather people from many different churches and communities both locally and city wide in our building to worship and pray for people and initiatives on a weekly and monthly basis.</p> <p>During this period we took our well-developed prayer programme to several communities around Wales.</p> <p>We have also hosted prayer breakfasts for local leaders</p> <p>We have continued to develop spiritual support and prayer in our local High School where we operate our chaplaincy including a new prayer initiative in a room in the high school.</p> <p>Our involvement with a national organisation, 'Pray for Schools' has enabled us to connect with other organisations working with and praying for schools and young people</p> <p><u>Rumney Partnership</u></p> <p>In this period we developed a partnership with a local Church/Charity to promote prayer and mission in East Cardiff. This enabled us to provide a 1 day/person/week funding for joint prayer/mission activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the development of our digital presence,</li> <li>• Hosting and support of our monthly prayer and worship times</li> <li>• Coordination of Christ Centred Mission activity and events</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of the schools ministry in East Cardiff</li> <li>• Production of multi-media communication to support prayer and mission</li> <li>• Making improvements to the space at Bethania to facilitate events and activities in a safe and welcoming environment</li> </ul> <p><u>Community Support</u> Working in the partnership above, we are now reaching over 2,000 young people, teachers and some parents with our work as school chaplains which has included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Onsite provision of a lunchtime club and prayer group</li> <li>• Taking regular assemblies throughout the year</li> <li>• Provision of a weekly youth group based in our building</li> </ul> <p><u>Sale of Disused Cemetery</u> The acquisition of our facility when the charity was established, included a disused cemetery which, due to restrictive covenants provides little to further the charity purpose and would be expensive to restore as an asset for the local community. We were very pleased to be able to sell this at auction, raising £9,116 to help fund the above local partnership</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	During this period the charity has performed well against its declared objectives namely: <i>'... to advance the Christian faith, for the public benefit, by seeking to meet the needs that are identified in the local community, using the principles of the Christian faith to guide our actions'.</i>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have received very generous support from personal donations and the raising of funds through the cemetery sale above
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity received £21,699 of income set against £26,662 expenditure. Taking into account a residual balance from 2022/23 of £33,576, this has resulted in a surplus of £28,613 at the end of the period. The reduction from last year is due donations to external groups and funding in the Rumney Partnership
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Charity is holding a reserve in the accounts of £24,613 unrestricted funds. This is intended to support future maintenance and improvement works of our 19c Listed Building. The charity is also holding as reserves, a surplus of £4,000 of restricted funds to fund the Rumney Partnership until the end of Aug 2024
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£24,613
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No concerns at this time.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity is funded by regular and 'one-off' donations by regular donors. This enables us to maintain our regular prayer and community support. Our major 'Food Pantry' initiative is now considered self-funding and was handed over to a community organisation during this period
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The principal risk would be the reduction of giving from our regular contributors. A secondary risk would be the need for unforeseen investment becoming necessary in our 200-year-old building. However, a full structural survey followed by a substantial programme of improvements has reduced this risk to medium. There remains damp penetration remedial works to be undertaken. This is planned to be funded by a combination of reserves and grant funding
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	'Foundation' model constitution
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) who's only voting members are its charity trustees with a 'Foundation' model constitution
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees will have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bethania Evangelical Church
Other name the charity uses	PrayerHouse at Bethania
Registered charity number	1173470
Charity's principal address	13 Barons Court Road Penylan Cardiff CF23 9DF

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	David Clague	Treasurer and principal contact		All three
2	John Gallagher			
3	Robert Jones			

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	


## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

## Declarations

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	David Robert Clague	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary and Treasurer	
<b>Date</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2024	



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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

6th April 2023

To

5th April 2024




	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
giving)	6 858	2 198	-	9 056	8 783
Grants summer fun project	-				4 900
Interest received	10		-	10	
Pantry Takings		465	-	465	7 170
pantry grants	-		-	-	7 132
Grant vis Rumney Chapel Cst project					4 117
HMRC gift aid	3 052	-	-	3 052	
Overheads Cast	-	-	-	-	
Legacy	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>2 663</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12 583</b>	<b>32 102</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
Cemetery sale	9 116	-	-	9 116	
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>9 116</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9 116</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>19 036</b>	<b>2 663</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21 699</b>	<b>32 102</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Utilities & servicing building	3 004	-	-	3 004	1 911
insurance	2 529	-	-	2 529	2 107
Building Maintenance	693	-	-	693	1 336
Operational Costs	1 688	-	-	1 688	2 087
Summer Fun project					4 500
Donations events	2 800	-	-	2 800	1 594
Donation Nepal Aanandit Charity	750			750	
Rumney Partnership	9 375			9 375	
Trowbridge Pantry		5 323		5 323	
East Food Project	-	360	-	360	11 090

Cast personnel fees		140		140	12 936
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	20 839	5 823	-	26 662	37 561
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	20 839	5 823	-	26 662	37 561
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	- 1 803	- 3 160	-	- 4 963	- 5 459
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30 355	3 221	-	33 576	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	24 613	4 000	-	28 613	- 5 459

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
B1 Cash funds	Church accounts	24 613	-	-	
	Rumney Partnership until aug24	-	4 000	-	
		-	-	-	
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	24 613	4 000	-	
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK	
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
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