



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 6 April 2024 Period start date
To 5 April 2025 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	<p>During this year we continued our prayer and community activities,</p> <p>Our prayer activities include weekly prayer, monthly 'prayer and worship' evenings and one-off special events.</p> <p>The Chaplaincy in our local High School continued with 3-5 chaplains supporting the students and staff during the period including in school clubs, prayer gatherings and 6 weeks of assemblies</p> <p>We also operated a Sunday Afternoon youth group.</p> <p>In order to facilitate and improve this, including our digital presence we continued a local partnership with Rumney Chapel, funding a 1 day/person per week</p> <p>During this period Robert Jones retired from the charity and Eleanor Sanders was appointed in February 2025</p>
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
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	With a small 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 hosted regular prayer gatherings for local church leaders. We also hosted trainees staying the building for 5 weeks in total</p> <p>We have continued to develop spiritual support and prayer in our local High School where we operate our chaplaincy including 2 lunchtime groups, a prayer gathering and 6 weeks of assemblies</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 continued 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"> the development of our digital presence, Hosting and support of our monthly prayer and worship times Coordination of Christ Centred Mission activity and events Development of the schools ministry in

		<p>East Cardiff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production of multi-media communication to support prayer and mission • Making improvements to the space at Bethania to facilitate events and activities in a safe and welcoming environment <p><u>Community Support</u></p> <p>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"> • Onsite provision of a lunchtime club and prayer group • Taking regular assemblies throughout the year • Provision of a weekly youth group based in our building
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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 generous support from personal donations
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 £10,985 of income set against £19,107 expenditure. Taking into account a residual balance from 2023/24 of £28,604, this has resulted in a surplus of £20,482 at the end of the period. The shortfall is due to funding the Rumney Partnership and the installation of a shower to facilitate groups staying in the building
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves	Para 1.22	The Charity is holding a reserve in the accounts of £20,199 unrestricted funds.

stating why they are held		This is intended to support future maintenance, and improvement works of our 19c Listed Building.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£20,199
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.
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
2	John Gallagher			
3	Robert Jones		Until January 2025	
4	Eleanor Sanders		From February 2025	

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**

Signature(s)



**Full
name(s)**

David Robert Clague

**Position
(eg
Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

Secretary and Treasurer

Date

6th January 2025



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Bethania Evangelical Church

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

6th April 2024

To

5th April 2025



	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 £
A1 Receipts					
giving)	9 276	-	-	9 276	9 056
Interest received			-	-	10
Pantry Takings			-	-	465
pantry grants	-		-	-	-
HMRC gift aid	1 709	-	-	1 709	3 052
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10 985	-	-	10 985	12 583
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Cemetery sale		-	-	-	9 116
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	9 116
Total receipts	10 985	-	-	10 985	21 699

A3 Payments

Utilities & servicing building	3 619	-	-	3 619	3 004
insurance	2 275	-	-	2 275	2 529
Building Maintenance	140	-	-	140	693
Operational Costs	2 612	-	-	2 612	1 688
Shower installation	4 578			4 578	-
Donations events	600	-	-	600	4
Donation Nepal Aanandit Charity	-			-	750
Rumney Partnership	5 000			5 000	9 375
Trowbridge Pantry		283		283	5 323
Cast Food Project	-		-	-	360
Cast personnel fees	-	1		-	140

Sub total	18 824	283	-	19 107	23 866
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A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	18 824	283	-	19 107	23 866
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Net of receipts/(payments)	- 7 839	- 283	-	- 8 122	- 2 167
A5 Transfers between funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24 613	4 000	-	28 604	-
Cash funds this year end	20 199	283	-	20 482	- 2 167



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Church accounts	20 199	-	-
	Trowbridge pantry repayment	-	283	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	20 199	283	-
	(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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	2	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-


B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	D R Clague	05-Jan-24
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