



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

**Trustees' Annual Report**

**For the period from** 01-April-2022 **To** 31-March-2023

**Charity name:** Life Abundant Pentecostal Church

**Charity registration number:** 1181849

**Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objects of the CIO are for the benefit of the public,</p> <p>(a) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement (as stated in the Charity's Governing document) in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Church Council, from time to time, may think fit.</p> <p>(b) to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Church Council, from time to time, may think fit; and</p> <p>(c) to advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Church Council from time to time may think fit.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p><b>Special Events:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We had the Annual Fasting Prayer from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Dr VJ Samkutty was the guest speaker during these meetings. We had a baptism service on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Dr Wessly Lukose and Pastor Bennitt Abraham gave leadership to the baptism service.</li><li>• We had the Church outing on 04<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Stanwick Lakes, Wellingborough. This enabled all the members of the Church including adults and kids to meet to connect and relax with games, food, and other activities.</li><li>• We have participated in 'God Loves you Tour' on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022 in London, organised by Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA). This is an evangelistic ministry by Franklin Graham to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ through hundreds of outreaches around the world.</li><li>• We had a Combined Fellowship with Birmingham Pentecostal Fellowship at Transformation Church, Birmingham on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022. This was aimed to have fellowship with two churches and to know new members of both the churches more personally.</li><li>• The Mission team of LAPC had organised a Charity bike ride at Watermead Country Park, Leicester on 08<sup>th</sup> October 2022 for all the LAPC attendees to raise money to support the Christian Charities in the UK like Openhands, Christians against poverty, and Christian Aid.</li></ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have participated in 'Jesus Parade for All Nations' on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022. This is a Prayer movement initiated by Christians in Leicester. Many churches from Leicester joined together to pray for Leicester.</li> <li>• We had the Christmas Dinner on December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, where all the families of the Church cooked various items of the Christmas Menu. This was a time of fellowship and celebration of the festive season.</li> <li>• The Mission Team of the Church organised a Mission Sunday on 05<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Evangelist Daniel Shearer was the guest speaker for this event. A special offering was taken to support various mission works.</li> <li>• The Children Ministry and Youth Ministry teams have organised a Talent Day on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 for all the members of the Church to display their skills and talents. This included Songs, Speech, Instrumental music, Essays, Quiz etc. Pastor Blessan Mathew and Mrs Roshni C Roy were the resource people for the occasion.</li> </ul> <p><b>Children Ministry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday School was held every Sunday from 4-5 PM via ZOOM. Sunday School had students from Foundation year to Year 12 with relevant curriculum. We catered for students even above Year 12 as many expressed interests in learning more about theological topics. 52 children were taught in the LAPC Sunday school, and 21 teachers were actively involved in delivering the Sunday School lessons.</li> <li>• <b>ABLAZE</b>- Ablaze is a Children's ministry aimed at our 4 – 17s. It is a dynamic and an interesting place for the young hearts to grow and nurture them in God's Word and confidence. We provide a safe, spiritual, and fun environment where God's Word comes to life through various programs tailored to the needs of different age groups, such as - games, crafts, action songs, teaching sessions, storytelling, prayer, and worship, watching videos and many more. We also encourage team building activities to teach the importance of teamwork and to establish the culture of respect, trust, and value.</li> <li>• We resumed ABLAZE since May 2022 (post covid) and takes place on the fourth Sunday of every other month at Stoneygate Baptist Church, Leicester.</li> </ul> <p><b>Youth Ministry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Youth Team organised virtual youth meetings on the third Saturday of every month till November 2022 due to COVID and from December 2022 physical gatherings of the youth meeting were restarted at Stoneygate Baptist Church, Leicester on the third Friday of every month. Youth meetings enhanced the confidence of the Children by exhibiting their talents.</li> <li>• The youth of the Church attended the Virtual Summer Youth camp 'Kindle 2022' at Cefn Lea Wales, from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022. KINDLE is a youth Christian Movement, whose aim is to contribute towards the rich heritage of Christian spirituality in this nation. The youth of the Church engage in various teams and lead many activities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Women Ministry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The women of the Church met via ZOOM on the third Thursday of every month for prayer, fellowship, and spiritual edification.</li> </ul> <p><b>Financial Support to Other Charities:</b></p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have extended financial support to a few charities, organisations, and individuals as the pandemic has affected everyone.</li> <li>• We partner with <b>Open Hands</b>, a charity based in Leicester to meet the needs of the homeless and hungry in Leicester city. Apart from financial support to this charity, we also provided essential food items to the needy through Open Hands. The members of LAPC have donated new/used shoes to Open Hands, on 29 May 2022.</li> <li>• We partner with <b>Christians Against Poverty (CAP)</b>, a Christian charitable company in the United Kingdom and provide financial support.</li> <li>• We partner with <b>Christian Aid</b>, a relief and development agency of 41 Christian churches (Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox) in the UK and Ireland. We provide financial support to them.</li> <li>• We have financially supported the Ukraine Relief fund.</li> </ul>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>Yes, the Trustees had considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.</p> <p>As Trustees, we are focussed that all the main activities of the Charity are undertaken in line with the Objects of the CIO and are meant for public benefit.</p>

#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	NA
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	NA
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All income of the Charity is through voluntary contributions by its members.
Other		

#### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole	Para 1.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Charity was able to provide support to many homeless and hungry in Leicester City through our partnership with Open Hands in Leicester.</li> <li>• The Charity continues to support other charities in the UK like Christians Against Poverty and Christian Aid by offering support in varied ways to the disadvantaged and differently abled people.</li> <li>• Through the Church activities our youth have been able to grow in their spiritual and personal lives. They could display their skillsets which provided opportunities for them to learn, to lead group sessions and be involved in various team building activities which aided the youths to improve their skills for collaboration and teamwork.</li> <li>• Focussed education for the children and teens has been conducted regularly for their spiritual, moral and character formation.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Church members were confident in organising and designing various events. These opportunities improved their leadership and team-building skills.</li> </ul>
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

#### Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The CIO was able to meet the financial needs for the year while maintaining the balance and holds healthy reserves to meet the ongoing needs of the CIO.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Life Abundant Pentecostal Church's Reserves policy is to maintain a sufficient level of reserves to enable operating activities, considering the potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time. The Trustees review the policy annually and the Church Council is authorised to take necessary steps and policies to use the reserves in line with the Model constitution of the Assemblies of God, Great Britain.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£30,000 as of 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	NA
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	NA

#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

#### Structure, Governance and Management



Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Foundation Constitution ('Association' Model Constitution)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("the CIO")
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Senior Minister and other Trustees shall nominate and appoint new Trustees from time to time.

#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>Trustees --- Deacons --- Team Leaders --- Team Members</p> <p>Current Teams in place are Administration, Mission and Charity, Worship Team, Prayer Ministry, Finance, Media, Women Ministry, Youth Ministry, Children's Ministry and Hospitality.</p> <p><b>Partnership</b></p> <p>The Church partners with Assemblies of God GB, which is one the largest mainstream Pentecostal movements in the UK. Each church in this movement is requested to donate 3% of their regularly received offerings from their members to their national office located in Mattersey, Doncaster.</p> <p>The Church partners with other UK- based charities such as Open Hands Trust (Leicester), Kindle Community Limited, Birmingham Pentecostal Fellowship, Christians Against Poverty and Christian Aid.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

#### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Life Abundant Pentecostal Church
Other name the charity uses	LAPC
Registered charity number	1181849
Charity's principal address	32 Grove Road Leicester LE8 6LN



### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Wessly Lukose	Chair of Charity		
2	Mr Biju Matthew			
3	Mr Joy Thomas			
4	Dr Shebu Lukose			

### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
NA		

### Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NA		

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	NA
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NA
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	NA

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
For advice on compliance, reporting for Charity Commission and Companies House	Sebastian and Daughters Ltd (Independent Examiner)	17 Neals Corner, 2 Bath Road, Hounslow, Middlesex, TW3 3HJ

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

NA
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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details



NA

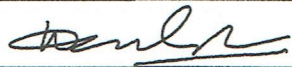
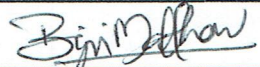
Other optional information

NA

### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dr Wessly Lukose	Mr Biju Matthew
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustee	Trustee

Date

16/01/2024



# **Life Abundant Pentecostal Church**

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UK Charity No. 1181849

## **Financial Statements**

01-Apr-2022 to 31-Mar-2023





Charity Name	No (if any)
LIFE ABUNDANT PENTECOSTAL CHURCH	1181849

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	Period end date
	01/04/2022	31/03/2023

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations towards Building Fund		25,882	-	25,882	10,206
Other Donations received			-	-	-
Fasting prayer	475			475	-
Other income				-	-
Charity & Mission		8,089		8,089	4,944
Tithes	39,234		-	39,234	28,586
Sunday offering	19,112			19,112	12,481
Other collections			-	-	19
Interest received		728	-	728	11
Ladies Fund	270			270	1,200
Rental income	220			220	75
Year end Offering	134			134	350
Asset Fund				-	60
Library Fund	80			80	
Gift aid Claim	30,811			30,811	
			-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	90,336	34,699	-	125,035	57,932
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	90,336	34,699	-	125,035	57,932
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Allowance to senior Minister	16,416		-	16,416	16,416
Administrative /rental expenses	5,900		-	5,900	2,856
Rental expenses			-	-	-
Website expenses			-	-	312
Repairs & renewals			-	-	-
Legal expenses	145		-	145	227
Insurance	262		-	262	262
Subscription - Zoom	173		-	173	173
Charity & Mission expenses		5,475	-	5,475	3,034
Children's & Youth ministry expenses	288			288	-
Women's ministry expenses				-	-
Spiritual & Welfare expenses	6,064			6,064	700
Capital expenses	1,089			1,089	308
Gift for visiting ministers				-	-
Training & Development				-	-
Refreshments	1,407			1,407	389
Professional fees	1,800			1,800	600
AOG Subscription	1,123			1,123	2,395
Other expenses	60		-	60	749
Stationary & Consumables	199		-	199	
Bank charges	116		-	116	
			-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	35,041	5,475	-	40,516	28,421



A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>35,041</b>	<b>5,475</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40,516</b>	<b>28,421</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>55,295</b>	<b>29,224</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84,519</b>	<b>29,511</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	46,504	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,016	125,205	-	147,221	117,710
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>30,807</b>	<b>200,933</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>231,740</b>	<b>147,221</b>

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Curent account	29,882		
	Savings Account		200,933	
	Cash	925	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>30,807</b>	<b>200,933</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

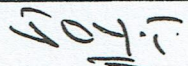
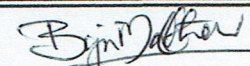
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	Details			
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Hard drive	Unrestricted funds	118	-
	HDMI Cable	Unrestricted funds	6	-
	Steel Cooking Vessel for Church (Tea)	Unrestricted funds	85	-
	Sound/Speakers	Unrestricted funds	250	-
	Wireless microphone systems	Unrestricted funds	669	-
	Keyboard stand	Unrestricted funds	23	-
	In ear monitor belt pack & Ear buds	Unrestricted funds	208	-
	Audio cables, Power cable/adaptor & HDMI	Unrestricted funds	338	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities				
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOY THOMAS	14/01/24
	BIJU MATTHEW	14/01/24





# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

LIFE ABUNDANT PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 March 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1181849

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective  
responsibilities of  
trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent  
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent  
examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*)

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met ; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn 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: 10/07/2023

Name:

Sebastian Machukattu Devasia

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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