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Trustees Report

The Trustees present their report and financial statement for the year ending 31st March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provision of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Introduction

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston presents its report as a charitable incorporated Organisation CIO.

The church became charitable incorporated Organisation (CIO) in 28 January 2020 to take forward the work of the unincorporated association. This decision was driven primarily by the desire to take advantage of the separate legal personality and limited legal liability for Trustees.

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston was a Branch member of Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic) UK up to and until 28 January 2020.

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston CIO is currently an Independent, autonomous Church. It shall fellowship with Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ U.K and other sister churches within the Bethel Fellowship of Churches which pursues similar aims and signposts local beneficiaries to our services.

Aims and purposes

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston has the responsibility of promoting the Oneness Apostolic Faith, primarily but not exclusively within Bilston and the surrounding area, evangelism, social and community.

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston services and worship are through scriptures, prayer, singing and music.

Objectives and Activities

Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston is committed to ensuring that as many people as possible come to worship at the church and to become part of the community of Wolverhampton.

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Achievements and Performance

Departmental Meetings

- Sisters Department – The last meeting for the women's department was held the end of March 2020, at the beginning of the covid 19 outbreak. Because of this the women did not meet in person for 6 months. During that time of the pandemic members were encouraged to join zoom and telephone prayer line Sunday morning service zoom prayer meeting with women across the West Midlands district.
- District officers meetings were also held on the zoom platform where activities such as virtual afternoon tea and hat fashion show took place. There were also bible challenges as women formed teams with women across the district.
- Not all women participated in these activity as they find it difficult to access the zoom platform for whatever reason.
- Those who preferred pre-recorded service or live streaming were given the links of how to access.

Brotherhood Department

- The brotherhood department accessed online services and communicated/encouraged each other via telephone call and WhatsApp messages
- Young People/Young Adults Department
 - The younger people accessed the online services which were taking place in other assemblies.

Other Activities

Due to the impact of the covid restriction there were no baptism and therefore there were no right hand of fellowship. The church building was close and was not accepting any new members.

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Social and Community Events

There were occasional social event on a ad hoc basis.

E.g. Coffe Mornings

During the months of November and December we started a keep fit session for the senior.

Annual Programmes/Conferences/Concerts/Special Events

There were no annual meetings this year.

District Meetings

District meetings were held via zoom or live streaming. However, because we do not have the facility we were unable to do live streaming or zoom meetings.

In October 2021 the first district meeting took place in a building, some members of the assembly were actively involved with the planning of this meeting and also attending

National Meetings

In July 2020 there was a nation convocation with covid restriction in place we were not able to attend. the members of this assembly attended. Mainly the senior members.

Statement of Trustees` responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to do so.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

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Structure, Governance And Management

The Church is governed by an Approved Governing Document. Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Constitution which requires them to be or to have been publicly baptised on the profession of faith in Jesus Christ, and following a mode of baptism as per Acts 2v38.

A trustee meeting takes place throughout the year and has responsibility for the overall policy of the church. In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees, who together with the Pastor, Church Secretary and Treasurer, are responsible for the day to day running of the church's work, and the financial and legal aspects of the charity. All trustees are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and practical tasks involved in the furtherance of the charitable objective.

Relevant matters may be submitted to the General Congregational Church meeting by the Trustees for guidance, or may be raised by members' in General Congregational Church meeting for further consideration by the Trustees. The Constitution permits decisions to be made at a General Congregational Church meeting by a simple majority; Mount Shiloh Apostolic Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit and they confirm that public benefit has been provided By:-

- Providing regular public worship open to all
- Providing sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
- Conducting pastoral work including visiting the sick and the bereaved
- Teaching Christianity through sermons and Bible studies.
- Promoting the whole mission of the church through activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and other special needs groups

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Financial Review

The Church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation.

The Church is dependents on its membership working as volunteers in all aspects of the church's life, a number of these activities and initiatives operate with minimal impact on the church's finances, but nevertheless contribute substantially to the achievement of the church's overall charitable objectives.

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £10,406 and are detailed in the financial statements.

£11,416 was spent to provide the Christian ministry.

The net result for the year was a loss of (£1,010) and adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward at 31 March 2021 for unrestricted funds totalled £191,115.

Reserve Policy

It is Mount Shiloh Apostolic Church Policy to maintain reserve in two forms. Property from which it operates from, and liquid funds. These are for use in future projects supporting the charity's objectives.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Plans for the future

- Continue to developing the services offered

Approved by the board Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


Joan SAMUELS (Feb 2, 2022 08:31 GMT)

Missionary Joan Samuels-Trustee
February 2022

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Independent examiner's report to Bethel Apostolic Church-Mission Hall Bilston

I report on the accounts of the charity for the Period from 28 January 2020 to 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 8 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of the Committee and the examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year section 144(2) of the charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity 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 my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 145 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act and with the principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Period from 28 January 2020 to 31 March 2021		
	Notes	Unrestricted Fund	Total Funds
		£	£
Incoming Resources		10,406	10,406
Donation and Legacies	2		
Total Incoming Resources		10,406	10,406
Resources Expended			
Expenditure on charitable activities	3	11,416	11,416
Total Resources Expended		11,416	11,416
Net Incoming Resources		(1,010)	(1,010)
Reconciliation of Funds			
Funds brought forward		192,125	192,125
Funds Carried forward		191,115	191,115

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

			31 March 2021
	Notes	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Freehold property/	5		180,000
Building Improvements			
Equipment, Furniture & Fittings	5		1,917
Computer Hardware	5		-
Total Fixed Assets			181,917
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank and in hand		9,598	
Other Assets			
Total Current Assets			
Liabilities			
Creditors falling due within one year	6	(400)	
Net Current assets			9,198
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			191,115
Creditors: falling due after more than 1 year			-
Total Net assets			191,115
Funds of the charity			
Restricted and Unrestricted Funds			191,115

The notes on pages 11 to 13 form part of these financial statements

Approved by the board Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


Joan SAMUELS (Feb 2, 2022 08:31 GMT)

Missionary Joan Samuels-Trustee
February 2022

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1 Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention

b) Income and Expenditure

All income and expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis.

c) Fund Accounting

The unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Management Committee in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

There are no restricted funds held by the Charity

d) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Fixed assets are capitalised in the accounts where their initial cost is a value of £200 and greater, items lower than this amount are expended through the Statement of Financial Activities.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold Property	not provided
Fixtures & Fittings & Office Equipment	20% straight line
Printing & Catering Equipment	10% straight line
Heating System	10% straight line
Computer & Laptops	20% straight line
Motor Vehicles	25 % Reducing balance

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2 Donation and Legacies

	31 March 2021	31 March 2021	31 March 2021
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total Fund
	£	£	£
Tithes & Offering	10,406		10,406

3 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	31 March 2021
Administration	73
Financing Cost	
Depreciation on tangible assets: Owned by the Charity	1,921
Governance Cost	1,221
Insurance	703
Utilities	1,775
Accountancy fees	400
Consultancy Fees	754
Marketing / Advertising/Promotion	250
Transportation & Travel	
Ecclesiastical Support Cost	120
Mission & Ministry Cost	90
Evangelism and Outreach	-
Property Expenses	1,730
Supplies & Services	131
Equipment Purchase/ Repairs/ Maintenance	698
Miscellaneous Expenses	
Total	11,416

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4. Remuneration of Trustees

In the year to the 31 March 2021, no remuneration was paid to any trustees.

A travel and subsistence policy is available for trustees. The policy has been developed with due heed to the Charity Commission guidance. Travel and subsistence costs are refunded to trustees on submission a claim with supporting receipts and payment is subject to compliance with the policy. The policy will be reviewed annually to ensure these remains appropriate.

5 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property/Building Improvements	Fixtures, fittings & Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
28 January 2020	180,000	7,680	187,680
Additions			
Surplus on revaluation			
Disposal			
At 31 March 2021	180,000	7,680	187,680
Depreciation			
At 28 January 2020		3,842	3,842
Charge for the year		1,921	1,921
On disposals		-	-
At 31 March 2021		5,763	5,763
Net book value			
At 31 March 2020	180,000	1,917	181,917

6. Creditors

	31 March 2021
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year(Accountants Invoice)	400
Other Creditors	
Total	400