

Life Everlasting Parish
Unaudited Financial Statements
30 June 2023

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Life Everlasting Parish

Financial Statements

Year ended 30 June 2023

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 30 June 2023

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Life Everlasting Parish

Charity registration number 1179648

Principal office 71-75 Shelton Street
London
WC2H 9JQ

The trustees

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Independent examiner Carrington Blake Accountancy Ltd

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith. The Church may also advance education, relieve need and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom.

Life Everlasting Parish continues to worship as a small fellowship. We promote the gospel of Jesus Christ through praise, worship and the teaching and preaching of God's word. We show God's love by living as Christ's ambassadors within our local community, doing, helping and providing as much as we can offer in His name, as individuals and as a congregation. We also maintain our ministry to the vulnerable with prayer, comfort, companionship and spiritual and practical needs. Ensuring that our worship is appropriate and available for all ages and abilities.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

Achievements and performance

This year has been marked by both progress and challenges for Life Everlasting Parish. We are pleased to report the continued advancement of the gospel through our various ministries and community outreach initiatives. However, this period has also been overshadowed by the profound loss of our trustee, Justina Aduba. Her passing has deeply affected our morale and operations.

Throughout the year, we faced significant challenges, including the need to relocate our premises multiple times, which led to a decline in membership. Despite these setbacks, we remained steadfast in organising events for the communities we served and establishing new foundations in the borough of Tower Hamlets.

Our financial situation has been impacted by these relocations, resulting in lower donations which, in turn, affected the scope of our outreach activities. We adapted by increasing our virtual events, which require minimal funding, aside from honorariums for external speakers. Looking forward, securing a permanent building for our church remains our primary goal. We are actively seeking assistance from local boroughs to provide vacant buildings and are applying for grants to stabilise our organisation and enhance our community outreach.

Despite these challenges, we have seen the highest expenditure in our history, underlining the need for a sustainable financial plan moving forward.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

Financial review

This past year has underscored both our resilience and our commitment to our mission amidst numerous challenges. The Church continues to rely primarily on unrestricted grants and donations generously provided by our members during church services, harvest celebrations, and specific project appeals.

One of the significant issues we faced this year was a notable decline in donations, primarily due to the frequent relocations and the ensuing instability. This has had a direct impact on our ability to conduct outreach activities and support community events.

In response, the treasury is looking to implement Gift Aid to maximise the value of donations from UK taxpayers. We are also actively applying for various grants to secure additional funding. Recognising the need for professional expertise, we are enlisting professional help to enhance our fundraising efforts and financial management.

Despite the financial challenges, our commitment to building on past successes remains unwavering. Throughout the year, we have made significant progress in our prayer ministry, evangelism, youth activities, and support for vulnerable community members. Our reserves policy continues to be a crucial part of our financial strategy, ensuring the stability of short-term operations while supporting our long-term goals.

Looking ahead, we are optimistic about exploring various grants to fund our planned activities and events. These funds will provide an additional revenue source, enabling us to enhance our community engagement and support our goal of securing a new premise for our church.

Conclusion

While we have navigated through a year of significant challenges and change, our resolve and community spirit remain strong. We are immensely grateful for the ongoing support and commitment of our congregation, and we look forward to the growth and opportunities that the next year will bring.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 30 April 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

D Lawal
Trustee

Life Everlasting Parish

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Life Everlasting Parish

Year ended 30 June 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Life Everlasting Parish ('the charity') for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements 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 (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

" the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or

" the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or

" the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts 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

Carrington Blake Accountancy Ltd
Independent Examiner

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30 April 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 30 June 2023

		2023	2022
		Unrestricted funds	Total funds
	Note	£	£
Income and endowments			
Donations and legacies	4	38,646	37,619
Total income		38,646	37,619
Expenditure			
Expenditure on raising funds:			
Costs of raising donations and legacies		38,811	36,337
Expenditure on charitable activities		2,088	–
Total expenditure		40,899	36,337
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds			
		(2,253)	1,282
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		81,672	80,390
Total funds carried forward		79,419	81,672

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

30 June 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	8	529	794
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		82,340	84,328
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	3,000	3,000
Net current assets		79,340	81,328
Total assets less current liabilities		79,869	82,122
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	10	450	450
Net assets		79,419	81,672
Funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds		79,419	81,672
Total charity funds	11	79,419	81,672

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 30 April 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

D Lawal
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 30 June 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 71-75 Shelton Street, London, WC2H 9JQ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Operating leases

Lease payments are recognised as an expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis. The aggregate benefit of lease incentives is recognised as a reduction to expense over the lease term, on a straight-line basis.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment - 25% straight line

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments *(continued)*

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations				
Building fund	38,646	38,646	37,619	37,619

5. Net (expenditure)/income

Net (expenditure)/income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	265	265
Operating lease rentals	–	2,660

6. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 June 2023

7. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No trustee has been paid remuneration from employment with the charity.

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment £
Cost	
At 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023	1,059
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2022	265
Charge for the year	265
At 30 June 2023	530
Carrying amount	
At 30 June 2023	529
At 30 June 2022	794

9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals and deferred income	3,000	3,000

10. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	450	450

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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11. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 July 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 30 June 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	–	38,646	(40,899)	(2,253)
Unrestricted fund 68 - desc in a/cs	81,672	–	–	81,672
	<u>81,672</u>	<u>38,646</u>	<u>(40,899)</u>	<u>79,419</u>

	At 1 July 2021	Income	Expenditure	At 30 June 2022
	£	£	£	£
General funds	–	37,619	(36,337)	1,282
Unrestricted fund 68 - desc in a/cs	80,390	–	–	80,390
	<u>80,390</u>	<u>37,619</u>	<u>(36,337)</u>	<u>81,672</u>

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 30 June 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Costs of raising donations and legacies		
Costs of raising donations and legacies - Donations		
Donations - depreciation	265	265
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Costs of raising donations and legacies - Other type 1		
Events	–	2,660
Rent	31,500	22,645
Telephone	394	510
IT cost	972	166
Security system	280	892
Missionary	4,800	8,600
Accountancy fees	600	450
Donation	–	149
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	38,546	36,072
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Costs of raising donations and legacies	<hr/> 38,811 <hr/>	<hr/> 36,337 <hr/>
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Activity type 21		
<i>Activities undertaken directly</i>		
Office expenses	2,088	–
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Expenditure on charitable activities	<hr/> 2,088 <hr/>	<hr/> – <hr/>