

The Potter's House Christian Fellowship UK
Erdington Church

Year Ended 31 December 2020

Charity No: 1182380

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The Potter's House Christian Fellowship UK Erdington Church

Trustees' Annual Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

Reference and administration details

Charity Number 1182380

Principle Address Friendship Hall, Sutton New Road, Birmingham, B23 6QR

Names of charity trustees who manage the Charity

Mr Lewis Claxton

Mr Phillip Bryant

Mr Terrence Mupayah

Structure Governance and management

Governing Document

Constitution adopted 7 March 2019

Constitution of trustee and selection methods

The charity is constituted as a trust and the trustees are appointed by the existing trustees.

Objectives and activities

Objects of Charity

The charity is governed by constitution and the main objectives are the furtherance of the Christian Faith. In order to do this, regular activities are carried out and invitations given out to public. Finance is raised purely from members' contributions. The day to day running of the church is delegated by the Trustees to the Pastor.

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Summary of main activities in relation to these objects

The Charity exists to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and to teach people the bible. All our activities reflect these core goals. The Church arranges or participates in a number of activities to this end, namely Bible Conferences, Marriage Seminars, Men's Discipleships, Revival Meetings with visiting preachers, Tent Crusades (home and abroad).

We have complied with our duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

2020 was an unusual year for everyone. The vast majority of plans and intentions were rudely interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Whilst our church was no exception to experiencing the impact of COVID-19 restrictions and the sickness it brought upon many people, we were largely able to navigate and progress as a congregation despite its influence.

We announced 2020 as being a year of restoration and that is exacting what we witnessed. Throughout the year we were able to welcome new individuals into our congregation. Some of these people had previously been part of our church, whilst many others came into our ministry for the first time. We are thankful that we could facilitate a COVID-secure yet fully functioning church experience to help people find hope, healing and salvation throughout the previous twelve months.

One of the main achievements of the year was our ability to respond to the pandemic effectively. When lockdown first hit in March, various ministers and leaders from the church quickly set up systems and purchased new equipment which enabled us to continue helping our community. We refused to be defeated. Instead of closing our doors, we created a COVID-secure building and various new ministries which included zoom bible studies, Youtube children's church and an emergency food helpline. We continued to find legal ways to tell people the good news of the gospel which was met with an unusually high degree of thanks and consideration from the community.

At our annual conference in October, our church was able to announce and support a new church plant into Worcester who were able to open their doors in 2021. We were very thankful that the pandemic did not halt the work of gospel.

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Financial review

The financial review of 2020 also gave us reason for joy. Whilst we received less income than in 2019, a closer look shows a strong and healthy state of affairs. The main source of our donations are given in tithes and offerings and this income had decreased by roughly £3,000. When taking all financial considerations such as online donations rather than cash, three national lockdowns and peoples financial hardship due to the pandemic, a slight drop in donations was to be expected.

The church leadership kept a close eye on the finances throughout the year and as a result we were able to make various building improvements, increase our giving to world evangelism causes, increase the Pastoral salary and set aside extra money in our savings account for future projects.

Overall, 2020 revealed the financial commitment of our church members and it has given us a confidence to continue with our plans of planting new churches in the future and looking for other ways of expansion and influence.

Policy on reserves

The charity has no reserve policy. Restricted funds are normally used up when raised.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Mr Lewis Claxton
Trustee
Date: 5 May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

To the Trustees of

The Potter's House Christian Fellowship UK Erdington Church

For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

Charity number 1182380

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on Pages 6 and 7.

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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

To the Trustees of

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For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

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Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(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.

Mr Augustine Lee
(BA Hons)
Lee & Co (Accountants)
276 London Road
Westcliff on Sea
Essex
SS0 7JG
5 May 2021

THE POTTER'S HOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UK ERDINGTON CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020
CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER: 1182380

Receipts

	<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>	
	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Donations and Other Similar Receipts		71,313		74,583
Church building loans		-		20,306
Gift Aid Refund		14,259		13,906
Bank Interest		1		1
Funds transferred from old church		-		3,101
		<u>85,573</u>		<u>111,897</u>
Sale of Assets		-		139
Total Receipts		<u>85,573</u>		<u>112,036</u>

Payments

Tithes	6,347	5,400
World Evangelism	5,010	3,503
Visiting Speakers	5,975	6,120
Conference and Seminar	4,286	4,651
Outreach	1,272	2,355
Revival Expenses	2,018	3,047
New Church Support	3,353	4,071
Parsonage Rent	7,200	5,300
Mortgage Church Building	4,039	3,220
Repairs	5,600	5,499
Wages	9,650	7,603
Utilities	9,945	7,617
Printing Postage & Stationery	1,050	1,343
Insurance	954	986
Motor and Travelling	3,901	3,376
Hospitality	2,286	1,784
General Expenses	3,345	3,550
Bank Charges	12	67
Legal and Professional	144	1,746
Independent Examiner	300	300
	<u>76,686</u>	<u>71,538</u>
Building improvements	-	25,806
Purchase of Fixed assets etc.	4,025	8,818
Total Payments	<u>80,710</u>	<u>106,162</u>
Net Receipts	4,863	5,874
Opening cash fund	5,874	-
Cash funds this year end	<u>10,737</u>	<u>5,874</u>

THE POTTER'S HOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UK ERDINGTON CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>CASH FUNDS</u>		
Cash at Bank	<u>10,737</u>	<u>5,874</u>

This figure agrees with the amount on the receipts and payments account

ASSETS RETAINED FOR THE CHARITY'S OWN USE

	<u>Funds to which asset belongs</u>
Equipment	Unrestricted funds
Buildings	Unrestricted funds
Motor Vehicles	Unrestricted funds

LIABILITIES

	<u>Funds to which liability relates</u>
Independent Examiner fees	Unrestricted funds
Mortgage	Unrestricted funds



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Mr Lewis Claxton
Trustee
Date of Approval
05 May 2021