

ABERGAVENNY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1194889

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2021-06-22

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION. THE CHURCH MAY ALSO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Activities: Abergavenny Baptist Church provides a place of worship. It holds a worship service every Sunday and a space for groups to meet during the week to explore the baptist faith and to provide pastoral care. The church is also open to operate a Foodbank providing practical support for those in need in the local community.

Classification

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

Geography

- Monmouthshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£178,827	£173,595	-	-
2024-12-31	£182,486	£181,884	-	-
2023-12-31	£178,082	£177,296	-	-
2022-12-31	£177,492	£222,424	-	-
2021-12-31	£142,678	£110,259	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Michael Ian Ormond	Chair	2010-09-01
Alison Jane O'Gorman		2026-04-15
Joanna Louise Nugent		2025-03-19
Joshua David Bevan		2026-04-15
Katherine Kippax		2024-03-20
Mary Morgan		2026-04-15
Petrus Johannes Eksteen		2025-03-19
Rebecca Joy Robinson		2025-03-19

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- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
 - baptism, as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle;
 - the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
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- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
 - the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
 - nurture and growth of Christian disciples;
 - education and training for Christian and community service;
 - giving and encouraging pastoral care;
 - supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad;
 - encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.

Our weekly Sunday morning service has been well attended with many people of all ages attending in-person and some attending via Zoom. As a result, our membership has grown by two. The church also continues to hold a monthly prayer meeting on a Wednesday evening and a weekly Woman's fellowship on a Wednesday afternoon and a women's Bible Study on a Friday Afternoon. The church has six Life Groups (small groups) that meet fortnightly in members' homes, either in-person or a hybrid of both online and in-person, for Bible study and prayer. During the year, we had three funerals, two baptismal services (where three people in total were baptised) and one dedication service (with two children being dedicated).

This year the youth group has successfully maintained contact with an average of 16 young people attending weekly. We had a handful of year 6 pupils joining us after Easter. The sessions are now livelier with more energy since we made the move from Friday night to Sunday night. This year we have looked at the Gospel of Mark, used Scripture union The Grid session plans, covered The Identity Course and The Nua Series, and ended the year with the Old Testament from the Bible course. We held our annual youth camp weekend in mid-July which included a Kayaking activity again, after the success of this activity last year. We continue to promote Bethany House Party and supported 5 young people financially from the church to attend this week away. We held a fundraising car wash in October to help assist families financially to attend camp. At Christmas the youth helped to decorate the church, lead the worship in the nativity service and joined in the choir at the Carol service. We also introduced a barn dance this year which was enjoyed by all and will now be an annual event.

ABC Toddlers continues to run as a Faith based Toddler group, we now average 30 people, mums and toddlers each week. We have Mums, Grandmas' and paid nannies who attend with their little ones. Some of the grandmas' attended with their babies when they were young. We continue to receive many positive comments about the group, from past and present members with regular attendees inviting friends. Half of the people who attend are not connected to any church. Relationships are growing within the group we have been able to pray into situations or with mums many times. We read a bible book or story and say prayers before snack each week.

2025 has been a really good year for the Children's ministry in ABC. We have more than 30 children in total coming along either to our Sunday mornings or after school club, Dodgeball and Donuts. Throughout the year we have held many larger events alongside our weekly activities. Through such events as Holiday Club, light party and multiple Christmas activities we have seen many new families coming along and beginning to regularly join us. We have a fantastic team of volunteers who help with all these activities and without whom, many of these events just would not happen. It has been an exciting 2025 with 2026 already looking promising.

From 1 April this year, Abergavenny Foodbank distributed 1,700 emergency food parcels. Based on an average of three people supported per parcel, this equates to approximately 5,100 individuals, including an estimated 500 children.

The majority of referrals continue to be from households experiencing long-term financial hardship and repeat need. However, the Foodbank has also supported individuals and families facing short-term crisis, including those affected by illness, redundancy, or gaps in statutory support.

The Foodbank is supported by a committed team of volunteers from a wide range of backgrounds. Their contribution remains essential to the effective delivery of services.

Citizens Advice continues to provide advice services to Foodbank clients, supporting access to benefits, debt advice, and wider financial inclusion. This role has been funded through Trussell Trust financial inclusion funding, which is due to end. The trustees are actively exploring alternative funding options to ensure continuity of this service.

Income from donations remained strong during the year. The charity reduced the financial gap between income and expenditure, improving overall financial resilience. Trustees continue to seek to diversify income streams and increase engagement with local businesses and individual donors.

The Foodbank benefits from regular donations from community groups, including Gilwern Knit and Natter. Church giving remains consistent and reliable, with support from a range of denominations including the Methodist Church, United Reformed Church, Crossway Church, Gateway Church, Baptist Church, the Roman Catholic Church, the Church in Wales, Quakers, and the Salvation Army. Support has also been received from local schools across Monmouthshire and Powys. Individual donors and local businesses are too numerous to list but remain a vital part of the charity's support base.

Portico Lounge restaurant continued to provide regular fundraising income through Quiet Nights and sponsored fundraising events.

Following the loss of a previous social media account, a new social media presence was established, alongside the introduction of a monthly newsletter. By year end, the new platform had attracted 60 followers. Donation boxes located across the town continued to provide additional income.

Progress has been made on setting up a separate charity to operate the Foodbank and it is expected that this will take over in April of 2026 once all due diligence is completed.

Policy on reserves

The Church endeavours to keep reserves sufficient to meeting 12 months running costs and also complete any repairs recommended in the quinquennial report.

The Foodbank endeavours to keep a minimum of 6m running costs plus a contingency for other potential costs that may arise.

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Abergavenny Baptist Church

Independent Examiners Report to The Trustees and Members of Abergavenny Baptist Church

We report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st December 2025 which are set out on pages 2 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the church accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 act;
to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiners' report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 Examiners' statement

In connection with our examination no matter has come to our 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

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

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Statement of Activity
Abergavenny Baptist Church
January-December, 2025

Distribution account	2025	2025	2025	2024
	General Fund	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Donations and legacies	100		100	650
Donations Home Mission/BMS		301	301	1,798
Donations Restricted		3,235	3,235	0
Donations Spurgeons etc		301	301	282
Donations Youth		573	573	844
FB Donations		44,588	44,588	45,331
FB Donations Gift Aided		5,360	5,360	5,030
FB Gift Aid Tax		1,338	1,338	1,154
FB Grant		27,918	27,918	24,996
Gift Aid Tax Refund	15,755		15,755	15,545
Hire of Church	400		400	95
Interest Received	5,370		5,370	8,341
Easy fundraising				15
Offering Cash	4,602		4,602	5,303
Offering Gift Aided	60,385		60,385	58,738
Offering Non Gift aided	4,710		4,710	6,305
Stewardship	3,301		3,301	7,561
Womens fellowship income	591		591	498
Total for Income	95,214	83,613	178,827	182,486
Direct costs				
FB purchases		31,781	31,781	41,732
FB Vouchers expended		530	530	10,095
Total for Direct Costs	0	32,311	32,311	51,827
Gross Surplus	95,214	51,302	146,516	130,659
Expenses				
Advertising/Promotional	46		46	0
Copier rental	594		594	475
Courses				139
Depreciation	355		355	355
Donations	6,970	478	7,448	6,927
Donations exp Restricted		413	413	
FB Advertising		246	246	
FB Bank Charges		92	92	110
FB Financial Inclusion Officer		22,137	22,137	21,876
FB Other		2,414	2,414	94
FB Pension		708	708	0
FB Staff Training and welfare		204	204	300
FB Stationery and printing		578	578	102

FB Subscriptions		257	257	
FB Telephone		152	152	144
FB Wages		17,802	17,802	13,354
Insurances	3,543		3,543	3,433
Internet	370		370	459
IT Equipment and Repairs	150		150	71
Light and heat				
Electric	2,041		2,041	1,855
Gas	1,735		1,735	1,510
Total for Light and heat	3,776	0	3,776	3,365
Manse Costs				
Manse Council tax	3,328		3,328	3,082
Manse Insurance	666		666	644
Manse Repairs	246		246	185
Manse water rates	721		721	589
Total for Manse Costs	4,960	0	4,960	4,500
Ministers Expenses	662		662	410
Office/General Administrative Expenses	113		113	
Payroll Costs Minister				
Employers NI minister	25		25	25
Pension - Minister	3,732		3,732	3,631
Salary Minister	29,575		29,575	28,600
Total for Payroll Costs Minister	33,332	0	33,332	32,256
Repairs and maintenance				
Cleaning	2,462		2,462	2,039
Minor repairs	2,064		2,064	3,331
Total for Repairs and maintenance	4,525	0	4,525	5,370
Salary Youth and Children				
Youth and Children's Pension	2,753		2,753	2,568
Youth and Children's Worker wages	27,550		27,550	25,677
Total for Salary Youth and Children	30,303	0	30,303	28,245
Stationery and printing	545		545	492
Subscriptions	1,808		1,808	1,920
Sundry	473		473	2,576
Visiting Speakers	400		400	400
Womens Fellowship expenses	304		304	164
Youth and Children's ministry	1,909	975	2,884	2,520
Total for Expenses	95,140	46,454	141,595	130,057
Net Operating Income	74	4,847	4,921	602
Transfers between funds	5,040	-5,040	0	0
Net income	5,114	-193	4,921	602
balance b/fwd	200,279	142,465	342,744	342,142
balance c/fwd	205,393	142,272	347,665	342,744

Statement of Financial Position
Abergavenny Baptist Church

As of 31 December, 2025

Distribution account	2025 Total	2024
Fixed Asset		
Tangible assets		
Office Equipment Cost	1,065	1,065
Office Equipment Depreciation	-710	-355
Total for Tangible assets	355	710
Cash at bank and in hand		
Baptist Union 1YR Fixed	0	136,725
Baptist Union 7 day Notice	31,714	31,392
BU 3M notice	140,903	0
Children's Worker Cash Float	108	24
Current	2,353	4,344
FB Current Account	136,907	139,129
FB Petty Cash	5	5
FB Vouchers	1,270	1,785
Petty Cash	432	176
Savings	32,818	28,000
Women's Fellowship	701	414
Youth Cash Float	100	40
NET CURRENT ASSETS	347,310	342,034
TOTAL NET ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	347,665	342,744
Capital and Reserves		
Retained Earnings	342,744	342,143
Net Income	4,921	601
Total for Capital and Reserves	347,665	342,744
GENERAL FUNDS	205,393	200,279
RESTRICTED FUNDS		
Eco Fund	3,125	0
Youth	647	1,049
Spurgeons etc	209	257
HM/BMS	110	240
Foodbank	138,182	140,919
	142,272	142,465
TOTAL FUNDS	347,665	342,744
Other Monetary Assets		
Held by The Baptist Union		
Bethany Chapel Trust Fund	29,972	30,058
Non Monetary Assets Held for Own use		
Church at Insurance value including Pipe Organ	4,249,719	4,110,003
Manse at Insurance value	551,054	528,841

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**Abergavenny Baptist Church
Trustees Report
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024**

The Trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Number **1194889**

Address Frogmore Street
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 Monmouthshire
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Trustees

Rev M Orsmond	Minister
B Watkins	Children's Worker
A O'Gorman	Youth and Family Worker
M Anderson	Treasurer
L W Anderson	
M Morgan	
A I Wilde	Secretary
I Gilbertson	
K Kippax	
A Lewis	resigned 17 September 2024

Trustees for a Charity Baptist Union Corporation

Structure, Governance and Management

Abergavenny Baptist Church is an unincorporated charitable association. It is governed by constitution. Charity Trustees are appointed by church members. Any person qualified to be a member of the church is eligible for election as a Charity Trustee (unless disqualified by statute), provided that they have been a member for at least 6 months and provided that, at all times at least 66% of the elected Charity Trustees shall be persons who have been baptised in accordance with the beliefs of the Baptist Union.

Objectives and Activities

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Activities may include but are not restricted to:

- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
- baptism, as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle;
- the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
- nurture and growth of Christian disciples;
- education and training for Christian and community service;
- giving and encouraging pastoral care;
- supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad;
- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.

Our weekly Sunday morning service has been well attended with many people of all age groups. Most people attend in-person but some attend via Zoom. As a result, our membership has grown by six. The church also continues to hold a monthly prayer meeting on a Wednesday evening and a weekly women's fellowship meeting on Wednesday afternoon. The church has five Life Groups (small groups) that meet fortnightly in members' homes, either in person or a hybrid of both online and in-person, for Bible study and prayer. During the year, we had three funerals, four baptismal services (where nine people in total were baptised) and three dedication services (where six children were dedicated).

This year the youth group has successfully maintained contact with an average of 16 young people attending in person, and two via zoom. We had a handful of year 6 pupils joining us after Easter. We also moved our meeting time from Friday evening to Sunday which has proved to be very successful. The sessions are now livelier with more energy. This year we have completed the Fruitfulness on the Frontline course, the 24/7 Origins Prayer course, The Way UK study on Colossians, and the Christians in Sport study of James. We are currently studying, The Gospel of Mark using Tom Wright study guide and scripture union Grid notes on Genesis. The youth assisted the foodbank on 3 occasions, sorting, weighing, and dating stock. In May, a group from the church attended The Big Church festival, five people were from the youth group. It was a huge success so this is something we will encourage every year. We held our annual youth camp weekend in mid-July and included a Kayaking activity for the first time which was a huge success. We continue to promote the Urban Saints House Camp, Bethany House Party and supported 5 young people from the church to attend this week away. We held a fundraising event in October to help assist families financially to attend camp. At Christmas the youth helped to decorate the church, lead the worship in the nativity service and joined in the choir at the Carol service

ABC Toddlers continues to run as a Faith based Toddler group and has grown continually throughout the year. We now average 30 people, mums and toddlers each week. We have seen numbers around 34 – 36 on occasions towards the summer of 2024. Half of the people who attend are not connected to any church. Relationships are growing within the group we have been able to pray into situations or with mums many times. We continue to receive many positive comments about the group, from past and present members with regular attendees inviting friends.

In November of 2024 we ran a Parenting for Faith course for parents of Toddlers. 5 parents from the church attended and all gave positive feedback on the helpful nature of the course. We continue to make contact with and support families individually on a weekly basis.

2024 has been another good year for Abergavenny Baptist Church with regards to its children's ministry. We have 35 children in total coming along either to our Sunday mornings or after school club, Dodgeball and Donuts. Throughout the year we also hold Easter events, holiday clubs, light parties and multiple Christmas activities with well over that number coming along.

We have a fantastic team of volunteers, who help with all these events and without whom, many of these activities just would not happen. It is an exciting time to be involved in church with 2025 looking even more promising than the last.

2024 was another busy year at the Foodbank in Abergavenny but the data shows a 5.2% decrease in the number of referrals made when compared to last year. 1056 parcels were given out to our clients, helping to feed 1562 adults and 743 children. The number of total people fed shows a decrease of 11% in total (6.7% for adults and a 19.4% decrease for children, indicating fewer families coming into the foodbank during 2024.)

Despite this decrease, the current cost of living is high and many people still find themselves struggling with debt, benefit delays /sanctions, long term health issues affecting employability, insecure housing, rising costs and having no savings or support to fall back on. The number of people needing help often outstrips donations, and we continue to purchase a great deal more than previously at a higher price. In 2023, we purchased 50% of our total stock, whereas in 2024 that percentage increased to 60%. Thankfully we continue to cope with this increase at the present time because of a healthy bank balance and the financial support of the local community, but we remain mindful of the need to monitor the situation carefully, given a highly challenging and rapidly changing environment where inflation rates remain higher than anticipated and social security payments fall short of the cost of the essentials we all rely on. Where possible, we take advantage of sites that offer essential items at low cost. An example of this is 'In Kind Direct,' a charity that connects companies with charitable organisations to provide access to life's essentials.

In March 2024, Abergavenny Foodbank was awarded a further two years grant of Financial Inclusion funding from Trussell. Therefore, we continue to retain on site an excellent advisor from Citizens Advice who advises clients on a whole range of issues such as benefits, charitable support, debt, employment, housing, tax and utilities. This vital service continues to help clients access the support they need by unlocking grants and money they may be eligible for, thus enabling them to resolve the crisis that brought them to the foodbank in the first place.

With a donation of £650 from Waitrose, we were able to support each family who came into the foodbank over the summer holidays with a £20 food gift voucher in addition to their normal food parcel.

As a result of the generosity of the local community, we continue to offer our clients a range of fresh food, including fruit and vegetables, cheese and eggs. During December, we were able to give out Christmas treat bags as well as food gift vouchers all through December. In addition to the treat bags, one donor raised money to buy books to support parents in giving their children a Christmas gift.

In 2025 the church will endeavour to set up a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) to operate the Foodbank going forward.

Whatever the future holds, with the help of the local community, we will do our best to support individuals and families who turn to us for assistance.

Policy on reserves

The Church endeavours to keep reserves sufficient to meeting 12 months running costs and also complete any repairs recommended in the quinquennial architects report.

The Foodbank endeavours to keep a minimum of 6m running costs plus a contingency for other potential costs that may arise.

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Income and Expenditure account
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	2024	Restricted	2024	2023
	General	Funds	Total	
	fund	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£
Offering: Gift Aid	58,738		58,738	57,004
General Envelopes	6,305		6,305	5,159
Cash	5,303		5,303	4,400
Stewardship	7,201	360	7,561	3,430
	77,547	360	77,907	69,993
Other income				
Gift Aid tax refund	15,501	1,198	16,699	17,369
Interest: bank accounts	7,566		7,566	5,910
trust funds	725		725	1,043
Rent	50		50	50
Easyfundraising	15		15	16
Donations for Hm/BMS		1,798	1,798	1,560
Donations	650		650	495
Foodbank donations		50,361	50,361	54,746
Hire of Church hall	95		95	175
Grants		24,996	24,996	25,318
Donation Spurgeons etc	-	1,126	1,126	1,016
Womens fellowship	498		498	392
	102,647	79,839	182,486	178,083
Expenses				
Gross Stipend	28,600		28,600	26,500
Children and Youth workers wages	25,317	360	25,677	24,747
Employer's NI	25		25	27
Pension	3,621		3,621	3,363
Pension shortfall	10		10	12
Pension childrens worker	2,568		2,568	2,475
Ministers expenses	410		410	413
Childrens ministry	1,595	925	2,520	2,458
Manse costs including ins	4,500		4,500	5,341
Visiting ministers & speakers	400		400	400
Insurance	3,433		3,433	3,411
Light, heat and telephone	3,824		3,824	3,364
Cleaning	2,039		2,039	1,545
Major repairs (project costs)	-		-	9,560
Minor repairs	3,331		3,331	1,416
IT equipment	71		71	1,271
Deoreciation	355		355	-
Donations to HM/BMS	2,040	1,828	3,868	3,675
Donations spurgeons etc		191	191	866
Donations miscellaneous	2,868		2,868	2,330
General administrative expenses	2,887		2,887	2,599
Advertising, books and cards	-		-	-
Courses	139		139	325
Office equipment	-		-	-
Other expenses	2,576		2,576	2,000
Womens Fellowship Expenses	164		164	668
Foodbank Costs		87,807	87,807	78,531
	90,773	91,111	181,884	177,297
Excess of receipts over payments	11,874	(11,272)	602	786
Trust fund income	-		-	3,811
Transfers between funds	4,800	(4,800)	-	-
Excess of receipts over payments	16,674	(16,072)	602	4,597
Balance brought forward	183,605	158,537	342,142	337,545
Balance carried forward	200,279	142,465	342,744	342,142

**Abergavenny Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Equipment	1	710	-
Current assets			
Baptist Union 1yr Fixed		136,725	130,197
Baptist Union 7 day notice		31,392	30,693
Current a/c		4,343	4,130
Deposit a/c		28,000	20,044
Foodbank Current account and cash		139,134	154,107
Foodbank Vouchers		1,785	2,625
Womens Fellowship bank & cash		414	80
Childrens and youth petty cash		64	74
Cash in hand		177	192
		<u>342,034</u>	<u>342,142</u>
Net current assets		342,034	342,142
Net assets		<u>342,744</u>	<u>342,142</u>
Representing Balances on the following:			
General Fund			
Balance at start of period		183,605	178,321
Net surplus/(deficit)		11,874	(2,127)
Transfers		4,800	7,411
		<u>200,279</u>	<u>183,605</u>
Restricted Funds:			
Youth Fund		1,049	1,131
Spurgeons/Christian aid		257	141
Foodbank		140,919	157,014
HM/BMS		240	251
		<u>142,465</u>	<u>158,537</u>
Total Funds		<u>342,744</u>	<u>342,142</u>
Other Monetary Assets HELD BY Baptist Union			
Bethany Chapel Trust Fund		30,058.26	30,107.33
		<u>30,058.26</u>	<u>30,107.33</u>
Non Monetary Assets Held for Own Use			
Church at Insurance value		3,876,156	3,771,990
Pipe Organ at Insurance value		<u>233,847</u>	233,847
Manse at Insurance Value		528,841	412,352

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Plant, machinery and motor vehicles

	Equipment
	£
Cost	
Additions	<u>1,065</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,065</u>
Depreciation	
Charge for the year	<u>355</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>355</u>
Net book value	
At 31 December 2024	<u>710</u>

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Abergavenny Foodbank
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 December 2024
Included in Restricted Funds

		2024	2023
		£	£
Income	Donations	45,613	49,295
	Donations Gift aided	5,030	5,441
	Gift Aid Tax Refunds	1,154	1,396
	Grants	24,996	25,318
	Reimbursed expenses	-	0
		76,793	81,450
Cost of sales	Purchases	41,732	36,835
	Vouchers	10,095	9,060
		51,827	45,895
Gross surplus		<u>24,966</u>	<u>35,555</u>
Expenses	Bank charges	110	113
	Financial Inclusion Officer	21,876	11008
	Grant repaid	-	7688
	Legal and professional	35	35
	Pensions	-	650
	Postage	-	0
	Contribution to church overheads	4,800	3,600
	Staff training & welfare	300	77
	Stationery and printing	102	0
	Sundry expenses	59	-
	Telephone and fax	144	144
	Travel and subsistence	-	-
	Wages and salaries	13,354	12,921
		<u>40,780</u>	<u>36,236</u>
Net (deficit) / surplus		(15,814)	(681)
Balance b/fwd		156,732	157,413
Balance c/fwd		<u>140,918</u>	<u>156,732</u>

ABERGAVENNY BAPTIST CHURCH

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31 December 2023

Abergavenny Baptist Church

Independent Examiners Report to The Trustees and Members of Abergavenny Baptist Church

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 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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**Abergavenny Baptist Church
Trustees Report
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023**

The Trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Number **1194889**

Address Frogmore Street
 Abergavenny
 Monmouthshire
 NP7 7AL

Trustees

Rev M Orsmond	Minister
B Watkins	Children's Worker
A O'Gorman	Youth and Family Worker
J H C Morgan	Resigned 22/03/23
M Anderson	Treasurer
L W Anderson	
P Martin	Resigned 22/03/23
M Morgan	
A I Wilde	Secretary
I Gilbertson	

Trustees for a Charity Baptist Union Corporation

Structure, Governance and Management

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- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.

Our weekly Sunday morning service has been well attended with many people of all age groups. Most people attend in-person but some attend via Zoom. The church also continues to hold a weekly women's fellowship meeting, a monthly prayer meeting, and many of the church's Life Groups meet fortnightly, either in-person, or a hybrid of both online and in-person. During the year, we had one Mayor's Civic Service, one wedding service, one dedication service, and three funerals. There were no baptisms.

During the year the youth group has successfully maintained contact with an average of 10 young people attending in person, and two via zoom. This year we explored the Alpha series, studied Loved by Johnny Gumble and looked at the Scripture Union series on David. The youth assisted the foodbank on 3 occasions, sorting, weighing, and dating stock. In May, a group from the church attended The big Church festival, five people were from the youth group. It was a huge success so this is something we will encourage every year. We held our annual youth camp weekend in mid July and included a Kayaking activity for the first time which was a huge success. We continue to promote the Urban Saints House Camp, Bethany House Party and supported 5 young people from the church to attend this week away. We held a fundraising event in September to help assist families financially to attend camp. At Christmas the youth helped to decorate the church, lead the worship in the nativity service and joined in the choir at the Carol service.

ABC Toddlers continues to run as a Faith based Toddler group and has grown continually throughout the year. We now average 25 people weekly, with 30 attending most weeks. We have seen numbers around 34 on 6 occasions towards the end of 2023. Relationships are growing within the group we have been able to pray into situations or with mums many times.

Abergavenny Baptist children's' ministries have had another busy year during 2023. Our Sunday morning groups (ABC Kids) have regular attendance of up to 25 children ranging in age from 3-11 with new helpers/leaders joining during the year. It has been lovely to welcome some new families into the church and their children regularly attending on a Sunday morning. The Christmas period was our best ever with an average of 30 children taking part in each service. During the week our after school club of Dodgeball and Donuts is still proving popular with primary aged children. Numbers usually into the twenties. Our seasonal events continue to be well attended. We held an Easter Eggstravaganza Hunt in a local park for the first time, along with our annual Summer Holiday Club, Super Heroes Light Party and No rehearsal Nativity. More than 30 children took part in each of these events and we are looking forward with excitement to see what God has got planned for us in 2024.

2023 was another busy year at the Foodbank in Abergavenny where we witnessed an 18% increase in the number of referrals. 1114 parcels were given out to our clients, helping to feed 1674 adults and 922 children.

Given the current cost of living, the level of need has risen, and the increase in people needing help often outstrips donations, and we are now having to purchase a great deal more than normal at a higher price. In 2022, we purchased 20% of our total stock, whereas in 2023 that percentage increased to 50%. Thankfully we can cope with this increase at the present time because of a healthy bank balance and the financial support of the local community, but we are mindful of the need to monitor the situation carefully, given a highly challenging and rapidly changing environment where inflation rates remain higher than anticipated and social security payments fall short of the cost of the essentials we all rely on.

In January 2023, Abergavenny Foodbank was awarded a one year grant of Financial Inclusion funding from Trussell Trust with potential for further funding for another two years. As a result of this funding, we now have on site an excellent Citizens Advice Adviser who advises clients on a whole range of issues such as benefits, charitable support, debt, employment, housing, tax and utilities. This vital service is helping clients access the support they need by unlocking grants and money they may be eligible for, thus enabling them to resolve the crisis that brought them to the foodbank in the first place.

As a result of the generosity of the local community, we continue to offer our clients a range of fresh food, including fruit and vegetables, cheese and eggs, and we were able to give out Christmas hampers as well as food gift vouchers all through December.

Difficult times may lie ahead, but with the support of the local community, we will do our best to support individuals and families who turn to us for help.

Policy on reserves

The Church endeavours to keep reserves sufficient to meeting 12 months running costs and also complete any repairs recommended in the quinquennial architects report.

The Foodbank endeavours to keep a minimum of 6m running costs plus a contingency for other potential costs that may arise.

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Abergavenny Baptist Church
Income and Expenditure account
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	2023 General fund £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 £
Offering: Gift Aid	57,003		57,003	54,542
General Envelopes	5,159		5,159	8,095
Cash	4,400		4,400	4,115
Stewardship	3,430		3,430	2,357
	69,992	-	69,992	69,109
Other income				
Gift Aid tax refund	15,351	2,018	17,369	16,876
Interest: bank accounts	5,910		5,910	344
trust funds	1,043		1,043	741
Rent	50		50	50
Easyfundraising	16		16	-
Donations for Hm/BMS		1,560	1,560	1,100
Donations	495		495	169
Foodbank donations		54,746	54,746	69,362
Hire of Church hall	175		175	85
Grants		25,318	25,318	18,223
Donation Spurgeons etc	-	1,016	1,016	889
Womens fellowship	392		392	544
	93,424	84,658	178,082	177,492
Expenses				
Gross Stipend	26,500		26,500	25,988
Children and Youth workers wages	24,747		24,747	24,269
Employer's NI	27		27	25
Pension	3,363		3,363	3,247
Pension shortfall	12		12	1,755
Pension childrens worker	2,475		2,475	2,426
Ministers expenses	413		413	460
Childrens ministry	1,410	1,048	2,458	1,580
Manse costs including ins	5,341		5,341	5,393
Visiting ministers & speakers	400		400	200
Insurance	3,411		3,411	3,317
Light, heat and telephone	3,364		3,364	3,933
Cleaning	1,545		1,545	1,324
Major repairs (project costs)	9,560		9,560	106,993
Minor repairs	1,416		1,416	3,904
IT equipment	1,146	125	1,271	911
Donations to HM/BMS	2,040	1,635	3,675	3,820
Donations spurgeons etc	540	326	866	199
Donations miscellaneous	2,320	10	2,330	2,723
General administrative expenses	2,599		2,599	2,346
Courses	325		325	-
Other expenses	1,930	70	2,000	599
Womens Fellowship Expenses	668		668	468
Foodbank Costs		78,530	78,530	26,544
	95,552	81,744	177,296	222,424
Excess of receipts over payments	(2,128)	2,914	786	(44,932)
Trust fund income	3,811		3,811	80,134
Transfers between funds	3,600	(3,600)	-	-
Excess of receipts over payments	5,283	(686)	4,597	35,202
Balance brought forward	178,321	159,224	337,545	302,343
Balance carried forward	183,604	158,538	342,142	337,545

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2023


	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Baptist Union 1yr Fixed	130,197	125,189	
Baptist Union 7 day notice	30,693	-	
Current a/c	4,130	4,364	
Deposit a/c	20,044	50,089	
Foodbank Current account and cash	154,107	154,642	
Foodbank Vouchers	2,625	2,770	
Womens Fellowship bank & cash	80	357	
Childrens and youth petty cash	74	2	
Cash in hand	192	132	
	<u>342,142</u>	<u>337,545</u>	
Net current assets		342,142	337,545
Net assets		<u>342,142</u>	<u>337,545</u>
Representing Balances on the following:			
General Fund			
Balance at start of period		178,321	190,885
Net deficit		(2,128)	(96,298)
Transfers		7,411	83,734
		<u>183,604</u>	<u>178,321</u>
Restricted Funds:			
Youth Fund		1,131	1,315
Spurgeons/LMRT		141	164
Foodbank		157,014	157,695
HM/BMS		252	50
		<u>158,538</u>	<u>159,224</u>
Total Funds		<u>342,142</u>	<u>337,545</u>
Other Monetary Assets			
HELD BY Baptist Union			
Hereford Rd Manse Trust Fund			3,811.30
Bethany Chapel Trust Fund		30,107.33	30,179.42
		<u>30,107.33</u>	<u>33,990.72</u>
Non Monetary Assets Held for Own Use			
Church at Insurance value	3,771,990		3,655,318
Pipe Organ at Insurance value	<u>233,847</u>	4,005,837	233,847
Manse at Insurance Value		412,352	393,841
Potential Liability			
Pension Fund Shortfall		-	-


Abergavenny Baptist Church
Abergavenny Foodbank
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 December 2023
Included in Restricted Funds

		2023	2022
		£	£
Income	Donations	49,295	65,417
	Donations Gift aided	5,441	3,805
	Gift Aid Tax Refunds	1,396	1,145
	Grants	25,318	7,688
	Reimbursed expenses	-	97
		81,450	78,152
Cost of sales	Purchases	36,835	8,036
	Vouchers	9,060	4,090
		45,895	12,126
Gross surplus		<u>35,555</u>	<u>66,026</u>
Expenses	Bank charges	113	99
	Financial Inclusion Officer	11,008	0
	Grant repaid	7,688	
	Legal and professional	35	35
	Pensions	650	2,111
	Postage	-	46
	Contribution to church overheads	3,600	3,600
	Staff training & welfare	77	
	Stationery and printing	-	5
	Sundry expenses		55
	Telephone and fax	144	144
	Travel and subsistence		115
	Wages and salaries	12,921	11,903
		<u>36,236</u>	<u>18,113</u>
Net (deficit) / surplus		(681)	47,913
Balance b/fwd		157,695	109,782
Balance c/fwd		<u>157,014</u>	<u>157,695</u>

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England & Wales - Charity number 1194889

Accounts

Abergavenny Baptist Church

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31 December 2022

Abergavenny Baptist Church

Independent Examiners Report to The Trustees and Members of Abergavenny Baptist Church

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Abergavenny Baptist Church
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For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

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A O'Gorman	Youth and Family Worker
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M Anderson	Treasurer
L W Anderson	
P Martin	
M Morgan	
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D Morris	appointed 9 March 2022
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During the year the youth group has successfully maintained contact with an average of 12 young people weekly attending in person, and two joining via zoom. We have delivered The Prayer Course, NUA Origins Tearfund Justice Together and studied the Lifelines book and The Gospel of Mark. We continue to promote the Urban Saints House Camp, Bethany House Party and supported 3 young people from the church to attend this week away.

The Toddler Group continues to run as a Faith based Toddler group and has expanded with a regular core group of 15 mums, increasing to 22 mums on occasions.

Over the course of the year we have held numerous activities at ABC. We have had an average of 15-20 young people on a Sunday morning with many of those coming to our after school club, Dodgeball and Donuts. This has been extremely well attended and we have over 35 children registered and a weekly attendance of over 25 children, many from non-church backgrounds.

Our special seasonal activities have all been well received and throughout the year we have had an Easter Eggstravaganza, Holiday Club, Light Party, a no rehearsal nativity and Christmas party. All of these events have been very well attended with numbers in the high twenties. We have built up a reputation in the community for well organized activities for children which we hope to build on in the coming year.

2022 was a busy year at the Foodbank in Abergavenny. For the first 7 months, we delivered Food parcels to clients. Initially because of Covid, and then because of building work at the church. It was good to re-open to clients in August, so that now we are able to have a cup of tea and a chat with them when they come in to collect their food parcel. We also have a volunteer from Citizens' Advice in one session and a worker from MIND in the other, so clients can get advice and support there and then for a range of problems. The cost of living increase, and all the National publicity meant that the community gave generously at both Harvest Festival and Christmas and we received more food donations than ever, as well as more financial support. This meant we could give out Christmas Hampers all through December and food gift vouchers.

Overall in 2022 referrals were up nearly 20% compared to 2021, with more families being referred in the year. However, as we have a large financial surplus, we are able to cope with this increase and are looking at ways we can use it to better support people who are struggling in the next year.

Policy on reserves

The church does not have a policy on reserves but endeavours to meet all its commitments when they fall due.

M Orsmond

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Income and Expenditure account
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	Restricted	2022	2021
	General	Funds	Total	
	fund	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£
Offering: Gift Aid	54,542		54,542	46,603
General Envelopes	8,095		8,095	16,002
Cash	4,115		4,115	862
Stewardship	2,236	121	2,357	-
	68,988	121	69,109	63,467
Other income				
	15,685	1,191	16,876	12,639
Interest: bank accounts	344		344	19
trust funds	741		741	214
Rent	50		50	100
Easyfundraising	-		-	119
Donations for Hm/BMS		1,100	1,100	1,200
Donations	169		169	1,506
Foodbank donations		69,362	69,362	50,324
Hire of Church hall	85		85	120
Grants	10,535	7,688	18,223	6,364
Donation Spurgeons etc	-	889	889	458
Miscellaneous	-		-	116
Womens fellowship	544		544	320
	97,141	80,351	177,492	136,966
Expenses				
Gross Stipend	25,988		25,988	24,500
Children and Youth workers wages	24,269		24,269	22,880
Employer's NI	25		25	25
Pension	3,247		3,247	3,078
Pension shortfall	1,755		1,755	2,956
Pension childrens worker	2,426		2,426	2,097
Ministers expenses	460		460	360
Childrens ministry	1,280	300	1,580	1,310
Manse costs including ins	5,393		5,393	7,911
Visiting ministers & speakers	200		200	250
Insurance	3,317		3,317	2,932
Light, heat and telephone	3,933		3,933	3,120
Cleaning	1,324		1,324	1,189
Major repairs (project costs)	106,993		106,993	7,086
Minor repairs	3,904		3,904	7,796
IT equipment	911		911	-
Donations to HM/BMS	2,320	1,500	3,820	2,950
Donations spurgeons etc		199	199	177
Donations miscellaneous	2,281	442	2,723	1,900
General administrative expenses	2,346		2,346	2,428
Advertising, books and cards	-		-	-
Courses	-		-	148
Other expenses	599		599	1,272
Womens Fellowship Expenses	468		468	407
Foodbank Costs		26,544	26,544	13,487
	193,439	28,985	222,424	110,259
Excess of receipts over payments	(96,298)	51,366	(44,932)	26,707
Trust fund income	80,134		80,134	5,712
Transfers between funds	3,600	(3,600)	-	-
Excess of receipts over payments	(12,564)	47,766	35,202	32,419
Balance brought forward	190,885	111,458	302,343	269,924
Balance carried forward	178,321	159,224	337,545	302,343

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Bank/building society balances	125,189	-	
Current a/c	4,364	6,883	
Deposit a/c	50,089	185,000	
Foodbank Current account and cash	154,642	109,782	
Foodbank Vouchers	2,770	-	
Womens Fellowship bank & cash	357	480	
Childrens and youth petty cash	2	49	
Cash in hand	132	149	
	<u>337,545</u>	<u>302,343</u>	
Net current assets		337,545	302,343
Net assets		<u><u>337,545</u></u>	<u><u>302,343</u></u>
Representing Balances on the following:			
General Fund			
Balance at start of period		190,885	200,930
Net deficit		(96,298)	(11,245)
Transfers		<u>83,734</u>	<u>1,200</u>
		<u>178,321</u>	<u>190,885</u>
Restricted Funds:			
Youth Fund		1,315	1,078
Spurgeons/LMRT		164	398
Foodbank		157,695	109,782
Childrens Worker			
HM/BMS		50	200
		<u>159,224</u>	<u>111,458</u>
Total Funds		<u><u>337,545</u></u>	<u><u>302,343</u></u>
Other Monetary Assets			
HELD BY Baptist Union			
Hereford Rd Manse Trust Fund		3,811.30	10,948.49
Bethany Chapel Trust Fund		<u>30,179.42</u>	<u>102,948.95</u>
		<u><u>33,990.72</u></u>	<u><u>113,897.44</u></u>
Non Monetary Assets Held for Own Use			
Church at Insurance value	3,655,318		3,171,753
Pipe Organ at Insurance value	<u>233,847</u>	3,889,165	233,847
Manse at Insurance Value		393,841	332,915
Potential Liability			
Pension Fund Shortfall		-	30,100

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Abergavenny Foodbank
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 December 2022
Included in Restricted Funds

		2022		2021
		£		£
Income	Donations	65,417		47,639
	Donations Gift aided	3,805		2,685
	Gift Aid Tax Refunds	1,145		676
	Grants	7,688		6,364
	Reimbursed expenses	97		6
			78,152	57,370
Cost of sales	Purchases	8,036		1,281
	Vouchers	4,090		0
			12,126	1,281
Gross surplus		<u>66,026</u>		<u>56,089</u>
Expenses	Bank charges	99		0
	Entertaining	0		69
	Legal and professional	35		70
	Pensions	2,111		1,699
	Postage	46		0
	Rent	3,600		1,200
	Stationery and printing	5		0
	Subscriptions	0		360
	Sundry expenses	55		440
	Telephone and fax	144		126
	Travel and subsistence	115		0
	Wages and salaries	11,903		9,449
			<u>18,113</u>	<u>13,412</u>
Net surplus			47,913	42,676
Balance b/fwd			109,782	67,106
Balance c/fwd			<u>157,695</u>	<u>109,782</u>

ABERGAVENNY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1194889

Accounts

Abergavenny Baptist Church

Independent Examiners Report to The Trustees and Members of Abergavenny Baptist Church

We report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31st December 2021 which which are set out on pages 2 to 5

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiners

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the church accounts. the church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 act;

to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiners' report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 Examiners' statement

In connection with our examination no matter has come to our 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 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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J James

**Abergavenny Baptist Church
Trustees Report
For The Year Ended 31 December 2021**

The Trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31-Dec-21

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Number 1194889

Address Frogmore Street
Abergavenny
Monmouthshire
NP7 7AL

Trustees

Rev M Orsmond	Minister	
B Watkins	Children's Worker	appt. 04 January 2021
A O'Gorman	Youth and Family Worker	
J H C Morgan	Secretary	
M Anderson	Treasurer	
L W Anderson		
P Martin		
M Morgan		
A I Wilde		appt. 17 Mar. 2021
G J Baxter		appt. 17 Mar. 2021, resigned 21 Oct. 21
C J Baxter		appt. 17 Mar. 2021, resigned 21 Oct. 21
E L Hinton		resigned 15 May 2021

Trustees for a Charity Baptist Union Corporation

Structure, Governance and Management

Abergavenny Baptist Church is an unincorporated charitable association. It is governed by constitution. Charity Trustees are appointed by church members. Any person qualified to be a member of the church is eligible for election as a Charity Trustee (unless disqualified by statute), provided that they have been a member for at least 6 months and provided that, at all times at least 66% of the elected Charity Trustees shall be persons who have been baptised in accordance with the beliefs of the Baptist Union.

Objectives and Activities

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Activities may include but are not restricted to:

- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
- baptism, as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle;
- the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
- nurture and growth of Christian disciples;
- education and training for Christian and community service;
- giving and encouraging pastoral care;
- supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad;

- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.

Despite and through all the Covid disruptions and restrictions the church managed to hold Sunday morning Worship Services every week, either online, in-person or in a hybrid service. The church also continued to have monthly prayer meetings online and many of the church Life Groups met fortnightly either online or a hybrid of both online and in-person. During the year 6 people were baptised and many received pastoral care and support.

During the year the youth group has successfully maintained contact with an average of 15 young people a week through hybrid sessions in person and via zoom never missing a session.

Two Parenting Courses were run via zoom. One for parents of Babies and Toddlers and one for parents of Teenagers who attend the church. This was a new initiative following the appointment of a part time family and youth worker.

The Toddler Group was relaunched as a Faith based Toddler group with a regular core group of 12 mums who attend weekly.

There was an average of 15+ children attending Sunday morning Worship. A new Children's' worker was appointed at the start of the year. During the year a new after school children's club was started called Dodgeball and Donuts open to church families and the wider community. This started with 12 children and has grown to have more than 36 registered and an average attendance of 25 every week.

In August the church held a week long Holiday Club for children 4-11 yr. .29 children attended averaging 22 a day Gifts of flowers were distributed to some of the mothers in the community for Mothering Sunday and small gifts were also given to the dads for Father's day.

The church Foodbank had a busy year with demands for its services remaining high. In April Carys Alford stepped down as foodbank development manager and in June Kate Hooton took on this role 3 days a week. There is a good team of very committed volunteers.

The Foodbank has continued to operate from the Baptist Church, mainly taking food parcels to clients but clients were able to come to the building when covid restrictions eased. Its financial position remains strong.

Policy on reserves

The church does not have a policy on reserves but endeavours to meet all its commitments when they fall due.

M Orsmond

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Income and Expenditure account
for the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021 General fund £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 £
Offering: Gift Aid	46,603		46,603	43,729
General Envelopes	16,002		16,002	8,054
Cash	862		862	1,785
	63,467		63,467	53,568
Other income				
Tax Refunds - gift aid	11,707	932	12,639	12,592
Interest: bank accounts	19		19	276
trust funds	214		214	251
Rent	100		100	-
Easyfundraising	119		119	59
Donations for Hm/BMS		1,200	1,200	1,000
Coffee Mornings	-		-	250
Donations	1,506		1,506	3,033
Foodbank donations		50,324	50,324	59,604
Hire of Church hall	120		120	825
Grants		6,364	6,364	11,458
Donation Spurgeons etc	-	458	458	45
Trust Fund (Re project)	5,712	-	5,712	6,157
Mother and toddlers	-		-	160
Miscellaneous	116		116	154
Womens fellowship	320		320	136
	83,400	59,278	142,678	149,568
Expenses				
Gross Stipend	24,500		24,500	24,000
Children's worker wages	22,780	100	22,880	14,243
Employer's NI	25		25	76
Pension	3,078		3,078	3,025
Pension shortfall	2,956		2,956	2,179
Pension childrens worker	2,097		2,097	1,309
Ministers expenses	360		360	563
Childrens ministry	710	600	1,310	287
Manse costs including ins	7,911		7,911	4,681
Visiting ministers & speakers	250		250	570
Insurance	2,932		2,932	2,670
Light, heat and telephone	3,120		3,120	3,103
Cleaning	1,189		1,189	693
Major repairs (project costs)	7,086		7,086	3,799
Minor repairs	7,796		7,796	2,438
Donations to HM/BMS	1,700	1,250	2,950	3,419
Donations spurgeons etc		177	177	322
Donations miscellaneous	1,900		1,900	1,766
General administrative expenses	2,428		2,428	2,337
Advertising, books and cards	-		-	47
Courses	148		148	-
Other expenses	1,272		1,272	313
Womens Fellowship Expenses	407		407	74
Foodbank Costs		13,487	13,487	17,551
	94,645	15,614	110,259	89,465
Excess of receipts over payments	(11,245)	43,664	32,419	60,103
Balance brought forward	200,930	68,994	269,924	209,821
Transfers between funds	1,200	(1,200)	-	-
Balance carried forward	190,885	111,458	302,343	269,924

Abergavenny Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Current assets			
Current a/c	6,883	5,106	
Deposit a/c	185,000	197,134	
Treasury Deposit	-	-	
Foodbank Current account and cash	109,782	67,105	
Womens Fellowship bank & cash	480	567	
Childrens and youth petty cash	49	-	
Cash in hand	149	12	
	<u>302,343</u>	<u>269,924</u>	
Net current assets		302,343	269,924
Net assets		<u>302,343</u>	<u>269,924</u>
Representing Balances on the following:			
General Fund			
Balance at start of period		200,930	194,486
Net (deficit)/surplus		(11,245)	6,444
Transfer		1,200	
		<u>190,885</u>	<u>200,930</u>
Restricted Funds:			
Youth Fund		1,078	1,678
Spurgeons/LMRT		398	111
Foodbank		109,782	67,105
Childrens Worker			100
HM/BMS		200	
		<u>111,458</u>	<u>68,994</u>
Total Funds		<u>302,343</u>	<u>269,924</u>
Other Monetary Assets			
HELD BY Baptist Union			
Hereford Rd Manse Trust Fund		10,948.49	12,081.02
Bethany Chapel Trust Fund		102,948.95	107,500.64
		<u>113,897.44</u>	<u>119,581.66</u>
Non Monetary Assets Held for Own Use			
Church at Insurance value	3,171,753		2,896,422
Pipe Organ at Insurance value	<u>233,847</u>	3,405,600	233,847
Manse at Insurance Value		332,915	306831
Potential Liability			
Pension Fund Shortfall		30,100	46,100