

**Registered Charity Number 1182449**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025**

**FOR**

**THE POTTERS HOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP UK  
SUNDERLAND CHURCH**

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## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

**Registered Charity Number:**

1182449

**Principal address:**

RCCG Living Faith Building  
1 North Bridge Street  
Monkwearmouth  
Sunderland SR5 1AB

**Trustees**

Mr Andrew Wilkinson (Chair)  
Mr Leighton Ainsworth  
Mr C McLaren

**Bank**

Barclays Bank Plc  
53 Fawcett Street Sunderland  
Sunderland  
SR1 1RS

**Accountants**

Anderson and Murtha  
Unit 1N  
North Sands Business Centre  
Liberty Way  
Sunderland SR6 0QA

**Solicitors**

Anthony Collins Solicitors  
134 Edmund Street  
Birmingham  
BE3 2ES

**Potters House Christian Fellowship UK  
Sunderland Church**

**Trustees' Annual Report**

**For the period 31 Dec 2024 to 31 December 2025**

**The trustees present the annual report in conjunction with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025.**

**Objectives and Aims:**

To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in Sunderland, other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the church council may from time to time think fit and other such purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and consistent with the work of the charity.

The relief of poverty and sickness and to relieve the distress caused thereby regardless of nationality, religious, political or other opinion in the said Sunderland and in such other parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the church council may from time to time think fit.

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 Studies, Prayer meetings, Concerts, Outreach events, 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**

Regular church services are held at the RCCG Living Faith Building, 1 North Bridge Street, Monkwearmouth, Sunderland SR5 1AB, at 3pm Sunday afternoon.

2025 has been a year of growth both in people and finances since the church reopened. The Church has started in its vision to bring the gospel to the local community through its giving and involvement. We have made great impact in the area and have been able to work with people from the local community including students who have income regular members. As a church we were able to continue to host a full revival and several special Sunday services which proved to be very fruitful as well as supporting local businesses.

## **Financial Review**

In 2025 there is income due to the growth in the number of people coming to our services. We have maintained equally low expenses and have been able to host more Special Sundays with guest speakers due to the increase in giving. The stability of the church and finances have been maintained. For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025, the charity had a total revenue of £25234.69 and total expenses of £20050.97. The closing reserves were £11478.64 on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025.

## **Policy on reserves**

The charities unrestricted funds held in reserve for any unforeseen circumstances are considered to be adequate. The Trustees of the charity aim to have enough unrestricted reserves to cover 3 months of expenditure and to cover any unforeseen circumstances

## **Structure Governance and management**

The Church registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 23 April 2019. The church was closed on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 until 5<sup>th</sup> April 2024 when Leighton Ainsworth took over as Trustee and Andrew Wilkinson (Chair) was assigned as a Trustee on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Mr Colin McLaren was appointed as Trustee on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

## **Constitution of trustee and selection methods**

The Board of Trustees retain authority to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies and/or increase the number of Trustees as need arises. The process of appointing new trustees is in the constitution document.

## **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities:**

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice),

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material

departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Potters House Christian Fellowship UK  
Sunderland Church**

Trustees Annual Report

**For the Period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025**

**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Wilkinson', written over a horizontal line.

Mr Andrew Wilkinson, Chair

1 Jan 2026

# **Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts**

## **To the Trustees of Potters House Christian Fellowship Sunderland Church**

**For the year ended 31 December 2025**  
Charity number 1182449

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025, which are set out on pages 9, 10 and 11.

### **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 examiners 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.



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## **To the Trustees of Potters House Christian Fellowship Sunderland Church**

**For the year ended 31 December 2025**  
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### **Independent examiners 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 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.

Anderson & Murtha  
ACCOUNTANTS  
Unit 1N  
North Sands Business Centre  
Liberty Way  
Sunderland  
SR6 0QA

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**The Potters House Christian Fellowship Church, Sunderland**  
**Registered Charity No 1182449**

**Income and Expenditure Account**  
**31 December 2024 – 31 December 2025**

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Income – Tithes/Offerings		14145.76
Tithes/Offerings online		<u>11068.93</u>
		25234.69
less Expenditure		
	(£)	
Affiliate Church contribution	2604.88	
Hall Hire for Services/Events	3600.00	
Equipment	991.77	
Printing & Advertising	895.83	
Professional Fees	459.60	
Insurance	323.46	
Office/Admin	82.59	
Phone	32.50	
Travel Visiting Speakers	270.29	
Revival/Special Services Cost	594.52	
Honorarium Visiting Speakers	5556.67	
World Evangelism	649.00	
Benevolence/Hardship	399.45	
Bank Charges/Fees	30.00	
Concerts (Impact Team)	78.63	
Adobe/i sing/social media	300.88	
Sundries	1633.55	
Church Fellowships	1221.47	
Young Adults/Youth	310.88	
Petrol Young Adults Leader	15.00	<u>-20050.97</u>
Surplus of Income over expenditure		£ <u>5183.72</u>

**The Potters House Christian Fellowship Church Sunderland**  
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**Balance Sheet**  
**1 January 2025 – 31 December 2025**

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	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Account	11478.64	6294.92
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<b>Accumulated Fund</b>		
Balance b/f	6294.92	1866.19
Surplus	<u>5183.72</u>	<u>4428.73</u>
	<u>11478.64</u>	<u>6294.92</u>