

# Christ Central Telford

England & Wales · Charity number 1184306

## Details

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**Other names** TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2019-07-08

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

## Contact

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**Website** <https://christcentraltelford.org/>

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE (A) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO IN THE COUNTY OF SHROPSHIRE AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT;(B) TO RELIEVE PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED OR HARDSHIP OR WHO ARE AGED OR SICK OR WHO ARE HOMELESS AND TO RELIEVE THE DISTRESS CAUSED THEREBY IN THE SAID COUNTY AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT; AND(C) TO PROMOTE AND FULFIL SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY IN THE SAID COUNTY AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT.

**Activities:** Advancing the Christian faith:1. Maintaining a Bible-believing community of faith, including Sunday services, mid-week groups, prayer meetings & pastoral care.2. Outreach: Worship services for local elderly people, free community drop-in coffee mornings & other activities.Providing relief (mainly financial):1. Church members & other connected persons in Telford.2. Various bodies abroad.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Disability, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Lebanon
- Ukraine
- Zambia
- Shropshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£94,378	£59,108	-	-
2024-03-31	£50,362	£41,752	-	-
2023-03-31	£32,001	£29,524	-	-
2022-03-31	£27,274	£24,743	-	-
2021-03-31	£23,888	£23,866	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Giles Higgins</b>	Chair	2019-07-08
Alison June Kerr-Gold		2019-07-08
Angela Tiscano Poynter		2024-11-14
Anne Helen Ward		2022-04-06
Edward John Hill		2024-11-14
Johannes Thomas Kerr-Gold		2019-07-08

**Christ Central Telford**

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# Accounts

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**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
Trustees' Annual Report

(Party name: Christ Central Telford (Partnership Incorporated Organisation))

(Party details)

Other names a charity was known by: Telford Christian Fellowship Trust

Registered Charity number: 112110

(Party's principal address)

The Office of the

Charity Commission

Welsh

Telford

TF1 1XX

Telephone

Name of Report

**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD  
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP)**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Financial year from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Name of the charity: Trustee

Name	(Other ID no)	Date Added
Mr John Hagan	Chairman	All Year
Mr John Hagan	Secretary	All Year
Mr John Hagan	Treasurer	All Year
Mr John Hagan		All Year
Mr John Hagan		Approved 22.10.2024
Mr John Hagan		Approved 22.10.2024

Description of the charity's trust:

General statement: Charity from 28 July 2019

Object of the charity:

- To advance the Christian faith
- To receive persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or disabled
- To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes

**James Holyoak & Parker Limited**  
**Chartered Accountants**

Address:

Name:

**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Charity name:** Christ Central Telford (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**Charity details:**

**Other names charity was known by:** Telford Christian Fellowship Trust

**Registered Charity number:** 1184306

**Charity's principal address:**

Mr. Giles Higgins  
8 Gregson Walk  
Dawley  
Telford  
TF4 2GA  
Shropshire

**Period of Report**

Financial year from: **1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**Names of the charity Trustees**

Name	Office (if any)	Dates Acted
Mr Giles Higgins	Chairman	All Year
Mrs Alison Kerr-Gold	Secretary	All Year
Mr Hannes Kerr-Gold	Finance	All Year
Ms Anne Ward		All Year
Mr Edward Hill		Appointed 22/10/2024
Mrs Angela Poynter		Appointed 22/10/2024

**Description of the charity's trusts:**

Governing document: Constitution dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Objects of the charity:**

- To advance the Christian Faith
- To relieve persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or homeless
- To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes

**Advisors:**

None

## **CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD** **Trustees' Annual Report**

### **Activities and Achievements:**

**Christ Central Telford** was launched on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and replaced our previous identity as Telford Christian Fellowship. This was the culmination of a 16-month process. The new name much more reflects our vision and values and had unanimous support from the church members. All necessary changes were made to our online presence (new website and 4 key Social Media platforms), to the Charities Commission and to our bank.

### **Leadership, management and structure –**

1. CCT continues to employ Giles Higgins on the basis of a 0.6 contract (21 hours per week) to lead the church and oversee its various ministries and activities. Giles leads the team of elders and always works in liaison with the Trustees. Giles is also a Trustee and Chair of Trustees.
2. The 2 elders, Giles Higgins and Hannes Kerr-Gold (both are also trustees) met on average once every 2 weeks for the purpose of effective spiritual leadership, oversight of ministries, pastoral care and outreach. This team functioned well, strengthened by working closely together with their wives, Sarah and Alison respectively.
3. The Trustees functioned well together in overseeing all matters of finance, legal compliance and governance. They met 6 times in this period and used WhatsApp extensively for discussion and decisions regarding several important matters. The team was strengthened from October with the appointment of Ed Hill and Angela Poynter.
4. 2 new employees were appointed on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024, both for 8 hours per week. Helen Hill as the Church Administrator and Emma Kerr as the Church's Social Media Specialist.
5. CCT is a ChristCentral church and is one of 8 churches in Shropshire, Staffordshire & Derbyshire belonging to that group (see <https://christcentralchurches.org/>). Giles and the leaders of the other 7 churches met and supported one another every other month on average for partnership, support and oversight. Giles and Sarah also helped to develop active relationships with the other 7 church leaders and especially with the other 3 Shropshire church leaders. This has enhanced meaningful external support and identity within ChristCentral churches.

### **CCT congregation overall and regular Sunday morning worship meetings –**

- CCT continued to meet each Sunday morning at Dawley House for worship, teaching of the Bible, news sharing and the building of the Christian Community.
- The overall size of the congregation grew in this period, as did the committed membership.

### **Meetings and groups in addition to Sunday mornings –**

1. Prayer meetings throughout the year, every Sunday evening. Prayer meetings are considered a major part of the backbone of the church due to the positive effects experienced by many. The attendance has been consistently higher than in the previous year. In August 2024, a weekly Zoom prayer meeting was launched, taking place on Tuesdays at 6.30am. Also launched this year was a "Prayer Updates" WhatsApp group which added to the prayer base of the church.
2. Four Home groups functioned effectively all year. These provide essential fellowship, support and encouragement for committed members and other attenders. Much friendship building and pastoral care takes place within all groups.
3. One Bible study group, meeting weekly on Tuesday mornings – functioning much like the 4 Home Groups described above.
4. A weekly worship evening was launched in Autumn 2024 to further enhance the spiritual life of the church.

**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

General –

1. In-depth pastoring of people in difficult life circumstances – some regularly attending the church, some not. This included home and hospital visits, provision of a substantial number of meals as well as helping people in the context of church meetings. For some the pastoral care meetings were regular, for others they were one-off meetings. The level of pastoral care given remains high as we endeavour to look after those in need.
2. In-depth encouragement and help given to many in their personal development as Christians who are making a difference through their lives. This is not giving remedial help but helping people who are secure becoming even stronger and more fruitful for the benefit of those in the church and to the local community.
3. The Junior CCT team have been serving the children every Sunday through the year. The number of children regularly attending the church increased in this period. From September 2024 the one group multiplied to 2 groups requiring more volunteers from the church body. This development was successful.
4. Youth meetings took place monthly, and a small number were taken to the Newday festival in Summer 2024.

Other activities and achievements as part of outreach, serving people and the church being internally strengthened –

1. Supporting BREADTrust, through substantial financial giving. BREADTrust's sphere of operation includes farming projects in Zambia and humanitarian aid in Ukraine. The special focus on Ukraine continued throughout this period.
2. Support of a Christian couple and their team in the Middle East – seeking to bring the Christian gospel to people in the heart of the Middle East. We support them financially and by prayer and we distribute the newsletters to interested parties in the church.
3. Financial support of other organisations seeking to advance the Christian Gospel and serve the poor, e.g. STAY Telford, C.A.P. Telford and ChristCentral Churches. We are pleased to report that the church's giving is more than the target of 10% of overall income.
4. We significantly supported an Iranian couple who were seeking Leave to Remain in the UK. This included supporting them in the time of the birth of their first child.
5. We help lead Dawley Restroom Fellowship – a group for mainly elderly, local people for worship, teaching and fellowship. This included organising and leading a civic Remembrance Service in November 2024, attended by many local civic dignitaries.
6. Carol Services for CCT and Dawley Restroom and Carol singing for the Dawley Community Christmas light switch on event. The attendance of both Carol Services was significantly higher than in 2023.
7. Deliberate steps taken to develop people in taking responsibility. A wider leaders forum was formed, meeting approximately once per term. This includes Elders, their wives, Trustees and those who have a sphere of responsibility in the church.
8. Leadership attending training events held on Zoom and in-person hosted by ChristCentral Churches. These were for Leadership training, Theological instruction, prayer and encouragement generally – totalling 13 in the year.
9. Foundations course for teaching, discipling and mentoring of members.
10. Worship team gathering together approximately once per 2 months to strengthen the worship aspect of the church and to develop aspiring musicians.
11. Various Church social events from April to September 2024 to help build the church community.
12. Men's breakfasts on Saturday mornings – averaging once every 6 weeks.
13. Launch of regular Ladies' events for social engagement and outreach – 3 or 4 times per year.

**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

14. Safeguarding Policy reviewed in the period leading up to May 2025. Regular DBS checks on all workers carried out in accordance with our Safeguarding policy.
15. Retaining good links with the Telford Christians Together group that serves the wider Christian body in Telford.

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees are aware that to comply with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act),

- to ensure the accounts under section 147 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 147(3)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have arisen in the accounts.

**Charity's Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 to the charity records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or transactions in the accounts, and such my examination is given as trustees examining the charity's accounts. The period under review does not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently the 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**

1. In my examination of the accounts, no material irregularities have come to my attention.
2. I believe the accounts are true and fair in all material respects to the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and
- to comply with the requirements of section 147 of the Charities Act 2011 and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

3. In my opinion, all information should be shown in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be formed.

Robert Humphreys FCA  
Chartered Accountant

James, Thomas & Partners Ltd  
1 Newby Court, Anson Way,  
Barnoldswick, Lancashire, Pochin,  
BB7 5JL

Date: 19th June 2025

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

#### **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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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 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 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 our 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 s.130 of the Charities Act 2011 and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**James, Holyoak & Parker Ltd**  
1 Knights Court, Archers Way,  
Battlefield Enterprise Park,  
SHREWSBURY, SY1 3GA



**Robert Humphreys FCA**  
**Chartered Accountant**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

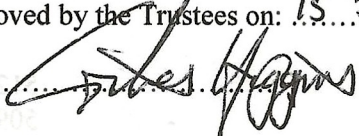
**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2025**  
**Receipts & Payments Account**

	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	2025 Total for Year £	2024 Total for year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Donations, Legacies and Other similar receipts:</b>				
Collections & Tithes	1,211	52,234	53,445	41,314
Other Donations	-	30,000	30,000	-
Tax Refunds & Gift Aid	-	6,567	6,567	9,048
<b>Operating Activities to further charitable objects:</b>				
Conference Fees & Events	-	4,366	4,366	-
	<u>1,211</u>	<u>93,167</u>	<u>94,378</u>	<u>50,362</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Payments for generating funds:</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments:</b>				
Gifts/Tithes	150	9,400	9,550	4,278
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Staff Salaries	-	29,634	29,634	18,699
Speakers	-	150	150	-
Hall Hire	-	2,246	2,246	1,269
P.A/Repairs/Equipment	-	2,474	2,474	3,170
Travel	-	884	884	842
Training	-	120	120	869
Devoted Events	-	8,830	8,830	880
Refreshments	-	515	515	-
Launch costs	-	-	-	1,532
<b>Support Costs:</b>				
Stationery/Books/Postage/Printing	-	512	512	1,157
Insurance	-	509	509	460
Website Design and computer	-	1,408	1,408	6,990
Copyright Licence	-	490	490	261
Miscellaneous	-	151	151	55
Telephone	-	631	631	519
Other professional fees	-	464	464	267
<b>Management &amp; Administration</b>				
Examination of Accounts	-	540	540	504
	<u>150</u>	<u>58,958</u>	<u>59,108</u>	<u>41,752</u>
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	1,061	34,209	35,270	8,863
<b>Transfers</b>	36,748	(36,748)	-	-
Balance brought forward from previous year	3,252	58,330	61,582	52,972
Balance carried forward at end of year	<u>41,061</u>	<u>55,791</u>	<u>96,852</u>	<u>61,582</u>

**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Cash in Hand	624	-
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>		
NatWest Current Account Loan	96,228	61,582
	96,852	61,582
	96,852	61,582
<b>Representing Assets on the following Accounts:</b>		
General Fund	55,791	58,330
Restricted Funds	41,061	3,252
Accumulated Funds	96,852	61,582

**Non-Monetary Assets**  
 Furniture and Equipment at insurance value: £5,530

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
 Signed on their behalf by: 

**GILES HIGGINS**

Position: Chair of trustees and Church Leader

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025

	2025	2024	
Total for year	96,852	61,582	
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**CHRIST CENTRAL TELFORD**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2025**

**Notes on Accounts**

**1) Accounting Policies**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

**2) Trading**

The Church has not had a trading activity in pursuit of its charitable objects.

**3) Donations Made**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Christ Central	1,320	1,770
Church Central	2,240	540
Mercian Community	480	480
Christian Together in Telford	360	360
BreadTrust	1,300	-
CAP	1,200	-
BoT Plant	1,200	-
Admaston Hope	1,200	-
Other Giving	250	1,128
	<u>9,550</u>	<u>4,278</u>
Charged to General Fund	9,400	4,278
Charged to Restricted Funds	150	-
	<u>9,550</u>	<u>4,278</u>

**4) Restricted Funds**

The balances on restricted funds consisted of the following funds:

	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>Transfer</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
Donation	-	150	150	-	-
Devoted	-	-	-	-	-
Building Fund	3,252	1,061	-	36,748	41,061
	<u>3,252</u>	<u>1,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,748</u>	<u>41,061</u>

**5) Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

Remuneration of £21,681 (2024: £17,496) was paid to one employee during the year for the purpose of pastoral/church leadership and overseeing all the ministries of the church.

**Christ Central Telford**

England & Wales - Charity number 1184306

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# Accounts

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**James Holyoak & Parker Limited**  
**Chartered Accountants**

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Charity name:** Telford Christian Fellowship Trust (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**Charity details:**

**Other names charity is known by:** Telford Christian Fellowship

**Registered Charity number:** 1184306

**Charity's principal address:**

Mr. Giles Higgins  
8 Gregson Walk  
Dawley  
Telford  
TF4 2GA  
Shropshire

**Period of Report**

Financial year from: **1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

**Names of the charity Trustees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates Acted</b>
Mr Giles Higgins	Chairman	All Year
Mrs Alison Kerr-Gold	Secretary	All Year
Mr Hannes Kerr-Gold	Finance	All Year
Ms Anne Ward		All Year

**Description of the charity's trusts:**

Governing document: Constitution dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Objects of the charity:**

- To advance the Christian Faith
- To relieve persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or homeless
- To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes

**Advisors:**

None

## TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Trustees' Annual Report

### Activities and Achievements:

#### Leadership, management and structure –

1. TCF continues to employ Giles Higgins on the basis of a 0.6 contract (21 hours per week) to lead the church and oversee its various ministries and activities. Giles leads the team of elders and always works in liaison with the Trustees. Giles is also a Trustee and Chair of Trustees.
2. The 2 elders Giles Higgins and Hannes Kerr-Gold (also a Trustee) met on average once every 2-3 weeks for the purpose of effective spiritual leadership, oversight of ministries, pastoral care and outreach. This team functioned well, strengthened by working closely together with their wives, Sarah and Alison respectively.
3. The Trustees functioned well together in overseeing all matters of finance, legal compliance and governance. They met 3 times in this period and used WhatsApp extensively for discussion and decisions regarding several important matters.
4. TCF is a ChristCentral church and is one of 8 churches in Shropshire, Staffordshire & Derbyshire belonging to that group (see <https://christcentralchurches.org/>). Giles and the leaders of the other 7 churches met and supported one another every other month on average for partnership, support and oversight. Giles also helped to develop active relationships with the other 3 Shropshire church leaders, functioning as necessary additional support.

#### TCF congregation overall and regular Sunday morning worship meetings –

- TCF continued to meet each Sunday morning at Dawley House for worship, teaching of the Bible, news sharing and the building of the Christian Community.
- The overall size of the congregation grew in this period, as did the committed membership.

#### Meetings and groups in addition to Sunday mornings –

1. Prayer meetings throughout the year, every Sunday evening. Prayer meetings are considered a major part of the backbone of the church due to the positive effects experienced by many. The attendance has been consistently higher than in previous years.
2. Three Home groups all year and a fourth group started in November 2023. These provide essential fellowship, support and encouragement for committed members and other attenders. Much friendship building and pastoral care takes place within all groups.
3. Bible study group, meeting weekly on Tuesday mornings – functioning much like the 4 Home Groups described above.

#### General –

1. In-depth pastoring of people in difficult life circumstances – some regularly attending the church, some not. This included home and hospital visits, provision of a substantial number of meals as well as helping people in the context of church meetings. For some the pastoral care meetings were regular, for others they were one-off meetings. The level of pastoral care given remains high as we endeavour to look after those in need.
2. In-depth encouragement and help given to many in their personal development as Christians who are making a difference through their lives. This is not giving remedial help but helping people who are secure becoming even stronger and more fruitful for the benefit of those in the church and to the local community.
3. The Junior TCF team have been serving the children every Sunday through the year. The number of children regularly attending the church increased in this period.
4. A team to serve Youth started in early 2024, gathering the Senior School aged children once per month.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

Other activities and achievements as part of outreach, serving people and the church being internally strengthened –

1. Supporting BREADTrust, through substantial financial giving. The church is kept informed of their activities via the circulation of newsletters by e-mail to the members and our participation in a focussed prayer gathering. BREADTrust's sphere of operation includes farming projects in Zambia and humanitarian aid in Ukraine. The special focus on Ukraine continued throughout this period.
2. Support of a Christian couple and their team in the Middle East – seeking to bring the Christian gospel to people in the heart of the Middle East. Support is both financial and through the circulation of newsletters to interested parties in the church.
3. Financial support of other organisations seeking to advance the Christian Gospel and serve the poor, e.g. STAY Telford, C.A.P. Telford and ChristCentral Churches. We are pleased to report that the church's giving is more than the target of 10% of overall income.
4. We help lead Dawley Restroom Fellowship – a group for mainly elderly, local people for worship, teaching and fellowship. This included organising and leading a civic Remembrance Service in November 2023, attended by many local civic dignitaries.
5. Carol Services for TCF and Dawley Restroom and Carol singing for the Dawley Community Christmas light switch on event.
6. Foundations course for teaching, discipling and mentoring of members.
7. Worship team gathering together approximately once per 2 months to strengthen the worship aspect of the church.
8. Leadership attending training events held on Zoom and in-person hosted by ChristCentral Churches. These were for Leadership training, Theological instruction and encouragement generally – totalling 10 in the year.
9. 10 Church social events from April to September 2023 to help build the church community. This included a highly attended Baptism Service in July 2023, the first in 6 years.
10. Launch of Men's breakfasts on Saturday mornings – averaging once every 6 weeks.
11. Delivering an R.S. lesson to a Year 3/4 class in a local Church of England Primary School.
12. Safeguarding Policy reviewed in January 2024. Regular DBS checks on all workers carried out in accordance with our Safeguarding policy.
13. Retaining good links with the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership.
14. Launch of Christ Central Telford on Sunday 24th March 2024 – replacing "Telford Christian Fellowship". The process to change the church name started in February 2023, engaging the services of a reputable company to create a new logo and website. During this year the new logo and website was created, greatly enhancing our on-line presence. Additionally, we enhanced our on-line presence on different social media platforms, i.e. YouTube, Facebook, Instagram and TikTok. The required changes were made with the Charity Commission, HMRC and other key bodies.

**Going forwards, we are Christ Central Telford, with the same Charity Commission Charity number (1184306).**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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
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**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 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 our 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 s.130 of the Charities Act 2011 and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Robert Humphreys FCA**  
**Chartered Accountant**

Date: 27/8/2024

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2024**  
**Receipts & Payments Account**

	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	2024 Total for Year £	2023 Total for year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Donations, Legacies and Other similar receipts:</b>				
Collections & Tithes	-	41,314	41,314	23,756
Other Donations	-	-	-	5,134
Tax Refunds & Gift Aid	-	9,048	9,048	3,012
<b>Operating Activities to further charitable objects:</b>				
Conference Fees & Events	-	-	-	99
	-	50,362	50,362	32,001
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Payments for generating funds:</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments:</b>				
Gifts/Tithes	-	4,278	4,278	3,486
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Staff Salaries	-	18,699	18,699	19,050
Hall Hire	-	1,269	1,269	1,470
P.A/Repairs/Equipment	-	3,170	3,170	586
Travel	-	842	842	723
Training	-	869	869	1,150
Devoted Events	-	880	880	153
Launch costs	-	1,532	1,532	-
<b>Support Costs:</b>				
Stationery/Books/Postage/Printing	-	1,157	1,157	906
Insurance	-	460	460	435
Website Design	-	6,990	6,990	-
Copyright Licence	-	261	261	243
Miscellaneous	-	55	55	125
Telephone	-	519	519	345
Other professional fees	-	267	267	356
<b>Management &amp; Administration</b>				
Examination of Accounts	-	504	504	496
	-	41,752	41,752	29,524
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	-	8,610	8,863	2,477
<b>Transfers</b>	(1,100)	1,100	-	-
Balance brought forward from previous year	4,352	48,620	52,972	50,495
Balance carried forward at end of year	3,252	58,330	61,582	52,972

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>				
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Cash in Hand		-		427
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>				
NatWest Current Account	61,582		50,292	
Loan	-		253	
	61,582		52,545	
	61,582		52,972	
<b>Representing Assets on the following Accounts:</b>				
General Fund		58,330		48,620
Restricted Funds		3,252		4,352
Accumulated Funds		61,582		52,972

**Non-Monetary Assets**

Furniture and Equipment at insurance value: £5,530

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on: *Wed 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024*

Signed on their behalf by: *[Signature]*  
**GILES HIGGINS**

Position: Chair of trustees and Church Leader

Date: *21/8/24*.....

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2024**

**Notes on Accounts**

**1) Accounting Policies**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

**2) Trading**

The Church has not had a trading activity in pursuit of its charitable objects.

**3) Donations Made**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Christ Central	1,770	1,320
Church Central	540	540
Mercian Community	480	480
Christian Together in Telford	360	360
Other Giving	1,128	786
	4,278	3,486
Charged to General Fund	4,278	3,350
Charged to Restricted Funds	-	136
	4,278	3,486

**4) Restricted Funds**

The balances on restricted funds consisted of the following funds:

	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>Transfer</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
Dawley Day	137	-	-	(137)	-
Devoted	963	-	-	(963)	-
Building Fund	3,252	-	-	-	3,252
	4,352	-	-	(1,100)	3,252

**5) Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

Remuneration of £17,496 (2023: £18,602) was paid to one of the trustees in the year for the purpose of pastoral/spiritual leadership and overseeing all the ministries of the church.

**Christ Central Telford**

England & Wales - Charity number 1184306

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# Accounts

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**James Holyoak & Parker Limited**  
**Chartered Accountants**

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Charity name:** Telford Christian Fellowship Trust (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**Charity details:**

**Other names charity is known by:** Telford Christian Fellowship

**Registered Charity number:** 1184306

**Charity's principal address:**

Mr. Giles Higgins  
8 Gregson Walk  
Dawley  
Telford  
TF4 2GA  
Shropshire

**Period of Report**

Financial year from: **1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

**Names of the charity Trustees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates Acted</b>
Mr Giles Higgins	Chairman	All Year
Mrs Alison Kerr-Gold	Secretary	All Year
Mr Hannes Kerr-Gold	Finance	All Year
Ms A Ward		06/04/2022 - 31/03/2023
Mr Paul Badham		01/03/2022 - 06/04/2022
Mr Matthew Badham		01/03/2022 - 06/04/2022

**Description of the charity's trusts:**

Governing document: Constitution dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Objects of the charity:**

- To advance the Christian Faith
- To relieve persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or homeless
- To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes

**Advisors:**

None

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Activities and Achievements:**

Leadership, management and structure –

1. TCF continues to employ Giles Higgins on the basis of a 0.6 contract (21 hours per week) to lead the church and oversee its various ministries and activities. Giles leads the team of elders and always works in liaison with the Trustees. Giles is also a Trustee and Chair of Trustees.
2. The 2 elders Giles Higgins and Hannes Kerr-Gold (also a Trustee) met on average once every 2 weeks for the purpose of effective spiritual leadership, oversight of ministries, pastoral care and outreach. This team functioned well, strengthened by working closely together with their wives, Sarah and Alison respectively.
3. The Trustees functioned well together in overseeing all matters of finance, legal compliance and governance. They met 4 times in this period and used WhatsApp for discussion and decisions regarding several important matters.
4. TCF is a ChristCentral church and is one of 4 churches in Shropshire belonging to that group (see <https://christcentralchurches.org/>). Giles and the leaders of the other 3 Shropshire churches met and supported one another in the first half of this year. From September 2022, the Shropshire churches joined with 4 other ChristCentral churches in Staffordshire and Derbyshire for partnership, support and oversight.

TCF congregation overall and regular Sunday morning worship meetings –

- TCF continued to meet each Sunday morning at Dawley House for worship, teaching of the Bible, news sharing and the building of the Christian Community.
- The overall size of the congregation grew noticeably in this period, as did the committed membership.

Meetings and groups in addition to Sunday mornings –

1. Prayer meetings throughout the year, every Sunday evening. Prayer meetings are considered a major part of the backbone of the church due to the positive effects experienced by many. The attendance has been consistently higher than in previous years.
2. Two Home groups all year and a third group started in September 2022. These provide essential fellowship, support and encouragement for committed members and other attenders. Much friendship building and pastoral care takes place within all groups.
3. Bible study group, meeting weekly on Tuesday mornings – functioning much like the 3 Home Groups described above.

General –

1. In-depth pastoring of people in difficult life circumstances – some regularly attending the church, some not. This included home and hospital visits, provision of a substantial number of meals as well as helping people in the context of church meetings. For some the pastoral care meetings were regular, for others they were one-off meetings. The level of pastoral care given remains high as we endeavour to look after those in need.
2. In-depth encouragement and help given to many in their personal development as Christians who are making a difference through their lives. This is not giving remedial help but helping people who are secure becoming even stronger and more fruitful for the benefit of those in the church and to the local community.
3. The Junior TCF team was extended due to an increase of children during the year who were regularly attending.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

Other activities and achievements as part of outreach, serving people and the church being internally strengthened –

1. Supporting BREADTrust, through substantial financial giving. The church is kept informed of their activities via the circulation of newsletters by e-mail to the members. BREADTrust's sphere of operation includes farming projects in Zambia and humanitarian aid in Ukraine. The special focus on Ukraine continued throughout this period.
2. Support of a Christian couple and their team in the Middle East – seeking to bring the Christian gospel to people in the heart of the Middle East. Support is both financial and through the circulation of newsletters to interested parties in the church.
3. Financial support of other organisations seeking to advance the Christian Gospel and serve the poor, e.g. STAY Telford, C.A.P. Telford and ChristCentral Churches. We are pleased to report that the church's giving is more than the target of 10% of overall income.
4. We help lead Dawley Restroom Fellowship – a group for mainly elderly, local people for worship, teaching and fellowship. This included organising and leading a civic Remembrance Service in November 2022, attended by many local civic dignitaries.
5. Carol Services for TCF and Dawley Restroom and Carol singing for the Dawley Community Christmas light switch on event.
6. Foundations course for teaching, discipling and mentoring of members.
7. Worship team gathering together approximately once per 2 months to strengthen the worship aspect of the church.
8. Conducting a funeral of a member, which involved in-depth serving of the family concerned. We also helped with a Thanksgiving event for a member who had died in the early COVID era.
9. Leadership attending training events held on Zoom and in-person hosted by ChristCentral Churches. These were for Leadership training, Theological instruction and encouragement generally.
10. Church social events (averaging once per 2 months) to help build the church community.
11. Safeguarding training in February 2023 to bring up to date all children's workers, members responsible for pastoral care and leadership generally. Regular DBS checks on all workers carried out in accordance with our Safeguarding policy.
12. On-going and up-to-date maintenance of the church's Website and Facebook profile, which keeps church members and outside interested parties informed of the activities of the church. Notices are also communicated via e-mail and text to church members.
13. Retaining good links with the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership.

Going forwards –

1. A revised Vision and Values was shared with the church in September 2022.
2. The Trustees decided the church needs a completely new website, built on up-to-date web programming and out-sourced to a reputable company who will serve us well. This necessary step prompted a review as to how we are known and perceived by anyone outside the church. The decision was made to re-name the church to Christ Central Telford. The process of making this decision, although initiated by the elders, included consultation and agreement with the Trustees and the committed membership. The process to actually change the church name started in February 2023, engaging the services of a reputable company to create a new logo and website. It is anticipated the launch of our new name will be during the Autumn 2023.

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

## TO THE TRUSTEES OF TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

### **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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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 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 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 our 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 s.130 of the Charities Act 2011 and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**James, Holyoak & Parker Ltd**  
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**Robert Humphreys FCA**  
Chartered Accountant

Date: 13 November 2023  
Date: .....

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2023**  
**Receipts & Payments Account**

	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	2023 Total for Year £	2022 Total for year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Donations, Legacies and Other similar receipts:</b>				
Collections & Tithes	-	23,756	23,756	23,352
Other Donations	136	4,998	5,134	568
Tax Refunds & Gift Aid	-	3,012	3,012	3,319
<b>Operating Activities to further charitable objects:</b>				
Conference Fees & Events	-	99	99	35
	136	31,865	32,001	27,274
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Payments for generating funds:</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments:</b>				
Gifts/Tithes	136	3,350	3,486	3,968
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Staff Salaries	-	19,050	19,050	17,422
Hall Hire	-	1,470	1,470	426
P.A/Repairs/Equipment	-	586	586	167
Travel	-	723	723	378
Training	-	1,150	1,150	480
Devoted Events	-	153	153	268
<b>Support Costs:</b>				
Stationery/Books/Postage/Printing	-	906	906	368
Insurance	-	435	435	424
Copyright Licence	-	243	243	229
Miscellaneous	-	125	125	43
Telephone	-	345	345	150
Other professional fees	-	356	356	-
<b>Management &amp; Administration</b>				
Examination of Accounts	-	496	496	420
	136	29,388	29,524	24,743
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	-	2,477	2,477	2,531
Balance brought forward from previous year	4,352	46,143	50,495	47,964
Balance carried forward at end of year	4,352	48,620	52,972	50,495

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2023**

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>				
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Cash in Hand		427		13
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>				
NatWest Current Account	52,292		50,149	
Loan	253		333	
	52,545		50,482	
	52,972		50,495	
<b>Representing Assets on the following Accounts:</b>				
General Fund		48,620		46,143
Restricted Funds		4,352		4,352
Accumulated Funds		52,972		50,495

**Non-Monetary Assets**

Furniture and Equipment at insurance value: £5,530

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

Signed on their behalf by: Giles Higgins

GILES HIGGINS

Position: Chair of trustees and Church Leader

Date: 3/12/2023

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2023**

**Notes on Accounts**

**1) Accounting Policies**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

**2) Trading**

The Church has not had a trading activity in pursuit of its charitable objects.

**3) Donations Made**

	2023	2022
Bread Trust	-	933
Christ Central	1,320	1,395
Church Central	540	540
Mercian Community	480	480
Christian Together in Telford	360	360
Other Giving	786	260
	3,486	3,968
Charged to General Fund	3,350	3,968
Charged to Restricted Funds	136	-
	3,486	3,968

**4) Restricted Funds**

The balances on restricted funds consisted of the following funds:

	Opening Balance	Incoming	Outgoing	Closing Balance
Dawley Day	137	-	-	137
Devoted	963	136	136	963
Building Fund	3,252	-	-	3,252
	4,352	-	-	4,352

**5) Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

Remuneration of £18,601.85 was paid to one of the trustees in the year for the purpose of pastoral/spiritual leadership and overseeing all the ministries of the church.

**Christ Central Telford**

England & Wales - Charity number 1184306

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# Accounts

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**James Holyoak & Parker Limited**  
**Chartered Accountants**

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Charity name:** Telford Christian Fellowship Trust (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**Charity details:**

**Other names charity is known by:** Telford Christian Fellowship

**Registered Charity number:** 1184306

**Charity's principal address:**

Mr. Giles Higgins  
8 Gregson Walk  
Dawley  
Telford  
TF4 2GA  
Shropshire

**Period of Report**

Financial year from: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

**Names of the charity Trustees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates Acted</b>
Mr Giles Higgins	Chairman	All Year
Mrs Alison Kerr-Gold	Secretary	All Year
Mr Hannes Kerr-Gold	Finance	All Year
Mr Paul Badham		All Year
Mr Matthew Badham		All Year

**Description of the charity's trusts:**

Governing document: Constitution dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Objects of the charity:**

- To advance the Christian Faith
- To relieve persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or homeless
- To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes

**Advisors:**

None

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Activities and Achievements:**

Leadership, management and structure –

1. TCF continues to employ Giles Higgins on the basis of a 0.6 contract (21 hours per week) to lead the church and oversee its various ministries and activities. Giles leads the team of elders and always works in liaison with the Trustees. Giles is also a Trustee and Chair of Trustees.
2. The other 2 elders are Hannes Kerr-Gold (Trustee) and Paul Badham (also a Trustee). The eldership team met weekly on either Zoom or in-person for the purpose of effective spiritual leadership, oversight of ministries, pastoral care and outreach. This team continued to function well together and has done since November 2014. In January 2022, Paul Badham stepped down from the Eldership team due to a decline in his health.
3. The Trustees functioned well together in overseeing all matters of finance, legal compliance and governance. They met 2 times in this period on Zoom and used WhatsApp for discussion and decisions regarding several important matters.
4. TCF is a ChristCentral church and is one of 5 churches in Shropshire belonging to that group (see <https://christcentralchurches.org/>). We were overseen by Nick Priggis (Hope Church, Shrewsbury) who led the ChristCentral Shropshire churches. Giles also met monthly (on Zoom) with the leaders of ChristCentral Shropshire churches for partnership, support and personal accountability. The elders of the ChristCentral Shropshire churches also attended larger Zoom and in-person meetings hosted by ChristCentral churches main leadership team. From approximately March 2022, Nick Priggis stepped down as overseer of TCF and the ChristCentral Shropshire Churches as Hope Church Shrewsbury was closed down.

Regular Sunday morning worship meetings –

From April 2021 to early August 2021:

- Sunday morning meetings continued on Zoom and were deemed successful in terms of the quality of Christian worship, fellowship and the numbers regularly attending.
- Teaching was recorded most weeks and made available through TCF's YouTube channel.
- From May to September we joined in several outdoor in-person worship meetings led by Hope Community Church, Admaston, i.e. COVID secure.

From 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021:

- Resumption of in-person worship meetings at Dawley House. This was highly welcomed and the church was strengthened as a result.

General –

1. In-depth pastoring of people in difficult life circumstances – some regularly attending the church, some not. This included home and hospital visits, provision of a substantial number of meals as well as helping people in the context of church meetings. For some the pastoral care meetings were regular, for others they were one-off meetings. The level of pastoral care given remains high as we endeavour to look after those in need.
2. In-depth encouragement and help given to many in their personal development as Christians who are making a difference through their lives. This is not giving remedial help but helping people who are secure becoming even stronger and more fruitful for the benefit of those in the church and to the local community.
3. A Junior TCF team is prepared to serve children, even though no children regularly attended TCF.

Meetings and groups in addition to Sunday mornings –

1. Prayer meetings throughout the year, every Sunday evening. These have been more attended than when meeting physically before March 2020. Prayer meetings are considered a major part of the backbone of the church due to the positive effects experienced by many. These were on Zoom until mid-August 2021, then consistently in-person for the remainder of the period and onwards.
2. Two Home groups, both meeting fortnightly on Zoom until August, then in-person. These provide essential fellowship, support and encouragement for committed members and other attenders. Much friendship building and pastoral care takes place within both groups.
3. Bible study group, having ceased meeting from March 2020, was re-started from September 2021.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

Other activities and achievements as part of outreach, serving people and the church being internally strengthened –

1. Supporting BREADTrust, through substantial financial giving. The church is kept informed of their activities via the circulation of newsletters by e-mail to the members. BREADTrust's sphere of operation includes farming projects in Zambia and humanitarian aid in Ukraine. We especially focussed on giving channelled to helping Ukraine from March 2022.
2. Support of a Christian couple and their team in the Middle East – seeking to bring the Christian gospel to people in the heart of the Middle East. Support is both financial and through the circulation of newsletters to interested parties in the church.
3. Financial support of other organisations seeking to advance the Christian Gospel and serve the poor, e.g. STAY Telford, C.A.P. Telford and ChristCentral Churches. We are pleased to report that the church's giving is more than the target of 10% of overall income.
4. We help lead Dawley Restroom Fellowship which was re-started from August 2021 – a group for mainly elderly, local people for worship, teaching and fellowship. This included organising and leading a civic Remembrance Service, assisted by ChristCentral Shropshire leadership.
5. Carol Services for TCF, Dawley Restroom and for the Dawley Community Christmas light switch on event.
6. Foundations course for teaching, discipling and mentoring of members – all done on Zoom and in-person from Summer 2021.
7. Worship team gathered together from January 2022 for monthly meetings to strengthen the worship aspect of the church.
8. Conducting funerals of 2 members, which involved in-depth serving of their families.
9. Leadership attending training events held on Zoom and in-person hosted by ChristCentral Churches.
10. Active involvement with the other ChristCentral Shropshire churches – joining in each other's prayer meetings and leading worship at a major 'together' event.
11. Attendance of the on-line version of "Devoted", which is the ChristCentral summer festival at which many of our members normally attend.
12. On-going and up-to-date maintenance of the church's Website and Facebook profile, which keeps church members and outside interested parties informed of the activities of the church. Notices are also communicated via e-mail to church members.
13. Retaining good links with the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership – a large group of churches working together serving the people of central Telford.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
For the Year ended 31 March 2022  
Receipts & Payments Account**

	Restricted Funds £	General Funds £	2022 Total for Year £	2021 Total for year £
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Donations, Legacies and Other similar receipts:</b>				
Collections & Tithes	633	22,719	23,352	19,465
Other Donations	-	568	568	330
Tax Refunds & Gift Aid	-	3,319	3,319	3,951
<b>Operating Activities to further charitable objects:</b>				
Conference Fees & Events	-	35	35	142
	633	26,641	27,274	23,888
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Payments for generating funds:</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments:</b>				
Gifts/Tithes	-	3,968	3,968	3,550
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Staff Salaries	-	17,422	17,422	17,751
Hall Hire	-	426	426	-
P.A/Repairs/Equipment	-	167	167	179
Travel	-	378	378	-
Training	-	480	480	304
Devoted Events	-	268	268	-
<b>Support Costs:</b>				
Stationery/Books/Postage/Printing	-	368	368	30
Insurance	-	424	424	405
Copyright Licence	-	229	229	216
Miscellaneous	-	43	43	458
Telephone	-	150	150	245
Advertising of meetings etc	-	-	-	44
<b>Management &amp; Administration</b>				
Examination of Accounts	-	420	420	684
	-	24,743	24,743	23,866
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	633	1,898	2,531	22
Balance brought forward from previous year	3,719	44,245	47,964	47,942
Balance carried forward at end of year	4,352	46,143	50,495	47,964

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2022**

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>				
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Cash in Hand		13		13
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>				
NatWest Current Account	50,149		47,108	
Loan	333		843	
	50,482		47,951	
	50,495		47,964	
<b>Representing Assets on the following Accounts:</b>				
General Fund		46,143		44,245
Restricted Funds		4,352		3,719
Accumulated Funds		50,495		47,964

**Non-Monetary Assets**

Furniture and Equipment at insurance value: £5,530

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on: *Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023*

Signed on their behalf by: *Giles Higgins*

*GILES HIGGINS*

Position: Chair of trustees and Church Leader

Date: *15/1/2023*

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2022**

**Notes on Accounts**

**1) Accounting Policies**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

**2) Trading**

The Church has not had a trading activity in pursuit of its charitable objects.

**3) Donations Made**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Bread Trust	933	300
Christ Central	1,395	1,520
Church Central	540	540
Mercian Community	480	480
Christian Together in Telford	360	360
CAL-SIBZ	-	150
Other Giving	260	200
	<u>3,968</u>	<u>3,550</u>
Charged to General Fund	3,968	3,550
Charged to Restricted Funds	-	-
	<u>3,968</u>	<u>3,550</u>

**4) Restricted Funds**

The balances on restricted funds consisted of the following funds:

	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
Dawley Day	137	-	-	137
Devoted	330	633	-	963
Building Fund	3,252	-	-	3,252
	<u>3,719</u>	<u>633</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,352</u>

**5) Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

Remuneration of £14,998 was paid to one of the trustees in the year for the purpose of pastoral/spiritual leadership and overseeing all the ministries of the church.

**Christ Central Telford**

England & Wales - Charity number 1184306

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# Accounts

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**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**James Holyoak & Parker Limited**  
**Chartered Accountants**

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# Trustees' Annual Report

**Charity name:** Telford Christian Fellowship (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

**Charity details:**

**Other names charity is known by:** Telford Christian Fellowship

**Registered Charity number:** 1184306

**Charity's principal address:**

Mr. Giles Higgins  
8 Gregson Walk  
Dawley  
Telford  
TF4 2GA  
Shropshire

**Period of Report**

Financial year from: **1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

**Names of the charity Trustees**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates Acted</b>
Mr Giles Higgins	Chairman	All Year
Mrs Alison Kerr-Gold	Secretary	All Year
Mr Hannes Kerr-Gold	Finance	All Year
Mr Paul Badham		All Year
Mr Matthew Badham		All Year

**Description of the charity's Constitution:**

Governing document: Constitution dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Objects of the charity:**

1. To advance the Christian Faith
2. To relieve persons in conditions of need or hardship or who are sick, aged or homeless
3. To promote and fulfil other such charitable purposes.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**  
**Trustees' Annual Report**

**Activities and Achievements:**

Leadership, management and structure

1. TCF continues to employ Giles Higgins on the basis of a 0.6 contract (21 hours per week) to lead the church and oversee its various ministries and activities. Giles leads the team of elders and always works in liaison with the Trustees. Giles is also a Trustee and Chair of Trustees.
2. The other 2 elders are Hannes Kerr-Gold (Trustee) and Paul Badham (also a Trustee). The eldership team meets weekly on Zoom for the majority of the year for the purpose of effective spiritual leadership, oversight of ministries, pastoral care and outreach. We report that this team continues to function well together and has done since November 2014.
3. The Trustees function well together in overseeing all matters of finance, legal compliance and governance. They met 5 times in this period on Zoom.
4. TCF is a ChristCentral church and is one of 5 churches in Shropshire belonging to that group (see <https://christcentralchurches.org/>). We are overseen by Nick Priggis (Hope Church, Shrewsbury) who leads the ChristCentral Shropshire churches. Giles also meets monthly (on Zoom) with the leaders of ChristCentral Shropshire churches for partnership, support and personal accountability. Some of these meetings are also attended by the other TCF elders. The elders also attend larger Zoom meetings hosted by ChristCentral churches main leadership team.

Regular worship meetings at Dawley House.

1. TCF has not meet physically at all in the year. From the first COVID 'lockdown' to early September, the church was encouraged to attend on-line meetings broadcast by other churches.
2. Teaching was recorded on average once per week and made available through a new TCF YouTube channel.
3. From 13th September 2020, we started Sunday morning worship meetings on Zoom. This has been extremely positive and uplifting, given the isolation and loneliness of many in the church. 30%+ of the congregation were directly assisted by others in the church to be more IT literate, which facilitated their participation in the various Zoom meetings led by TCF leaders.

General

1. From the beginning of the COVID lockdown, we set up a pastoral structure to prompt the leaders to make sure each person in the church was contacted regularly. This was essential as Sunday morning meetings did not take place from mid-March to mid-September 2020. Where possible, to serve those unable to leave their homes, various errands were done for them, e.g. shopping, obtaining medication, banking and making and delivering meals. When the "rule of 6" was in place, the pastoral care and fellowship increased.

Meetings and groups in addition to Sunday mornings at Dawley House:

1. Prayer meetings throughout the year, every Sunday evening. These have been more attended than when meeting physically before March 2020. Prayer meetings are considered a major part of the backbone of the church due to the positive effects experienced by many.
2. Two Home groups, both meeting fortnightly on Zoom. These provide essential fellowship, support and encouragement for committed members and other attenders. Much friendship building and pastoral care takes place within both groups.

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**  
**Trustees' Annual Report Continued**

Other activities and achievements as part of outreach, serving people and the church being internally strengthened

1. TCF took part in a local VE Day 75th Anniversary by contributing to the virtual celebration led by Great Dawley Town Council.
2. Conducting funerals of 2 members, which involved in-depth serving of their families.
3. Supporting BREADTrust, through substantial financial giving. The church is kept informed of their activities via the circulation of newsletters by e-mail to the members. BREADTrust's sphere of operation includes farming projects in Zambia and humanitarian aid in Ukraine.
4. Support of a Christian couple and their team in the Middle East – seeking to bring the Christian gospel to people in the heart of the Middle East. Support is both financial and through the circulation of newsletters to interested parties in the church.
5. Financial support of other organisations seeking to advance the Christian Gospel and serve the poor, e.g. STAY Telford, C.A.P. Telford and ChristCentral Churches. We are pleased to report that the church's giving is more than the target of 10% of overall income.
6. The Pastoral team continues to work well together to make sure the pastoral care in the church is sufficient and effective. It also includes providing significant financial help to needy people as and when appropriate.
7. Launch of the Foundations course for teaching, discipling and mentoring of members – all done on Zoom.
8. Extra meetings held on Zoom over Christmas and New Year – for fellowship and helping to keep the church together.
9. Leadership attending training events held on Zoom hosted by ChristCentral Churches.
10. Attendance of the on-line version of "Devoted", which is the summer festival at which many of our members normally attend.
11. On-going and up-to-date maintenance of the church's Website and Facebook profile, which keeps church members and outside interested parties informed of the activities of the church. Notices are also communicated via e-mail to church members.
12. Retaining good links with the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership – a large group of churches working together serving the people of central Telford.
13. Members giving/donations to the church have converted to giving via on-line banking.

Church Governance

1. Safeguarding. Our policy was reviewed and signed off in March 2021. The Trustees and the Safeguarding Officer take appropriate steps to make sure we adhere to this policy and to keep up to date with Safeguarding guidelines.
2. Transition from Charitable Trust to Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This took place at the conclusion of the 2019/20 year and the commencement of this year. During the first 6 months of this year, all necessary tasks (financial and administrative) were carried out to properly conclude the operations of the Charitable Trust (1067780).

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
For the Year ended 31 March 2021  
Receipts & Payments Account**

	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>General Funds £</b>	<b>2021 Total for Year £</b>	<b>2020 Total for year £</b>
<b>Receipts</b>				
<b>Donations, Legacies and Other similar receipts:</b>				
Collections & Tithes	-	19,465	19,465	22,096
Other Donations	330	-	330	1,290
Tax Refunds & Gift Aid	-	3,951	3,951	5,712
<b>Operating Activities to further charitable objects:</b>				
Conference Fees & Events	-	142	142	-
	<u>330</u>	<u>23,558</u>	<u>23,888</u>	<u>29,098</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Payments for generating funds:</b>				
<b>Charitable Payments:</b>				
Gifts/Tithes	-	3,550	3,550	4,281
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Staff Salaries	-	17,751	17,751	17,751
Hall Hire	-	-	-	1,685
P.A/Repairs/Equipment	-	179	179	1,025
Travel	-	-	-	684
Refreshments	-	-	-	172
Outreach	-	-	-	25
Training	-	304	304	65
Devoted Events	-	-	-	2,559
<b>Support Costs:</b>				
Stationery/Books/Postage/Printing	-	30	30	92
Insurance	-	405	405	403
CRB Checks	-	-	-	145
Copyright License	-	216	216	-
Miscellaneous	-	458	458	462
Telephone	-	245	245	279
Advertising of meetings etc	-	44	44	172
<b>Management &amp; Administration</b>				
Legal Fees	-	-	-	3,465
Examination of Accounts	-	684	684	450
	<u>-</u>	<u>23,866</u>	<u>23,866</u>	<u>33,715</u>
<b>Net Receipts/Payments</b>	330	(308)	22	(4,617)
Balance brought forward from previous year	3,389	44,553	47,942	52,559
Balance carried forward at end of year	<u>3,719</u>	<u>44,245</u>	<u>47,964</u>	<u>47,942</u>

**TELFORD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities**  
**For the Year ended 31 March 2021**

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>				
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Cash in Hand		13		13
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>				
NatWest Current Account	47,108		47,929	
Loan	843			
	47,951		47,929	
	47,964		47,942	
<b>Representing Assets on the following Accounts:</b>				
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Restricted Funds		3,719		3,389
Accumulated Funds		47,964		47,942

**Non-Monetary Assets**

Furniture and Equipment at insurance value: £5,530

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on: 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

Signed on their behalf by: Giles Higgins

**GILES HIGGINS**

Position: Chair of trustees and Church Leader

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022

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