

**THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD (RCCG)
SAINTS IN LIGHT ASSEMBLY SUNDERLAND**



**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 8TH OCTOBER 2025**

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Corporate Information

Registered Charity Number: 1174255

Principal Address: Emmanuel Church
Hudson Road, Sunderland
SR1 2AQ

General Overseer: Pastor E. A. Adeboye

Minister-in-Charge: Pastor Olalekan Aladesanmi

Board of Trustees:	Pastor Adetola David Odumade	-	Chairman
	Dr Abiodun Bamidele	-	Member
	Pastor Oluwafunmilayo Odumade	-	Member
	Deaconess Ayomide Aladesanmi	-	Member

Bankers: HSBC
Unit 49-51, The Bridges Shopping Centre
Market Square, Sunderland
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Board of Trustee's Report

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 8th October 2025. The trustees have adopted the provision of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit "Charities and Public Benefit".

Governing Document

The charity is an unincorporated association governed by a constitution. Eligibility for both members of the charity and members of the board of trustees is determined by the provisions set out in that constitution.

There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general charity law.

Organisation Structure

The church is organised such that the trustees meet at regular intervals to manage its affairs. The day-to-day activity of the church is administered by the Pastor-in-charge:-

Pastor Olalekan Aladesanmi

Volunteers

The church gratefully acknowledges the dedication of its volunteers, whose contributions support the charity's work. 45 Volunteers provided an estimated 4,680 hours of service during the year. Using a conservative rate of £11.44 per hour, this represents a contribution valued at more than £53,539.

Appointment of New Trustees

Trustees are appointed by strict spiritual guidelines and biblical qualities that mirror Christ-like attributes. There was no trustees' remuneration or other benefits.

The trustees who served during the period were as follows:

Pastor Adetola David Odumade	-	Chairperson
Dr Abiodun Bamidele	-	Member
Pastor Oluwafunmilayo Odumade	-	Member
Deaconess Ayomide Aladesanmi	-	Member

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis. The trustees

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have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that the systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to mitigate these risks.

Related Parties and Objective

RCCG Saints in Light Assembly is a member of Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) which has parishes in many countries of the world. The relationship between the parishes and RCCG is governed by an agreement for common purposes.

Our mission is to nurture and equip individuals whose lives have been transformed by the power of God's word. Through consistent teaching, intentional discipleship, heartfelt worship, and practical support, we aim to develop people who reflect the character of Christ in every aspect of their lives. It is our desire to see them grow in spiritual maturity, discover and walk in God's divine purpose, and become shining lights in the world—lights that continue to grow brighter, reflecting God's glory more and more until the perfect day."

Principal Funding Sources

The sources of fund are provided mainly through tithes and offerings by church members as well as gift aid.

Objects and Activities

The principal object is the advancement of Christian Faith worldwide and the relief of poverty. To promote any charitable activity for the benefit of the local people. To achieve its objective, the charity adopted the following strategies:

- Conducting Sunday worship services, midweek Bible study and prayer meetings;
- Running seminars in the church with proven ministers of faith to guide members in the various aspects of Christian faith;
- Support for other charities and Christian events; and
- Regular visitation within the local community to provide required support.

The activities for achieving its objectives include:

- Community outreach events
- Conference and events
- Welfare support to members and general public; and
- Various missionary activities

Achievements

During the reporting period, the church recorded several significant achievements and undertook a wide range of spiritually, socially, and community-focused activities.

- A major milestone was the successful acquisition and dedication of the church building in November 2024, officiated by the Continent Overseer, Pastor Leke Sanusi. The church also

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purchased and dedicated a new church bus, and we successfully claim insurance on the previously stolen bus but was later recovered by the police.

- The church delivered a series of impactful services and programmes, including Mother's Day, Father's Day, and children-led celebration services; the Young Adults and Youth Affairs (YAYA) conference; Couple's Dinner event, the House Fellowship Celebration Service; the Pentecost service both in church and at Sunderland City Centre; the annual evangelistic weekend; workers' empowerment retreat and the 9th Anniversary celebrations.
- Our commitment to community engagement remained strong. Together with Revival Assembly, the church donated 82 Christmas Love Boxes to residents of the Salvation Army Swan Lodge in Sunderland. The Church Food Bank continued to operate weekly, providing essential food support to both members and non-members in need. Additional community and educational activities included health and wellbeing awareness sessions, safeguarding awareness training, a personal finance workshop, business and immigration webinars, a street-cleaning initiative, orientation seminar for new and returning undergraduate and postgraduate students, and a two-day summer holiday club for children and young people. The annual recreational sports day was also successfully delivered.

Overall, these achievements demonstrate strong organisational capacity, spiritual vitality, and positive community impact. The present level of funding remains sufficient to sustain these initiatives and to support the continued advancement of the church's objectives.

Financial Reviews

During the period, the total of sum £146,441 was received in voluntary income. Total resources expended was £93,068 thus resulting in operating surplus of £53,373. Cash at the end of the period was £44,391.

Future Development

The Church remains committed to sustaining and expanding its spiritual, social, and community-focused activities within the local community. Building on recent successes, the Church will continue its core programmes while introducing new initiatives to deepen impact and broaden outreach.

In the coming year, the Church will deliver more life-changing spiritual programmes, leadership and personal development conferences, and practical skills workshops for both members and the wider community. Focus areas will include faith development, family life, youth and young adult empowerment, employability skills, health and wellbeing, financial literacy, and social inclusion. The Church will also strengthen collaboration with government and corporate bodies to enhance community impact.

A key strategic priority is the planned support for the establishment of **Saints in Light Nursery School**, which will provide high-quality early childhood education and care rooted in Christian values, offering a safe, nurturing environment for children and dependable childcare support for working families.

Through these initiatives, the Church aims to strengthen institutional capacity, enhance community

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impact, and ensure the long-term sustainability of its mission.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the net income or expenditure of the charity for the year. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable 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 charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The appended financial statements have been prepared on the accrual's basis and have been examined by an independent examiner, whose report is also appended.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

On behalf of the charity:



Pastor Adetola David Odumade

Chairperson, Board of Trustees

14/03/2026

Date

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of: The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) Saints in Light Assembly Sunderland

On accounts for the year ended: 8th October 2025, set out on pages 9 - 15

Charity No: 1174255

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention low:

- (1) which give me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date: 10/03/2026

Name: Tobi Labeodan FCCA, The Accounting Club Ltd

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): ACCA

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Statement of Financial Activities: Year Ending 8th October 2025

				2025	2024
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations, Legacies and similar incoming resources	3	108,006	-	108,006	73,259
Activities in furtherance of charity's object	4	38,435	-	38,435	14,227
Total Incoming Resources		146,441	-	146,441	87,486
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Grants Paid	5	32,617	-	32,617	21,552
Costs of activities for Charitable objectives	6	28,116	-	28,116	20,590
Support costs	7	27,387	-	27,387	25,921
Management and Governance Cost	8	4,948	-	4,948	4,924
Total Resources Expended		93,068	-	93,068	72,987
Net (Resources expended/Incoming Resources)		53,373	-	53,373	14,499
Total Funds brought forward		68,028	-	68,028	53,529
Total Funds carried forward		121,401	-	121,401	68,028

Statement of Financial Position: Year Ending 8th October 2025

		2025	2024
	Notes	Total Funds	Total Funds
		£	£
Non-current Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	69,235	66,112
Current Assets			
Gift Aid receipts		20,000	-
Debtor		4,600	3,910
Cash in Bank		44,391	10,472
		68,991	14,382
Short Term Liabilities			
Creditors (amount falling due in one year)	10	16,825	12,466
Net Current Assets		52,166	1,916
Net Assets		121,401	68,028
Charity Funds			
Unrestricted		121,401	68,028
Restricted		-	-
Total Charity Funds	11	121,401	68,028

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 14/03/2026 and were signed on its behalf by:



Pastor Adetola David Odumade - Chairperson

Accounting Policies

1. Accounting Policy

The fundamental accounting policies, all of which have been consistently applied throughout the year, are set out below:

(a) Scope and Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of Solution Assembly have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

(b) 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 purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular purposes.

(c) Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are accounted for when the Charity is legally entitled to the funds and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

(d) Resources Expended

All expenditure is accrued for on accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

(e) Cash flow

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the church, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

(f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Depreciation is charged on an annual rate on a reducing balance basis in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Asset Category	Annual Rate
Motor Vehicle	10% on cost
Fixtures and Fittings	20% on cost

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Equipment	20% on cost
Land & Building	2% on cost

(g) Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

2. Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 8th October 2025.

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3. Donation, Legacies and Similar Incoming Resources

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Tithes	66,534	-	66,534	48,513
Offering	22,926	-	22,926	17,583
Thanksgiving	3,081	-	3,081	1,839
Seed of Faith	260	-	260	414
First Fruits	7,990	-	7,990	813
Building fund	2,742	-	2,742	1,611
Projects	892	-	892	-
Mission	300	-	300	172
Welfare	1,495	-	1,495	749
Men's dues	1,230	-	1,230	1,159
Others (e.g., Sunday school manuals)	556	-	556	406
	108,006	-	108,006	73,259

4. Activities in Furtherance of Charity Object

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Gift aid receipts	38,435	-	38,435	14,227
	38,435	-	38,435	14,227

5. Grants Paid (Institutional and Non-institutional)

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
RCCG - World Evangelical Mission	25,910	-	25,910	13,306
RCCG - Central Office Fund	600	-	600	600
RCCG Region Fund	-	-	-	177
RCCG Area fund	375	-	375	700
RCCG Good Women Fellowship	-	-	-	200
RCCG Open Heavens Christian Centre	50	-	50	370
African Missions	120	-	120	120
Continental Ordained Ministers Conference	468	-	468	-
RCCG Campground Fund	-	-	-	2,000
Financial Assistance/Relief fund	1,453	-	1,453	835
Love Christmas Support	1,131	-	1,131	743
Summer Holiday Club Support	1,510	-	1,510	1,501
Evangelical Support	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
	32,617	-	32,617	21,552

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6. Cost of Activities for Charitable Objectives

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Building repairs	26,394	-	26,394	20,590
Land registry	82	-	82	-
Alarm/CCTV	1,640	-	1,640	-
	26,116	-	26,116	20,590

7. Support Costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Books/Postage/Stationeries	1,663	-	1,663	1,787
Travel /Transport	371	-	371	820
Accommodation	304	-	304	506
Hospitality/welfare	5,862	-	5,862	4,814
Printing	1,538	-	1,538	913
IT expenses	1,043	-	1,043	1,342
Electricity, heating & water	2,922	-	2,922	5,507
Road tax	14	-	14	173
Fuel	712	-	712	925
Vehicle repairs	1,311	-	1,311	1,984
Vehicle insurance	2,010	-	2,010	1,329
Building insurance	889	-	889	257
Employer's liability insurance	-	-	-	113
Sundry expenses	246	-	246	258
Bank charges	97	-	97	109
Decoration	283	-	283	-
Penalty & Fines	70	-	70	-
Branded items	1,554	-	1,554	-
Depreciation	6,500	-	6,500	5,084
	27,387	-	27,387	25,921

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8. Management and Governance Cost

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Retreat/Training	150	-	150	200
Honourarium	2,600	-	2,600	1,100
Professional services	200	-	200	270
Accounting fees	350	-	350	350
Solicitor fees	-	-	-	1,276
Architectural fees	-	-	-	1,728
License fees	1,648	-	1,648	-
	4,948	-	4,948	4,924

9. Non-current Assets: Tangible Assets

	Motor Vehicle	Fixtures & Fittings	Equipment	Land & Building	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£
As at 9 October 2024	3,000	6,484	12,006	50,000	71,490
Additions	9,450	561	5,874	-	15,885
At 8 October 2025	12,450	7,045	17,880	50,000	87,375
Depreciation					
As at 9 October 2024	1,603	2,093	6,944	1,000	11,640
Charge for the year	2,342	990	2,187	980	6,500
At 8 October 2025	3,945	3,083	9,131	1,980	18,140
Net Book Value					
At 8 October 2025	8,505	3,962	8,749	48,020	69,235

	2025	2024
10. Creditors: Amount Falling Due Within One Year	£	£
Accountancy fee	350	350
WEM	16,475	12,116
	16,825	12,466

11. Movements in funds	At 09/10/2024	Net movement in funds	At 08/10/2025
	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds			
General Funds	68,028	53,373	121,401
Restricted Funds			
Restricted	-	-	-
Total Funds	68,028	53,373	121,401