

DIVINE MERCY FELLOWSHIP

YEAR ENDED: 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Reference and Administrative information

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Charity Registered Number: 1192802

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DIVINE MERCY FELLOWSHIP REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September, 2024

The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' effective 1 January 2015.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The charity was registered with Charity Commission on the 15th December, 2020 and it is governed by the Charity Incorporated Organisation Foundation model dated 15th December, 2020.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Generally trustees are appointed by Board of Trustees. Trustees are appointed by invitation as at when required and depending on their expertise and requirements of the charity.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charity arranges appropriate training both internally and through other voluntary training providers. The trustees and all involved in running the charity, including volunteers are always encouraged to acquire the necessary skills required for the achievement of the charity objectives.

Additionally, new trustees are invited and encouraged to attend series of short training sessions to familiarise themselves with the charity and the context within which it operates.

Organisational structure

The trustees who served during the period and up to the date of the report are set out above. The day to day responsibility for the running of the charity lies with the the visionary who is the Chief Executive Officer. The CEO is accountable to the Board of Trustees who are ultimately responsible for all strategic decisions of the charity.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. All trustees and the CEO give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. No full time employee is engaged in the administration of the charity. The charity is assisted by members who render voluntary services to the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied that the systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Objectives and Principal Activities

The charity's objectives and principal activity is to promote the advancement of the christian faith, the relieving the sick in the society and helping the needy. We promote and fulfil various charitable causes in Manchester

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Development and Achievements in the Period

The charity's events were properly managed, executed and reviewed for its impact on members and communities. We continue to hold our Prayer meeting on Tuesdays, Bible Study on Wednesdays and Vigil on the last Friday of the month. We continue to visit Oaklodge Nursing Home to hold weekly service. Our Christian Music Concert twice a year and 3 days Prayer retreat once a year continue to impact many lives. Our charity continues to grow in Sunday morning attendance, youth and children's ministry. We minister to the physical, mental and spiritual needs of our members and new comers in our midst. We have helped relief poverty and hardship amongst both regular and irregular congregants who are suffering from financial hardship due to unemployment and lack of financial resources. We make donations to other charities. We donate clothes to the homeless in Manchester and feed them. We also send donations to disabled children's homes in Africa.

Financial Review

The charity was able to raise a total income of £3,526 during the year under review. There is a significant drop in funding but we are hopeful that things will get better.

Principal Funding Sources

The principal funding sources for the charity are currently by way of Donations and Gifts from congregants through and offering basket passed during Church services and through bank standing orders etc.

Investment Policy

The Charity will retain a significant amount in the savings account. The objective of the investment policy is to invest in cash at banks where the capital is protected. The charity currently has a policy of keeping any surplus liquid funds in cash at banks where immediate access and security of funds is guaranteed

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds which are the free reserves of the charity at a level which equates to at least 3 months of unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management and administration and support costs and to respond to emergencies which may arise from time to time.

The expenditure for 2022 was £8,993 and therefore the targeted reserves should be between £2,248 and £4,497 in general funds. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the Charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. The targeted reserve was not achieved during the year under review.

Plans for Future Periods

In the near future, the charity plans to expand its operations and we will continue our drive towards providing more benefits to our community. The Charity plans continuing the activities outlined above in forthcoming year subject to satisfactory funding arrangements.

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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 charitable trust as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and applications of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees should follow best practice and

- ☐ Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ☐ Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- ☐ Prepare the financial statements on going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

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

Statement of Disclosure of Information to the Accountants

In accordance with charity law, as trustees, we certify that:

So far as we are aware, there is no relevant information of which the company's accountants are unaware; and as the trustees of the charity we have taken all steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the Charity's accountants are aware of that information'.

This report has been prepared

By order of trustees:

Olatunde Olurinde
Chairman Board of Trustees

6th May, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DIVINE MERCY FELLOWSHIP FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

As described on pages 2 to 5, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (The 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts (under section 145(1) of the Charity Act 2011;

follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 132 of the Charity Act 2011; and

state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent examiners statement

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 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 examiners statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and

to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities, have not been met: or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025)

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
<i>Voluntary Income:</i>		£	£	£	£
Donations and Offerings	1	3,526	-	3,526	4,667
Building Fund		-	-	-	-
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim		-	-	-	-
<i>Activities for generating funds:</i>		-	-	-	-
Investment Income		-	-	-	-
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities:</i>		-	-	-	-
Grants & Contracts		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		3,526	-	3,526	4,667
Resources expended					
<i>Cost of generating funds</i>					
Costs of generating voluntary income	2	1,622	-	1,622	4,534
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold		-			
Charity activities	3	1,630	-	1,630	5,814
Governance Costs	4	300	-	300	300
Total resources expended		3,552	-	3,552	10,648
Net Incoming resources before other recognised gains		(26)	-	(26)	(5981)
Net movement in funds		(26)	-	(26)	(5981)
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward		(272)		(272)	5,709
Total funds carried forward		(298)	-	(298)	(272)

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on Pages 9 to 13 form part of these Accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	0	0
Currents assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		609	335
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(907)</u>	<u>(607)</u>
Net Current Assets		(298)	(272)
Net Assets		<u>(298)</u>	<u>(272)</u>
Unrestricted funds			
General funds	12	(298)	(272)
Total funds		<u>(298)</u>	<u>(272)</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on the 6th May, 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Cynthia Ukaegbu
Secretary

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1. Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

(a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed assets investments at market value, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in March 2005.

(b) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furthermore of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

(c) Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular cateries of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receiveable. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity , are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

Invested income is included when receivable.

Incoming resources from charitable trading activity are accounted for when earned.

Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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(d) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the accountancy fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis e.g. floor areas, per capita or estimated usage as set out in Note 4.

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1. Donations

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations -Tithes and Offering	3,526	-	3,526	4,667
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	-	-	-	-
Building Fund	-	-	-	-
	<u>3,526</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,526</u>	<u>4,667</u>

Total Resources Expended

2. Costs of Generating Voluntary Income

	<i>Basis of Allocation</i>	Church Work	Support Cost	Governance	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Staff Costs	Direct	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Charges	Direct	-	-	-	-	-
Administration	Direct	-	55	-	55	856
Professional Fees	Direct	-	-	-	-	-
Support Costs	Direct	-	200	-	200	1,428
Premises	Direct	-	1,367	-	1,367	2,250
		<u>-</u>	<u>1,622</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,622</u>	<u>4,534</u>

3. Charitable Activities

Ministry	Direct	1,630	-	-	1,630	5,814
		<u>1,630</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,630</u>	<u>5,814</u>

4. Governance Cost

Professional Fees	Direct	-	-	300	300	300
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>

Total Resources

Expended	<u>1,630</u>	<u>1,622</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>3,552</u>	<u>10,648</u>
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5. Net Incoming Resources for the Year

This is stated after charging:

	2024 £	2023 £
Accountant's Remuneration	300	300
	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>

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6. Trustee Remuneration & Related Pay Transactions

No member of the Board of Trustee member including the Chief Executive/Senior Pastor received any remuneration during the period.

7. Taxation

As a charity, Divine Mercy Fellowship is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

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10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	300	300
Sundry Creditors	607	307
	<u>907</u>	<u>607</u>

11. Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-
Current Assets	609	-	-	609
Current Liabilities	(907)	-	-	(907)
Net Assets at 30 September 2024	<u>(298)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(298)</u>

12. Movements in Funds

	At 1 Oct 2023 £	Incoming Resources [Inc Gains] £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 30 Sept 2024 £
Restricted Funds:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Restricted Funds	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Funds	(272)	3,526	3,552	-	(298)
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>(272)</u>	<u>3,526</u>	<u>3,552</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(298)</u>
Total Funds	<u>(272)</u>	<u>3,526</u>	<u>3,552</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(298)</u>

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INCOME AND EXPENDITUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME			3,526	4,667
LESS OVERHEADS				
Premises Costs				
Rent & Rates	1,367		2,250	
		1,367		2,250
Bank Charges		-		-
Administration				
Printing, Postage and Stationery	25		20	
Media Expenses	30		836	
		55		856
Ministry				
Evangelism & Publicity	500		2250	
Events, Retreats & Conferences	680		2,280	
Hospitality & Refreshment	150		73	
Visiting Ministries	250		600	
Donation, Love Gifts & Welfare	50		610	
		1,630		5,813
Professional Fees				
Audit & Accountancy Fee	300		300	
Professional Fee	-		-	
		300		300
Support Costs				
Hotel, Travel & Motor Expenses	200		250	
Depreciation	-		1,178	
		200		1,428
		(3,553)		(10,648)
Surplus/(Deficit for the year)		(26)		(5,981)
Surplus brought forward		(272)		5,709
Surplus carried forward		(298)		(272)

This page does not form part of the statutory accounts.