

# GBC LANCASTER

England & Wales - Charity number 1191182

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2020-09-07

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

## Contact

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**Address** Grace Baptist Church  
Lune Street  
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**Website** <https://www.gracebaptistlancaster.church/>

## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PRINCIPAL OBJECT OF THE CHARITY IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ACCORDING TO BAPTIST PRINCIPLES AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH AS STATED IN SCHEDULE 1. THE CHARITY MAY ALSO CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

**Activities:** The Church promotes the Christian faith and spiritual contemplation and provides emotional and spiritual support for any who seek it. It holds public worship and other activities in the building that it uses, and distributes literature in the surrounding area and city centre. It advertises its services via its website and invites anybody who wishes to contact it.

## Classification

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

## Geography

- Lancashire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£51,279	£65,253	-	-
2023-12-31	£60,156	£59,997	-	-
2022-12-31	£61,302	£58,586	-	-
2021-12-31	£69,869	£73,771	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Adrian Davies		2024-10-23
David James Walker		2024-10-23
Janet Elizabeth Barlow		2024-10-23
Michael Ernest Jones		2024-09-18
Steven Walker		2018-01-18

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# Accounts

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## **Trustee Annual Return 2025 (for year 2024)**

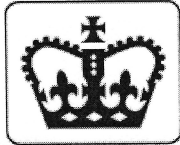
The spiritual nature of this charity's aims make it difficult to quantify its success.

Following the departure of our full time employee, 2024 saw some reduction in membership but the church has consolidated and has received two new people into membership after their being baptised. We have been ably served by preachers from other like-minded churches in the north-west.

The church has continued to hold two services for worship every Sunday, both for those who regularly attend and for the community. Our Christmas Carol service was publicised to homes in the immediate area. We hold a midweek meeting every week for prayer and Bible study. The Christian gospel has been regularly shared with the community by giving out literature on a regular basis. Evenings of crafts and other activities have taken place at approximately 6-weekly intervals. The church also supports regular sharing of the gospel in the city centre and supports a local food bank.

The church's leadership has also been consolidated by increasing the number of trustees, aspirations for the coming year remain high. The church is financially viable and has reserves to cover unexpected costs.

The church also continues to fulfil its aims by supporting organisations that work overseas to make the Christian gospel known. The church gives financial support and takes an active interest in a number of such organisations.



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
GBC Lancaster

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1191182

**Set out on pages**

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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

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

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

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

**Signed:**

*Janet Wilcock*

**Date:**

24 / 3 / 2025

**Name:**

*Janet Wilcock*

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

IIA

**Address:**

*40 Mitking Stile Lane*

*Lancaster*

*LA1 5QD,*



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name GBC Lancaster	No (if any) 1191182
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2024	To	Period end date 31/12/2024
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Gift Aid and Offerings	48,271	-	-	48,271	55,575
Donations	660	-	-	660	1,754
Use of Premises	2,200	-	-	2,200	2,600
Bank Interest	38	-	-	38	41
Publications and Books	66	-	-	66	186
Other	44	-	-	44	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>51,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>51,279</b>	<b>60,156</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>51,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>51,279</b>	<b>60,156</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Salaries, Tax, NI, Expenses	44,793	-	-	44,793	34,814
Pension Contributions	1,802	-	-	1,802	2,124
Premises Costs	835	-	-	835	3,404
Utilities	6,468	-	-	6,468	6,194
Activities, Events, Evangelism	488	-	-	488	744
Gifts to Missions and Members	2,243	-	-	2,243	6,013
Ministry Support	6,450	-	-	6,450	3,185
Administration	1,960	-	-	1,960	1,985
Equipment and Renewals	214	-	-	214	1,534
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>65,253</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,253</b>	<b>59,997</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>65,253</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,253</b>	<b>59,997</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 13,974</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 13,974</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>- 13,974</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 13,974</b>	<b>159</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	6,536	-	-
	Reserve Account	59,151	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>65,687</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
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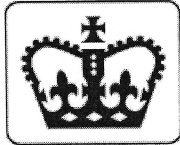
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Office Equipment	Unrestricted funds	-	-
	Fixtures and Fittings	Unrestricted funds	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	<i>S. Walker</i>	S. WALKER	10/07/2025
	<i>A. P. Davies</i>	A. P. DAVIES	10/07/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name  
GBC Lancaster

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

Charity no (if any)

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Signed:

*Janet Wilcock*

Date:

24 / 3 / 2025

Name:

*Janet Wilcock*

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

*IIA*

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# Accounts

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## GBCLan Charity Commission Return 2024

The Church promotes the Christian faith and spiritual contemplation and provides emotional and spiritual support for any who seek it. It holds public worship and other activities in the building that it uses, and distributes literature in the surrounding area and city centre. It advertises its services via its website and invites anybody who wishes to contact it.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The Church fulfils its objectives for public benefit by holding two public worship services on Sundays, a midweek meeting, and children's activities with a religious ethos. It also distributes literature and seeks to engage personally with members of the community, including students. It provides pastoral visits and support for the sick, bereaved, or those seeking help with spiritual matters for any who seek it, and not just its own members. The church also gives financial support to other Christian charities who promote the Christian gospel or engage in humanitarian activity in this country and overseas.

The spiritual nature of the church's objectives makes it difficult to quantify achievements. However in the past year we have undertaken the following:-

- Holding public Sunday worship morning services in the morning and evening, in the building that it uses, or digitally for those unable to attend. These services are open to all. Central to our worship services is the preaching of God's Word, the Bible for teaching, sharing the Christian gospel, and for spiritual reflection
- holding midweek meetings for prayer or the study of the Bible in the building that it uses
- holding a monthly evening for primary school aged children and adult family members during school term time in the building that it use, and a three-morning holiday club for children of primary school age
- engaging with students and members of the community close to the building that the church uses and offering practical, emotional and physical support to those who seek it, by visits and by invitation to events in the building used by the church
- distributing literature about the church and the Christian gospel to homes and in the city centre, and invitations to special activities
- holding a free weekly café open to the general public
- providing support and encouragement to its members who have been in need
- holding a special thanksgiving weekend conference
- allowing a slimming club to use its building and facilities
- continued to support organisations that spread the Christian message in other places, particularly abroad, and hosting meetings for representatives of such organisations

The church welcomed two new members into its life.



**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period  
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Gift Aid and Offerings	55,575	-	-	55,575	56,896
Donations	1,754	-	-	1,754	1,329
Use of premises	2,600	-	-	2,600	2,480
Bank Interest	41	-	-	41	19
Publications and Books	186	-	-	186	76
Other	-	-	-	-	250
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>61,050</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>61,050</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Salaries, Tax, NI, Expenses	34,814	-	-	34,814	37,969
Pension Contributions	2,124	-	-	2,124	1,961
Premises costs	3,404	-	-	3,404	2,372
Utilities	6,194	-	-	6,194	3,748
Activities, Evangelism, Events	744	-	-	744	1,413
Gifts to Missions and Members	6,013	-	-	6,013	4,465
Ministry Support	3,185	-	-	3,185	4,010
Administration	1,985	-	-	1,985	1,799
Equipment and Renewals	1,534	-	-	1,534	853
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>58,590</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>58,590</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2,460</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2,460</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	20,511	-	-
	Reserve Account	57,566	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>78,077</b>	-	-

I agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)

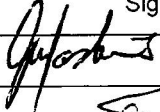
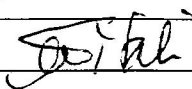
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Office Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Fixtures and Fittings	Unrestricted	-	-
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			-	-
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			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	None		-	
			-	
			-	
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			-	

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

Signature  	Print Name J. HASKINS P. L. SITALI	Date of approval 28/08/24 1/09/24
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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period  
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

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	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60,156</b>	<b>61,050</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
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<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>59,997</b>	<b>58,590</b>
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<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2,460</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	20,511	-	-
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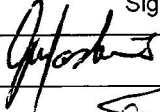
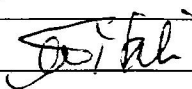
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	None		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Office Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	None		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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Signature  	Print Name J. HASKINS P. L. SITALI	Date of approval 28/08/24 1/09/24
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**GBC LANCASTER**

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# Accounts

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Elders report 2022

Our motto text for the year was:

*“For me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain” (Philippians 1:21)*

We reflect that amidst the massive political and economic changes in the nation, we have also seen much spiritual and ethical decline. Also, both as individuals and as a church we have seen finances being stretched.

Towards the end of the year our Pastor began a series of sermons from the book of Revelation, where we are confronted with realities beyond what our usual five senses can perceive.

### **Membership and leadership**

We give God thanks for the addition of a new member and for the ways that they contribute to the life of the church. However, the church effectively lost ten other members, mainly through relocation. Some of these fulfilled important roles in the life of the church and will be greatly missed. In particular the church does not currently have a musician to accompany hymn singing.

The church also lost the services of its deacon for part of the year. He stepped down after many years of faithful service because he found the responsibility tiring. The church is very grateful for his past service, and equally grateful that after prayerful consideration, he was willing to take on the responsibility again some months later.

The role of treasurer was taken on by another church member, under the mentorship and guidance of the former treasurer.

As noted in previous years, the Trustees note that the age profile of the church’s membership continues to increase and the church needs to see conversions and additions to membership for the future. It is the conviction both of the Trustees and of church members that these needs are beyond our control, and we need to seek God to intervene for the needs to be met.

However, attendance at Sunday services continues to be encouraging, and we are thankful that the Sunday evening service continues to be supported at a time when many churches find it non-viable to hold one.

Attendance at prayer meetings continues to be good. The Trustees are thankful for the provision of Zoom, that makes it possible for members unable to attend Sunday services and midweek prayer meetings in person still to benefit.

The Trustees and church members are grateful to God for his financial provision despite the loss of members alluded to above.

A number of non-members have attended Sunday services regularly.

### **The church's mission to the community**

One of the main aims of the church is to make known to the community (both immediately surrounding the church and in the city as a whole) the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ. The Trustees and members are convinced that God alone is able to convert people to faith in his Son, Jesus Christ; however, we are equally convinced that it is our duty to proclaim to others the message of God's love, in whatever ways and through whatever means we can.

Two discussion evenings about how to achieve this were held, and a strategy decided upon. The weekly children's club is not viable because of a shortage of helpers, but a monthly family night is being organised to take its place, open both to children and adult family members.

A "Warm Hub" was set up, aiming to provide anyone in the community to come into the building on Wednesday mornings to avoid having to heat their own homes and to enjoy free refreshments and a chat. A number of people from the community attended, and church members who attended also found it helpful to get to know each other better.

A Week of Evangelism was held in the autumn, assisted by a visiting church pastor. Open-air meetings were profitable, with a number of passers-by listening and being willing to engage in conversation about what was being explained. A training session about sharing our faith was also held.

The church held regular open-air meetings in the city centre, again with profitable conversations being had about the message that was being declared, and with gospel tracts being distributed.

The church's website continues to be well used, and some people have begun to attend services as a result of visiting the website.

In conclusion, the Trustees and members are very thankful to God for preserving the church and for providing for its needs. The spiritual nature of our aims means that we cannot achieve them by our own efforts and skill, but we continue to look to God to lead us forward.



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

GBC Lancaster

1191182

## Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period  
from

01/01/2022

To

31/12/2022

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Gift aid & offerings	56,896	-	-	56,896	56,794
Use of premises	2,480	-	-	2,480	660
Donations	1,329	-	-	1,329	12,240
Investment income	272	-	-	272	100
Other	325	-	-	325	75
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>61,302</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,302</b>	<b>69,869</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>61,302</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,302</b>	<b>69,869</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Premises costs	2,372	-	-	2,372	3,858
Employment expenses	37,969	-	-	37,969	40,582
Pensions	1,961	-	-	1,961	1,735
Ministry expenses	4,010	-	-	4,010	5,275
Activities	1,413	-	-	1,413	1,353
Subscriptions	1,145	-	-	1,145	-
Gifts to missions	4,465	-	-	4,465	14,015
Equipment & renewals	3,748	-	-	3,748	4,705
Other	1,503	-	-	1,503	2,248
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>58,586</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,586</b>	<b>73,771</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>58,586</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,586</b>	<b>73,771</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>- 3,902</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,716</b>	<b>- 3,902</b>

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current account	7,892	-	-
	Reserve account	66,380	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>74,272</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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

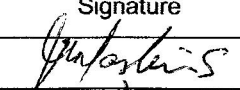
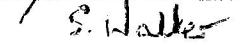
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

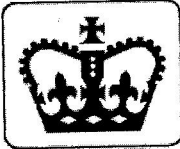
Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Office equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Fixtures & fittings	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	None		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jeffrey Haskins	14/05/2023
	Steven Walker	14/05/2023



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

**GBC LANCASTER**

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

**Charity no  
(if any)**

**1191182**

**Set out on pages**

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Page 1 of 1 (if additional sheets)

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

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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

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

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

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

**Signed:**

**Wilcock**

**Date:**

**28/3/23**

**Name:**

**Janet Wilcock**

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

**Institute of Internal Auditors**

**Address:**

**40 Milking Stile Lane  
Lancaster  
LA1 5RD**

**GBC LANCASTER**

England & Wales - Charity number 1191182

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# Accounts

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## GBC Lancaster Charity Commission Annual Report submission for 2021

The Church promotes the Christian faith and spiritual contemplation and provides emotional and spiritual support for any who seek it. It holds public worship and other activities in the building that it uses, and distributes literature in the surrounding area and city centre. It advertises its services via its website and invites anybody who wishes to contact it.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The Church fulfils its objectives by holding two public worship services on Sundays, a midweek meeting, and children's activities with a religious ethos. It also distributes literature and seeks to engage personally with members of the community, including students. It provides pastoral visits and support for the sick, bereaved, or those seeking help with spiritual matters for any who seek it, and not just its own members. The church also gives financial support to other Christian charities who promote the Christian gospel or engage in humanitarian activity in this country and overseas.

The spiritual nature of the church's objectives makes it difficult to quantify achievements. However in the past year we have undertaken the following:-

- Holding public Sunday worship morning services in the morning and evening, in the building that it uses or digitally for those unable to attend
- holding midweek meetings in the building that it uses
- holding a weekly children's club for primary school aged children during school term time in the building that it use, and a three-morning holiday club for children of primary school age
- engaging with students and members of the community close to the building that the church uses and offering practical, emotional and physical support to those who seek it, by visits and by invitation to events in the building used by the church
- distributing literature about the church and the Christian gospel to homes and in the city centre
- providing support and encouragement to its members who have been in need
- holding a special thanksgiving weekend conference to recognised the church's fortieth anniversary

The church also welcomed six new members into the church, although it was recognised that some of these were likely to be of brief duration due to relocation plans.

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

- Promoting the mission of the church to children through children's clubs
- Providing public worship open for all
- Conducting pastoral work including visiting the sick, lonely and bereaved
- Actively inviting (by literature and visitation) members of the community to services and special events at the church's building
- Providing friendship and support to the community by a free cafe one morning per week during winter
- Providing a free toddler group one morning per week during school term times, open to any toddler accompanied by an adult family member, to offer friendship and support, as well as the opportunity to promote the church's mission.
- Allowing regular use of the building that it owns to a local slimming club



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
**GBC Lancaster**

No (if any)  
1191182

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2021	To	Period end date 31/12/2021
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Gift Aid and Offerings	56,794	-	-	56,794	63,606
Donations	12,240	-	-	12,240	1,256
Use of Premises	660	-	-	660	1,700
Bank Interest	100	-	-	100	258
Other	75	-	-	75	4,761
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>69,869</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,869</b>	<b>71,581</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>69,869</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,869</b>	<b>71,581</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Salaries, Tax, NI, Expenses	40,582	-	-	40,582	41,139
Pension Contributions	1,735	-	-	1,735	2,050
Premises Costs	1,683	-	-	1,683	1,850
Utilities	2,175	-	-	2,175	1,382
Activities, Evangelism, Events	1,353	-	-	1,353	1,496
Gifts to Mission and Members	14,015	-	-	14,015	12,243
Ministry Support	5,275	-	-	5,275	5,010
Administration	2,248	-	-	2,248	1,306
Equipment & Renewals	4,705	-	-	4,705	1,403
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>73,771</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>73,771</b>	<b>67,879</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>73,771</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>73,771</b>	<b>67,879</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 3,902</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 3,902</b>	<b>3,702</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>78,141</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78,141</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>74,239</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,239</b>	<b>3,702</b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name  
GBC LANCASTER

On accounts for the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2021  
Charity no (if any) 1191182

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed: Wilcock

Date: 1/3/22

Name: Janet Wilcock.

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

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