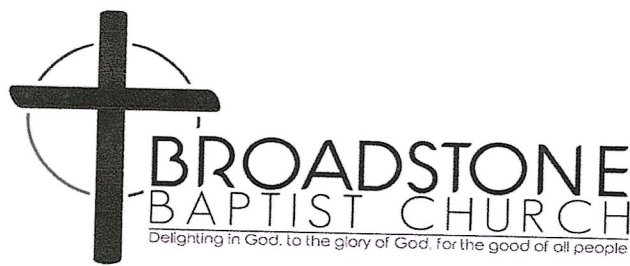


Charity Registration Number: 1189299

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Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022



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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Objectives and Activities

The principal purposes of the Charity are:

- The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with our Basis of Faith, primarily but not exclusively within Broadstone and the surrounding area.
- Such other charitable purposes as shall put into practice the Christian faith, including but not limited to: the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness; the advancement of education; and the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Main Activities, Achievements and Performance

During the year the Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

2022 was a time of consolidation after the disruptions of the new building work and Covid restrictions. Whilst membership remained at a similar level, the dynamics of the fellowship changed with the addition of couples with young children, giving a better balanced and more representative age range to the fellowship. Overall, there were 7 new members and 5 members' resignations or deaths, but levels of attendance of non-members increased during the year. Financially, the Church continues to be in a very favourable situation. We have been blessed by God and the generosity of His people with a substantial increase in our Income for 2022 (including Gift Aid), and retaining a balance of almost £40,000 in reserves.

We were able to continue to support financially and by prayer nine sets of missionaries, one family as their "sending church" and the others as a "supporting church". The monthly amount donated was increased by 25% from that of 2021 to reflect the increase in our income. There were also some additional designated gifts and a personal Christmas gift to our missionaries, as well as a substantial donation to Ukraine pastors and churches through Action UK. At the close of 2022, donations were ceased to two missionaries as they had withdrawn from their mission activities. During February and November, "More on Mission" activities took place involving each of the missionaries we support, participating in Sunday services and mid-week Home Groups and Prayer Meetings, either in person or via Zoom. The theme in November was being "Ambassadors for Christ".

The regular preaching ministry of the Church continues to be gospel-based, and both encouraging and challenging. As well as our Pastor and Assistant Pastor providing regular ministry Sunday mornings and evenings, we have welcomed a number of guest speakers from local FIEC churches and from further afield, including the Christian Institute. In April, just before Easter, we held our annual Week of Prayer, praying at different times each day for a different Church activity. This included a Day of Prayer on the Tuesday, when people signed up to pray in 15 minute slots from 7.00 am to 7.00 pm, after which we met together to share around the Lord's Table. On Easter Day, we were privileged to see three young people pass through the waters of baptism and witness to their faith in Jesus Christ. It was the first opportunity we had to open up and use our new baptistry.

We also supported and participated in the annual Bournemouth Bible Week in July, enjoying fellowship with neighbouring FIEC churches. We were pleased to continue our partnership with Grace Church, who meet and witness locally on the Waterloo Estate in Poole, with whom we met for joint prayer meetings.

Our mid-week meetings of alternate Prayer Meetings and Home Groups continued, with the addition of a new Home Group later in the year. In the Spring, Discipleship Classes were held, consisting of an Inductive Bible Study Course; a "Living and Telling" Course (on personal evangelism); and a "Not so Quiet Time" course (on personal prayer and devotions). These were very well received by those attending, and it is proposed to repeat these at a suitable time. In November, we organised an evangelistic outreach event when the Oddments Theatre Company performed "Amazing Grace", the true story of slave trader John Newton who was miraculously converted in a violent storm at sea and became a famous hymn writer and anti-slave abolitionist. Fellowship events were planned at regular intervals throughout the year, and included picnics, walks, a barbecue, games, quiz night, Men's and Ladies' breakfasts and a Bring and Share lunch.

Our Christmas activities sought to reach out into the Community, and included Carol Singing on the Broadway and in Costa Coffee, followed by soup and rolls in the Church; an all-age Christmas Celebration; Carols by Candlelight; and Carols in the Car Park for our church neighbours as well as our short Christmas Day celebration service. Invitation cards were printed and distributed locally and to friends, containing details of the events with a gospel message of hope on the back. We also enjoyed a Christmas Celebration fellowship meal at a local hotel, which has already been booked for next year.

Our Assistant Pastor entered his second year studies at Crosslands in addition to his Church duties, and was invited to take an Assembly at Broadstone Middle School before Christmas, and it is anticipated that this will continue in 2023, as well as taking Assemblies at Broadstone First School. He also helped to lead a children's camp in Somerset with a small team from the Church.

A large number of participants took part in two training courses – one for Fire Safety and Emergency Evacuation Training, and the other for Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults. These were extremely worthwhile and very well received by those attending. "ChurchSuite" software was introduced to assist administration and improve communications to members, and this has been very effective.

In summary, 2022 was a year of seeking to bring the fellowship back together after the years of disruption and to reconnect and get to know each other again. It was in many ways a challenging year for Broadstone Baptist Church, but the above report shows that by God's grace we have achieved much. We remain extremely grateful to God for His provision to us in so many ways, particularly financially, and we look to Him as we continue to step out in faith with new opportunities for ministry.

Policy on Reserves

The Trustees will consider the level of reserves that is prudent for the Church to have when agreeing the annual budget. This is currently set at £10,000 for the general fund. Consideration will be given to future strategy, potential redundancy liabilities, and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were the Church to close or move to new premises.

The Church maintained a separate building and ministry restricted fund for monies for which were held within the general bank account. This fund was closed during the year as the final retention payment in relation to the new building was made and the remaining funds were used to purchase new equipment for the building.

Two further restricted funds are held by the church in relation to donations for missionary work, one for donations to any of our missionaries and another one to support the family to which we are the "sending church". These funds are held in the general account and all items are passed onto the beneficiaries within one month / three months of receipt respectively. This payment is made along with any gift aid money attached to that donation and a gift aid claim is made as soon as the income is received.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the financial statements the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the support of the Church's bankers and Church congregation will ensure that the Church has adequate resource to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

Structure Governance and Management

Legal structure of the charity

The church is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, which was registered with the Charity Commission in England & Wales on 1 May 2020. The governing document is a written constitution dated 1 December 2019.

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.

The Trustees are those that hold the Church Offices identified in Section 12.4 of the Constitution (Pastors, Elders, Deacons, Church Secretary and Church Finance Officer (or Treasurer)).

New Pastors/Elders should be identified by the current Eldership and presented to the Church for their affirmation. Elders and Pastors will require a 75% majority of the members present and voting at a Church Business Meeting in order to be appointed.

Any Church member may suggest to the Elders the name of a member for election by the Church as a Deacon. The Elders will consider all suggestions, including those made by themselves, before obtaining the approval of the candidates for their names to be put forward. The Elders will then formally propose the candidates to the Church Business Meeting, giving whatever advice they deem appropriate. Voting will take place by secret ballot for each candidate. All candidates receiving 66% of the votes of the members present and voting will be elected.

Reference and Administrative Details

Legal name of the Charity	Broadstone Baptist Church
Registered charity number	1189299
Charity's Principal address	43 York Road Broadstone Dorset BH18 8EW

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year and until the date this report was signed were as follows:

Timothy Gamston
Steven Driver
Clive Baines
Stephen Pettifer
Brian Rawlings
Rodney Burge
John Phenix
David Turner
Helen Phenix (appointed 21 June 2022)

Bankers

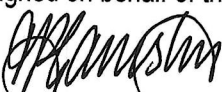
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The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees on 4 April 2023


TIMOTHY GAMSTON

**BROADSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH
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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of Broadstone Baptist Church (charity number 1189299) on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

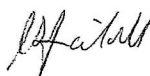
Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:



Date:

3 April 2023

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
RECEIPTS:				
General Offerings	49,885	-	49,885	38,721
Covenant and Gift Aid	63,245	-	63,245	72,862
Gifts for Missions and Support	-	3,513	3,513	1,200
Tax Refund	-	2,572	2,572	16,193
Interest Received	41	-	41	1
Income from Outreach Events and Groups	871	-	871	37
Manse Rent	15,000	-	15,000	15,000
Legacies	5,000	-	5,000	2,000
Training Grant Received	3,750	-	3,750	-
INCOME	137,792	6,085	143,877	146,014
PAYMENTS:				
Ministerial Expenses	82,037	-	82,037	56,628
Evangelistic Material	1,293	-	1,293	335
Missions and Support	19,532	8,159	27,691	18,628
Building Expenses (Church and Manse)	18,443	-	18,443	14,670
Administration (FIEC, Music Licence and Stationery)	8,757	-	8,757	5,320
Outreach Events and Groups	3,968	-	3,968	1,430
Subtotal	134,030	8,159	142,189	97,011
ASSET AND INVESTMENT PURCHASES:				
Equipment	2,509	446	2,955	25,613
New Building Project	-	11,929	11,929	100,823
Subtotal	2,509	12,375	14,884	126,436
TOTAL PAYMENTS:	136,539	20,534	157,073	223,447
Net of Receipts/(Payments):	1,253	(14,449)	(13,196)	(77,433)
Transfers between Funds	(3,955)	3,955	-	-
Net movement in funds	(2,702)	(10,494)	(13,196)	(77,433)
Fund balances brought forward	41,455	10,582	52,037	129,470
Fund balances carried forward	38,753	88	38,841	52,037

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand				
BBC Current Account	38,668	88	38,756	41,863
BBC Building and Ministry Fund Account	-	-	-	10,174
Ladies Group Cash in Hand	85	-	85	-
Total Cash Funds	38,753	88	38,841	52,037
Other Monetary Assets				
Gift aid claims due	33,722	12	33,734	18,215
Investment Assets				
Freehold property at 45 York Road (Manse) currently rented out at valuation.	427,000	-	427,000	427,000
Assets retained for the charity's own use				
Freehold property at 43 York Road (Worship Hall) at valuation	1,435,891	-	1,435,891	1,423,962
Moveable church furnishings, musical instruments, tv screens, computers and printers, audio visual equipment and kitchen equipment at cost	74,794	-	74,794	71,839
Liabilities				
Amounts due to suppliers	1,976	-	1,976	1,596
At the previous financial year end, the charity had entered into contractual commitments with Matrod Frampton to build the new worship hall for the church for the amounts shown. The payments are to be funded from the Building and Ministry Fund.	-	-	-	9,204



TIMOTHY GAMSTON
TRUSTEE

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees on 4 April 2023