

**Debre Selam Medhanealem Eritrean Orthodox Tewahdo
Church Cardiff
Charity no: 1175110**

Charity registration number: 1175110

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Eritrean Orthodox
Tewahdo Church Cardiff**

**Annual report
And
Accounts**

For the year ended 14th September 2024

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Charity Information

Trustees

Amanuel Mebrahtu - Chairman

Luwam Woldemichel - Secretary

Fitsum Abraha - Finance

Abraham Huruy - Finance

Fnan Taraken - Event organiser

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Trustees Annual Report

Trustees annual report for the year ended 2024

This document outlines the annual trustees report and financial statement of Debre Selam Medhanealem Eritrean Orthodox Tewahdo Church Cardiff for the year ended 14th September 2024.

Our Aims

The organization's goals are to fulfil Christ's mission, conduct Sunday services and prayers, and spread the Orthodox Tewahdo religion throughout Wales, especially in the Cardiff and Newport areas.

Objectives and activities

Our main objectives is to allow our members to practice the Eritrean Orthodox religion by:

- Educating children about the religion and their culture by holding separate weekly classes during Sunday services.
- Empowering members' spiritual life through bible studies and preachings.
- Enabling members to practise their religious duties such as marriages, christenings, funerals etc.
- Providing pastoral care to members.

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Management of the charity

Trustee's appointment

The trustees were appointed during an annual congregation, where all members were present and had a vote in who they wanted to become a trustee of the charity. This was purely based on the polls conducted during the meeting and every member had equal chance of becoming a trustee.

A charity trustee who has served for **three** consecutive terms may not be reappointed after an interval of at least **one year**. The trustee reappointment is carried out in the same way as the initial appointment.

Governing document

Our charity is registered with CIO (registration no. 1175110) and is governed by its governing document dated 20th of January 2018.

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Review of Activities

Review of activities for the year ended 14th September 2024

The organisation has been holding weekly service every Sunday, where the gospel is preached to the members to ensure they have a great understanding of their faith. Several holy masses have been held for special occasions such as weddings, christenings and funerals exclusively for the members. During the financial year ended 14th September 2024, the church conducted 4 weddings and 32 christenings. A separate service have been allocated for our youth and children to learn about their culture, language and religion.

The trustees have been assigned with the task of acquiring a church to purchase for the charity. This is because we are using a rented church, where we are experiencing time-constraints. As of 14th September 2024, the charity has raised £419,853 from members and donors. This fund is specifically restricted for the purpose of acquiring a church building.

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Debre Selam Medhanealem Eritrean Orthodox Tewahdo Church Cardiff		
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On accounts for the year ended	14 th September 2024	Charity no.	1175110
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 14/09/2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

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 to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	<i>Alasan Ceesay</i>	Date:	06/06/2025
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Name:	Alasan Ceesay MSc. ACCA
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Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
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Address:	120 Portrack Lane
	Stockton On Tees
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Statement of Financial Activities

Debre Selam M.E.O.T Church Cardiff
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 14th September 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME		
Gifts and donations	23,585	19,655
Funds to Buy Church Building	213,391	206,462
Weddings and Baptisms	1,360	2,400
Miscellaneous Income	109	35
Total Income	<u>238,445</u>	<u>228,552</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable operating expenses	37,412	21,868
Total expenditure	<u>37,412</u>	<u>21,868</u>
Surplus for the year	<u>201,033</u>	<u>206,684</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 14th September 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	14.09.24 Total funds £	14.09.23 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at bank	134,426	419,853	554,279	353,246
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>134,426</u>	<u>419,853</u>	<u>554,279</u>	<u>353,246</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>134,426</u>	<u>419,853</u>	<u>554,279</u>	<u>353,246</u>
FUNDS				
Funds brought forward	146,784	206,462	353,246	146,562
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(12,358)	213,391	201,033	206,684
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>134,426</u>	<u>419,853</u>	<u>554,279</u>	<u>353,246</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on 6th June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: 

Name: Fitsum Abraha – Finance Officer

Date: 2025-06-08

CERTIFICATE *of* SIGNATURE

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