



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 To 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Charity name: LIVING HOPE UK

Charity registration number: 1175020

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To advance the Christian religion.</li><li>• To engage in community outreach to help the disadvantaged in society by promoting social inclusion through various activities.</li></ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We hold weekly worship services, including Sunday worship, bible study &amp; prayer meetings.</li><li>• We have run various Bible Courses in the UK and Uganda via video conferencing, equipping people with the knowledge and understanding of the Bible.</li><li>• We also stream our Sunday Services live on YouTube, which is reaching people who are unable to attend our services in the building.</li></ul>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit and have ensured we have fully met the guidance on ensuring our activities are for the Public Benefit.</li></ul>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We held weekly worship services to advance the Christian Faith, this includes holding Sunday Worship, Bible Study and Prayer meetings. These services are open to the public. We have a weekly Bible Study online via video conferencing as it is accessible to more people. Through all of these services we have been able to share the Christian faith and have engaged with members of the public to bring about a positive change in their lives and circumstances.</li> <li>The Bible College has continued to grow and there have been 40+ graduates in Uganda and we have several students in the UK currently completing their studies with us.</li> <li>The courses have helped individuals to gain qualifications and knowledge on the Christian Faith to further their understanding and assist them in developing their Christian ministry.</li> <li>We have held conferences, various seminars and evangelical events which have been open to the public to advance the Christian faith.</li> <li>Through our media ministry we stream live on YouTube every Sunday which helps us to reach those who are ill, the elderly and the isolated. Following this we edit the live service and share the sermon on our YouTube channel. We have seen an increase in our subscribers and the number of people who watch live. We have found this to be an excellent tool to use to advance the Christian Faith.</li> </ul>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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 is in a good financial position with sufficient funds held in the current account and also funds held for our building fund and Missions projects
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity holds reserves to ensure expenses can be met in the event of a shortfall in income
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£5000
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	N/A

### 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	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? ( <a href="#">e.g unincorporated association</a> , <a href="#">CIO</a> )	Para 1.25	<b>Unincorporated Association</b>
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	The current trustees were elected by the members when the charity was established. New trustees are elected at the AGM. If it is not possible for a trustee vacancy to be filled at the AGM, the existing trustees can appoint new trustees

**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	LIVING HOPE UK
Other name the charity uses	LIVING HOPE GRACE AND TRUTH CHURCH/LIVING HOPE GTC
Registered charity number	1175020
Charity's principal address	JERVOISE STREET WEST BROMWICH B70 9LZ

**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	REV DEBORAH PEARCE	CHAIRPERSON		
2	REV JULIE PORTER	TREASURER		
3	REV CARVEL THOMAS			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## 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)	REV DEBORAH PEARCE	REV JULIE PORTER
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIRPERSON	TREASURER
Date	20 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023	

# LIVING HOPE UK – INCOME AND EXPENSES ACCOUNTS

1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2022 – 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023



<b>OPENING BALANCE</b>		12539.84
OFFERING		32079.12
GIFT AID		2719.71
DONATIONS		1773
MISSION OFFERING		205
BUILDING FUND		4475.94
BIBLE COLLEGE		2745.08
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>56537.69</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
RENT	10140.00	
ENERGY/UTILITIES	2163.71	
INTERNET/PHONE	650.38	
STATIONERY/POSTAGE	685.38	
SAVINGS TRANSFER	300.00	
MINISTERS REMUNERATION	1589.89	
BUILDING INSURANCE	1022.94	
LOAN REPAY	500.00	
CHARITABLE DONATIONS	1016.32	
CATERING/REFRESHMENTS	2084.34	
MAINTENANCE	819.56	
MISSION DONATIONS	1505.00	
BIBLE COLLEGE TUTOR FEES	2330.00	
PROFESSIONAL FEES	1010.90	
MUSIC/MEDIA EQUIPMENT	3913.90	
MISCELLANEOUS	1030.19	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>30762.51</b>	
<b>CLOSING BALANCE</b>	<b>25775.18</b>	

**SIGNED BY INDEPENDENT VERIFIER:**

**SIGNATURE:** 

**PRINT NAME:** LISA UJJAL

**DATE:** 26/01/2023

**APPROVED BY:**

**CHAIRPERSON**

**SIGNATURE:** 

**PRINT NAME:** REV DEBORAH PEARCE

**DATE:** 20/12/2022

**TREASURER**

**SIGNATURE:** 

**PRINT NAME:** REV JULIE PORTER

**DATE:** 20/12/2022





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
LIVING HOPE UK

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1175020

Set out on pages

One

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2023**

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

26/01/2024

Name:

Lisa Ujjal

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

Address:

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BILSTON

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**