

New Life Church of God

Report and Accounts
Year ended 31 March 2025

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NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	117 Linceslade Grove Loughton Milton Keynes MK5 8AD
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution dated 30 August 2019
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1185105
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Pastor Anton Kanapathipillai Associate Pastor Robin Nicholas Mathuram Joseph-Caldwell Gregory Martine Sathasivam Sasikanthan
BANKERS	HSBC UK Bank plc
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Nick Spear ACCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting the charity's Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects (as set out in its governing document) is, for the public benefit, the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith as the Trustees from time to time decide.

Throughout the period, the charity has tried to achieve the following objective:

- to advance the Christian faith in the local area and overseas (particularly in Sri Lanka and India)

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

- a) We met every Sunday for our regular worship services in Tamil and English languages at
 - o Shenley Brook End School in Milton Keynes
 - o Central Baptist Church in Luton
 - o Walton Hall in Aylesbury
- b) We organised a Bible study every Wednesday, weekly prayer meetings on Friday evenings and monthly fasting and prayer sessions were held on the first Saturday of each month in Milton Keynes and Aylesbury.
- c) Our children regularly attended Sunday school, and the dedication of four children took place.
- d) Bi-monthly youth collaborative events were organised to promote unity and fellowship
- e) We maintained the principle of giving – help for the needy and vulnerable were prioritised. For example:
 - Organised charitable events and distributed the funds to several families in Sri Lanka
 - Provided support to families of prisoners in India
 - Continued support for a nursery teacher in eastern Sri Lanka
 - Supplied clothing to several people in very remote villages in Sri Lanka
 - Supported youth initiatives in the UK (in late March we had a gathering of youth from various places from the UK)
 - Donation for the purchase of land in Slough for the proposed building for Amazing Grace Church
 - Mission support for Child rehabilitation project by GEMS – Bihar/India
 - Supported to build a church building Northern Sri Lanka (Pas Elkana)
 - Mission support for Manipur from specific collections in 2023/24

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

The charity's income for the year was £108,992 (2024: £88,069) and expenditure was £53,604 (2024: £63,726). As a result the surplus for the year was £55,388 (2024: £24,343) and the cash held by the charity increased by this amount to £234,563. This comprised unrestricted cash of £206,143 and restricted cash of £28,419.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES continued

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £10,000 (which equates to about 3 months' of usual expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end the charity held unrestricted cash of £206,143. This is more than the charity needs and most of the surplus is being held to help the church find a more permanent base for its activities as the use of rented venues is placing limitations on what the charity is able to do.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Responsibility for the day to day operation of the charity has been delegated to a team lead by the church's pastor. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Anton Kanapathipillai
Anton Kanapathipillai (Jan 27, 2026 17:09:24 GMT)
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Pastor Anton Kanapathipillai

Date: Jan 27, 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of New Life Church of God ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 on pages 5 to 7 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 2011 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Nick Spear

Nick Spear (Jan 28, 2026 09:09:55 GMT)

Nick Spear ACCA
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Date: Jan 28, 2026

NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 £	2024 £
A Cash funds				
Cash in bank current account	6,290	1,868	8,158	17,637
Cash in bank deposit account	199,715	26,551	226,266	161,400
Petty cash	138	-	138	138
	206,143	28,419	234,563	179,175
B Other monetary assets				
Gift aid due to charity	23,807	3,297	27,104	24,325
Bank deposit interest due	346	-	346	-
Deposit for annual church camp	3,000	-	3,000	250
	27,153	3,297	30,450	24,575
C Liabilities				
Independent examiner's fee for preparing and examining the accounts	1,140	-	1,140	1,050
Venue hire	259	-	259	550
Bank charges	16	-	16	12
Mission giving obligations	3,240	-	3,240	3,240
	4,656	-	4,656	4,852

D Assets retained for charity's own use

	Fund to which asset belongs	Current value £
Equipment	Unrestricted	5,455

Current value has been estimated by the trustees.

E Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by Anton Kanapathipillai
Anton Kanapathipillai (Jan 27, 2026 17:09:24 GMT)

 Pastor Anton Kanapathipillai

date: Jan 27, 2026

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 £	2024 £
Income receipts					
Donations from church members		66,616	13,394	80,011	70,181
Gift aid receipts		24,325	-	24,325	-
Income from church camp		650	-	650	14,542
Bank interest		3,866	-	3,866	2,486
Other		10	-	10	-
		<u>95,468</u>	<u>13,394</u>	<u>108,862</u>	<u>87,209</u>
Capital and similar receipts					
Sale of fixed assets		130	-	130	860
		<u>130</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>860</u>
Total receipts		<u>95,598</u>	<u>13,394</u>	<u>108,992</u>	<u>88,069</u>
Payments					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	38,273	-	38,273	55,470
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	7,358	5,600	12,958	5,065
		<u>45,630</u>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>51,230</u>	<u>60,535</u>
Purchase of fixed assets		2,374	-	2,374	3,191
Total payments		<u>48,004</u>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>53,604</u>	<u>63,726</u>
Net receipts/(payments) before transfers		47,594	7,794	55,388	24,343
Transfers between funds		(806)	806	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>46,787</u>	<u>8,600</u>	<u>55,388</u>	<u>24,343</u>
Cash funds at the beginning of the period		159,356	19,819	179,175	154,832
Cash funds at the period end	A	<u>206,143</u>	<u>28,419</u>	<u>234,563</u>	<u>179,175</u>

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts.

NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

Unrestricted funds are funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly				
Venue hire	18,720	-	18,720	18,955
Honorarium paid to visiting speakers	2,120	-	2,120	4,725
Travel expenses	2,326	-	2,326	1,852
Conference	1,424	-	1,424	-
Church camp fees	2,750	-	2,750	20,927
Other ministry expenses	9,201	-	9,201	7,497
Insurance	681	-	681	644
Examiner's fee for preparing and examining the accounts	1,050	-	1,050	870
	<u>38,273</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,273</u>	<u>55,470</u>

3 Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Grants for:				
UK and overseas mission	2,800	3,000	5,800	500
Relief of poverty and hardship	4,558	2,600	7,158	4,565
	<u>7,358</u>	<u>5,600</u>	<u>12,958</u>	<u>5,065</u>

4 Movement of funds

	Balance at 31 Mar 2024 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 Mar 2025 £
<i>Restricted funds</i>					
Relief of poverty fund - overseas	2,541	-	(2,600)	59	0
Relief of poverty fund - UK	1,868	-	-	-	1,868
GEMS Bihar ministry	-	2,253	(3,000)	747	0
Building fund	15,410	11,141	-	-	26,551
	<u>19,819</u>	<u>13,394</u>	<u>(5,600)</u>	<u>806</u>	<u>28,419</u>
<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	159,356	95,598	(48,004)	(806)	206,143
<i>Total funds</i>	<u>179,175</u>	<u>108,992</u>	<u>(53,604)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>234,563</u>