

OLDHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1185319

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-09-16

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

Contact

Address Oldham Baptist Church
Chaucer Street
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Activities

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. 3.2 [NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CHURCH FOR PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 OR SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008.]

Activities: In fulfilling its purpose the Church will engage in a range of activities either on its own or with others that will vary from time to time but include regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching, baptism, communion, evangelism and mission, charitable social action and encouraging relationships with Baptists and other Christians.

Classification

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

Geography

- Oldham

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£79,358	£80,434	-	-
2024-03-31	£81,984	£79,919	-	-
2023-03-31	£72,733	£60,589	-	-
2022-03-31	£51,608	£60,220	-	-
2021-03-31	£41,830	£60,171	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Arthur Richard Janes Mr	Chair	2015-09-01
Alexandra Cavell Jess		2023-07-16
Barbara Mary Heywood		2021-06-30
Catherine Ann Janes		2021-06-30
Christine Thornborough		2023-07-16
Colin William Heywood		1999-06-16
Elaine Lunn		2004-04-15
Olufemi Salako		2022-06-14
Sandra Yvonne Jones		2023-07-16

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Accounts

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025

SECTION A

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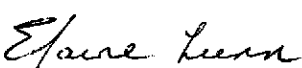
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures		
Full Names	ARTHUR RICHARD JAMES	ELAINE LUNN
Position	MINISTER	Church Secretary
Date	9/7/25	9 th July 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Didham Baptist Church CIO

1185319

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Weekly Offerings	40,716	-	-	40,716	40,468
Gift Weekend	2,942	-	-	2,942	2,997
Donations and Other Income	30,381	120	-	30,501	31,498
Investment Income	2,645	-	-	2,645	1,976
Raised for Other Causes	2,554	-	-	2,554	2,150
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Car Loan Repayments	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	2,895
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	79,238	120	-	79,358	81,984
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	79,238	120	-	79,358	81,984
A3 Payments					
Ministry	39,968	-	-	39,968	43,192
Mission	8,460	-	-	8,460	8,327
Upkeep of Church Premises	30,880	-	-	30,880	27,242
Administration	1,046	-	-	1,046	958
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	80	-	-	80	200
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	80,434	-	-	80,434	79,919
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	80,434	-	-	80,434	79,919
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,196	120	-	- 1,076	2,065
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	76,240	15,168	-	91,408	89,343
Cash funds this year end	75,044	15,288	-	90,332	91,408

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds			
Bank	4,137		-
Building Society	70,907	14,288	-
Consolidated Stock		1,000	-
Total cash funds	75,044	15,288	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

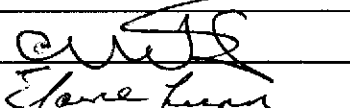
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B2 Other monetary assets			
Details			
	-	1,000	-
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	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			
Details			
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			
Details			
Church		-	-
Manse		-	-
Church Fixtures and Fittings		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			
Details			
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ARTHUR JAMES	8-6-25
Elaine Lunn	ELAINE LUNN	8 th June 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name
Oldham Baptist Church CIO

On accounts for the year ended

31st March 2025

Charity no (if any)

1185319

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

6/6/2025

Name:

MICHAEL A CLEGG

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

NONE

Address:

47 PALIN WOOD ROAD, DELPH, OLDHAM
OL3 5UW

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Examined and found correct.

[Handwritten signature]

Report to the year of
On Accounts year
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Name

Relevant professional
position(s) or body
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Address

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SECTION E **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The Church holds its fund within four account areas. Over the last year we have had an increase in our room usage this has increased our income. Our expenditure has been high as we concentrated on maintenance and renewal and replacement of items (both at the Church and Manse) which had been neglected since the Covid 19 lockdown. We are slowly starting to return to fund raising events, but these have tended to be on a break even basis so far.

SECTION F **LAND AND BUILDINGS**

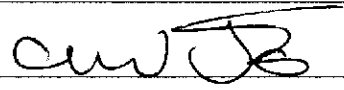
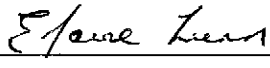
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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures		
Full Names	ARTHUR JAMES	ELAINE LUNN
Position	MINISTER	Secretary
Date	16/6/24	16 June 2024



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Gift Weekend	2,997	-	-	2,997	3,214
Donations and Other Income	31,378	120	-	31,498	27,219
Investment Income	1,976	-	-	1,976	385
Raised for Other Causes	2,150	-	-	2,150	2,440
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Car Loan Repayments	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	395	2,500	-	2,895	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	79,364	2,620	-	81,984	72,733
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	79,364	2,620	-	81,984	72,733
A3 Payments					
Ministry	43,192	-	-	43,192	35,194
Mission	8,327	-	-	8,327	7,756
Upkeep of Church Premises	27,242	-	-	27,242	15,675
Administration	958	-	-	958	1,949
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	200	-	-	200	15
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	79,919	-	-	79,919	60,589
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	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
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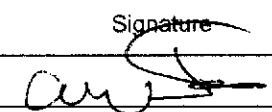

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	ARTHUR JONES	15 May 24
	ELAINE LUNN	15 May 2024



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Signed:

Date:

10/6/2024

Name:

MICHAEL ARTHUR CLEGG

**Relevant professional
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NONE

Address:

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DELPH, OLDHAM

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Some new initiatives both in worship and meetings are now being tried. In addition a Friday drop-in is one new initiative to help those in need. As a fellowship we have also continued to support other worthwhile causes and a few social events have re-entered the calendar. In the last twelve months we have welcomed some new user groups into our building and have also improved the use of our internal spaces.

The Church trustees have continued to meet and plan monthly in person. General information and the pastoral care of the fellowship has been shared via text, WhatsApp, email, newsletter and website plus visits.

Financially we are beginning to recover after using some of our reserves during the pandemic and we remain grateful for the continued sacrificial giving of our members who contribute to keep the church operational and help us to be positive about the future.

SECTION E

Financial Review

The Church holds its funds within four account areas. This financial year is the first full year, for the accounts, since the Covid epidemic. Our revenue has started to rise as the room hire and car park are getting back to their normal usage again. The final balances for the year reflect that we have not fully resumed our maintenance programme.

SECTION F

Land and Buildings

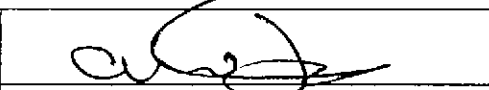

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both buildings and land are held by The North Western Baptist Association and would be managed by the association in the event of church closure.

SECTION G
Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures		
Full Names	ARTHUR JAMES	ELAINE LUNN
Position	MINISTER	CHURCH SECRETARY
Date	17/5/23	17 th May 2023



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Oldham Baptist Church CIO

1185319

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	01/04/2022	To	31/03/2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Weekly Offerings	39,475	-	-	39,475	38,117
Gift Weekend	3,214	-	-	3,214	3,803
Donations and Other Income	27,099	120	-	27,219	7,101
Investment Income	385	-	-	385	35
Raised for Other Causes	2,440	-	-	2,440	2,472
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Car Loan Repayments	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	-	-	-	-	80
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	72,613	120	-	72,733	51,608
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	72,613	120	-	72,733	51,608
A3 Payments					
Ministry	35,194	-	-	35,194	36,877
Mission	7,756	-	-	7,756	6,847
Upkeep of Church Premises	15,675	-	-	15,675	15,301
Administration	1,949	-	-	1,949	965
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	15	-	-	15	230
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	60,589	-	-	60,589	60,220
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	60,589	-	-	60,589	60,220
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,024	120	-	12,144	- 8,612
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	64,771	12,428	-	77,199	85,811
Cash funds this year end	76,795	12,548	-	89,343	77,199

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank	13,401		-
	Building Society	63,394	11,548	-
	Consolidated Stock		1,000	-
	Total cash funds	76,795	12,548	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	1,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets				-
				-
				-
				-
				-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Church		-	-
	Manse		-	-
	Church Fixtures and Fittings		-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ARTHUR JAMES	17/5/2023
	ELAINE LUNN	17/5/2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name Oldham Baptist Church CIO

On accounts for the year ended

31st March 2023 Charity no (if any) 1185319

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

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").

Independent examiner's statement

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 24 May 2023

Name: MICHAEL A. CLEGG

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

[Empty box]

Address: 47 PALIN WOOD ROAD, DELPH, OLDHAM OL3 5UW

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

OLDHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1185319

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Oldham Baptist Church CIO

1185319

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Weekly Offerings	38,117	-	-	38,117	32,984
Gift Weekend	3,803	-	-	3,803	3,310
Donations and Other Income	6,981	120	-	7,101	3,513
Investment Income	35	-	-	35	223
Raised for Other Causes	2,472	-	-	2,472	967
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Car Loan Repayments	-	-	-	-	833
Benevolent	80	-	-	80	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	51,488	120	-	51,608	41,830
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	51,488	120	-	51,608	41,830
A3 Payments					
Ministry	36,877	-	-	36,877	33,854
Mission	6,847	-	-	6,847	6,663
Upkeep of Church Premises	15,301	-	-	15,301	18,026
Administration	965	-	-	965	1,598
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	230	-	-	230	30
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	60,220	-	-	60,220	60,171
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	60,220	-	-	60,220	60,171
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,732	120	-	- 8,612	- 18,341
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	73,503	12,308	-	85,811	104,152
Cash funds this year end	64,771	12,428	-	77,199	85,811

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank	8,834		-
	Building Society	55,937	11,428	-
	Consolidated Stock		1,000	-
	Total cash funds	64,771	12,428	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

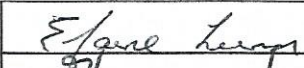

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	1,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Church		-	-
	Manse		-	-
	Church Fixtures and Fittings		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	ELAINE LUNN	12 June 2022
	COLIN HEYWOOD	12th June 22

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

SECTION A **REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

Charity name: Oldham Baptist Church CIO

Registered charity number: 1185319

Charity's principal address: Oldham Baptist Church
Chaucer Street
Oldham
Lancashire
OL1 1BA

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:

Rev Arthur Janes (Minister)
Elaine Lunn (Secretary)
Colin Heywood (Treasurer)
Barbara Gibbon
Barbara Heywood
Catherine Janes
Susan Shufflebottom
Pauline Spencer-Lomax
Christine Thornborough

SECTION B **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document : Baptist Union Corporation Ltd – CIO Association Model

How the charity is constituted: CIO Association Constitution

Trustee selection methods: The appointment of a minister is at a Special Church Members' Meeting and must receive votes from 70% or more of members present and voting. (Constitution item 13) The appointment of other trustees is at an annual General Meeting and the individual (s) must receive votes from 51% or more of members present and voting. (Constitution item 14)

SECTION C **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

1. The advancement of the Christian faith according to the Principles of the Baptist denomination
2. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the UK and / or other parts of the world.
3. Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property for purposes that are not charitable in accordance with Section 7 of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 or Section 2 of the Charities Act

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects

After a thirteen month closure because of the Covid 19 global pandemic, the Church building re-opened for worship on Easter Sunday, April 4th 2021 and has continued to meet each Sunday since then albeit with certain restrictions, the latter having had to vary with government and denominational advice. All the major Christian festivals have been celebrated.

The Zoom online facility for deacons, small groups and Church meetings was gradually phased out during 2021 as were the texted daily readings. However other spiritual study sessions were maintained at Lent and Advent. Many pre-Covid church activities have yet to resume.

The information about all activities is shared via an Annual Report and the Annual Budget of the Church includes the provision for supporting our local, national and international commitments.

SECTION D **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The whole of the last year has been one of moving cautiously forward by having regular procedural reviews and gradually trying to restore people's confidence. Strict Covid precautions were in place for many months and some are still needed especially as new Covid variants emerge. Church attendance has averaged about 50 although some members still remain uneasy about returning to the building. The opportunity for people to meet socially for tea and biscuits after worship has been done in a controlled manner

Until June 2021 services were still accessible on Zoom for those who preferred not to meet in person. The recording of services on to CDs for a few households also continued until July 2021.

The pastoral care of the fellowship and other information has continued to be shared through a WhatsApp group, texts, phone calls and some visits along with a monthly news sheet.

The Church trustees have met monthly, and, in person since May 2021. They have sought to stay abreast of national and denominational guidelines, maintain fellowship updates and plan any practical responses connected to the pandemic.

The Church did hold a Gift Day in September 2021 and was gratified by an excellent response especially as reserves have had to be used to compensate for a fall in income from user groups and car park donations.

The Church has not been able to hold any of its own social events but we are pleased that some of our outside groups have resumed regular meetings even though some of their social interactions have had to be limited. It has also been pleasing to note that since February 2022 five new groups have been welcomed on to our Church premises.

SECTION E

Financial Review

The Church holds its funds within four account areas. Since April 2021 we have started to meet back in the Church following Covid 19 guidelines. We are gradually returning back to "normal". Our revenue for room hire and car park is slowly improving. We have not held any fund-raising events. This has resulted in a loss of additional income and we have had to use reserves set aside for other projects.

SECTION F



Land and Buildings

The church has the use of two buildings. The Church building on Chaucer Street, which is used for weekly communal worship and community activities. And also, a manse which provides a home for the incumbent minister and family. The deeds to both buildings and land are held by The North Western Baptist Association and would be managed by the association in the event of church closure.

SECTION G
Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures		
Full Names	ARTHUR RICHARD JAMES	ELAINE LUNN
Position	MINISTER	SECRETARY
Date	13/6/22.	13 th June 2022

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Oldham Baptist Church.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Oldham Baptist Church for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity trustees of the Church 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 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 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; or
- 3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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: 

Name: Olufemi Salako

Address: 2 Finsbury Close, Oldham, OL8 2 JW

Date: 12 - 06 - 2022 .

Name of Examiner: Femi Salako, 2 Finsbury Close, Oldham, OL8 2JW

Name of charity concerned: Oldham Baptist Church

Confirmation of Direction 1 &2

I can confirm that I have validated the charity audit threshold applying to the accounts being reviewed and have ascertained that an audit is not required but that the charity is eligible for independent examination for which I am adequately skilled to complete. I can also confirm that no conflict of interest prevents me from carrying out the independent examination as outlined in Direction 2 of 'CC32-Independent Examination'.

This report relates directly to an independent examination carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and the examination has been conducted in accordance with the Directions given by the Commission in relation to the financial year ending 31/03/2022.

Analytical Review

As part of the independent review completed on the charity, I had access to and reviewed the following documents for the tax year 2021/2022:

- Financial Statement (year ended 31st March 2022)
- Financial Statement of 'Trial Balances' (year ended 31st March 2022)
- Bank Statements of Natwest account 01-06-39 02140187 (March 21-April 22)
- Bank Statements of Skipton Building Society account 982866628 (March 21-April 22)
- Wage details including pay slips and P60 for Arthur Janes, Michael Hill and Manisha Hushen
- Details of all expense claims with receipts
- Receipts and invoices for debits to account
- Cash Book for Natwest account 01-06-39 02140187 (2021-2022)
- Cash Book for Skipton Building Society account 982866628 (2021-2022)
- Income and Expenditure Budget
- Breakdown of Funds 2021-2022
- Charity Commission Return
- Trustee's Annual Report

The trustees annual report clearly outlines the key objectives and goals of the charity. The key objectives of the charity are as follows:

- The advancement of Christian faith according to the Principles of the Baptist denomination.
- The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the UK and/or other parts of the world

These objectives are clearly underpinned and supported by the charities activities and this has been taken into account when validating the accounts and I confirm that spending is in line with these key activities with the majority of outgoings being spent on the general upkeep, wages, or day to day running of the church as well as charitable donations off the back of fundraising.

The finances of the charity are organised and facilitated by Colin Heywood who is trustee and treasurer of the charity, the filing system is clear and the recording accurate and contains:

- Details of all income/money received and payments/expenditure made, the date, and the nature of the income/money received or payments/expenditure and a record of any stocks and fixed assets held
- Details of any assets and liabilities at the end of the reporting period

The charity has receipts and invoices to support the accounts for each of which I have validated. The charity have a clear way of tracking transactions both in and out of the account through both bank statements and their own reporting system managed through an excel spreadsheet.

Where the charity have paid an invoice or claimed back funds they have clearly outlined this against the receipt of transfer/cheque number by which the amount was paid ensuring that the information is easily accessible and clear to understand.

The funds have been clearly separated and reported correctly in line with guidelines.

The accounting records are set out in line with section 130 of the 2011 Act:

- disclose at any time, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the charity at that time
- enable the trustees to ensure that, where any statements of account are prepared by them under section 132(1), those statements of accounts comply with the requirements of the regulations under section 132(1)

I can confirm that I have completed examination of comparison between the charities accounts and the accounting records and that they are consistent with each other. I have been able to clearly understand the income of the charity and how it has spent its charitable funds and that this spending aligns with the charity objectives outlined in the trustee's annual report.

From reviewing the material items in the account I have not identified any item for which the charity need to vouch for.

I can confirm that from the information reviewed each of the trustee's have acted in line with the interests of the charity and see no evidence of private benefit to either a trustee or related party.

The trustees' have managed the charity's funds and other resources effectively to enable the charity to pay its bills and meet and liabilities that may fall due.

The trustee's did reference in their report a reduced income due to Covid-19 restrictions preventing them from acquiring usual additional income through room hire and car park rental causing them to dip into reserves set aside in the event of Church closure however the report does outline activities undertaken to mitigate utilization of these reserves moving forward. The level of reserves are not at a concerning level that could impact the operation of the charity.

As per regulation 10 of the Charities regulations 2008 the balance sheet is held and signed by at least one of the trustees of the charity.

There are a number of months throughout the year whereby the charity have exceeded their budget however this has been largely impacted by limited activities being undertaken and additional sources of income being curbed due to the Covid-19 pandemic outlined in the annual report and the position has improved since the removal of restrictions resulting in the charity being in line with their budget.

The details of activities undertaken and the costs associated are clearly outlined in the charities annual report and align with that of the accounts.

Conclusion

I can confirm that from completing the independent review that the matters I have been required to review as set out by the 2008 Regulations have been met.

OLDHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1185319

Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Receipts and payments accounts

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A1 Receipts					
Weekly Offerings	32,984	-	-	32,984	18,394
Gift Weekend	3,310	-	-	3,310	1,120
Donations and Other Income	3,393	120	-	3,513	10,300
Investment Income	223	-	-	223	313
Raised for Other Causes	967	-	-	967	1,652
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Car Loan Repayments	-	833	-	833	500
Benevolent	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	40,877	953	-	41,830	32,279
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	40,877	953	-	41,830	32,279
A3 Payments					
Ministry	33,854	-	-	33,854	18,088
Mission	6,663	-	-	6,663	4,609
Upkeep of Church Premises	18,026	-	-	18,026	11,541
Administration	1,598	-	-	1,598	574
Buildings & General Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Benevolent	30	-	-	30	49
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	60,171	-	-	60,171	34,861
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	60,171	-	-	60,171	34,861
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 19,294	953	-	- 18,341	- 2,582
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	92,797	11,355	-	104,152	106,734
Cash funds this year end	73,503	12,308	-	85,811	104,152

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank	12,153		-
	Building Society	61,350	11,308	-
	Consolidated Stock		1,000	-
	Total cash funds	73,503	12,308	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

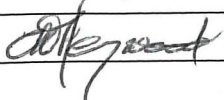
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	1,000	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Church		-	-
	Manse		-	-
	Church Fixtures and Fittings		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	CWI HEYWOOD	10-11-21

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

SECTION A

REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity name: Oldham Baptist Church CIO

Registered charity number: 1185319

Charity's principal address: Oldham Baptist Church
Chaucer Street
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Pauline Spencer-Lomax
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SECTION B

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document: Baptist Union Corporation Ltd – CIO Association Model

How the charity is constituted: CIO Association Constitution

Trustee selection methods: The appointment of a minister is at a Special Church Members' Meeting and must receive votes from 70% or more of members present and voting. (Constitution item 13) The appointment of other trustees is at an Annual General Meeting and the individual(s) must receive votes from 51% or more of members present and voting. (Constitution item 14)

SECTION C
OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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3. Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the church for purposes that are not charitable in accordance with Section 7 of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 or Section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

Summary of main activities in relation to these objects

Days before the end of the Trustees Annual Report for the year ending 31st March 2020, a National Lockdown was ordered by the UK Government so as to deal with the Covid 19 global pandemic. The Church was subsequently unable to open its premises and has actually remained closed from March 2020 until further notice.

During the year the Church therefore moved to a mainly online presence so has consequently been unable to fulfil some of its previous regular activities although the provision of worship and other spiritual input has been maintained.

The information about all activities is shared via an Annual Report and the Annual Budget of the Church includes the provision for supporting our local, national and international commitments.

SECTION D
ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

For the whole year we have needed to adapt to using Zoom technology for all our services. This has worked well and has consistently had about 50 attendees every Sunday morning. Special services at Easter and Christmas have also been on Zoom. Extra spiritual input on Zoom has included occasional prayer meetings plus Advent and Lent study series.

The Church has used technology to reach those without computers by recording the services on to CDs and hand delivering these to several households along with readings and study notes. A twice daily Bible text or thought for the day has also been sent to all mobile phone users.

The pastoral care of the fellowship has been shared through a WhatsApp group, texts and phone calls with a monthly news sheet also being distributed by email and by hand.

The Church trustees have continued to meet monthly on Zoom in order to stay abreast of national and denominational guidelines, maintain fellowship updates and plan any practical responses connected to the pandemic.

The Church did hold a Gift Day on the premises in December 2020 which provided an opportunity for presents to be received for the local Women's Refuge plus Christmas cards for the fellowship and monetary gifts for Church funds. Responding to other charity initiatives could only be done in an individual capacity.

Because of the pandemic the Church premises were closed not only for Church social events but also to all our user groups and at the end of this report period no decisions had been taken as to when it would be safe for such activities to resume although the Church was hopeful to resume worship services on the premises on Easter Sunday (April 4th, 2021).

SECTION E

Financial Review

The Church holds its funds within four account areas. Over the last year, due to Covid-19, the Church has not been able to obtain additional income from room hire, car park rental and fund raising events. Due to this loss of additional income, we have had to use reserves set aside in the event of Church closure.

SECTION F

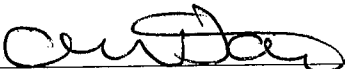
Land and Buildings

The church has the use of two buildings. The Church building on Chaucer Street, which is used for weekly communal worship and community activities. And also, a manse which provides a home for the incumbent minister and family. The deeds to both buildings and land are held by The North Western Baptist Association and would be managed by the association in the event of church closure.

SECTION G
Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signatures		<i>Elaine Lunn</i>
Full Names	ARTHUR RICHARD JONES	ELAINE LUNN
Position	MINISTER	CHURCH SECRETARY
Date	10/11/21.	10 th November 2021



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Oldham Baptist Church CIO

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 MARCH, 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1185319

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets.)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2020.1

**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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Joanne Harding

Date:

5/11/2021

Name:

JOANNE HARDING

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

