

**Newlife Church, Palmers Green**

**Registered Charity no. 1180315**

**Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements**

**for the year ended 30 April 2021**

## **Newlife Church, Palmers Green**

### **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2021.

#### **Reference and administrative details**

Newlife Church, Palmers Green ('Newlife') is a charitable incorporated organisation with charity registration number 1180315.

Address of the principal office: Newlife Church, Palmers Green  
Newlife Christian Centre  
211 Green Lanes  
London  
N13 4UH

Trustees:

Rani Danaka  
Malcolm Drummond  
Prasanth Kumar Patancheru Johnwesley  
Caroline Kingham  
Philip Kingham  
Bruce McGill  
Brian Shearer

Philip Kingham and Brian Shearer retired as trustees on 7 December 2020 and were re-elected on the same date. On 8 March 2021 Andrew Ray, Peggie Ray and Valerie Shearer retired as trustees and Rani Danaka, Prasanth Kumar Patancheru Johnwesley and Bruce McGill were appointed as trustees.

#### **Governance**

Newlife is governed by its constitution as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), under which it was registered as a charity on 15 October 2018. The trustees are responsible for appointing any new trustees.

Newlife's Leadership team, which currently comprises all of the trustees, meet every 3 or 4 weeks, to review and organise Newlife's activities, planning, finances and administration.

## **Objectives and activities**

In brief, the objects of the CIO are, for the public benefit:

the advancement of the Christian faith; and  
the relief of persons in any part of the world who are in need.

Newlife holds Sunday morning worship services at Newlife Christian Centre, which are open to all who wish to come to worship God or to learn more about the Christian faith. There are age-related groups for children on Sunday mornings, and youth meetings and Bible studies at other times. There are also life groups held online or in church members' houses during the week, where the Bible is studied and the Christian life exercised in prayer, worship and support. Other Christian exploration courses, such as Alpha and Freedom in Christ, are run from time to time.

In the Centre, Newlife runs a weekly English language class for those whose first language is not English, and join with other local churches in an initiative called Mustard Seed, to provide hot meals two nights a week to local homeless people. Teams go out from Newlife onto the streets of Palmers Green to discuss life and matters of faith with local residents. Other teams visit people in local sheltered housing to meet residents and show God's love to them.

Newlife gave financial support to work in the Enfield area including drug rehabilitation, youth work and street pastor activity. During this period of coronavirus, gifts were given to those locally who were in financial crisis. Support was also given to very poor people in Romania and Moldova.

The trustees believe that Newlife's activities are within the charity's objects and bring benefits both to Christians and to the local people of Palmers Green and Enfield, and that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

## **Operations review**

The advent of coronavirus safeguards in early 2020 precipitated many changes: the Sunday and weekday meetings were held online, as was the English class. Importance was placed on trying to ensure that people were not forgotten, and had a small group weekly online meeting they could join in with. As the lockdown restrictions were gradually released, meetings with appropriate social distancing resumed, although many meetings continued to be held online.

Mustard Seed's provision of meals to the homeless was continually being reorganised to reflect changes in lockdown and social distancing, the scope was enlarged as more people requested help, and many meals were delivered to houses where people were in need. Work continued on providing a ramp to facilitate disabled access to the Centre.

Information about our activities can be found on our website [www.newlifepalmersgreen.org.uk](http://www.newlifepalmersgreen.org.uk).



## Financial Review

The trustees have prepared receipts and payments accounts for the year to 30 April 2021, which are presented below, together with a statement of assets and liabilities at 30 April 2021.

Overall, due to the restriction of activities due to coronavirus, costs were reduced: this, combined with the receipt of generous donations, resulted in a surplus for the year of £33,143.

### Newlife Church, Palmers Green

#### Receipts and payments account for the year ended 30 April 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>		
Donations (including £10,000 restricted)	112,750	90,942
Rental income	<u>8,442</u>	<u>13,800</u>
Total receipts	<u>121,192</u>	<u>104,742</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
Church running costs (including £1,062 restricted)	<u>88,049</u>	<u>103,415</u>
Total payments	<u>88,049</u>	<u>103,415</u>
<b>Net surplus for the year</b>	33,143	1,327
Bank and cash at 30 April 2020	<u>44,675</u>	<u>43,348</u>
Bank and cash at 30 April 2021	<u>£77,818</u>	<u>£44,675</u>

#### Restricted funds

In 2021 Newlife received a donation of £10,000 for Christian ministry among Iranians, and incurred expenses of £1,062 on this. All of the other income, expenses and assets relate to unrestricted funds.

### Newlife Church, Palmers Green

#### Statement of assets and liabilities at 30 April 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Bank balance	77,711	44,038
Cash in hand	<u>107</u>	<u>637</u>
Total monetary assets	<u>£77,818</u>	<u>£44,675</u>

Assets relating to unrestricted funds	68,880	44,675
Assets relating to restricted funds	<u>8,938</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>£77,818</u>	<u>£44,675</u>

## Notes to the accounts

Newlife has been in operation as a church since 2012, initially as a church plant from Chase Family Church in Enfield. Since 2015 Newlife has met for Sunday worship in the Baptist Church building at 211 Green Lanes in Palmers Green. Newlife was invited by the Baptist authorities to lease the building, and has done so from early 2019, calling the building Newlife Christian Centre.

### *Assets and liabilities*

Newlife leases the building it operates from, and therefore does not regard investment in it as an asset for accounting purposes, although Newlife spends money on improvements to it.

Owned assets are principally chairs and tables, some PA equipment, some kitchen equipment, and resources for the activities carried out.

There was no liability outstanding due to debt or guarantee at 30 April 2021 or 30 April 2020.

### *Reserves policy and effect of COVID-19*

The trustees' policy is to retain reserves of at least two months of normal expenditure. The trustees expected COVID-19 to affect the charity's finances. Some supporters reduced donations, but others have increased their giving to support Newlife more strongly at this time, and to enable gifts to be made to those who are in a financial crisis.

### *Trustees' remuneration*

None of the trustees are paid for their services as trustees. Three trustees have been paid during the year for providing services to Newlife, as follows:

Malcolm Drummond	£12,568	Administrative services (£12,252 in previous year)
Caroline Kingham	£13,772	Administrative services (£13,349 in previous year)
Philip Kingham	£18,167	Church Team Leader (£17,551 in previous year)

## Approval of report

The annual report and financial statements were approved by the trustees on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and signed on their behalf by Philip Kingham and Brian Shearer.

Philip Kingham  
Trustee  
8<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Brian Shearer  
Trustee





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

NEWLIFE CHURCH, PALMERS GREEN

On accounts for the year  
ended

30 APRIL 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

1180315

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Responsibilities and  
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/09/2021

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's 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

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to  
undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of  
applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

16/09/2021

Name:

MRS LUNA MUNCASTER

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

ASSOCIATE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (ICAEW)

(if any):

Address:

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N21 1RG

## Section B

### Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.