

LIVING PRAISE CHAPEL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

CHARITY NUMBER: 1178245

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31st December 2022 for the charity, Living Praise Chapel with charity number 1178245.

The Trustees of the charity are: Ms Agnes Norkor Roberts
Mr Robert Ashie
Mr Byron Frederick Mayanja
Ms Jane Bright – Davies
Ms Patience Yaa Torto

The principal address of the charity is : 3 Edwin Stray House
Glebe Way, Hanworth
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity governing document is a CIO – Foundation Constitution registered 4TH May 2018. The Charity is governed by a board on which the trustees are represented. It meets regularly to review, plan activities and monitor the financial position.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Objects of the organisation are first to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs for the benefit in the United Kingdom and in such other parts of the world as the trustees may think fit from time to time . The trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Organisation continues to hold successful meetings through the year in which individuals were equipped and educated on the principles and doctrines of the Christian faith. The organisation held outreach meetings during the year in which individuals had the opportunity to hear the message of the Christian faith. This has produced good results in reaching and helping members of the community. The organisation published some Christian literature that was freely distributed to interested people in the community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The income of the charity is above £36,600. This is a good amount for this first year of the charity the costs have been well managed over this period. The organisation is still in a good position to manage its costs. The main cost of the organisation was for covering the costs of running the services and church meetings.

RESERVE POLICY

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the reserves of the charity at about 3 months of unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover any emergency expenditures that may arise from time to time. The charity will seek to maintain this level throughout the year.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The charity have assessed all the major risks to which the charity is exposed to, in particular those related to operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the Charities Act 2011, the trustees are required to prepare a statement of accounts for each accounting year which gives a true and fair view of the state of the church. They are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
3. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
4. Prepare financial statements on an ongoing basis.

They are responsible for keeping proper records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the finances of the church at any time and to ensure that such accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the church and to take reasonable steps to detect fraud or other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 4th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees

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I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31ST December 2023 set out on the following pages which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies shown in the corresponding pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees of the church are responsible for the preparation of accounts: they consider that the audit requirement under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), does not apply. It is my responsibility to :

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners made under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention;

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept(in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act: or
- (2) to which , in my opinion , attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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<u>ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2023</u>							
1 Receipts & Payments Account (General Purpose Fund)							
Income Receipts				£/ 2023	£/2022		
Donations				32238	37951		
Interest				212	156		
GiftAid				4342			
Total Receipts				36792	38107		
Direct Charitable Expenditure							
Bank charges				0	12		
Travel expenses				2345	560		
Hall Hire				2700	0		
Pastor's expenses				7534	7200		
Professional fees				725	405		
Church Events				2786	70		
Lease costs				22854	0		
Storage costs				0	0		
Insurance				0	0		
Printing				34	289		
Mission				2490	0		
Welfare				150	1050		
Subscriptions				0	158		
Supplies				0	1296		
Media services				183	4074		
				41801	15102		
Other Expenditure							
Equipment				0	0		
Vehicle				0	0		
				0	0		
Total Payments				41801	15114		
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the year				-5009	22993		
Cash Funds brought forward				107948	84955		
Cash Funds at the end of the year				102939	107948		

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2 Statements of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2023					
Monetary Assets					
Cash Funds			Unrestricted Funds		
			£/2023	£/2022	
			£	£	
Cash at hand and in bank			102939	107948	
Total Cash Funds			102939	107948	
Assets Retained for the					
Charity's Own use					
Non-monetary Assets and Liabilities					
Musical Instruments			82	102	
Equipments			574	717	
Vehicle			8275	10344	
			8931	11163	
Liabilities					
Bookkeeping			299	280	
These accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:					
Ms Agnes Norkor Roberts					
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2023

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis with all revenue and expenses shown on a cash basis. Non-monetary assets are shown at estimates of the value at the end of the year.

Funds

The CIO has a general unrestricted fund that receives voluntary donations from attendants at the services.

The CIO has no outstanding guarantees to third parties no any debts secured on the asstes of the CIO

Public Benefit

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or aims that are for public benefit. Details of how this is achieved are provided in the Trustees report. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Adjustments

This accounts for funds in the savings account that was not made available in the previous accounting year.

Depreciation

This is calculated at 20% reducing balance method