

CATCH THE FIRE, FARNBOROUGH

England & Wales · Charity number 1189161

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-04-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE RELIGIOUS WORSHIP, AND CHRISTIAN OUTREACH AND SUPPORT IN THE FARBOROUGH AREA, AND INTERNATIONALLY

Activities: Providing Christian worship, teaching, discipleship and leadership training

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£226,460	£259,144	-	-
2023-12-31	£203,281	£220,222	-	-
2022-12-31	£227,949	£212,761	-	-
2021-12-31	£143,393	£140,466	-	-
2020-12-31	£77,570	£26,817	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Christopher Bird	Chair	2020-03-22
Abraham Marais		2020-03-22
Christine Widdowson		2022-04-26
DAVID ANDREW RICHARDS		2020-03-22
Jonathan Clarke		2022-04-26

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
31 DECEMBER 2024**

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FINANSURE LIMITED

2 Sheppard Street, Brymbo, Wrexham, LL11 5FF

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CHARITY INFORMATION

The board of trustees	Christopher Bird Abraham Marais David Richards Christine Widdowson Jonathan Clarke
Registered office	Grace Gardens Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TD
Independent Examiner	Luke Howson Finansure Limited 2 Sheppard Street Brymbo Wrexham LL11 5FF
Bankers	The Co-operative Bank plc PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6WT

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024



Annual Report 2024

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The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) governed by its foundation constitution document and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 22nd April 2020. This is the fifth year of activity for the Charity.

Aims and Purposes

The objects of the CIO are religious worship, and Christian outreach and support in the Farnborough area, regionally and internationally.

Objectives in 2024

The primary focus of 2024 was to establish new structures of leadership team within the volunteer base of the church, continuing the establishing and maturing of the church that has happened in years prior. This strategic structural work was intended to facilitate more people utilising their talents and giftings in meeting the needs of the community.

Achievements and Performance

2024 was a year in which Catch the Fire Farnborough consolidated growth and reorganised the volunteer leadership structure to allow for future growth in both the people and ministries. There were several marker points and highlights which supported this process throughout the year.

Catch the Fire Farnborough is part of a global family of churches which celebrated it's 30th Anniversary in 2024. In January, two members of the staff team CTF Farnborough were able to travel to Raleigh, North Carolina to be a part of the celebrations in person. This event was an opportunity to connect with other strategic leaders and be inspired by the global family, and this led directly to the exciting initiative of "Embrace". Although still in it's development phase, "Embrace" will become a ministry that enables the members of Catch the Fire Farnborough meet the needs of the poorest in Farnborough, particularly providing much needed community for refugees in the town. One of the first Embrace events saw Morrisons supermarket donate hundreds of hot cross buns, which church members were able to hand out in March as an Easter present to people on the streets of Farnborough.

In May and June, the Senior Pastors, Christopher and Rachel Bird, went on Sabbatical. This was an extended period of rest and study designed to allow leaders to recharge and come back with fresh vision and energy. It also allowed for the rest of the team to step up in more areas of responsibility which is great for professional development within the staff. The sabbatical was a success and allowed for the development and subsequent announcement of the new leadership team in September.

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The leadership team appointed 8 volunteer leaders to oversee 8 of the key ministry areas of the church; Kids, Youth, Finance, Pastoral, Family, Teams, Supernatural and Embrace. These strategic areas being strengthened and lead by individuals will not only allow for the growth of that area, but also further strengthen the health of the church. The leadership team was announced during the church's first Church Weekend, a 3 day event which allowed for the family to come together, hang out and grow spiritually. Geraldine Hayot-Pasquier and Noah van Huizen came from France and the Netherlands respectively to minister to the congregation.

It was a landmark month for events as Catch the Fire Farnborough also welcomed John and Carol Arnott the founders of Catch the Fire Global and internationally renowned speakers in September. Their anointed ministry to the church was a highlight on multiple levels for the church in the year of the anniversary of Catch the Fire's beginning.

October saw the crystallising of the vision of the church, to build big people who bring Heaven to earth. This vision is one which emphasises the growth of everyone in the community; focusing not just on meeting people's needs but providing space for them to contribute to the community themselves. The vision brought about the launch of "Basecamps" which replaced the small groups as the mid-week gathering space of the church. These "Basecamps" are so called as they are several week crash courses focused on a subject that enables Christian worship, outreach or support. Thus, they will develop the ability of each individual in the church to meet the aims of the church.

Throughout the year there were several other visiting worship leaders and speakers whose unique expressions added value and variety to the worshipping life of the church. These included; Steve Tebb, Baldur Einarsson, Anne Calver and Tom Allsop several of whom are authors or recording artists and added great depth and worth to the church's worship and teaching. Alongside the visitors to Catch the Fire Farnborough the church also sent out the staff team to minister in the UK and several nations around the world, meeting the aims of the church nationally and internationally. In September Christopher went to Taiwan with Catch the Fire Asia and in December Sam went to Germany to lead Eden Now; a Youth event he had helped to set up in Europe. It is remarkable for a church not yet 5 years old to have such global influence. The team also ministered in; Uganda, France and the Netherlands throughout the year.

As always training was a key priority of the church, with agreement made in the tail end of the year to develop safeguarding training which would be tailored to the church's unique circumstances and to be delivered at the start of 2025.

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Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees (listed below) have continued to ensure due diligence in all matters relating to the management of CTFF. In addition to ensuring good financial governance, the trustees held the leadership team accountable to the vision of the church and reviewed all of the church policies during 2024 to ensure that these were all up-to-date.

To fulfil their governance mandate, the trustees met five times during 2024, and in addition maintained close contact with the Senior Leaders to ensure the good management and governance of the Church.

Administrative Information

Trustees:

Rev'd Christopher John Bird (Chair)	Appointed for 4 years from March 2020
Mr Abraham Hendrik Marais	Re-appointed for 3 years from March 2023
Mr David Richards	Re-appointed for 3 years from March 2023
Mrs Christine Widdowson	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022
Mr Jonathan Clarke	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022

Staff Team:

Rev'd Christopher J Bird
 Mrs Rachel Bird
 Mr Jonathan Bower
 Mr Samuel Bird

Head of Finance:

Mrs Christine Widdowson

Reserves and Risk Management

It is the policy of the charity to build up and maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at a level which equates to approximately three months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs. At the year-end this equated to approximately £47,300 compared to the actual general reserves of -£15,127. The trustees intend to build up the general reserves in the next few years to cover this amount moving forward.

The trustees have considered the key operational, financial, and strategic risks that have a bearing on the charity. Suitable management information is available to the trustees on a regular basis to monitor these risks, and allow any mitigating action to be taken to address them.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW OF 2024

The SOFA can be viewed on page 8 which sets out the income and expenditure for the year. Total incoming resources for the year were £226,460 (2023 - £203,281). The charity's principal source of income was donations and Gift Aid received.

Total expenditure for the year was £259,144 (2023 - £220,222). The main area of expenditure was staff costs £178,521 (69%).

At the end of the year the charity held £19,243 in reserves of which £18,085 were restricted and £1,158 were unrestricted.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law 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 its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2019)" and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue operating.

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

This report was approved by the trustees on **11th September 2025** and is signed on their behalf by:



.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee



.....
Abraham Marais
Trustee

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024 set out on pages 7 to 14.

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 Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

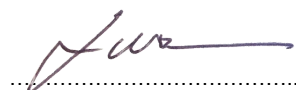
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



.....
Luke Howson MAAT

.....
11th September 2025.....

Date

Finansure Limited, 2 Sheppard Street, Brymbo, Wrexham, LL11 5FF

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and gifts	2	152,354	69,712	222,066	201,368
Income from charitable activities		4,394	-	4,394	1,830
Investment income		-	-	-	83
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		156,748	69,712	226,460	203,281
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities	3	189,203	69,941	259,144	220,222
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		189,203	69,941	259,144	220,222
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR					
		(32,455)	(229)	(32,684)	(16,941)
Transfers between funds					
		-	-	-	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net movement in funds		(32,455)	(229)	(32,684)	(16,941)
Balances brought forward					
		33,613	18,314	51,927	68,868
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balances carried forward		1,158	18,085	19,243	51,927
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	6,018	6,513
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	2,565	7,036
Cash at bank and in hand		15,155	40,018
		17,720	47,054
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	10	(4,495)	(1,640)
NET CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,225	45,414
NET ASSETS	11	19,243	51,927
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
- General reserves	12	(15,127)	7,880
- Designated funds	12	16,285	25,733
Restricted funds	12	18,085	18,314
		19,243	51,927

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

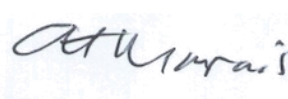
- (i) complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts;
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its net incoming or outgoing resources for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on **11th September 2025** and are signed on their behalf by:



.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee



.....
Abraham Marais
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Support costs are apportioned to activity/project according to total costs of activities undertaken directly and grant funding of activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets are capitalised if they have a useful life of more than one year and a cost value greater than £100.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the value of each asset over its expected useful life:

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|----------------------|-------------|
| - Computer equipment | 33% on cost |
| - Other equipment | 20% on cost |

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2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Unrestricted tithes & donations	91,050	83,809
Unrestricted one-off donations	32,329	20,316
Salaries fund donations	59,712	65,080
Other restricted donations	-	1,846
Income tax recoverable – unrestricted	28,975	20,101
Income tax recoverable – salaries fund	10,000	10,000
Income tax recoverable – other restricted funds	-	216
	<u>222,066</u>	<u>201,368</u>

3. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Activity or project	Activities undertaken directly £	Grant funding of activities (note 4) £	Support costs (note 5) £	Staff costs (note 6)	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Church running costs	25,295	-	27,418	178,521	231,234	217,200
Missions & giving	2,568	25,342	-	-	27,910	3,022
TOTAL	27,863	25,342	27,418	178,521	259,144	220,222

4. GRANT FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Gifts to charities		
- Catch The Fire Ministries (UK)	20,356	-
- Catch The Fire Lyon (France)	2,061	-
- Catch The Fire Asia	-	1,028
- Other (UK)	2,100	1,520
Gifts to individuals		
- UK	825	474
	<u>25,342</u>	<u>3,022</u>

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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Manse rent	14,400	14,400
Travel & accommodation	3,708	6,215
Computer expenses	377	359
Expensed equipment	250	401
Dues & subscriptions	1,545	1,751
DBS expenses	382	182
Finance costs	998	688
Stationery & office expenses	753	166
Insurance	468	454
Staff training	136	183
Independent examiner's fee	675	650
Depreciation	3,097	2,684
Other expenses	629	-
	<u>27,418</u>	<u>28,133</u>

6. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	154,795	145,203
Employer's NIC	11,342	10,017
Employer's pension contributions	12,384	11,616
	<u>178,521</u>	<u>166,836</u>

No employee received emoluments, as defined for taxation purposes, amounting to over £60,000 in the tax year or the previous tax year.

The total number of employees in the year was four (2023 – four).

The average number of employees on a full-time equivalent basis was four (2023 – four).

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

One trustee, Christopher Bird, received remuneration of £47,400 (2023 - £45,600) during the year in his role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,792 (2023 - £3,648) of pension contributions into Mr Bird's pension.

Mr Bird's spouse, Rachel Bird, received remuneration of £47,400 (2023 - £45,600) during the year in her role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,792 (2023 - £3,648) of pension contributions into Mrs Bird's pension.

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7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES (continued)

Mr Bird's son, Samuel Bird, received remuneration of £30,750 (2023 - £27,000) during the year in his role as associate pastor. The charity also contributed £2,460 (2023 - £2,160) of pension contributions into his pension.

All of the above payments were authorised by other trustees in the absence of the parties concerned and were made in accordance with the foundation document.

The total aggregate donations made by trustees to the charity during the year was £71,827 (2023 - £72,073).

8. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment	Sound equipment	Other equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2024	4,740	3,982	3,858	12,580
Additions	2,602	-	-	2,602
At 31 December 2024	<u>7,342</u>	<u>3,982</u>	<u>3,858</u>	<u>15,182</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2024	3,645	1,548	874	6,067
Charge for the year	1,529	796	772	3,097
At 31 December 2024	<u>5,174</u>	<u>2,344</u>	<u>1,646</u>	<u>9,164</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 2024	<u>2,168</u>	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,212</u>	<u>6,018</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,095</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<u>2,984</u>	<u>6,513</u>

9. DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Tax recoverable	826	5,468
Prepayments	739	568
Other debtors	1,000	1,000
	<u>2,565</u>	<u>7,036</u>

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10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2023 £
Accruals	675	1,640
PAYE liability	3,820	-
	<u>4,495</u>	<u>1,640</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General reserves £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 31 December 2024 represented by:				
Fixed assets	6,018	-	-	6,018
Current assets	(16,650)	16,285	18,085	17,720
Current liabilities	(4,495)	-	-	(4,495)
	<u>(15,127)</u>	<u>16,285</u>	<u>18,085</u>	<u>19,243</u>

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12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General reserves	7,880	156,748	(189,203)	9,448	(15,127)
Designated funds	25,733	-	-	(9,448)	16,285
	<u>33,613</u>	<u>156,748</u>	<u>(189,203)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,158</u>
Total unrestricted funds	33,613	156,748	(189,203)	-	1,158
Restricted funds:					
Salaries fund	18,104	69,712	(69,731)	-	18,085
Special events & offerings	210	-	(210)	-	-
	<u>18,314</u>	<u>69,712</u>	<u>(69,941)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,085</u>
Total restricted funds	18,314	69,712	(69,941)	-	18,085
Total funds	51,927	226,460	(259,144)	-	19,243

The 'Salaries fund' represents restricted donations towards salary costs.

The 'Special events & offerings' fund represents donations given towards one-off events or special causes.

'Designated funds' represents funds set aside by the trustees to provide grants to other charities and individuals as they see fit in line with the charity's constitution.

'General reserves' are the free reserves of the charity.

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Aims and Purposes

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Objectives in 2023

The principal aim in 2023 was to further consolidate the growth and maturing of the church that was accomplished in 2022, recognising that we are now transitioning the church out of the planting phase and into the establishing phase. We continued to establish ministries that would both grow the church in spiritual maturity and simultaneously enable as many people as possible to utilise and step out in their giftings.

Achievements and performance

2023 was a year in which Catch the Fire Farnborough grew both numerically and perhaps more importantly in spiritual maturity. There were a number of significant highlights during the year, which contributed greatly to the growth and health of the church family.

One exciting initiative which was launched during 2023 was to engage the entire church in evangelism and outreach by periodically cancelling our usual Sunday morning gatherings in favour of the entire church going out onto the streets of Farnborough, to bless the shoppers and the local businesses. This initiative was entitled Go-Sunday, in order to emphasise the mandate from Jesus to go into all the earth with the good news.

To strengthen the links with other Catch the Fire churches in the UK, Catch The Fire Farnborough joined for a Sunday morning service with Catch the Fire church in Bournemouth, for a special service they were having with a guest speaker called Seth Fawcett. Later in the same month we hosted a training weekend with an evangelist called Andrew Cannon. Andrew ran teaching sessions and seminars before sending the church out onto the streets of Farnborough to put in practice what they had just learnt. This weekend greatly increased the passion of the church for outreach.

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In March, we had another significant weekend for the church when the international prophet Marc Dupont spent time with the church. He invested in the Leadership Team, ministered to the church family, and was the guest speaker at a Church Leader's Day we hosted for other Catch the Fire churches. This Leader's Day was the beginning of the fulfilment of our vision to become a resourcing church for other churches and leaders.

Also in March we were able to release one of our Senior Leaders, Christopher Bird, to travel to Sierra Leone with Nick and Kitty Marsh to visit their Catch the Fire ministry called Livingseeds. This again was part of our resourcing ministry, and it was good to see so many lives transformed, during this trip. As Nick and Kitty Marsh are part of the core team of Catch the Fire Farnborough, it was also good to be able to invest time into their ministry.

One of the values of Catch The Fire Farnborough is 'Family'; it was therefore great in April to be able to take over an entire restaurant for a curry night to which the majority of church members came. Not only did this further develop sense of family within the church, it also provided a safe environment for members with non-Christian spouses, to invite them and their families to join the church at a non-threatening event. Also in April, on Good Friday, many of the church members took to the streets of Farnborough to bless the local community by giving out daffodils and offering to pray for people.

Another of the core values of Catch the Fire Farnborough is "Presence", and so it was with great excitement in May that we launched our Sunday evening worship nights which we held at Stockton House conference centre in Fleet. The aim of these evenings was to have what we have described as pure worship; this means that we were not looking for prophetic words, we were not looking for prayer ministry and we were not including teaching and preaching in these evenings, but rather we were learning together as a church how to minister to the heart of our Heavenly Father. These evenings have proved to be one of the most significant initiatives in the life of the church, bringing about a tremendous change in the worship life of the church, both on Sunday evenings and in our weekly Sunday morning services. We believe, as a result of our worship nights, we have seen significant maturity developing in a number of individuals and in the church as a whole.

In June, we were incredibly excited to have our first baptism service as a church. We joined for the morning service with Farnborough Baptist Church, who have a baptistery, and we were thrilled to baptise three of our church members. Not only was the baptism service hugely significant for us as a church, it was also a great opportunity to further develop relationships with one of the other churches in Farnborough. Later in the same month many of us from the church went together to watch the Jesus Revolution film which is very significant to the Catch the Fire movement globally, and so this movie was very helpful for our members to learn more about the roots in the history of our movement.

In July, as a church we were able to facilitate a CTF Leader's Day for all the of Catch The Fire Leaders from across the UK, at which our International Presidents, Duncan and Kate Smith, were the speakers.

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August is often a quiet month in Church life, and whilst the Sunday gatherings were reduced, we did have an emphasis on gathering for fun, including a Crazy Golf event.

In September, as we moved into the autumn programme, we had a Men's Social to further develop family. This was a Scalextric's racing night, led by Tom Allsop, leader of Catch The Fire 3 Rivers. This was a fantastic event in terms of building friendship for the men within the Church.

To end the year off, in December the Church was able to obtain permission from the local council to set up a sound system in the town centre and sing Christmas Carols to bless the community. This was a great outreach opportunity.

Throughout the year, we continued to invest in our Sunday Kid's Ministry, our midweek Youth Ministry and our Young Adult's Ministry with various one-off events to compliment the routine meetings of these groups. We have seen a maturing in all of these aspects of the church life.

Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Club Coffee continued to be a great blessing to a number of people, and the Monday Football Club grew considerably, attracting a good number of non-church going guys.

We continued to invest in training through 2023, with Safeguarding training in June, and a teams training day in November. The Staff Team also attended the CTF EMA Sphere Retreat in Bulgaria, in October, and Christopher Bird attended and spoke at a Prophetic Conference in Toronto in November, and he also spoke at a CTF Retreat in Sri Lanka in the same month.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees (listed below) have continued to ensure due diligence in all matters relating to the management of CTFF. In addition to ensuring good financial governance, the trustees help the leadership team accountable to the vision of the church and reviewed all of the church policies during 2023 to ensure that these were all up-to-date.

To fulfil their governance mandate, the trustees met five times during 2023, and in addition maintained close contact with the Senior Leaders to ensure the good management and governance of the Church.

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Administrative Information

Trustees:

Rev'd Christopher John Bird (Chair)	Appointed for 4 years from March 2020
Mr Abraham Hendrik Marias	Re-appointed for 3 years from March 2023
Mr David Richards	Re-appointed for 3 years from March 2023
Mrs Christine Widdowson	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022
Mr Jonathan Clarke	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022

Staff Team:

Rev'd Christopher J Bird
Mrs Rachel Bird
Mr Jonathan Bower
Mr Samuel Bird (fixed term contract until April 2024, part-time with CTFE and part-time with CTF (UK))

Head of Finance:

Mrs Christine Widdowson

Reserves and Risk Management

It is the policy of the charity to build up and maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at a level which equates to approximately three months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs. At the year-end this equated to approximately £30,780 compared to the actual general reserves of £7,880.

The trustees have considered the key operational, financial, and strategic risks that have a bearing on the charity. Suitable management information is available to the trustees on a regular basis to monitor these risks, and allow any mitigating action to be taken to address them.

FINANCIAL REVIEW OF 2023

The SOFA can be viewed on page 8 which sets out the income and expenditure for the year. Total incoming resources for the year were £203,281 (2022 - £227,949). The charity's principal source of income was donations and Gift Aid received.

Total expenditure for the year was £220,222 (2022 - £212,761). The main area of expenditure was staff costs £166,836 (76%).

At the end of the year the charity held £51,927 in reserves of which £18,314 were restricted and £33,613 were unrestricted.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law 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 its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

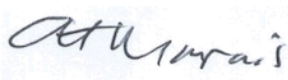
- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2019)" and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue operating.

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

This report was approved by the trustees on ..21st August 2024..... and is signed on their behalf by:



.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee



.....
Abraham Marais
Trustee

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023 set out on pages 8 to 14.

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 Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 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 the 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

.....
Luke Howson MAAT

.....
22nd August 2024
Date

Finansure Limited, 2 Sheppard Street, Brymbo, Wrexham, LL11 5FF

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and gifts	2	124,226	77,142	201,368	227,949
Income from charitable activities		1,830	-	1,830	-
Investment income		83	-	83	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		126,139	77,142	203,281	227,949
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities	3	123,118	97,104	220,222	212,761
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		123,118	97,104	220,222	212,761
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR					
		3,021	(19,962)	(16,941)	15,188
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net movement in funds		3,021	(19,962)	(16,941)	15,188
Balances brought forward		30,592	38,276	68,868	53,680
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balances carried forward		33,613	18,314	51,927	68,868
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	6,513	6,478
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	7,036	3,258
Cash at bank and in hand		40,018	60,532
		47,054	63,790
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	10	(1,640)	(1,400)
NET CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		45,414	62,390
NET ASSETS	11	51,927	68,868
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
- General reserves	12	7,880	19,116
- Designated funds	12	25,733	11,476
Restricted funds	12	18,314	38,276
		51,927	68,868

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

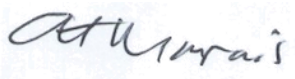
- (i) complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts;
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its net incoming or outgoing resources for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on ...21st August 2024..... and are signed on their behalf by:



 Christopher Bird
 Trustee



 Abraham Marais
 Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Support costs are apportioned to activity/project according to total costs of activities undertaken directly and grant funding of activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets are capitalised if they have a useful life of more than one year and a cost value greater than £100.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the value of each asset over its expected useful life:

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|----------------------|-------------|
| - Computer equipment | 33% on cost |
| - Other equipment | 20% on cost |

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2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Unrestricted tithes & donations	83,809	96,162
Unrestricted one-off donations	20,316	13,805
Salaries fund donations	65,080	82,865
Ukraine donations	-	2,230
Other restricted donations	1,846	1,421
Income tax recoverable – unrestricted	20,101	20,893
Income tax recoverable – salaries fund	10,000	10,000
Income tax recoverable – Ukraine fund	-	458
Income tax recoverable – other restricted funds	216	115
	<u>201,368</u>	<u>227,949</u>

3. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Activity or project	Activities undertaken directly £	Grant funding of activities (note 4) £	Support costs (note 5) £	Staff costs (note 6)	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Church running costs	22,231	-	28,133	166,836	217,200	193,835
Missions & giving	-	3,022	-	-	3,022	18,926
TOTAL	22,231	3,022	28,133	166,836	220,222	212,761

4. GRANT FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES

	2023 £	2022 £
Gifts to charities		
- Catch The Fire Asia	1,028	-
- UK	1,520	2,135
- Catch The Fire World (USA) (subs)	-	7,316
- Catch The Fire World (USA) (Ukraine appeal)	-	4,900
- India	-	1,165
- Sierra Leone	-	1,000
Gifts to individuals		
- UK	474	281
- India	-	2,129
	<u>3,022</u>	<u>18,926</u>

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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Manse rent	14,400	14,400
Travel & accommodation	6,215	-
Pension admin fees	-	664
Computer expenses	359	445
Expensed equipment	401	799
Dues & subscriptions	1,751	883
DBS expenses	182	834
Finance costs	688	644
Stationery & office expenses	166	401
Insurance	454	453
Staff training	183	233
Independent examiner's fee	650	650
Depreciation	2,684	2,121
Other expenses	-	311
	<u>28,133</u>	<u>22,838</u>

6. STAFF COSTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	145,203	137,173
Employer's NIC	10,017	9,969
Employer's pension contributions	11,616	10,933
	<u>166,836</u>	<u>158,075</u>

No employee received emoluments, as defined for taxation purposes, amounting to over £60,000 in the tax year or the previous tax year.

The total number of employees in the year was four (2022 – four).

The average number of employees on a full-time equivalent basis was four (2022 – four).

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

One trustee, Christopher Bird, received remuneration of £45,600 (2022 - £45,600) during the year in his role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,648 (2022 - £3,648) of pension contributions into Mr Bird's pension.

Mr Bird's spouse, Rachel Bird, received remuneration of £45,600 (2022 - £45,600) during the year in her role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,648 (2022 - £3,648) of pension contributions into Mrs Bird's pension.

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7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES (continued)

Mr Bird's son, Samuel Bird, received remuneration of £27,000 (2022 - £20,025) during the year in his role as associate pastor. The charity also contributed £2,160 (2022 - £1,602) of pension contributions into his pension.

All of the above payments were authorised by other trustees in the absence of the parties concerned and were made in accordance with the foundation document.

The total aggregate donations made by trustees to the charity during the year was £72,073 (2022 - £75,427).

8. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment	Sound equipment	Other equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2023	4,740	3,708	1,413	9,861
Additions	-	274	2,445	2,719
At 31 December 2023	<u>4,740</u>	<u>3,982</u>	<u>3,858</u>	<u>12,580</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2023	2,269	797	317	3,383
Charge for the year	1,376	751	557	2,684
At 31 December 2023	<u>3,645</u>	<u>1,548</u>	<u>874</u>	<u>6,067</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,095</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<u>2,984</u>	<u>6,513</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,471</u>	<u>2,911</u>	<u>1,096</u>	<u>6,478</u>

9. DEBTORS

	2023 £	2022 £
Tax recoverable	5,468	1,568
Prepayments	568	690
Other debtors	1,000	1,000
	<u>7,036</u>	<u>3,258</u>

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10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2022 £
Accruals	<u>1,640</u>	<u>1,400</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General reserves £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 31 December 2023 represented by:				
Fixed assets	6,513	-	-	6,513
Current assets	3,007	25,733	18,314	47,054
Current liabilities	(1,640)	-	-	(1,640)
	<u>7,880</u>	<u>25,733</u>	<u>18,314</u>	<u>51,927</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General reserves	19,116	126,139	(120,570)	(16,805)	7,880
Designated funds	11,476	-	(2,548)	16,805	25,733
Total unrestricted funds	<u>30,592</u>	<u>126,139</u>	<u>(123,118)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,613</u>
Restricted funds:					
Salaries fund	38,276	75,080	(95,252)	-	18,104
Special events & offerings	-	2,062	(1,852)	-	210
Total restricted funds	<u>38,276</u>	<u>77,142</u>	<u>(97,104)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,314</u>
Total funds	<u>68,868</u>	<u>203,281</u>	<u>(220,222)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,927</u>

The 'Salaries fund' represents restricted donations towards salary costs.

The 'Special events & offerings' fund represents donations given towards one-off events or special causes. 'Designated funds' represents funds set aside by the trustees to provide grants to other charities and individuals as they see fit in line with the charity's constitution.

'General reserves' are the free reserves of the charity.

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Accounts

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FOR
31 DECEMBER 2022

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CHARITY INFORMATION

The board of trustees	Christopher Bird Abraham Marais David Richards Christine Widdowson (Appointed 26 April 2022) Jonathan Clarke (Appointed 26 April 2022)
Registered office	Grace Gardens Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TD
Independent Examiner	Luke Howson Finansure Limited 2 Sheppard Street Brymbo Wrexham LL11 5FF
Bankers	The Co-operative Bank plc PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6WT

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022



Annual Report 2022

Catch the Fire, Farnborough

Charity Registration number: 1189161

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) governed by its foundation constitution document and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 22nd April 2020. This is the third year of activity for the Charity.

Aims and Purposes

The objects of the CIO are religious worship, and Christian outreach and support in the Farnborough area, regionally and internationally.

Objectives in 2022

The main objective in 2022 was to build further on foundations that had been laid in the first two years of Catch The Fire Farnborough, and to transition the church to being a church that meets fully in-person. In addition, it was our aim to establish ministries that would both grow the church in spiritual maturity and simultaneously enable as many people as possible to utilise and step out in their giftings.

Achievements and performance

Catch The Fire, Farnborough (CTFF) enjoyed another year of encouraging growth during 2022, building on the foundations that had been laid during the first two years of the life of the Church. In many senses, 2022 was the first full year in which anything approaching normal life was able to be measured, as it was the first year without restrictions on gatherings, and so 2022 was an incredibly important year in establishing CTFF as a viable church for the post-Covid era.

In order to cement the mandate of CTFF to be a family, the church held a delayed Christmas worship and social event in March 2022, at a Crondall Village Hall; this was hugely well received, well attended and proved to be a tremendous blessing to the fellowship. Further social events followed throughout the year (for example an Easter Celebration Event and a family day in June), both at Crondall and in other places, and each of these deepened the sense of belonging that many people express valuing in the church community. In addition, we sought to engage in evangelism, with events such as our Good Friday Outreach, and a Christmas Carols Event in the cinema.

In 2022, as CTFF became more established as a Church, many new initiatives were instigated, to enhance the life of the church, grow people in their faith, and to reach out to the community in Farnborough. During 2022 a Prayer Ministry Team was created, and members of the team were trained and equipped to minister to people in our Sunday Services. A Creatives Groups (CTF Creatives) was established in the early part of the year, to enable and encourage people to use their artistic abilities to express their worship in creative ways, through art, dance, crafts

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etc, and this group has proved very popular. A number of conferences and events were made available to the church, either in house, or in conjunction with other churches. These include a "Father Heart Conference", led by Wes and Sharron Boxall and Jason Christy (June 18-19); the "Thrive" ladies conference at Bournemouth CTF (July 2); a youth event with CTF Bournemouth Youth (July 8); and the entire church being invited to attend the "David's Tent" worship conference in August – all of which engendered growth in our church.

By the middle of 2022 it became clear that the nature and needs of the Church had changed dramatically from our early on-line only existence, and so to adapt to the changing needs we took the decision to end the weekly Wednesday night Zoom meetings, despite their popularity and chose instead to create a network of Small Groups, where people could meet in person in homes on a fortnightly basis, to build family together and to be disciplined by the leaders of the groups. These Small Groups began in September, and for the final quarter of 2022 proved invaluable.

Around the same time the Wednesday Zooms came to an end, it became clear that the School Hall was not going to be a viable venue for our Sunday gatherings for much longer, partly due to capacity, partly due to time limitations of the School only being available in the afternoons, and partly to do with the location. Therefore, in June we trialled a service at Vue Cinema in Farnborough, and felt it was such a good venue that from September 2022 this became our new home for our Sunday morning worship services.

During 2022 the Youth Ministry continued to grow, with new members joining the group, and investment in the young people not only through the weekly youth nights, but also through social evenings, a trip to Soul Survivor Youth Event and the introduction of a discipleship curriculum. In addition, in 2022 we introduced a Young Adults Group to encourage and grow the 18-30 year olds in the Church. In the Autumn, a new outreach initiative was started, in the form of a weekly 5-a-side football night, to which non-Christians were invited, in order to build relationship with the aim of sharing the Gospel in a relational manner.

One extremely exciting aspect of 2022 was the appointment of Samuel Bird to the Staff Team in April. CTF World had made us aware of grant money that was available for various uses within the CTF Global Family, and after much discussion it was agreed to appoint Samuel to a combined role, partly with CTF Farnborough and partly with CTF UK. Samuel's role with CTF UK is to establish a Young Adults Collective, and his role with CTF Farnborough is to be an integral part of the Senior Leadership Team, to assist with the day to day running of the Church, and to contribute significantly to the preaching and teaching ministry of the Church. This addition to the team, has hugely strengthened and increased the capacity of the Leadership and has proved to be an invaluable blessing to the church.

CTFF has always had a vision to be more than purely a local church, and we have sought to invest heavily in the wider body of Christ during 2022, most especially by releasing members of the staff team to minister elsewhere. During the year some of the places we were able to send team to include: Lifehouse Church, Colchester; Yapton Free Church; Compassion UK (Weston-Super-Mare); The Yateley Minister's Gathering; The Farnborough Ministers' Lunches; Ealing Christian Centre (Kingdom Encounter Conference); London Awakening Conference (Capstone Church, London); Sunday worship at RIG Nation Church; Playing on mainstage at David's Tent; Lion-Heart Conference (Isle of Wight); a CTF UK cluster retreat;

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New River Church Conference, Edmonton; Elim Church, Princes Risborough; and a trip to lead Pastor's Conferences in India.

Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees (listed below) have continued to ensure due diligence in all matters relating to the management of CTFF, and the accountant (Christine Widdowson) who had previously been overseeing the financial management of the church, has in 2022 been appointed as a trustee. The remit of the Head of Finance includes oversight of payroll, PAYE, NI, Gift Aid and pension contributions for the staff team, as well as the daily financial management of income and expenditure. An independent financial examiner has again been appointed to aid us in 2022.

To ensure proper safeguarding, the trustees require all staff and any volunteers to have current DBS checks in place and an independent safeguarding body (called 'Thirtyone.eight') continue to provide these checks for us. A volunteer administrator continues to ensure GDPR / Safeguarding compliance.

The trustees meet at least quarterly and are in close contact with the Senior Leaders to ensure the good management and governance of the Church.

Administrative Information

Trustees:

Rev'd Christopher John Bird (Chair)	Appointed for 4 years from March 2020
Mr Abraham Hendrik Marias	Appointed for 3 years from March 2020
Mr David Richards	Appointed for 2 years from March 2020
Mrs Christine Widdowson	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022
Mr Jonathan Clarke	Appointed for 3 years from April 2022

Staff Team:

Rev'd Christopher J Bird
 Mrs Rachel Bird
 Mr Jonathan Bower
 Mr Samuel Bird (from April 2022)

Head of Finance:

Mrs Christine Widdowson

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Reserves and Risk Management

It is the policy of the charity to build up and maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at a level which equates to approximately three months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs. At the year-end this equated to approximately £48,459 compared to the actual general reserves of £19,116.

The trustees have considered the key operational, financial, and strategic risks that have a bearing on the charity. Suitable management information is available to the trustees on a regular basis to monitor these risks, and allow any mitigating action to be taken to address them.

FINANCIAL REVIEW OF 2022

The SOFA can be viewed on page 8 which sets out the income and expenditure for the year. Total incoming resources for the year were £227,949 (2021 - £143,393). The charity's principal source of income was donations and Gift Aid received.

Total expenditure for the year was £212,761 (2021 - £140,466). The main area of expenditure was staff costs £158,075 (74%).

At the end of the year the charity held £68,868 in reserves of which £38,276 were restricted and £30,592 were unrestricted.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

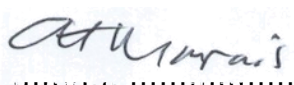
Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2019)" and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue operating.

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

This report was approved by the trustees on **October 9, 2023** and is signed on their behalf by:


.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee


.....
Abraham Marais
Trustee

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 set out on pages 8 to 15.

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 Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

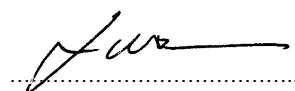
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



.....
Luke Howson MAAT

..... 11th October 2023

Date

Finansure Limited, 2 Sheppard Street, Brymbo, Wrexham, LL11 5FF

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	TOTAL 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and gifts	2	130,861	97,088	227,949	143,393
Other income		-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>130,861</u>	<u>97,088</u>	<u>227,949</u>	<u>143,393</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities	3	120,271	92,490	212,761	140,466
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>120,271</u>	<u>92,490</u>	<u>212,761</u>	<u>140,466</u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR					
		10,590	4,598	15,188	2,927
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		10,590	4,598	15,188	2,927
Balances brought forward		20,002	33,678	53,680	50,753
Balances carried forward		<u>30,592</u>	<u>38,276</u>	<u>68,868</u>	<u>53,680</u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	6,478	4,430
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	3,258	2,346
Cash at bank and in hand		60,532	48,814
		63,790	51,160
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	10	(1,400)	(1,910)
NET CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		62,390	49,250
NET ASSETS	11	68,868	53,680
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
- General reserves	12	19,116	11,907
- Designated funds	12	11,476	8,095
Restricted funds	12	38,276	33,678
		68,868	53,680

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

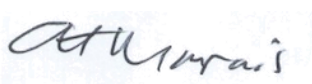
- (i) complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts;
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its net incoming or outgoing resources for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on **October 9, 2023** and are signed on their behalf by:



 Christopher Bird
 Trustee



 Abraham Marais
 Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Support costs are apportioned to activity/project according to total costs of activities undertaken directly and grant funding of activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets are capitalised if they have a useful life of more than one year and a cost value greater than £100.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the value of each asset over its expected useful life:

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|----------------------|-------------|
| - Computer equipment | 33% on cost |
| - Other equipment | 20% on cost |

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2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Unrestricted tithes & donations	96,162	76,077
Unrestricted one-off donations	13,805	3,362
Unrestricted corporate donations	-	2,315
Salaries fund donations	82,865	35,000
Ukraine donations	2,230	-
Other restricted donations	1,421	-
Income tax recoverable – unrestricted	20,893	16,739
Income tax recoverable – salaries fund	10,000	8,750
Income tax recoverable – Ukraine fund	458	-
Income tax recoverable – other restricted funds	115	-
Equipment donations	-	1,150
	<u>227,949</u>	<u>143,393</u>

3. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Activity or project	Activities undertaken directly £	Grant funding of activities (note 4) £	Support costs (note 5) £	Staff costs (note 6)	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Church running costs	12,922	-	22,838	158,075	193,835	132,430
Missions & giving	-	18,926	-	-	18,926	8,036
TOTAL	12,922	18,926	22,838	158,075	212,761	140,466

4. GRANT FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	2021 £
Gifts to charities		
- Catch The Fire World (USA) (subs)	7,316	5,639
- Catch The Fire World (USA) (Ukraine appeal)	4,900	-
- UK	2,135	1,000
- India	1,165	-
- Sierra Leone	1,000	-
Gifts to individuals		
- UK	281	387
- India	2,129	1,010
	<u>18,926</u>	<u>8,036</u>

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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Manse rent	14,400	13,200
Pension admin fees	664	2,593
Computer expenses	445	159
Expensed equipment	799	653
Dues & subscriptions	883	1,205
DBS expenses	834	-
Finance costs	644	284
Stationery & office expenses	401	372
Insurance	453	480
Staff training	233	-
Independent examiner's fee	650	650
Professional fees	-	94
Depreciation	2,121	1,021
Other expenses	311	38
	<u>22,838</u>	<u>20,749</u>

6. STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	137,173	96,280
Employer's NIC	9,969	3,585
Employer's pension contributions	10,933	4,436
	<u>158,075</u>	<u>104,301</u>

No employee received emoluments, as defined for taxation purposes, amounting to over £60,000 in the tax year or the previous tax year.

The total number of employees in the year was four (2021 – three).

The average number of employees on a full-time equivalent basis was four (2021 – three).

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

One trustee, Christopher Bird, received remuneration of £45,600 (2021 - £37,747) during the year in his role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,648 (2021 - £1,739) of pension contributions into Mr Bird's pension.

Mr Bird's spouse, Rachel Bird, received remuneration of £45,600 (2021 - £37,747) during the year in her role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £3,648 (2021 - £1,739) of pension contributions into Mrs Bird's pension.

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7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES (continued)

Mr Bird's son, Samuel Bird, received remuneration of £20,025 during the year in his role as associate pastor. The charity also contributed £1,602 of pension contributions into his pension.

All of the above payments were authorised by other trustees in the absence of the parties concerned and were made in accordance with the foundation document.

The total aggregate donations made by trustees to the charity during the year was £75,427 (2021 - £66,611).

8. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment	Sound equipment	Other equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2022	2,621	2,208	863	5,692
Additions	2,119	1,500	550	4,169
At 31 December 2022	<u>4,740</u>	<u>3,708</u>	<u>1,413</u>	<u>9,861</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2022	983	180	99	1,262
Charge for the year	1,286	617	218	2,121
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,269</u>	<u>797</u>	<u>317</u>	<u>3,383</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,471</u>	<u>2,911</u>	<u>1,096</u>	<u>6,478</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,028</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>4,430</u>

9. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Tax recoverable	1,568	767
Prepayments	690	579
Other debtors	1,000	1,000
	<u>3,258</u>	<u>2,346</u>

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10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2021 £
Accruals	1,400	1,919
Payroll liabilities	-	(9)
	<u>1,400</u>	<u>1,910</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General reserves funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted Total £	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2022 represented by:				
Fixed assets	6,478	-	-	6,478
Current assets	14,038	11,476	38,276	63,790
Current liabilities	(1,400)	-	-	(1,400)
	<u>19,116</u>	<u>11,476</u>	<u>38,276</u>	<u>68,868</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General reserves	11,907	111,629	(104,419)	-	19,116
Designated funds	8,095	19,232	(15,852)	-	11,476
	<u>20,002</u>	<u>130,861</u>	<u>(120,271)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,592</u>
Restricted funds:					
Salaries fund	33,100	92,864	(87,688)	-	38,276
Premises rental fund	578	-	(578)	-	-
Ukraine appeal	-	2,688	(2,688)	-	-
Father's Heart	-	960	(960)	-	-
Emerge	-	576	(576)	-	-
	<u>33,678</u>	<u>97,088</u>	<u>(92,490)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,276</u>
Total funds	<u>53,680</u>	<u>227,949</u>	<u>(212,761)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,868</u>

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12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

The 'Salaries fund' represents restricted donations towards salary costs.

The 'Premises rental fund' represents donations given towards the cost of hiring premises for church services.

The 'Ukraine appeal' fund represents donations given towards aid work in the Ukraine.

The 'Father's Heart' fund represents donations given at the Father's Heart conference towards gifts for guest speakers.

The 'Emerge' fund represents donations to support a local charity called 'Emerge'.

The 'Designated funds' represents funds set aside by the trustees to provide grants to other charities and individuals as they see fit in line with the charity's constitution.

The 'General reserves' are the free reserves of the charity.

CATCH THE FIRE, FARNBOROUGH

England & Wales - Charity number 1189161

Accounts

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
31 DECEMBER 2021**

Charity Number 1189161

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CHARITY INFORMATION

The board of trustees	Christopher Bird Abraham Marais David Richards
Registered office	Grace Gardens Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TD
Independent Examiner	Luke Howson Finansure Limited 2 Sheppard Street Brymbo Wrexham LL11 5FF
Bankers	The Co-operative Bank plc PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6WT

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021



Annual Report 2021

Catch the Fire, Farnborough

Charity Registration number: 1189161

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) governed by its foundation constitution document and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 22nd April 2020. This is the second year of activity for the Charity.

Aims and Purposes

The objects of the CIO are religious worship, and Christian outreach and support in the Farnborough area, regionally and internationally.

Objectives in 2021

In 2021, the aim was to build on the tremendous start we enjoyed in 2020, and to make preparations for transitioning from meeting online, to meeting in-person, in as smooth a manner as possible. Also, the decision was made to strengthen the foundations of the new church before becoming intentional about growing attendance numbers, to ensure longevity. In addition, with the continuation of the COVID Pandemic, it was imperative to maintain the provision of pastoral support and provide a message of hope to our members and the wider community.

Achievements and performance

During 2021, Catch The Fire Farnborough (CTFF) saw significant growth, going from about 30 people at the beginning of the year, to around 50 by the end of 2021, which has been hugely encouraging considering we had made a conscious decision not to advertise the church, or actively seek to grow the church during 2021, in order to focus our efforts on strengthening the foundations.

As 2021 progressed, CTFF began the transition from solely having online gatherings to in-person. To aid the transition, it was decided to continue the daily 'Thought for the Day' until the middle of the year, at which point, as COVID restrictions began to lift, the daily messages were deemed less important, and so were discontinued. In the first half of the year, these daily thoughts were posted on Facebook and YouTube, and had proved to be very helpful to a large number of people, with regular positive feedback and messages of gratitude being received from around the world.

The Wednesday evening Zoom meeting continued throughout the year and saw very steady attendance figures of around 30 people. During Lockdown periods, the primary focus of these meetings was discipleship, unpacking the Sunday teaching from the previous week, and providing stimulating discussion questions for breakout rooms to discuss. This enabled the vision and values of the Church to be imparted and reinforced, ensuring a strong and health culture in the church, thereby strengthening the foundations of the church.

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As the year progressed, it became possible to start regular in person Sunday gatherings, and after much effort a venue was secured for every Sunday afternoon. From September onwards, the church met at 3:00pm every Sunday afternoon at a secondary School in Farnborough. Meeting in person inevitably changed the dynamic of the church hugely, but it was readily seen that the investment in building a culture of family in the Zoom meetings, by inviting all members to share testimony was time well spent, as from the very first in person meeting there was a tremendous sense of family, and this continued to be reinforced through the rest of the year.

During the year, there were a few occasions when it was possible to gather socially, and also engage in outreach. During the Easter period, the majority of the church were involved in evangelism in Farnborough and Hook. The prayer life of the church also grew in 2021 with the establishing of an Intercessory Prayer Team, who met regularly on Zoom. In addition, as the restrictions lifted, the Staff Team were able to do more pastoral visits, and as part of our efforts to build on our vision to be family, we started monthly 'Coffee and Catch-up' gatherings in various homes.

The bulk of the teaching input continued to be delivered by our Senior Leaders, Christopher and Rachel Bird, but in 2021 we also benefitted from teaching input from Samuel Bird, Louise Mokhoff and Ruth Rogers, who between them brought very valuable teaching. The Senior Leaders have also ministered in other CTF churches around the UK as part of the wider ministry of CTF Farnborough.

The youth ministry has doubled in size during 2021, with the young people meeting in person every Tuesday evening when the restrictions allowed. The Youth Group meetings are a combination of fun & games, along with Bible study and discipleship, social events and trips out.

During 2021, the church also enjoyed a couple of special "one-off" events: in the summer, the church gathered at Alice Holt Country Park for a picnic, as groups were by now allowed to gather in groups outside; there was an amazing Family Day at the Cross Barn, in Odiham, where members of the church family brought an incredible array of food, and superb BBQs. Feedback suggested that this was one of the best church socials many people had ever attended.

Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Structure, governance and management

The Trustees (listed below) have ensured due diligence in all matters relating to the management of CTFF, and to this end a qualified accountant has been appointed (in a voluntary capacity) to oversee the financial management of the church (directly accountable to the trustees). This includes oversight of payroll, PAYE, NI, Gift Aid and pension contributions for the staff team, as well as the daily financial management of income and expenditure. An independent financial examiner has also been appointed.

To ensure proper safeguarding, the trustees require all staff and any volunteers to have current DBS checks in place and an independent safeguarding body have provided these checks for us. A volunteer administrator has been appointed to ensure GDPR compliance, and volunteer children's workers have also been appointed to work with the younger members of the CTFF family.

The trustees meet formerly quarterly but are also in close contact with the Senior Leaders to ensure the good management and governance of the Church.

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Staff Team:

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Mrs Christine Widdowson

Reserves and Risk Management

It is the policy of the charity to build up and maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, at a level which equates to approximately three months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs. At the year-end this equated to approximately £33,107 compared to the actual general reserves of £11,907.

The trustees have considered the key operational, financial, and strategic risks that have a bearing on the charity. Suitable management information is available to the trustees on a regular basis to monitor these risks, and allow any mitigating action to be taken to address them.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW OF 2021

The SOFA can be viewed on page 6 which sets out the income and expenditure for the year. Total incoming resources for the year were £143,393 (2020 - £77,570). The charity's principal source of income was donations and Gift Aid received.

Total expenditure for the year was £140,466 (2020 - £26,817). The main areas of expenditure were staff costs £104,301 (74%) and manse rent £13,200 (9%).

At the end of the year the charity held £53,680 in reserves of which £33,678 were restricted and £20,002 were unrestricted.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Charity law 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 its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
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This report was approved by the trustees on 11th August 2022..... and is signed on their behalf by:



.....
 Christopher Bird
 Trustee



.....
 Abraham Marais
 Trustee

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2021 set out on pages 7 to 14.

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 Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
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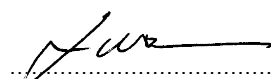
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



.....
Luke Howson MAAT

16th August 2022

.....
Date

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 8-mths 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations and gifts	2	99,643	43,750	143,393	77,520
Other income		-	-	-	50
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		99,643	43,750	143,393	77,570
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities	3	91,257	49,209	140,466	26,817
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		91,257	49,209	140,466	26,817
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR					
		8,386	(5,459)	2,927	50,753
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net movement in funds		8,386	(5,459)	2,927	50,753
Balances brought forward		11,616	39,137	50,753	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balances carried forward		20,002	33,678	53,680	50,753
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	8	<u>4,430</u>	<u>2,669</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	2,346	9,983
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>48,814</u>	<u>38,658</u>
		51,160	48,641
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			
	10	<u>(1,910)</u>	<u>(557)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>49,250</u>	<u>48,084</u>
NET ASSETS	11	<u>53,680</u>	<u>50,753</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
- General reserves	12	11,907	10,047
- Designated funds	12	8,095	1,569
Restricted funds	12	<u>33,678</u>	<u>39,137</u>
		53,680	50,753

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

- (i) complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts;
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its net incoming or outgoing resources for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 11th August 2022 and are signed on their behalf by:



.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee



.....
Abraham Marais
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Support costs are apportioned to activity/project according to total costs of activities undertaken directly and grant funding of activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets are capitalised if they have a useful life of more than one year and a cost value greater than £100.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the value of each asset over its expected useful life:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| - Computer equipment | 33% on cost |
| - Other equipment | 20% on cost |

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS

	2021	8-mths 2020
	£	£
Unrestricted tithes & donations	76,077	16,251
Unrestricted one-off donations	3,362	10,909
Unrestricted corporate donations	2,315	5,327
Restricted fund donations	35,000	31,790
Income tax recoverable – unrestricted	16,739	5,674
Income tax recoverable - restricted	8,750	7,569
Equipment donations	1,150	-
	<u>143,393</u>	<u>77,520</u>

3. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Activity or project	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities (note 4)	Support costs (note 5)	Staff costs (note 6)	Total 2021	Total 2020 (8-mths)
	£	£	£		£	£
Church running costs	7,380	-	20,749	104,301	132,430	24,631
Missions & giving	-	8,036	-	-	8,036	2,186
TOTAL	7,380	8,036	20,749	104,301	140,466	26,817

4. GRANT FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES

	2021	8-mths 2020
	£	£
Gifts to charities		
- Catch The Fire World (USA)	5,639	1,162
- UK	1,000	500
- Turkey	-	278
Gifts to individuals		
- UK	387	246
- India	1,010	-
	<u>8,036</u>	<u>2,186</u>

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2021	8-mths 2020
	£	£
Manse rent	13,200	6,000
Pension admin fees	2,593	602
Computer expenses	159	560
Expensed equipment	653	252
Dues & subscriptions	1,205	356
Finance costs	284	306
Stationery & office expenses	372	96
Insurance	480	19
Independent examiner's fee	650	425
Professional fees	94	-
Depreciation	1,021	241
Other expenses	38	30
	20,749	8,887

6. STAFF COSTS

	2021	8-mths 2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	96,280	13,504
Employer's NIC	3,585	-
Employer's pension contributions	4,436	1,203
	104,301	14,707

No employee received emoluments, as defined for taxation purposes, amounting to over £60,000 in the tax year or the previous tax year.

The total number of employees in the year was three (2020 – three).

The average number of employees on a full-time equivalent basis was three (2020 – one).

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

One trustee, Christopher Bird, received remuneration of £37,747 (2020 - £5,846) during the year in his role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £1,739 (2020 - £756) of pension contributions into Mr Bird's pension during the year.

Mr Bird's spouse, Rachel Bird, received remuneration of £37,747 (2020 - £5,846) during the year in her role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £1,739 of pension contributions into Mrs Bird's pension during the year.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES (continued)

All of the above payments were authorised by other trustees in the absence of the parties concerned and were made in accordance with the foundation document.

The total aggregate donations made by trustees to the charity during the year was £66,611 (2020 - £40,469).

8. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment	Sound equipment	Other equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2021	2,241	559	110	2,910
Additions	380	1,649	753	2,782
At 31 December 2021	<u>2,621</u>	<u>2,208</u>	<u>863</u>	<u>5,692</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2021	204	31	6	241
Charge for the year	779	149	93	1,021
At 31 December 2021	<u>983</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>1,262</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,028</u>	<u>764</u>	<u>4,430</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>2,037</u>	<u>528</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>2,669</u>

9. DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Tax recoverable	767	8,436
Prepayments	579	547
Other debtors	1,000	1,000
	<u>2,346</u>	<u>9,983</u>

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2020 £
Accruals	1,919	425
Payroll liabilities	(9)	132
	<u>1,910</u>	<u>557</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General reserves £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 31 December 2021 represented by:				
Fixed assets	4,430	-	-	4,430
Current assets	9,387	8,095	33,678	51,160
Current liabilities	(1,910)	-	-	(1,910)
	<u>11,907</u>	<u>8,095</u>	<u>33,678</u>	<u>53,680</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General reserves	10,047	84,428	(82,210)	(359)	11,907
Designated funds	1,569	15,215	(9,047)	359	8,095
Total unrestricted funds	<u>11,616</u>	<u>99,643</u>	<u>(91,257)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,002</u>
Restricted funds:					
Salaries fund	37,500	43,750	(48,150)	-	33,100
Premises rental fund	1,278	-	(700)	-	578
Christmas appeal	359	-	(359)	-	-
Total restricted funds	<u>39,137</u>	<u>43,750</u>	<u>(49,209)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,678</u>
Total funds	<u>50,753</u>	<u>143,393</u>	<u>(140,466)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,680</u>

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

The 'Salaries fund' represents restricted donations towards salary costs.

The 'Premises rental fund' represents donations given towards the cost of hiring premises for church services.

The 'Christmas appeal' fund represents donations towards the charity's Christmas appeal 2020 to support the works of the charity 'Compassion UK'. This was passed on in January 2021.

The 'Designated funds' represents funds set aside by the trustees to provide grants to other charities and individuals as they see fit in line with the charity's constitution.

The 'General reserves' are the free reserves of the charity.

CATCH THE FIRE, FARNBOROUGH

England & Wales - Charity number 1189161

Accounts

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
31 DECEMBER 2020

Charity Number 1189161

FINANSURE LIMITED

2 Sheppard Street, Brymbo, Wrexham, LL11 5FF

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

CHARITY INFORMATION

The board of trustees	Christopher Bird Abraham Marais David Richards
Registered office	Grace Gardens Chalky Lane Dogmersfield Hook RG27 8TD
Independent Examiner	Luke Howson Finansure Limited 2 Sheppard Street Brymbo Wrexham LL11 5FF
Bankers	The Co-operative Bank plc PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6WT

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020



Annual Report 2020

Catch the Fire, Farnborough

Charity Registration number: 1189161

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) governed by its foundation constitution document and registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 22nd April 2020. This is the first period of activity for the Charity.

Aims and Purposes

The objects of the CIO are religious worship, and Christian outreach and support in the Farnborough area, regionally and internationally.

Objectives in 2020

The priority in 2020 has been to launch and establish the Church, appoint people to key roles, and to begin to market the new church in the region. The original plan was to spend the time from March to September 2020 working on infrastructure imperatives, such as appointing trustees, registering the charity, opening bank accounts etc. However, the advent of the Corona Virus Pandemic meant that the need to offer pastoral, emotional and spiritual support was much more immediate, and so the decision was made to start the church far sooner (March 2020) and to work on the infrastructure simultaneously.

Achievements and performance

Catch The Fire Farnborough (CTFF) began on Sunday March 29, 2020 with just 6 people, who were compelled to meet via Zoom due to the Covid19 Lockdown in UK. It was decided at this initial meeting that the pandemic was going to cause immeasurable stress and anxiety to vast numbers of people, and that CTFF had a unique opportunity to provide emotional and spiritual support to people in the Farnborough area, but also globally through the use of online platforms and social media. It was therefore agreed that with immediate effect, CTFF would record a daily thought for the day, a Sunday communion, a midweek Bible Study via Zoom and a full Sunday Service of Worship, all of which would be online, and in addition a Sunday Morning Zoom would be offered exclusively to those choosing to commit to CTFF as their local church, through which pastoral support would be offered.

Within 24hrs of the initial meeting, the website was built, Facebook page created, and YouTube Channel established. Using these platforms, since March 29, 2020 the thoughts for the day have been posted online, along with the Sunday Service of Worship. These have attracted regular viewers, and the number of engagements with these has been extremely encouraging, with approximately 200-300 engaging with the CTFF online presence on a regular basis.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Within 7 days of the church starting, the number of people committing to the church doubled, and rapid progress was made on the infrastructure, with constitution being completed, charity registration application being submitted, and bank accounts being opened. Reports began to come in from around the world from people who were finding the online presence helpful, and interest in the new church grew both locally and regionally. On September 19, 2020 we were able to host the official launch of CTFF, borrowing the buildings of Basingstoke Baptist Church and streaming the event online. This event has to date been viewed by over 1,000 people. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing Covid19 restrictions, the official launch has been the only 'in-person' gathering, but this has not affected to growth of the church.

Currently, there are approximately 30 people committed to the church, and the sense of belonging being reported is very encouraging. There have been people returning to faith through the ministry of CTFF, and others formerly of no faith engaging with the church on a regular basis. We have had testimonies of physical and emotional healings, and of people being emboldened in their faith. Many of those engaging regularly testify to the positive impact the church is having. Some of their feedback is included here:

"CTFF has welcomed and supported me and my family. Their compassion, love and biblical teaching is extraordinary and we are grateful to be part of CTFF."

"I've found Catch the Fire Farnborough needful in this area and at this time, because it offers what other Churches don't at present to my knowledge and I've been going to Church for more than 40 years though out my life. I think Christopher and Rachel are pivotal to the growth of this Church family."

"I love belonging to the Catch the Fire Farnborough family because I'm accepted, respected and enjoy being a part of genuine worshipping community. Truly an extension to my immediate family."

"I have been telling all my friends and family how significant and life changing being a part of CTF Farnborough has been for our whole family. And I mean it whole heartedly. It has felt like a genuine wider family, and although we have all only met once there is such a sense of love and honour among us all. We have seen how much catch the fire has impacted our own kid's lives too. Christopher and Rachel are people who are hungry for God's Presence and they lead us with such humility and joy. They are full of vision and their love for people is so encouraging to see and be on the receiving end of. We are more than blessed, we feel spoiled to be in the CTF Farnborough family."

The bulk of the teaching input has been delivered by our Senior Leaders, Christopher and Rachel Bird, but we have also benefitted from teaching from John Arnott from Catch The Fire World, Anne Calver from Unleashed Church London and Gavin Calver, CEO of the Evangelical Alliance. We have welcomed visitors to some of online meetings from around the UK, as well as from USA, Canada, India, Poland and Turkey – emphasizing both the national and international reach of CTFF.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT *(CONTINUED)*
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

Structure, governance and management

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FINANCIAL REVIEW OF 2020

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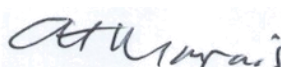
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This report was approved by the trustees on 15 April 2021 and is signed on their behalf by:



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Christopher Bird
Trustee



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Abraham Marais
Trustee

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES

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Basis of independent examiner's statement

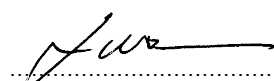
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.



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Luke Howson MAAT

..... 30th April 2021

Date

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 8-mths 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Donations and gifts	2	38,161	39,359	77,520
Other income		50	-	50
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		38,211	39,359	77,570
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RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable activities	3	26,595	222	26,817
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		26,595	222	26,817
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) FOR THE PERIOD				
		11,616	39,137	50,753
Transfers between funds		-	-	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net movement in funds		11,616	39,137	50,753
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balances carried forward		11,616	39,137	50,753
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the period as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH

BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS		
Tangible fixed assets	8	2,669
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CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	9	9,983
Cash at bank and in hand		38,658
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		48,641
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
	10	(557)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		48,084
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NET ASSETS	11	50,753
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FUNDS		
Unrestricted funds	12	11,616
Restricted funds	12	39,137
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		50,753
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The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

- (i) complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts;
- (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial period and of its net incoming or outgoing resources for the financial period in accordance with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 15 April 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:



.....
Christopher Bird
Trustee



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Abraham Marais
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102 – effective January 2019).

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Support costs are apportioned to activity/project according to total costs of activities undertaken directly and grant funding of activities.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Assets are capitalised if they have a useful life of more than one year and a cost value greater than £100.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the value of each asset over its expected useful life:

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|----------------------|-------------|
| - Computer equipment | 33% on cost |
| - Other equipment | 20% on cost |

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

2. DONATIONS AND GIFTS

	8-mths 2020 £
Unrestricted tithes & donations	16,251
Unrestricted one-off donations	10,909
Unrestricted corporate donations	5,327
Restricted fund donations	31,790
Income tax recoverable – unrestricted	5,674
Income tax recoverable - restricted	7,569
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	77,520 <hr/>

3. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS

Activity or project	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities (note 4)	Support costs (note 5)	Staff costs (note 6)	Total 2020
	£	£	£		£
Church running costs	1,037	-	8,887	14,707	24,631
Missions & giving	-	2,186	-	-	2,186
TOTAL	1,037	2,186	8,887	14,707	26,817

4. GRANT FUNDING OF ACTIVITIES

	8-mths 2020 £
Gifts to charities	
- Catch The Fire World (USA)	1,162
- UK	500
- Turkey	278
Gifts to individuals (UK)	246
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	2,186 <hr/>

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	8-mths 2020 £
Manse rent	6,000
Pension admin fees	602
Computer expenses	560
Expensed equipment	252
Dues & subscriptions	356
Finance costs	306
Stationery & office expenses	96
Insurance	19
Independent examiner's fee	425
Depreciation	241
Other expenses	30
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	8,887 <hr/>

6. STAFF COSTS

	8-mths 2020 £
Wages and salaries	13,504
Employer's pension contributions	1,203
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	14,707 <hr/>

No employee received emoluments, as defined for taxation purposes, amounting to over £60,000 in the tax period.

The average number of employees on a full-time equivalent basis was one.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

One trustee, Christopher Bird, received remuneration of £5,846 during the period in his role as senior pastor. The charity also contributed £756 of pension contributions into Mr Bird's pension during the period.

Mr Bird's spouse, Rachel Bird, received remuneration of £5,846 during the period.

All of the above payments were authorised by other trustees in the absence of the parties concerned and were made in accordance with the foundation document.

The total aggregate donations made by trustees to the charity during the period was £40,469.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

8. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £	Sound equipment £	Other equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
Additions	2,241	559	110	2,910
At 31 December 2020	2,241	559	110	2,910
Depreciation				
Charge for the period	204	31	6	241
At 31 December 2020	204	31	6	241
Net book value				
At 31 December 2020	2,037	528	104	2,669

9. DEBTORS

	2020
	£
Tax recoverable	8,436
Prepayments	547
Other debtors	1,000
	<u>9,983</u>

10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020
	£
Accruals	425
Payroll liabilities	132
	<u>557</u>

CATCH THE FIRE FARNBOROUGH
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 31 December 2020 represented by:			
Fixed assets	2,669	-	2,669
Current assets	9,504	39,137	48,641
Current liabilities	(557)	-	(557)
	<u>11,616</u>	<u>39,137</u>	<u>50,753</u>

12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds:				
General reserves	38,211	(24,409)	(3,755)	10,047
Designated fund	-	(2,186)	3,755	1,569
	<u>38,211</u>	<u>(26,595)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,616</u>
Total unrestricted funds	38,211	(26,595)	-	11,616
Restricted funds:				
Salaries fund	37,500	-	-	37,500
Premises rental fund	1,500	(222)	-	1,278
Christmas appeal	359	-	-	359
	<u>39,359</u>	<u>(222)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,137</u>
Total restricted funds	39,359	(222)	-	39,137
Total funds	<u>77,570</u>	<u>(26,817)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,753</u>

The 'Salaries fund' is a one-off restricted donation towards salary costs for 2021.

The 'Premises rental fund' represents donations given towards the cost of hiring premises for church services.

The 'Christmas appeal' fund represents donations towards the charity's Christmas appeal to support the works of the charity 'Compassion UK'. This was passed on in January 2021.

The 'Designated fund' represents funds set aside by the trustees to provide grants to other charities and individuals as they see fit in line with the charity's constitution.

The 'General reserves' are the free reserves of the charity.