

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
for the year ended 5 April 2025

Favour House

Registered Charity Number 1178990



FAVOUR HOUSE
CHURCH

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Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Favour House
Working Names of Charity	Favour House Church Favour House Aid King's Summit
Registered Charity Number	1178990
Principal Address	114 Blean Common Blean, Canterbury Kent CT2 9JJ
Trustees	Pastor King James (Chair) Prof Kene Igweonu Ms Elaine Morgan Mr Simon Teague
Independent Examiner	Mr Joshua Cottingham FMAAT 72 Broadmead Road Folkestone Kent CT19 5AR
Bankers	Lloyds Bank 49 High Street Canterbury Kent CT1 2SE

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Favour House Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2025 which are set out on pages 8 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of Favour House Church, you are responsible for the preparation of accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act')

I report in respect of my examination of the Favour House Church accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Favour House Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Mr J Cottingham MAAT
72 Broadmead Road
Folkestone
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CT19 5AR

Date: 27/06/2025

Trustees' Report

The Favour House trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the *Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP, FRS 102)* in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity. The trustees also confirm that the report and financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the charity's trust deed.

Structure, Governance and Management

Favour House is constituted as a charitable trust governed by its trust deed and was entered on the Register of Charities by the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 29 June 2018, with registered charity number 1178990.

The trustees are responsible for the administration of the charity and take advice from the Spiritual Oversight and senior leadership team made up of the Senior Pastors and Executive Pastors. Trustees meet for a minimum of two times a year, give of their time freely, and receive no remuneration for their role as trustees. The trustees have delegated appropriate day-to-day management of the activities of the charity to the Senior Pastors and designated volunteer members of the organisation.

The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment and appointment of new trustees who are respected members of the Christian faith and community. New trustees are appointed by a resolution of the existing trustees and subject to the approval of the Spiritual Oversight in line with the Favour House Trust Deed (Section 9.1). New trustees are given copies of the charity's governing document and are instructed in their responsibilities by way of relevant Charity Commission publications and guidance such as *Charity trustee: what's involved (CC3a)*.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that systems and procedures are established to manage and control risks to the charity. Public Liability Insurance cover is in place and appropriate Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are carried out on volunteers who work with children. Our safeguarding is undertaken under the guidance of CCPAS (The Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service).

Objectives and Activities

The principal objectives and activities of the charity are set out in its governing document. The charity seeks to achieve the following objectives in accordance with the Statement of Faith, Doctrines and Articles of Belief as set out in its governing document:

- the advancement of the Christian faith consistent with the doctrine and articles of belief.
- the advancement of education, training and leadership development.
- the relief of poverty, hardship and distress.

Activities of the charity are centred, though not exclusively, in Canterbury City and the environs. The central activity of the charity is Favour House Church, which is a non-denominational congregation of Christian believers based in Canterbury who meet weekly at the Canterbury Primary School, City View, Franklyn Road, Canterbury Kent CT2 8PT.

Public Benefit Statement

In considering the activities of the charity, the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The trustees constantly seek opportunities to achieve its objectives through various activities that maximises the charity's benefit to the public and community at large.

All our activities and services are specifically designed and delivered to advance the Christian faith for the public benefit because they are based on the inherent power of the teaching and adherence to the principles of the Christian faith in positively impacting society in a beneficial way. Our work in advancing the Christian faith for the public benefit is predicated on our passion to serve which comes from God's love for everyone, and the Lord's instruction to love your neighbour as yourself. Our mandate is to help people become like Christ in every aspect of life.

Our goal is to equip, empower, and mobilise people to make kingdom impact outside the walls of Favour House Church. This is because we believe that advancing the Christian faith helps to bring meaning to people's lives. Being part of a church community contributes to spiritual well-being and provides a sound moral or ethical framework to live by and thus provide immense benefit to wider society by contributing to the individuals' wellbeing and sense of purpose.

Activities and services are designed and delivered through an enlightenment of the Word of God throughout the services to both adults and children at their appropriate age ranges. Opportunities are made available for anyone to discuss their concerns and questions after the service on Sundays and during the house groups on Fridays.

Summary of the Main Activities and Achievements

The charity operates variously as Favour House Church, Favour House Aid and Kings Summit.

The weekly Home Church meetings and Sunday morning worship services are held under the auspices of Favour House Church. Home Church meetings take place in Folkestone (Tuesday evenings) and Canterbury (Wednesday evenings), while the Sunday morning worship services usually take place at The Canterbury Primary School, City View, Franklyn Road, Canterbury CT2 8PT.

FAVOUR HOUSE CHURCH

- Home Church meetings [online via Zoom and in person on 7:30pm (every Tuesday) at Folkestone and 6:00pm (Wednesdays) at Canterbury].

- Worship service [online via YouTube and in person at The Canterbury Primary School every Sunday at 10:30am].
- In His Presence meetings [online via YouTube and in person at St Andrews Church, Watling St, Canterbury CT1 2UA. A monthly praise and prayer outreach devoted to worshipping Jesus and experiencing God's tangible presence and healing touch.
- Dwelling In His Presence meetings. Believers from different churches meet at St Andrews Church, Watling Street, Canterbury CT1 2UA every Thursday at noon till 1 pm to worship together and experience God's presence.

The church has continued to thrive because of the above activities. The number of people accessing the church service have also continued to increase with the use of YouTube for live streaming of the Sunday morning worship services. Video recordings of the worship services are routinely made available to the public on the church's website and YouTube channel.

FAVOUR HOUSE AID & MISSIONS

Favour House Aid, in line with its vision to meet the needs of the poor and underprivileged, has supported several individuals locally as well as projects in our community and beyond. These projects included donations to The Evangelical Council & Faith UP Christian communities. These projects were to specifically support the work of City Vision, an organisation dedicated to galvanising local churches to work in unity, reaching out to and supporting their local communities.

Favour House Aid also sponsored a Brazilian student living in England with travel cost of £50 when she visited the church in August 2024 for a weekend service.

The aid supported (still supports) a family who are on a mission's trip to Nazareth, Israel with a donation of £150 monthly for a period of 1 year between October 2024 to September 2025.

In March 2025, Pastor King James was invited on a Missions trip to Holland to preach in a church and assist them in setting up their production department. The church was tremendously impacted by his visit.

As a church, we remain committed to putting aside up to 10% of its revenue each quarter into the 'Aid and Missions account' and to seeking out specific projects where we could support the poor in our community.

THE KING'S SUMMIT

In October 2024, we held the 7th Annual Kings Summit business conference. It was held at St Andrews URC in Canterbury and was attended by 60 business owners from all over the county of Kent. The event was opened by the Sheriff of Canterbury and was again sponsored by Azets Accountants and the Federation of Small Businesses. This year the Pro Legal group also sponsored the event.

The overall theme of the event was about giving and how we as business owners have an additional responsibility to play a role in positively influencing our local communities. Additional topics covered good governance in terms of legal and fiduciary responsibilities. Our main speaker focused on the how his faith drives the decisions he makes in business and how they treat their clients, suppliers and staff.

There were some powerful messages and the feedback this year was excellent, influencing one entrepreneur to go on and create a scheme to help young, disadvantaged children to build character and confidence by learning to play and participate in rugby.

Once again, our main charity was Mission Aviation Fellowship, and we raised the sum of £3,000

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 5 April 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
		2025	2025	2025	2025	2024
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Voluntary income	2	39,137	-	-	39,137	34,612
Gift Aid		7,921			7,921	6,320
Investment income			114	12	126	80
Total Income		47,058	114	12	47,184	42,812
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities		23,507	16,945	2,830	43,282	36,364
Governance costs		1,218	-	-	1,218	896
Total Expenditure	3	24,725	16,945	2,830	44,500	37,260
Surplus / (Deficit)		22,333	(16,831)	(2,818)	2,684	5,552
Transfer between funds:		(26,056)	22,855	3,201		
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds carried forward		11,014	11,342	1,558	23,914	

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 5th April 2025

		2024	2025
Category	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	5		
Furniture and equipment		10,052	13,789
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors		-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		14,462	8,683
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amount due within one year	6	600	-
Creditors: amounts due after one year	7	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		13,862	8,683
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		23,914	22,472
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds		11,014	15,979
Designated funds	8	11,342	5,318
Restricted funds	9	1,558	1,175
TOTAL FUNDS		23,914	22,472

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on the 1st of July 2025, and signed on their behalf by:



K. U. James
Chair of Trustees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 5th April 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

Favour House is a UK registered charity with the Charity Commission. The charity number and address of the registered office is given on page 3 of this report and financial statements.

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015, and the Charities Act 2011.

Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income, and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual's basis, is inclusive of VAT, and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Expenditure on charitable activities comprises all expenditure incurred directly in pursuance of the charity's objectives. Governance costs are those costs incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements. Minimal expenditure is currently recorded under governance costs, as no amounts are included in the financial statements for the value of services donated by volunteers.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised and included at cost. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets at an annual rate of 25% on a straight-line basis, over their expected useful lives.

Funds 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 restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for restricted purposes. The charity does not currently hold any restricted fund.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds that the trustees have set aside for a particular purpose.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations (inc. Gift Aid)	<u>47,058</u>	<u>42,732</u>

3. EXPENDITURE

	2025	2024
	£	£
Charitable activities		
Office/ Operational costs	2,196	2,421
Travel and subsistence expenses	874	819
Salaries/ Pension	16,946	14,710
Conferences/Speakers	-	-
Hospitality	2,198	2,019
Missions/ Donations	2,830	700
Venue hire/ Rent	9,738	8,330
Licences/ Subscriptions	3,053	3,588
Literature/ Publicity	266	198
Depreciation	5,176	3,092
Miscellaneous expenses	6	487
Governance costs		
Insurance	632	667
Bank charges	114	90
Accounts examination fee	150	-
CCPAS (disclosure checks)	321	139
Total expenditure	<u>44,500</u>	<u>37,260</u>

4. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

During the current year, Pastor King James (Trustee), was paid a salary of £14,946. A sum of £874 was also paid for expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties as minister. These payments are permitted under section 5.2 and 28.1 of the Favour House Governing Deed.

5. FIXED ASSETS

Furniture and equipment	£
Cost	
Brought forward	20,703
Additions	1,439
Carried forward	<u>22,142</u>
Depreciation	
Brought forward	6,914
Charge for the year	5,176
Carried forward	<u>12,090</u>
Net book value	
Brought forward	13,789
Carried forward	<u>10,052</u>

6. CREDITORS: Amounts due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>

7. CREDITORS: Amounts due after one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

8. DESIGNATED FUNDS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Building and rent fund	1,258	1,033
Salary and pension fund	10,084	4,285
	<u>11,342</u>	<u>5,318</u>

9. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Aid and Mission fund	<u>1,558</u>	<u>1,175</u>

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	10,052			10,052
Current assets	1,562	11,342	1,558	14,462
Creditors due within one year	(600)	-	-	(600)
Creditors due after one year	-	-	-	-
	<u>11,014</u>	<u>11,342</u>	<u>1,558</u>	<u>23,914</u>