

# TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, PONTYPRIDD

England & Wales · Charity number 1182495

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2019-03-15

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH ARE:- 3.1.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION. 3.1.2 THE CHURCH MAY ALSO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

**Activities:** The advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world. Preaching the Gospel. Providing pastoral care to those in need.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Rhondda Cynon Taff

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£92,599	£123,096	-	-
2023-12-31	£127,706	£135,495	-	-
2022-12-31	£152,844	£116,659	-	-
2021-12-31	£62,777	£69,154	-	-
2020-12-31	£69,238	£69,387	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew John Sparkes		2016-02-01
Catherine Sarah Louise Webster		2025-03-16
Ceri John Herbert		2017-06-01
Peter John Roberts		2020-01-05
Tracy Samuel		2022-06-05
Wyndham Christopher Roberts		2023-12-24

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Year Ending December 31st 2023

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NATWEST BANK

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### 6.1 MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE OF THE PREMISES

The actions from the last quinquennial review in 2019 are still being planned into the maintenance schedule. During the year, routine day-to-day maintenance of the Church buildings was carried out. In addition, our boilers were replaced with modern units, supported by a £10k grant from the Welsh Churches fund.

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The presentation currency is £ sterling.

Signed following approval by the trustees on 05/07/2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dana Davis', is written over a light grey dotted rectangular background.

Dana Davis (Church Secretary)

## Temple Baptist Church

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st December 2023

	Receipts			Payments	
	2022 £	2023 £		2022 £	2023 £
Donations	93,761	94,833	Ministry Expenses	40,169.00	37,853.00
Gift Aid Recovered	40,109	13,659	Upkeep of Building & Operations	49,204.00	71,527.00
Investment Income	0	2346	Church Groups	4,696.00	4,070.00
Rent & Buildings Income	6,588	6,509	Administration	4,561.00	3,775.00
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Miscellaneous	542	404			
	<b>152,844</b>	<b>127,706</b>		<b>116,659</b>	<b>135,495</b>

Opening Balance @ 01.01.23	188,752	Expenditure		135,495
Income	127,706	Closing Balance @ 31.12.23		180,963
	<u><b>316,458</b></u>			<u><b>316,458</b></u>

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**Registered Charity: 1182495**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT  
AND  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

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TA24 6DQ**

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# Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

## Receipts and Payments Accounts

**Report to the trustees/members of Temple Baptist Church**

**Registered Charity Number 1182495**

**On the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

**Set out on the following pages**

### **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;  
follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and  
state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

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 you as 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:

(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 to 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.

**Signed *L A Silver***

**Date: 19 February 2024**

Luke Silver HNC Business & Finance / Accountancy Practitioner

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## **Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees**

### **Introduction**

Thank you for submitting the accounts for independent examination. They have been well maintained and the treasurer and others responsible are to be commended for their hard work. Therefore I will keep my comments to a minimum.

### **Charity Law and Financial Regulations**

The independent examination has been carried out in accordance with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995 (Statutory Instruments No 2724) and the Accounting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

### **Signing of Accounts**

I shall be obliged if you will please forward a copy of the signature page for my records after the accounts have been signed by a representative appointed by the Trustees.

### **Conclusion**

There are no other matters I feel need to be brought to your attention.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification or for further assistance.

**Luke Silver**

**Date: 19 February 2024**

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	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	
Woodland Terrace	100,000
Church Premises - Insured Value	921,387
Gelliwastad Road - Insured Value	4,091,394
Fixtures, Furniture & Equipment - Insured Value	159,046
<b>Total Fixed Assets - Insured Value</b>	<b>5,271,827</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<u>Bank Balances:</u>	
NatWest Current Account	53,889
Natwest Temple Graig	25,709
Baptists Together G10T001	25,753
Baptists Together G09T002	50,588
Baptists Together GT019	25,024
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>180,963</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	<b>NIL</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>5,452,790</b>

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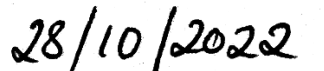
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Opening Balance @ 01.01.22	152,567	Expenditure		116,659
Income	152,844	Closing Balance @ 31.12.22		188,752
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# Temple Baptist Church

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**Registered Charity: 1182495**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT  
AND  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

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**Report to the trustees/members of Temple Baptist Church**

**Registered Charity Number 1182495**

**On the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

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**Signed *L A Silver***

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**Luke Silver**

**Date: 13 February 2023**

## Temple Baptist Church

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	Receipts			Payments	
	2021 £	2022 £		2021 £	2022 £
Donations	56,334	93,761	Ministry Expenses	32,229	40,169
Gift Aid Recovered	0	40,109	Upkeep of Building & Operations See Note 1	21,559	49,204
Investment Income	0	0	Church Groups	743	4,696
Rent & Buildings Income	3,631	6,588	Administration	3,274	4,561
Grants	0	11,844	Support for Other Groups & Causes	11,349	18,029
Miscellaneous	2,312	542	Pastor's Fund	0	0
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Baptist Union Investment Account	50,000
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<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>5,460,579</b>

**TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH, PONTYPRIDD**

England & Wales - Charity number 1182495

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# Accounts

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## **Trustees' Report and End of Year Financial Statements**

Year Ending December 31st 2021

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Charity Registration Number 1182495

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NATWEST BANK

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Luke Silver  
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The Trustees acknowledge that the work of the Church is highly dependent on members and volunteers who provide voluntary service in many areas. These include:

- heading up the children's activities in the Church
- providing music for services
- maintaining the property
- catering
- administration
- staffing the Church activities mentioned in this report

## GRAIG INITIATIVE – SEPTEMBER 2021

Temple has two buildings in Pontypridd – one in the Graig area of town, the other in the town centre. Over 20 years ago, Temple moved from the Graig to Gelliwastad Road but maintained a presence there with a number of ministries continuing. Over the past years, a number of members have felt a renewed calling to further progress the work on the Graig. In September, Temple formally commissioned this group to establish a more intentional work. This was done with the help and support of New Wine Cymru.

### 6.1 MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE OF THE PREMISES

The actions from the last quinquennial review in 2019 are still being planned into the maintenance schedule. During the year, routine day-to-day maintenance of the Church buildings was carried out. In addition, phase 3 of the AV/streaming upgrade (which included radio mics and additional stage lighting), was completed.

## 7 FINANCIAL REVIEW

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### 7.1 FINANCIAL POLICIES

The Church has established systems to properly receive monies in and to control expenditure in accordance with the Constitution and the directions of the Trustees and Church Meeting. Budgeted resources are controlled to match anticipated income based upon previous years and expected changes. The Treasurer is always a Trustee

The Church Meeting is responsible for approving the gift profile and other budget lines for the coming year. The annual church accounts are prepared by the Treasurer and independently examined by external, qualified accountants. They are then reviewed by the Trustees prior to the Church Meeting.

Reserves Policy Expenditure is controlled to match anticipated income based on annual budgets, with some allowance to build up reserves as prudent provision for known upcoming major expenses.

Taking into account Temple Baptist Church's Trustees Report 2020-2021 the Church's current financial position, its annual income, its financial oversight, the potential for loss of key income and the need for adequate cash flow, it is considered that the current minimum reserve level of £40,000 is appropriate.

## 7.2 GENERAL FUND

All freely available reserves are held in the General Fund. The Trustees monitor the level of reserves and will address any shortfall or make proposals to the Church Meeting in respect of any accumulated surplus to meet the Church's objectives. The reserves also represent the working balance of the Church particularly given the claiming of Gift Aid in arrears.

## 7.3 RESTRICTED FUND

Monies are held in Restricted Funds where an appeal or a donor restricts their use, for instance to support the work of a particular organisation within or outside the church.

## 7.4 DESIGNATED FUND


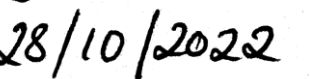
Some monies have been designated for particular purposes, and have not been included in the calculation of reserves as they are considered essential to support the running of the Church. As well as holdings for internal organisations, the main Designated Fund is the Building Fund.

Our Church buildings are both over 100 years old and so we maintain a building fund for ongoing maintenance and modernisation. Some big items of work, such as repairing roofs and brick work are expensive and reserves are being built up for these. The Trustees are also actively exploring grant funding to help address the expense

## 7.5 PRESENTATION CURRENCY

The presentation currency is £ sterling.

Signed following approval by the trustees on 28/10/2022

Dana Davis (Church Secretary)

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## Temple Baptist Church

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Investment Income	58	0	Church Groups	986.00	743.00
Rent & Buildings Income	5,372	3,631	Administration	5,138.00	3,274.00
Miscellaneous	0	2,312	Support for Other Groups & Causes	6,598.00	11,349.00
			Pastor's Fund	300.00	0.00
	<b>69,238</b>	<b>62,277</b>		<b>69,387</b>	<b>69,154</b>

Opening Balance @ 01.01.21  
Income

159,444 Expenditure  
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# Accounts

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Year Ending December 31st 2020

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HSBC UK (Branch ID: HBUKGB4149L)

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Samuel Chandler  
21 Mafeking Road  
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The Church does not measure the success of its programmes primarily in numbers, including financial numbers, but in less tangible areas like fellowship and encouragement. The Trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure, but believe that the year covered by this report was again a positive one in the life of the Church, despite the challenges faced by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The church fellowship was also able to play an active part in bringing relief and support to local people whose homes were impacted by the devastating floods that hit Pontypridd in February 2020.

The Trustees acknowledge that the work of the Church is highly dependent on members and volunteers who provide voluntary service in many areas. These include:

- heading up the children's activities in the Church
- providing music for services
- maintaining the property
- catering
- administration
- staffing the Church activities mentioned in this report

## 6.1 MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADE OF THE PREMISES

The actions from the last quinquennial review in 2019 are still being planned into the maintenance schedule. Routine day-to-day maintenance of the Church buildings was supplemented by some one-off projects e.g. replacement of the main video projector.

During the year, improvements have been made to the church building including a new floor and wall lining to part of the church office building (Gelliwastad Cottage) and new concrete paving to the rear entrance and boiler room yard.

Major work is carried out by commercial contractors, with volunteers carrying out several minor tasks, contributing many hours of work. The Church premises are secured by external dusk to dawn lighting and CCTV.

## 7 FINANCIAL REVIEW

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### 7.1 FINANCIAL POLICIES

The Church has established systems to properly receive monies in and to control expenditure in accordance with the Constitution and the directions of the Trustees and Church Meeting. Budgeted resources are controlled to match anticipated income based upon previous years and expected changes. The Treasurer is always a Trustee

The Church Meeting is responsible for approving the gift profile and other budget lines for the coming year. The annual church accounts are prepared by the Treasurer and independently examined by external, qualified accountants. They are then reviewed by the Trustees prior to the Church Meeting.

Reserves Policy Expenditure is controlled to match anticipated income based on annual budgets, with some allowance to build up reserves as prudent provision for known upcoming major expenses.

Taking into account Temple Baptist Church's Trustees Report 2019-2020 the Church's current financial position, its annual income, its financial oversight, the potential for loss of key income and the need for adequate cash flow, it is considered that the current minimum reserve level of £40,000 is appropriate.

## 7.2 GENERAL FUND

All freely available reserves are held in the General Fund. The Trustees monitor the level of reserves and will address any shortfall or make proposals to the Church Meeting in respect of any accumulated surplus to meet the Church's objectives. The reserves also represent the working balance of the Church particularly given the claiming of Gift Aid in arrears.

## 7.3 RESTRICTED FUND

Monies are held in Restricted Funds where an appeal or a donor restricts their use, for instance to support the work of a particular organisation within or outside the church.

## 7.4 DESIGNATED FUND

Some monies have been designated for particular purposes, and have not been included in the calculation of reserves as they are considered essential to support the running of the Church. As well as holdings for internal organisations, the main Designated Fund is the Building Fund.

Our Church buildings are both over 100 years old and so we maintain a building fund for ongoing maintenance and modernisation. Some big items of work, such as repairing roofs and brick work are expensive and reserves are being built up for these. The Trustees are also actively exploring grant funding to help address the expense

## 7.5 PRESENTATION CURRENCY

The presentation currency is £ sterling.

Signed following approval by the trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021

*R.M. Hallett.*  
*24<sup>th</sup> October 2021*

Richard Hallett (Church Secretary)

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021

# Temple Baptist Church, Pontypridd

## Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### General Fund - Receipts and Payments Account

<b>Receipts</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Weekly offerings (cash / cheques)		4,526	14,549
Donations and other income		55,507	49,352
Income tax recovered		3,777	11,703
Investment income		58	118
Rent and buildings income		5,372	5,159
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b><u>69,238</u></b>	<b><u>80,881</u></b>
<b>Payments</b>		<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Ministry	<b>(3)</b>	(32,945)	(200)
Upkeep of building and operations	<b>(4)</b>	(23,420)	(25,370)
Administration	<b>(5)</b>	(5,138)	(4,711)
Church Groups	<b>(6)</b>	(986)	(3,077)
Support for other groups and causes	<b>(7)</b>	(6,598)	(6,603)
Pastor's Fund		(300)	(1,146)
<b>Total payments</b>		<b><u>(69,387)</u></b>	<b><u>(33,358)</u></b>
<b>Net receipts for the year</b>		<b><u>(149)</u></b>	<b><u>39,774</u></b>
Cash balance at 1 January		109,098	69,325
<b>Cash balance at 31 December</b>		<b>108,949</b>	<b>109,098</b>

### Designated Building Fund - Receipts and Payments Account

<b>Receipts</b>		<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Donations and other income		0	1,240
Income tax recovered		0	360
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>1,600</u></b>
<b>Payments</b>		<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Cottage		(1,630)	(3,980)
Network installation		0	(1,301)
Outdoor lighting		0	(770)
Year yard and boiler room		(4,100)	0
<b>Total payments</b>		<b><u>(5,730)</u></b>	<b><u>(6,051)</u></b>
<b>Net payments for the year</b>		<b><u>(5,730)</u></b>	<b><u>(4,451)</u></b>
Cash balance at 1 January		54,723	59,175
<b>Cash balance at 31 December</b>		<b>48,993</b>	<b>54,723</b>

## Restricted Funds - Receipts and Payments Account

		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Receipts in year	<b>(8.1)</b>	12,292	2,212
Payments in year	<b>(8.2)</b>	(12,603)	(400)
<b>Net receipts for the year</b>		<u><b>(311)</b></u>	<u><b>1,812</b></u>
Cash balance at 1 January 2020		1,812	0
<b>Cash balance at 31 December 2020</b>		<b>1,501</b>	<b>1,812</b>

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

<b>Assets</b>		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Bank balances	<b>(9)</b>	159,444	165,633
Non-monetary assets	<b>(11)</b>	See note	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>(10)</b>	See note	

# Notes to the Accounts

## 1. Purpose of funds

### General Fund

The general fund contains the funds of the church to provide for the operation and ongoing activities of the church.

### Designated building fund

The designated building fund is an unrestricted fund earmarked by the trustees for the particular purposes of providing resources for the restoration and redevelopment of the main church building purchased in 2006 at Gelliwastad Road, Pontypridd. Trustees may transfer money from these funds to other funds if necessary.

### Restricted funds

Restricted funds are funds received for the support of specific organisations or projects which can only be expended for the purpose nominated.

## 2. General fund receipts

In 2020 the overall level of general fund receipts has fallen £13,531. Though donations and other income have increased, the level of weekly offerings has declined due to the impact of Covid-19 and services not taking place for the majority of 2020. There has also been a reduction in income tax recovered due to delays in claiming gift aid following the transition to a CIO.

## 3. Ministry

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Salaries, national insurance and taxes	(31,739)	0
Materials	(94)	0
Other	(1,113)	200
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(32,945)</u></b>	<b><u>200</u></b>

In 2019 the only ministry expenses recognised were those for visiting preachers. From 1 January 2020 Temple has employed Peter Roberts as Pastor.

## 4. Upkeep of building and operations

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Cleaning	(3,059)	(2,927)
Insurance	(4,379)	(4,509)
Utilities	(9,048)	(9,572)
Repairs and maintenance	(3,015)	(8,073)
Supplies and catering	(223)	(290)
Equipment	(3,697)	0
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(23,420)</u></b>	<b><u>(25,370)</u></b>

In 2020 camera and recording equipment was purchased to enable live streaming of the services throughout the Covid-19 restrictions. As a result of the restrictions, the level of general maintenance work undertaken decreased, but two larger projects were completed and funded from the designated building fund.

<b>5. Administration</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Salaries, national insurance and expenses	0	(2,763)
Printing and stationary	(31)	(96)
Advertising	(36)	(84)
Subscriptions	(1,549)	(854)
Telephone and broadband	(937)	(914)
Legal	(1,257)	0
Other	(1,329)	0
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(5,138)</u></b>	<b><u>(4,711)</u></b>

Temple stopped employing a paid administrator in 2019. Subscription costs increased as a result of acquiring additional licences for live streaming services and holding church meetings virtually. Legal fees in 2020 relate to the registration of the Graig building with Land Registry. Other costs include the purchase of a laptop and the cost of the independent examination of the 2019 financial statements.

<b>6. Church Groups</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Outreach events	(534)	(1,419)
Other	(452)	(1,658)
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(986)</u></b>	<b><u>(3,077)</u></b>

As a result of the flooding in early 2020 and then Covid-19, most of our groups not run as usual throughout 2020. as a result the level of expenses for our groups was significantly lower. The main costs were from Christmas unwrapped (2019) and materials for Easter Cracked.

<b>7. Support for other groups and causes</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Pontypridd flood support	(868)	<u>0</u>
Tear Fund	0	(1,750)
PONT	(2,530)	0
Pontypridd Christian Concern	(2,400)	(2,400)
Open Doors	0	(1,188)
Baptist Union Home Mission	0	(304)
Pontypridd Christian Youth	0	(150)
Casa Haralui Children's Summer Camp	(500)	(500)
Other	0	(311)
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>(5,430)</u></b>	<b><u>(6,603)</u></b>

## 8. Restricted Mission Fund (Second collection)

<b>8.1 Receipts</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Pontypridd Flood	9,132	0
Open Doors	0	726
Hope Ministries	2,110	1,360
Tearfund	25	126
Foodbank	815	0
	<b><u>12,082</u></b>	<b><u>2,212</u></b>

<b>8.2 Payments</b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>
Pontypridd Flood	(9,132)	0
Open Doors	0	0
Hope Ministries	(3,470)	0
Casa Haralui Children's Summer Camp	0	(400)
	<b><u>(12,603)</u></b>	<b><u>(400)</u></b>

<b>Net receipts</b>	<b><u>(521)</u></b>	<b><u>1,812</u></b>
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Pontypridd flood relates to the monies donated to support those impacted by the floods in early 2020. Open Doors, Hope Ministries, and Tearfund are bodies which we support and collect restricted donations for, although opportunities for this were reduced in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic appeals and donations were raised through our online giving platform.

<b>9. Cash balances</b>	<b><u>31/12/2020</u></b>	<b><u>31/12/2019</u></b>
Current account	102,609	108,856
Deposit account	56,835	56,777
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>159,444</u></b>	<b><u>165,633</u></b>

## 10. Liabilities - Payments completed after 31 December 2020

The following two payments were made by cheque and completed after 31 December 2020, and as such do not form part of the accounts above. £1,750 paid to Tearfund and £1,000 paid to Open Doors, clearing the funds built up in the Restricted Mission Fund with the total amounts as per the gift profile.

## **11. Non-monetary assets:**

The church is beneficial owner (subject to the relevant trusts ) of the following assets, the legal title to which is held by the holding trustees:

(a) Held for investment purposes:

A domestic residence at 33 Woodland Terrace, Maesycod, Pontypridd. This was bequeathed to the church in 2007 and valued at £100,000. The property is let privately to generate income for the church.

(b) Held for Church's own use:

The church is beneficial owner (subject to the relevant trusts ) of the following assets, the legal title to which is held by the holding trustees:

1) The original Church premises at Llantrisant Rd, Graig, Pontypridd. The build cost in 1891 was £1.418. The land and buildings constitute an expendable permanent endowment, and would return to the Baptist Union of Great Britain should the church cease to operate.

The insured value of the premises is £921,387. The building continues to be used by the church as a community church building.

2) The main church building at Gelliwastad Road, Pontypridd. This was purchased in 2006 at a cost of £82,500. Again the land and buildings constitute an expendable permanent endowment, and would return to the Baptist Union of Great Britain should the church cease to operate. Because the building is Grade 2 listed and is restricted to use as a church, actual cost was considerably less than the rebuild insured value of the building of £4,091,394.

The church also owns fixtures, furniture and equipment with an insured value of £159,046.

The accounts and statement of assets and liabilities relating to the year ending 31st December 2020 are as approved by the trustees.

Signed:

Jonathan Saunders (Treasurer)

Date: 10/10/2021

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## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Temple Baptist Church, Pontypridd**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Temple Baptist Church, Pontypridd (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



Samuel Chandler ACA

14 October 2021