



Trustees' Annual Report

For the period from 01-April-2024 To 31-March-2025

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 03<sup>rd</sup> to 07<sup>th</sup> April 2024. A team of ministers including Pastor Jomon Iype, Pastor Billy Graham, Dr. John Thomas, Pastor George Varghese, Pastor Mathew and Pastor Jose Daniel ministered in the meetings.</li><li>• We organised an Evangelism Training in partnership with the Billy Graham Evangelist Association (BGEA) for the youth of our Church on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Reuben Morley from BGEA was the trainer for the course.</li><li>• We have participated in 'God Loves You Tour' on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024 in Birmingham, which was 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>• A Safeguarding training by the experts from ThirtyOneEight (an independent organization) was organised online on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024 to train all our volunteers who work with children and young people. The training was interactive, with some group exercises and opportunities to raise and answer questions. 39 people took part in the training.</li><li>• A Summer reading challenge was organised for the youths and kids from July to August 2024 and the top reader received a prize.</li><li>• Our church Library desk opened third Sunday of every month to encourage children and adults in the church to read Christian</li></ul>



literature, thereby being inspired to fulfil their unique purpose in the kingdom of God. The team aims to identify children's creative, reflective writing skills from the books they read and help nurture them.

- A cycle ride was organized on 07<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at Watermead Country Park, Leicester. The event aimed to create awareness and raise funds for the Mission and Charity activities of the church. On this occasion, the church hoodie was launched and distributed to all who placed an order.
- On September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Youth and Sunday School Anniversary was conducted. A variety of programmes from all age groups were performed and was thoroughly enjoyable.
- We had a Youth Prayer Night and Informal worship on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2024. All our youth actively participated in this meeting.
- The Mission and Charity Team of LAPC organised a 'Mission Sunday' on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Simeon Locke from Operation Mobilization (OM) and Joel Spaxmam from Reach Across were the resource persons. They were a great inspiration and challenge for all of us. There was a special collection to support the Christian organisations and Evangelists. It was an opportunity to understand the importance of mission and encouraged the members to get actively involved in the mission activities as much as they can.
- During the festive season, a seasonal youth gathering was organized on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024 for all youth aged 11 years and above. The youth helped to coordinate the day's activities joined together at Stoneygate Baptist church for some time of worship, prayer, games and interactive sessions.
- Year End Fasting prayer was held from 27<sup>th</sup>–29<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at Stoneygate Baptist Church and at Judgemeadow Community College. Pastor Blessan Mathew ministered in the meetings.
- The Sunday School and Youth Teams organised a Vacation Bible School (VBS) for the children at New Parks Methodist Church on February 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025. The theme was RACE (Rise and Conquer Eternity) which enlightened the children on the aspects of receiving, living out and sharing salvation.
- We had 'Youth Sunday' on 02<sup>nd</sup> March 2025, where the Youth of the church led the entire Sunday service. This provided a platform for the youngsters of the Church to plan and execute the meeting. Talents were evident in various capacities – choir, leading, preaching, coordinating, media handling, video recording, editing and displaying, providing refreshments etc.
- A special course, 'The Christian Life and Witness Course' was organised in the afternoon of 08<sup>th</sup> March 2025, Saturday by Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA). The course aimed to train church members in being effective in Christian Life and Witnessing. Training material was provided for by BGEA free of charge. Around 50 people attended the training. Pastor Alastair Gray from the Wheatsheaf Church in Leicester was the trainer.
- We took part in 'Navigating a confused world,' a one-day seminar on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2025 organised by Ray of Hope ministries, in Birmingham. Pastor Jaise Pandanad from India was the Resource Person.



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'I am Andrew' prayer meeting was organised with the help of Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) – on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at Stoneygate church. Reuben Morley from BGEA led the meeting. Pastor Alastair Gray (Wheatsheaf Church, Leicester), Pastor Steven Patel (Belgrave Baptist Church, Leicester), Pastor Henry Ohakah (Mount Sorrel Baptist Church) along with Pastor Bennitt Abraham and Brother Jacob Roy from LAPC led the prayer matters.</li> <li>• On 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2025, we had a Family Seminar organised by the Women's Ministry Team. Pastor Blesson Mathew from London was the resource person and he brought out the message of the importance of a godly family with God-fearing parents and children who form the building blocks of a blessed society and together form a blessed nation. He warned of the dangers in present times of the challenges posed to sustain a healthy family.</li> </ul> <p><b>Sunday Service:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We had regular Sunday service from 5 - 7.30 pm at the hired premises of Stoneygate Baptist Church. The Sunday services were streamed online on ZOOM as well for those who could not attend the Sunday Service in person at the venue.</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. Sunday School had students from Foundation year to Year 12 with relevant curriculum. 62 children were taught in the LAPC Sunday school, and 25 teachers were actively involved in delivering the Sunday School lessons. A dedicated team of Sunday school teachers work to enrich the faith of the younger generation. A syllabus is followed for the lessons to study the Bible, Lives of Missionaries, and Christian approach to facing problems in life.</li> <li>• <b>ABLAZE-</b> Ablaze is a ministry aimed at our children aged between 4 and 17. It is a dynamic and an interesting place for the young hearts to grow and nurture in God's Word with 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. Activities include 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>• ABLAZE 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 youth meetings 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 Summer Youth camp 'Kindle 2024' at Cefn Lea Wales, from 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2024. KINDLE is a youth Christian Movement, whose aim is to contribute towards the rich heritage of Christian spirituality in</li> </ul>
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		<p>this nation. The youth of the Church engage in various teams and lead numerous activities.</p> <p><b>Women's Ministry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The women of the church meet on Zoom every third Tuesday of the month for prayer, fellowship, and spiritual edification.</li> </ul> <p><b>Financial Support to Other Charities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have extended financial support to a few charities, organisations, and individuals.</li> <li>• We partner with <b>Open Hands</b>, a charity based in Leicester to meet the needs of the homeless and the hungry in Leicester city. Apart from financial support, we also provided essential food items to the needy through Open Hands.</li> <li>• Financial Support were provided to <b>Kindle United, Birmingham Children's Hospital</b> and <b>Reach Across</b>, Leicester.</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 provided support to numerous 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, Kindle United, Reach Across, Birmingham Children's hospital 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 in improving 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 2025
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 at least 3% of their regularly received offerings from its members to their national office in Arlington House, Manchester.</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, Reach Across, Birmingham Children's Hospital 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			
5	Mr Jacob Roy			

### 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

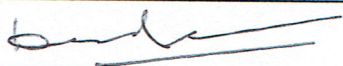
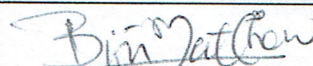
Other optional information

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

14 Dec 2025





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
	01/04/2024	31/03/2025

	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		39,875.02	-	39,875	33,935
Fasting prayer	2,550.00			2,550	1,301
Charity & Mission	17,207.15			17,207	9,590
Monthly Contribution	45,850.00		-	45,850	42,035
Sunday offering	19,510.35			19,510	20,282
Other collections	280.22		-	280	-
Interest received		£7,390	-	7,390	4,290
Ladies Fund	2,200.00			2,200	1,600
Rental income	405.00			405	406
New Year Offering				-	570
Youth weekend away income				-	13,833
Library Fund				-	-
Gift aid Claim				-	38,623
Sunday School & Youth	3,788.05		-	3,788	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>91,791</b>	<b>47,265</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>139,056</b>	<b>166,465</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>91,791</b>	<b>47,265</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>139,056</b>	<b>166,465</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Allowance to senior Minister	£18,000		-	18,000	18,000
Administrative /rental expenses			-	-	11,401
Rental expenses	£11,398		-	11,398	-
Website expenses				-	381
Repairs & renewals	£500		-	500	860
Legal expenses	£1,144		-	1,144	383
Insurance			-	-	272
Subscription - Media	£247		-	247	187
Charity & Mission expenses	£16,049		-	16,049	5,549
Children's & Youth ministry expenses	£6,925			6,925	14,652
Women's ministry expenses	£250			250	737
Spiritual & Welfare expenses			-	-	8,050
Capital expenses	£488			488	-
Training & Development	£346			346	-
Refreshments	£1,728			1,728	3,780
Professional fees	£600			600	1,100
AOG Subscription	£1,739			1,739	1,123
Other expenses			-	-	681
Stationary & Consumables	£2,009		-	2,009	678
Bank charges	£77		-	77	75
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>61,502</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,502</b>	<b>67,908</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>61,502</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,502</b>	<b>67,908</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>30,289</b>	<b>47,265</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,554</b>	<b>98,557</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>			-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>13,074</b>	<b>317,223</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>330,297</b>	<b>231,740</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>43,363</b>	<b>364,489</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>407,851</b>	<b>330,297</b>



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current account	7,956		
	Savings Account		399,613	
	Cash	281	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>8,238</b>	<b>399,613</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	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 Cables	Unrestricted funds	338	-
	Amplifier, Speakers, Snake cables	Unrestricted funds	340	-
	Power adapter & Cables	Unrestricted funds	245	
	Amplifier, Speakers, Snake cables	Unrestricted funds	340	
	Power adapter & Cables	Unrestricted funds	245	
	<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	JOY.T	JOY THOMAS	08/12/2025	
	Bryn Matthews	BJN MATTHEW	18/12/25	





# 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 2025

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 Acthave 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:

30/05/2025

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.