



GATEWAY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP - BURGH

ANNUAL REPORT

24 MAY 2021 – 31 MAY 2022

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AIMS AND PURPOSES

The aim and purpose of Gateway Christian Fellowship – Burgh (GCFB) is to advance the Christian faith in our local community and beyond.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

GCFB is committed to enabling as many people as possible to receive biblical teaching and be developed in their Christian faith.

When planning our activities for the year GCFB have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our fellowship through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for the people in our communities
- Missionary and outreach work

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and Prayer

GCFB are keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, one prayer meeting is held via zoom allowing people to relax in their own environment, adding a feeling of intimacy and security compared with our other prayer meeting that is part of a discussion/bible study that meets in the WI Hall and is an ecumenical group.

Our Sunday morning gatherings have seen a growth from 12 to 18 regular attendees ranging from toddler to pensioner. A safe space for the children to play but still be part of the wider family has gone down with parents and the remaining fellowship. Periodically we have had alternative services through the year, such as reflective communions, creative and interactive acts of worship as well as prayer and feedback sessions. The trustees will review these along with the preaching team at various time throughout the year.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is mainly done through the home groups. These groups comprise of approximately 7-10 people. This is the place where the preach from Sunday's service is studied and discussed. It is also where participants are developed in their spiritual growth and encouraged to support one another and those in the community. There were also BBQ's in the summer months to provide a social outlet and support to the families connected with GCFB.

Missionary and Outreach Work

A key element of our faith is supporting those in our community and sharing the gospel with them. GCFB is committed to working with other organisations to demonstrate this aspect of our faith. This year we have people involved with two primary schools. One supported an afterschool club along with the local C of E

church, the other worked with Open the Book in another school, again with the C of E church there. We also have people supporting a church in a town near us with a bible study group and a weekly mental health support group. Several of our fellowship are part of the Acorn East Lincolnshire Christian Healing Hub, providing prayer for healing in various venues.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total receipts for this year £8641, these receipts are through donations placed in the offering box at Sunday services, however £5400 was donated over the first 3 months to cover the initial investment costs enabling services to commence in the WI hall. These included the sound and vision equipment, kitchen equipment, insurance, and legal services to form the charity along with room hire. There is a gift aid claim to be submitted for this year income.

The plan for the year ahead is to distribute the majority of our funds to support projects and events that aid the community, both locally and further afield, with us retaining enough for the month to month running costs.

RESERVES POLICY

There is no reserves policy as there are no employees or ownership of property requiring maintenance. GCFB have no creditors.

VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank our volunteers who work for the benefit of our community and provide support and encouragement to the trustees. A special thank you goes to our three preachers who faithfully bring us God's word each Sunday, which challenges and develops each one of us. Marie Schofield is also another individual to thank for her dedication in keeping our social media presence update to date and monitored.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment of GCFB trustees is set out in its Constitution. GCFB is a charitable Incorporated Organisation, whose only voting members are its Charity Trustees. Leaders of home group along with the trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the fellowship including deciding how the funds of GFCB are to be spent. The trustees met 6 times during the year.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

GCFB meet on Sundays at the WI Hall, Orby Road, Burgh Le Marsh, Lincolnshire. Home groups meet at 28 Chapman Avenue, Burgh Le Marsh, Lincolnshire, PE24 5LY, this is also the correspondence address.

GCFB trustees who served from 6th April until the writing of this report are:

Gary Winson

Jayne Winson

Michael Martin

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

Section A – Receipts and Payments

Receipts	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total fund £	Last Year £
Donations	8641	-		8641	2442
Total Receipts	8641	-		8641	2442
Payments					
Room Hire	2016	-	-	2016	1680
Insurance	235	-	-	235	304
Printing, stationery, computer supplies	857	-	-	857	114
Cost of charitable activities	483	-	-	483	-
Governance Costs (Note 1)	1239	-	-	1239	-
Subtotal	4830	-	-	4830	2098
Asset and investment purchases					
Purchase of fixed assets (Note 2)	2555	-	-		
Subtotal	2555	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	7385	-	-	7385	2098
Net of receipts/(payments)	1256	-	-	1256	344
Cash funds last year end	344	-	-	344	-
Cash funds this year end	1600	-	-	-	-

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

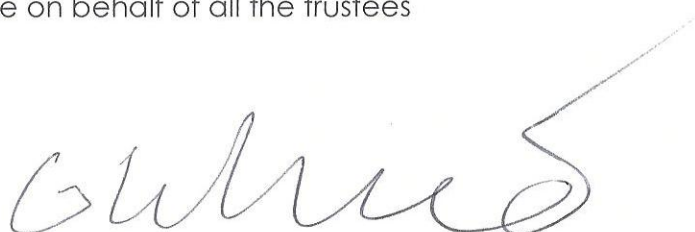
Categories	Details	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £
Cash Funds	Bank account	1600	-	-
Total Cash funds		1600	-	-
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Sound System	1015	-	-
	Projector & Screen	876	-	-
	Kitchen Equipment	661	-	-

Notes

- These include the legal expenses incurred to set up the charity and membership fees to Thirtyone-Eight for Safeguarding policies, training, and advice.
- This include the sound and vision equipment which is held on trust at trustees home

Signed by a trustee on behalf of all the trustees

Signature:



Print Name: Gary Winson

Date of approval: 30 March 2023