

## **Annual Report of Castlegate Church 2023 - 2024**

Charity Number 1176876

Registered Address: -

Castlegate Church – Flood Street – Dudley DY2 8NT

Constitution dated: - 2018

Trustees: -

Pastor Craig Bennett – Chair

Mr John Hill

Mrs Pam Pearce

Mrs Kam Kaur

Bankers: -

Lloyds The Bridge - Walsall

### **Objectives: -**

The objectives of the charity are

(A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT;

(B) TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AND TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND INCLUDING THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE CHURCH COUNCIL FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;

### **Management: -**

The management of the Church is done by the Church council, which meets formally bi-monthly when possible.

### **Activities: -**

The Church operates from a leased premise in Dudley. (This year we moved premises, renovating an old building for church/charity use)

Sunday and mid-week services take place. All these are open to everyone. Once a week we run a foodbank at the premises.

On a weekly basis members of the church go out into the town to meet and pray with people from the community.

We annually have special outreach events in the town.

**Castlegate Church****Receipt and Payments accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025****General Funds**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Receipts</b>		
Balance b/f	25,215.70	49,956.83
Receipts (Note1)	127,856.33	89,111.69
<b>Payments</b>		
Wages	38,589.02	35,415.60
Expenses	359.58	491.39
Rent	20,760.00	20,670.00
Insurance	6,299.88	1,857.51
Electric	4,302.19	3,144.93
Water	798.64	713.95
Talk Talk & H3G	620.27	904.57
Church Equipment	3,844.73	3,835.28
Bookshop Stock	4,387.31	7,552.59
Church Outreach	164.31	3,488.80
Speakers	-	950.00
Delta fire	-	907.44
Great Bridge Hall	-	1,485.00
New Building	21,703.08	-
Support Donations	2,800.00	1,950.00
Mission	2,035.45	12,958.84
Mexico	-	800.00
G E M mission	-	3,100.00
Copyright Licence	197.00	-
India & Argentina	6,548.07	-
Other ( Note 2)	19,488.78	13,626.92
	<u>132,898.31</u>	<u>113,852.82</u>
<b>Net Receipts Over Payments</b>	<u>20,173.72</u>	<u>25,215.70</u>

**Castlegate Church**  
**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**  
**As at 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>20,173.72</u>	<u>25,215.70</u>
<b>Summary of how the funds are held</b>		
Current Accounts Lloyds Treasurers Account	<u>20,173.72</u>	<u>25,215.70</u>

**Notes to the Accounts**

**1 Other Receipts**

Tithings	64,872.12	51,084.60
Shop sales	10,879.37	14,397.79
Room Hire	1,516.51	-
New Building Fund	-	462.00
National Grid	-	1,200.00
Study Books	40.00	655.98
Gift Aid	7,015.05	6,805.36
Go Fund Page	2,198.41	-
Mexico	-	113.50
Argentina	5,000.00	-
India	4,392.27	8,831.33
Mission Centre & Telford	5,065.00	-
Donations	22,186.16	-
Misc	4,691.44	5,561.13
	<u>127,856.33</u>	<u>89,111.69</u>

**2 Other Payments**

Thirtyone Eight	163.08	253.15
Church Merchandise	-	926.86
Proclaim	4,159.10	-
Accountant	420.00	400.00
Study Books	116.99	737.28
Woodgreen Parish	2,200.00	1,080.00
CH	2,529.23	-
Chairs	4,607.63	-
Christmas Gift & Foodhampers	621.27	1,067.48
Freshers	-	1,111.89
Samaritans Purse	-	269.00
Entertaining	-	527.20
Coffee shop stock	1,569.28	5,327.50
Misc	3,102.20	1,926.56
	<u>19,488.78</u>	<u>13,626.92</u>

## **CASTLEGATE CHURCH**

### **Independent examiners unqualified report**

#### **Independent examiners report to trustees of Castlegate Church.**

**This report on the financial statements of the church for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on the following pages.**

### **Independent Examiner's statement**

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

- 1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements:**
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the act and regulations 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.**

*Bytheway and Co.*

**Bytheway & Co Chartered Certified Accountants**

**Heame House**

**23 Bilston Street**

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