

BETHEL INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH, SKELMERSDALE

England & Wales · Charity number 1179454

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2018-08-06

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PRINCIPAL OBJECT OF THE CHARITY IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENTS OF FAITH AND PRACTICE OF THE INDEPENDENT METHODIST CONNEXION. THE CHARITY MAY ALSO CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£11,306	£10,590	-	-
2024-12-31	£8,171	£23,200	-	-
2023-12-31	£116,558	£13,844	-	-
2022-12-31	£7,516	£8,531	-	-
2021-12-31	£7,667	£24,209	-	-
2020-12-31	£8,803	£6,095	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MARION NIGHTINGALE	Chair	2018-08-05
ANGELA MARY JONES		2018-08-05
CHRISTOPHER STARKIE		2018-08-05

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Accounts

Annual General and Trustee Meeting – 28th January 2024

PRESENT: Marion Nightingale (presiding), Angela Jones, apologies Chris Starkie

MINUTES of AGM 9.1.2022 approved

MATTERS ARISING

Wednesday prayer and praise meeting being blessed with the presence of the Lord, five attending.
No other matters arising

1 Members roll: Marion Nightingale (President) Angela Jones (Treasurer)

2 Members Fees: £35.00

3 Trustees: Marion Nightingale, Angela Jones, Chris Starkie

4 Church Deeds are kept at the I.M. Resource Centre

5 Treasurers Report (see attached). Marion thanked for auditing and approving accounts

Total income for 2023 was £116558.41

Main item of income was a legacy from the late Harry Nelson of £102,297.86

Plus two further interest payments of £24.45 and £95.09 making a total of £102417.40

Received from Houghton Pigot & Co Solicitors (16.2.2023)

Expenditure £13843.60 – main item new wooden fencing by (J. Pritchard)

6 We still continue to meet on Sunday morning, are preachers are very faithful and happy to meet with us, we are blessed with the word they bring

7 Every fourth Sunday we have a time of fellowship after the service

8 We distributed 1,300 living word calenders to the local neighbourhood before Christmas. Deep Harmony men's choir came to sing for us in July

9 Extra business: We are looking to replace the oil central heating system and are obtaining Quotes for either new oil system or an electric

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FINANCIAL REPORT BETHEL IM SKELMERSDALE

YEAR ENDING 31.12.2023

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Many thanks to Marion for auditing the accounts

The accounts for 2023 show the following information.

Total Income 2023	£116558.41
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Total Expenditure 2023	- £13843.60
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Income exceeded expenditure by	£102714.81
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£102714.81 was added to the closing balance at 31.12.2022	£17658.97
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£120373.78

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£120373.78 was made up from the following:

National Savings Account	£95943.71
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TSB Cheque Account	£24404.33
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Cash in hand	£25.74
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Total	£120373.78
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ANALYSIS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BETHEL IM SKELMERSDALE 2023

Income

Total income for 2023 was £116558.41. We received a legacy from the late Harry Nelson of £102417.40. Sunday collections (£5737.15), we further received a gift from IM Association of £4000.00 and donations totalling £1497 made up of two cheques of £500 from John Taylor (£1000.00). Steve & Lisa Gore donated £240.00. £150.00 in memory of Mary Barns by her husband and Joan donated £107.00, all have been thanked. We were reimbursed £2892 from Ansvar Insurance after a water leak in April/May

Expenditure

Total expenditure was £13843.60

Building maintenance was £4729.49. Main item was new wooden fencing £3075.00 (J Pritchard). ££798.00 (R.B Property Solutions) for repairs to water supply following water leak and two lawn treatments by Green Thumb £314

Christmas time donations were posted to NLC, The Leprosy Mission, Good News for Everyone and CFI each received £100.00

Heating oil was £549.14 up from 456.75 in 2022

Member fees were £70.00 (2 x £35.00) and overseas mission donation was £300.00

Church Cleaning was £1080

Water bills were artificially high at £2586.54 because of water leakage £2127.55 was covered by our insurance

Stationery was £489.50 as new Mission Praise Hymn books were purchased

Grass cutting £1000.00, this ended the contract with Glovers Driveways & Gardens (Michael resigned due to ill health) we are currently sourcing a new gardener

Electricity was up from £398.47 to £509.54

Church Insurance was up from £858.90 to £1154.47, increase due to insurance claim for leakage of water and inflation

Minister's expenses were £285.00 up £45.00 from 2022, increase in payments to ministers to £15.00 to £20.00 depending on travelling distance

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BETHEL IM (SKELMERSDALE) - ANALYSIS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 1.12.2023 - 31.12.2023

Income	2022	2023	Expenditure	2022	2023
Collections	5990.25	5737.15	Flowers		
Donations	1500	1497	Calendars/Tracks	330	419.49
NS&I Interest	2.5	14.83	Water Bills	121.03	2586.54
Gift (IM Ass)	23.38	4000	Church Cleaning	1080	1080
Legacy H Nelson		102417.4	Heating Oil	456.75	549.15
Insurance claim		2892.03	Minsters Expenses	240	285
			Cleaning Materials	40.79	22.74
			Electricity	398.47	509.54
			Overseas Missions	300	300
			Connexional Subs	70	70
			Grass Cutting	950	1000
			Building Maintenance	2908.18	4729.49
			Post & Stationary	3.43	489.5
			Donations to Charities	550	400
			Church Insurance	859.9	1154.47
			Refreshments	36.87	86.45
			Organ Tune&Repairs	158.07	161.23
			Posters	27.95	
				8531.44	13843.6
	7516.13	116558.41			

Total Income 2023 116558.41
 Total Expenses 2023 -13843.6
 Balance 102714.81

 B'FWD 2022 17658.97
 Balance @ 31.12.2023 102714.81
120373.78

Disposition of Church Funds @ 31.12.2023
 National Savings Account 95943.71
 TSB Cheque Account 24404.33
 Cash in hand 25.74
120373.78

audited and found to be correct

m. nightingale

7/1/2024

BETHEL IM SKELMERDALE - INCOME 2023

COLLECTIO	NSI SAVINC	DONATION	GIFT	LEGACY	REFUND INS
	INTEREST	(IM ASS)	HARRY NELSON	INS CLAIM	
108	14.83	150	4000	102297.86	100
75		240		24.45	2301.78
70		500		95.09	490.25
80		500			
128		107			
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93.41					
95					
119					
105					
90					
85					
5737.15	14.83	1497	4000	102417.4	2892.03

	B'FWD	17658.97
		116558.41
Less Expenditure		-13843.6
Total		120373.78

BETHEL IM SKELMERSDALE - EXPENDITURE 2023

Ministe Flowers Expenses	Church Cleaning	Grass Cutting	Water Bills	Electricity Bills	Cleaning Materials	Building Maintenance	Heating Oil	Stationery Postage	Members Fees	Overseas Missions	Donations	Refresmen /Communi	Calendars/ Tracts	Church Insurance	Oran Tunin Posters & Repairs			
10	80	1000	30.76	161.19	2.5	60	549.15	239	70	300	100	2.15	9.99	1154.47	161.23			
10	80		36.33	138.79	7.99	1025		250.5			100	3.95	409.5					
10	80		2335.3	123.95	1.29	2050					100	1.6						
10	80		184.15	85.61	6.97	4					100	2.5						
10	80				1.99	30						11.25						
15	80				2	40						65						
10	80					16.64												
10	120					120												
15	80					5.94												
10	80					7												
10	80					100												
10	80					7.32												
10	80					9												
15						1.35												
10						146												
10						20												
10						2.16												
20						6.7												
10						252												
15						18												
20						546												
20						40												
15						168												
						4.38												
						50												
285	0	1080	1000	2586.54	509.54	22.74	4729.49	549.15	489.5	70	300	400	86.45	419.49	1154.47	161.23	0	13843.6

Bethel Independent Methodist Church, Skelmersdale, Charity number 1179454

To :-The Church Trustees and to Whom it may concern at the Charity Commission,

On behalf of the Trustees of Bethel Church, I have examined the Accounts, Bank Statements and supporting documents covering the financial year 01/01/2023-31/12/2023.

I am fully independent from this Church and have been invited to do so for this reason.

The Charity received a legacy during 2023 from a benefactor in addition to its receipts from collections during the services. The legacy is to be used in full to further the Charitable Objectives of the Church. The legacy received was £102,417.40 including interest.

Total Expenditure for 2023 was £13,843.60 of which £3,075.00 was spent on erection of wooden fencing for the Church premises, where the congregation holds its meetings. 1,300 Christian calendars were distributed to the local community before Christmas 2023.

I am happy to verify that the accounts are extremely detailed and accurate, including supporting documents, and the uses of all funds fully comply with the Church's Charitable Objectives.

Consequently I certify that the Accounts submitted to yourselves represent a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity.

Yours Sincerely



Elizabeth Wright

27/7/24.

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