

# CANTERBURY CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1194911

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2021-06-23

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY AMONG PEOPLE OF CHINESE ORIGIN IN THE CANTERBURY AREA IN ENGLAND ACCORDING TO THE HISTORIC CHRISTIAN FAITH AS SET FORTH IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS AND AS SUMMARISED IN THE APOSTLES' CREED. THE CHURCH MAY ALSO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND FULFIL OTHER CHARITABLE OBJECTS CONSISTENT WITH THE BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD. (PLEASE SEE APPENDIX ONE FOR 'THE BELIEFS OF THE CHURCH'.)IN FULFILLING THE PURPOSE THE CHURCH WILL ENGAGE IN A RANGE OF ACTIVITIES EITHER ON ITS OWN OR WITH OTHERS THAT WILL VARY FROM TIME TO TIME WITH ACTIVITIES BEING INITIATED, EXPANDED, OR CLOSED, AS APPROPRIATE. THESE ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT RESTRICTED TO:(A) REGULAR PUBLIC WORSHIP, PRAYER, BIBLE STUDY, PREACHING AND TEACHING;(B) BAPTISMAL SERVICE;(C) THE HOLY COMMUNION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER WHICH SHALL NORMALLY BE OBSERVED AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH;(D) EVANGELISM AND MISSION LOCALLY, BUT ALSO REGIONALLY, NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY;(E) THE TEACHING, ENCOURAGEMENT, WELCOME AND INCLUSION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE;(F) NURTURE AND GROWTH OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES;(G) EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR CHRISTIAN AND COMMUNITY SERVICE;(H) GIVING AND ENCOURAGING PASTORAL CARE, SUCH AS IN FAMILY MINISTRY THROUGH WHICH FAMILIES WHO ARE OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO CONNECT MAY BE REACHED OUT;(I) SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING CHARITABLE SOCIAL ACTIONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ABROAD;(J) ENCOURAGING RELATIONSHIPS WITH AND SUPPORTING OTHER CHRISTIANS.NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CHURCH FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 AND SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008.

**Activities:** The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith primarily but not exclusively among people of Chinese origin in the Canterbury area in England. In fulfilling the purpose the Church will engage in a range of activities including worship, Sunday school, evangelism, mission, charitable social actions, and other activities consistent with the purpose of the Church.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Kent

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£24,842	£21,972	-	-
2024-03-31	£24,842	£22,275	-	-
2023-03-31	£16,360	£21,789	-	-
2022-03-31	£13,929	£10,700	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ai Mei Hao		2023-02-18
Leiping Xu		2021-06-23
YILING SHEN		2025-01-01
Yi Yuan Hao		2023-02-18
Yijun Wang		2025-01-01
Yuxia Chen		2025-01-01

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# Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
		1st	April		2024	

**Section A Reference and administration details**

<b>Charity name</b>	Canterbury Chinese Christian Church
<b>Other names charity is known by</b>	CCCC
<b>Registered charity number (if any)</b>	1194911
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	c/o St Andrew's United Reformed Church
	Watling Street
	Canterbury, Kent
	Postcode CT1 2UA

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Frank Hao	Chair ( COCM missionary/CCCC Pastor )	01/01/23 to date	Ex officio trustee
2	Aimei Hao	COCM missionary	01/01/23 to date	Ditto
3	Leiping Xu	Treasurer		Ditto
4	Yijun Wang		01/02/25 to date	Ditto
5	Yuxia Chen		01/02/25 to date	Ditto
6	Yiling Shen		01/02/25 to date	Ditto
7	Grace Liu	COCM Ordained Minister	Resigned 31/08/25	Ditto
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
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**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity’s trusts**

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<p>You <b>may choose</b> to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;</li> <li>• the charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;</li> <li>• relationship with any related parties;</li> <li>• trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.</li> </ul>	<p>As Canterbury Chinese Christian Church (CCCC) continues to grow and its governance needs develop, following discussion by the Board of Trustees, it has been decided to appoint three additional Ex-officio Trustees. We are pleased to welcome:</p> <p><b>Ms. Yijun Wang</b>, a long-term resident of Canterbury, has served in our church for over ten years, primarily leading Children’s Sunday School.</p> <p><b>Yuxia Chen</b>, a long-term resident of Faversham, has also served for over ten years, focusing on Bible study groups and worship ministry.</p> <p><b>Ms. Yiling Shen</b>, residing in Gillingham, has consistently and faithfully served in various capacities during Sunday services since the formal registration of our church.</p> <p>All three ladies have graciously accepted the invitation to serve and will officially join the Board on <b>February 1, 2025</b>.</p> <p>Furthermore, regarding pastoral leadership: <b>Missionary Frank Hao</b>, who is based at CCCC, has graduated with a Master of Theology in June 2025.</p>
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Following consultations between the COCM leadership and the CCCC Board of Trustees, it has been decided that starting from **September 1, 2025** (effective date as per transition), Frank Hao was appointed to take full responsibility for the pastoral care and governance of CCCC.

In this role, Frank Hao would succeed **Rev. Grace Liu** in her pastoral duties at CCCC and would automatically assume the position of **Chair of the Charity**. Following COCM's ministry adjustments, Rev. Grace Liu will continue to lead theological education and other ministries at COCM headquarters. She remains available and willing to return to CCCC as a guest speaker upon invitation.

We thank God for His guidance and provision. This transition allows Rev. Grace Liu to focus more effectively on her theological education work at COCM in Milton Keynes, while enabling Pastor Frank Hao, who resides in Canterbury, to dedicate himself long-term to the pastoral care and governance of CCCC. This move is instrumental to the stable development of our church. We are also grateful for the three new Ex-officio Trustees, whose active participation in various ministries is a testament to God's abundant grace.

Looking ahead to 2025-2026, we remain humbly submissive to God's leading. We are committed to continuing our faithful service in gospel outreach and community care, confident that CCCC will enter a season of even healthier growth.

## **Section C Objectives and activities**

### **Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

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**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Consistent with the purpose/objects of the church set out in its constitution, and **having had full regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit**, the following activities were undertaken by the church during the period covered by this report.

**Sunday Worship**

During 2024–2025, we give thanks to God for His care and guidance as we navigated challenges arising from changes within the Board of Trustees. During this period, multiple training sessions were provided for those responsible for Sunday worship. These trainings effectively enhanced congregational engagement in worship, resulting in a steady increase in Sunday service attendance. On average, 45 to 55 people, including children, attended Sunday worship each week — representing an increase of more than 20% compared with the previous year.

The church themes for 2024 and 2025 were respectively “Embracing the Gospel Mission: The Lives of Heroes of Faith.”

During Sunday services, alongside the use of YouTube for worship resources, we introduced live piano accompaniment. This has enabled both the choir and congregation to experience a deeper sense of participation and a richer spiritual atmosphere in worship.

Over the past year, special gospel events such as Christmas, Easter, and Chinese New Year celebrations provided opportunities for young people to take part in worship through piano and violin performances, singing, and dance. This not only allowed them to showcase their musical talents, but also helped them understand the meaning of worshipping God. They have become integrated into the worship team as part of a spiritual family, strengthening their teamwork, communication skills, and the development of their God-given gifts.

**Trustees/Co-workers’ and Other Church Meetings**

The board members meet monthly, both in person and via Zoom. They also regularly organize two prayer meetings: one on the second Wednesday of each month from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Zoom, and the other on the fourth Sunday of each month from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Andrew’s Church.

**Adult Sunday School**

This year, we successfully conducted two seasons of the Online Adult Sunday School:

Spring Term (May 6 – July 22, 2024): History of the Chinese Church

This course covered the historical development of Christianity in China, including how British missionaries brought the Gospel to the country. It highlighted their efforts in establishing churches through charitable work, education, and medical missions, as well as the broader impact of

Christianity on the Chinese people. Through this study, we were inspired to lead our mission work with hearts of gratitude, striving to share the Gospel with the Chinese community in the UK as a way of giving back to British society.

Autumn Term (September 23 – November 25, 2024): Introduction to the New Testament

The goal of this course was to ensure that our church members are equipped with a well-rounded understanding of their faith. By deepening their knowledge of Biblical truth, we empower them to live out the Great Commission and bring glory to God.

### **Family ministry**

In this digital age of advanced technology, family ministries face significant challenges, such as tensions in marital relationships, difficulties in parent-child dynamics, conflicts between family members, and the impact of internet addiction on household relationships. To address these issues, the church has organized various initiatives, including family camps and specialized seminars on marriage counseling and parental education. For instance, on December 11, 2024, we held a dedicated seminar titled "Accompanying Teenagers Through Their Rebellious Stage."

Our goal is to provide counseling and practical support to foster harmonious and healthy family relationships. Looking forward, we aim to offer more specialized seminars and physical retreats to provide families with comprehensive support. May God grant us wisdom to help believers manage their households, that they may impact lives with their own, and influence other families through their own. Together, we strive to foster a harmonious and friendly social environment, bearing a beautiful witness for God.

### **Bible Study Groups**

This year, the church launched a "Read Through the Bible in a Year" initiative, which saw active participation and positive response from many congregants.

In addition to encouraging daily Bible reading among members, the church has maintained its existing fellowship Bible study groups, specifically:

Three Mandarin-speaking Bible study groups

One Cantonese-speaking Bible study group

One University Student group

The objective is to enable the congregation to gain a deeper understanding of God's Word and will. This fosters the shaping and maturing of their character, encourages mutual support in daily life, work, and ministry, and ultimately leads to impactful conduct within their families, the church community, and society at large.

### **Children Ministry**

The Church's Children's Sunday School consists of two classes: the Youth Class and the Primary School Age Class. Currently, the weekly attendance averages about 18 children, showing an increase compared to last year. We are grateful for God's provision, as we have welcomed two additional teachers this year. Furthermore, training was provided for several Sunday School teachers, and our teaching facilities were upgraded with two new television screens. These improvements have effectively enhanced the quality of our teaching and provided significant support for our children's ministry.

Prioritizing the safety of the children, our teachers enrolled in an **Emergency First Aid Training** hosted by **St. Andrew's Church** in September 2024. This training has effectively improved the rescue skills of our teachers and heightened the safety awareness of our safety officers, providing a stronger safeguard for the children's well-being.

### **Student Ministry**

In September 2024, we launched campus welcome activities across three universities, reaching new students from mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, and other regions. Through our student fellowship, we assisted them in navigating their new environment—helping them integrate more quickly and effectively into local life, academics, and culture.

We are currently serving approximately 15 students, the majority of whom actively participate in the student fellowship. We are profoundly grateful to share that 5 students have accepted the Gospel this year. We give all thanks and glory to God for His wonderful work.

### **Outreach Events**

Over the past year, the church hosted four major evangelistic events: **Easter, Mid-Autumn Festival, Christmas, and the Lunar New Year**. The average attendance for these gatherings was approximately 100 people, including both adults and children.

We are deeply grateful for God's mercy and grace, which allowed us to connect with many new friends, including Chinese immigrants from Hong Kong. We are encouraged to share that several of these newcomers have

expressed their desire to join our Sunday services and fellowship groups regularly.

**Christian Conferences**

The church continues to encourage congregants to attend Christian conferences and actively promotes events organized by the **Chinese Overseas Christian Mission (COCM)**. Furthermore, the church remains committed to providing partial financial assistance to individuals and families with genuine financial needs to facilitate their participation. According to feedback from participants, attending these conferences has proven to be immensely valuable beyond the opportunity to fellowship with the wider church family. Many shared that their faith has been significantly strengthened, and they have gained a broader and deeper understanding of God’s purpose for their lives.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to the many volunteers who contribute to the life of the church: the brothers and sisters who regularly lead our Sunday worship; the co-workers who faithfully and diligently manage and execute various church activities in strict accordance with the church’s constitution and current legal regulations; and the individuals and families who selflessly prepare food for the student fellowship every Friday. We thank God for each and every one of them.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

This year, the church's evangelistic ministry has progressed smoothly, with the average weekly worship attendance increasing by over 20%. The congregation actively participated in Bible studies and training, leading to continuous inner life renewal and spiritual growth, and a strong willingness to engage in various church ministries. We are specifically thankful that five young students made a commitment of faith in Christ. Furthermore, three excellent sisters joined the Board of Trustees, ensuring all church activities are running smoothly.

Any achievements and commendable performance attained this year are realized solely by the power and grace of God. To God be all the glory.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Currently, the church has no policy on reserves.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

This year, we achieved a surplus of over **£753**. This growth is attributed to the increase in church membership, which led to a rise in offerings, as well as a **Gift Aid** tax refund of **£5,299** claimed from the government. Meanwhile, our expenditures remained largely consistent with the previous year.

We are grateful for God's abundant provision. The **Trustees** remain committed to managing the church's funds with wisdom and stewardship, recognizing that these resources are entrusted to the church by God for the expansion of His Kingdom.

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

While the church currently relies on a single source of income (namely weekly offerings), the Trustees remain confident that the church's financial position is fundamentally sound. Upon its registration as a charity, the church held an initial bank balance which effectively serves as its "reserve fund." As of March 31, 2025, the church's closing balance stood at **£32,903**, representing an increase of **£753** over the previous year. Ultimately, we believe that as long as the church remains faithful to its mission, God will provide the necessary resources to sustain His holy work for the glory of His name.


## Section F

## Other optional information

# Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Mr. Frank Hao	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair COCM Missionary CCCC Pastor	
<b>Date</b>	27/01/2026	



**Receipts and payments accounts**

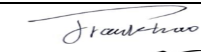

<b>For the period from</b>	Period start date 1/4/24	<b>To</b>	Period end date 31/3/25
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**Section A Receipts and payments**

	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>					
Weekly Offerings	21,808	-	-	21,808	19,543
Gift aid claim back	-	-	-	-	5,299
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<i>AR)</i>	21,808	-	-	21,808	24,842
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	21,808	-	-	21,808	24,842
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
St. Andrew's URC (Host Church)	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,400
Chinese Overseas Christian Mission	10,400	-	-	10,400	12,200
Guest Speaker honorariums and travel	1,423	-	-	1,423	2,240
Chinese Christian Herald Crusades HK	400	-	-	400	400
Living Water	400	-	-	400	400
Bank charges	104	-	-	104	113
Workshops	150	-	-	150	150
Governance	3,097	-	-	3,097	2,455
Bible camp support (charitable objects)	1,682	-	-	1,682	1,115
1 volunteer support at Friends International	1,000	-	-	1,000	500
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	21,055	-	-	21,055	21,972
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
Translation Kits	-	-	-	-	303
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	303
<b>Total payments</b>	21,055	-	-	21,055	22,275
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	753	-	-	753	2,567
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	753	-	-	753	2,567

**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>	Book balance as of 1/4/2024	32,150	-	-

	Book balance as of 31/3/2025	32,903	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
	<b>Details</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Printer	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		Frank Hao (Chair)		27/01/2026
		Leiping Xu (Treasurer)		26/01/2026

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4	Leiping Xu	Treasurer		Ditto
5	Chun Ming Dominic Man			Ditto
6	Huiqing Li	Secretary		Board of trustees
7	Jacqui Man		Resigned 31/5/23	Ditto
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

	Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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The first half of the year was dominated by changes in the composition of the board of trustees. Following extensive discussion and consultations by the COCM with individual trustees, prompted by Gabby Zhong and Yunhai Wu's wish to scale down their church responsibilities for personal health reasons, at a co-workers' meeting in April 2022, the board of trustees decided to accept COCM's suggestions and help to restructure and strengthen the leadership team of the church. The resulting changes meant that Gabby and Yunhai were able to relinquish many of their administrative responsibilities and concentrate on their worship and preaching, spirituality and praying, and student ministries. Rev. Grace Liu, a COCM ordained minister, based at the Mission in Milton Keynes, would join CCCC in the following months, initially visiting Canterbury once a month, to help shepherd the church as its senior pastor and Chair of the board of trustees; Rev. Liu took up her appointment in August 2022. Around the same time, Mr Frank Hao (a part-time Master's Degree Theology student who lives in Canterbury and a very active member of the church congregation for many years) together with his wife also joined the board of trustees to share in the ministry of the church; they have since become COCM missionaries in February 2023. Gabby Zhong and Yunhai Wu eventually resigned and left the church in March 2023, having been called to serve in another mission field in Portsmouth. Sadly, we had to say goodbye to one of our trustees Miss Rachel Li, a dear co-worker who had decided to leave CCCC, having settled in another church during her sabbatical year in 2022. In early 2023, our Treasurer Leiping took leave to go to China, visiting her parents for 6 months during which arrangements were made to cover her duties. Despite all these changes, we give thanks to God as He graciously provides the church with additional servants enabling the work of His church to continue. We look ahead to 2024-2025 in humility, trusting and expecting our loving and faithful God to continue to provide us with new co-workers as the term of office of 4 of the current trustees, all 'first trustees', comes to an end in June 2024.

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*Sunday Worship*

In 2023-2024, we thank God for guiding us through the challenges brought about by COVID. The number of attendees at Sunday worship services has been steadily increasing, with an average of 35-45 participants, including children.

The church's themes were 'faith rooted in the rock of Christ' (扎根磐石的信仰) and "Victory in Christ: Rooted in God's words, Pray without ceasing" for 2023 and 2024 respectively.

Typically during Sunday services, we utilize YouTube for the worship segment. Over the past year, we aimed to involve the youth in our church in this aspect, allowing them to showcase their musical talents by playing piano and violin. We attempted this initiative once during the evangelical Sunday service for the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, with the goal of integrating the youth into our worship team.

*Trustees/Co-workers' and Other Church Meetings*

The trustees held monthly meetings, sometimes in person and occasionally on Zoom due to varying circumstances. Additionally, two prayer meetings were organized regularly: one on Zoom on the second Wednesday of each month from 7:30 to 9:00 pm, and the other on the fourth Sunday of each month from 12:30 to 1:00 pm at St. Andrew's Church.

*Adult Sunday School*

This year, we initiated our online adult Sunday school program. The first course, 'Basic Christian Theology,' covered fundamental concepts of Christianity, such as God, sin, Jesus, salvation, the Holy Spirit, and church life. The course ran from October 8th to December 3rd, 2023.

In 2024, we've scheduled three courses throughout the year: 'Introduction to the Old Testament' (February 5th to April 1st, 2024), 'Development History of the Chinese Church' (May 6th to June 24th, 2024), and another session of 'Introduction to the New Testament' (September 16th to November 11th, 2024). Our goal is to ensure that our church members are well-equipped with a diverse range of knowledge related to their faith.

*Family ministry*

We've identified certain challenges within some families, including conflicts between couples, navigating child-rearing, and supporting youth through their difficult developmental stages. In the past year, we organized three lectures to address these issues: one featured a couple's testimony on how their family was transformed by God, another focused on insights into children's ministry, and the third provided guidance on handling teenagers. Moving forward, we aim to offer more such sessions and courses to provide comprehensive support for families. May God grant us wisdom to assist those families in managing their households.

*Bible Study Groups*

Apart from encouraging members of our congregation to invest in daily personal Bible study, during the week the church runs three Mandarin-speaking Bible study groups, one Cantonese-speaking Bible study group and one university student group. The aim is to enable individuals to grow spiritually based on the foundation of God's Word – the Way, the Truth and the Life. Group studies offer an opportunity for systematic and deeper study of the Bible, allow sharing of life applications and experiences, and

encourage mutual love and care.

#### *Children Ministry*

Every Sunday, the total number of children attending our Sunday school ranged from 15 to 20. The school is divided into two classes, one for teenagers and the other, for children of primary-school age. We need more volunteers to be Sunday school teacher. Much prayer support is needed for this ministry in the face of difficulties related to language and discipline, as well as the availability of suitable teachers.

Over the past year, the attendance of children in Sunday school has remained steady, with a noticeable increase during major festivals such as Christmas and the Chinese New Year. We are in need of more volunteers to join our teaching team. Thanks to God's provision, starting in 2024, COCM has assigned an associate staff member, Xiangyu, a children's minister. She will assist in training our teachers to better serve these children.

#### *Student Ministry*

In July 2023, all of our previous students graduated, except for two co-workers who remained in the city for work. In September, we began rebuilding our fellowship. We entered the school and invited new students to join our welcome events. We give thanks and glory to God for inspiring more sisters to prepare food before the fellowship starts. Currently, we have more than ten students regularly attending our fellowship. Frank and Amy lead the group on a weekly basis.

#### *Outreach Events*

Throughout the past year, we've arranged four evangelical events: Easter Sunday service, the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, Christmas, and the Chinese New Year. The average attendance for these gatherings was approximately 100 people, encompassing both adults and children. We are grateful to God for His mercy and grace, as we've been able to connect with newcomers, including Chinese immigrants from Hong Kong. Some have already expressed their commitment to joining our Sunday service and fellowship. We pray that God will provide us with co-workers who can speak Cantonese to better serve these new immigrants.

#### *Christian Conferences*

The church continued to encourage its congregation to attend Christian conferences by publicising those organised by the COCM as they have become available, and sought to part-support financially individuals as well as families who genuinely needed assistance. Besides meeting other Christians from the wider church family, feedback from attendees has confirmed the values of going to these conferences, for instance, having their faith strengthened and gaining a greater and deeper understanding of God's will in their lives.

#### **Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

We gratefully acknowledge the many contributions to the life of our church made by volunteers, our brothers and sisters in Christ who lead our Sunday worship services regularly, those who manage and run all the different church activities faithfully, and in compliance with our constitutional provisions and current applicable legal requirements, as well as those individuals and families who voluntarily prepare food for our students' fellowship every Friday. We thank God for them.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

We believe whatever achievements and (praise-worthy) performance that happened during 2023-2024 were made possible by the power of the Holy Spirit according to the grace of Jesus Christ and the love of God our Father in Heaven.

In May 2023, three brothers and two sisters were baptized into Jesus Christ. Their names are: Brothers Yingjie Fan, Haoqian Wen, and Ping Du, as well as Sisters Yuming Li and Yanqiu Du. May God guide them to remain steadfast in their faith.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Currently, the church has no policy on reserves.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

This year, we achieved a surplus of over £2,500 due to an increase in receipts compared to last year. This growth was driven by an increase in church membership, leading to more offerings, along with over £5,000 claimed in Gift Aid from the government. Payments, however, remained largely consistent with the previous year.

We thank God for His abundant provision. The trustees remain committed to managing the church funds wisely, recognizing that these resources are entrusted by God to the church for the furtherance of His kingdom.

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

While there is only a single source of income i.e. weekly offerings, the trustees remain confident that the church's finance is fundamentally sound. The bank balance of the church at the time when it became a registered charity was in credit, which has served to be a kind of 'reserves' for the church. As at 31/03/2024, the church's book balance stood at £32,150. Ultimately, we believe so long as the church remains faithful to its calling, God will provide us with the necessary resources to continue His work for the glory of His name.

## Section F



## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rev. Grace Liu	Mr. Frank Hao
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair COCM Ordained Minister	Trustee COCM Missionary
Date	23/01/2025	23/01/2025



**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period  
from

Period start date  
1/4/23

To

Period end date  
31/3/24

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Weekly Offerings	19,543	-	-	19,543	16,360
Gift aid claim back	5,299	-	-	5,299	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
AR)	24,842	-	-	24,842	16,360
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>24,842</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,842</b>	<b>16,360</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
St. Andrew's URC (Host Church)	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,400
Chinese Overseas Christian Mission	12,200	-	-	12,200	10,036
Guest Speaker honorariums	2,240	-	-	2,240	1,680
Chinese Christian Herald Crusades HK	400	-	-	400	400
Living Water	400	-	-	400	400
Bank charges	113	-	-	113	128
Workshops	150	-	-	150	-
Governance	2,455	-	-	2,455	2,532
Bible camp support (charitable objects)	1,115	-	-	1,115	870
1 volunteer support at Friends	500	-	-	500	1,000
Other donations	-	-	-	-	2,130
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>21,972</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,972</b>	<b>21,576</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
Translation Kits	303	-	-	303	-
Printer	-	-	-	-	213
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>213</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>22,275</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,275</b>	<b>21,789</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>2,567</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,567</b>	<b>- 5,429</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>2,567</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,567</b>	<b>- 5,429</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>	Book balance as of 1/4/2023	29,583	-	-
	Book balance as of 31/3/2024	32,150	-	-



**CANTERBURY CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1194911

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# Accounts

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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
<b>From</b>	1st	April	2022	<b>To</b>	31st	March	2023

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Canterbury Chinese Christian Church

**Other names charity is known by** CCCC

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1194911

**Charity's principal address** c/o St Andrew's United Reformed Church  
 Watling Street  
 Canterbury, Kent  
**Postcode** CT1 2UA

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Yunhai Wu	Chair (COCM missionary)	01/04/22 to 31/07/22 Resigned 31/03/23	Ex officio trustee
2	Chijun Zhong	COCM missionary	Resigned 31/03/23	Ex officio trustee
3	Grace Liu	Chair (COCM Ordained Minister)	01/08/22 to date	Ex officio trustee
4	Huiqing Li	Secretary		Board of trustees
5	Jacqui Man			Ditto
6	Leiping Xu	Treasurer		Ditto
7	Frank Hao	COCM missionary	01/01/23 to date	Ditto
8	Aimei Hao	COCM missionary	01/01/23 to date	Ditto
9	Chun Ming Dominic Man			Ditto
10	Huiying Li		Resigned 31/12/22	Ditto
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 1st May 2021
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Foundation charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	A trustee is appointed by the current trustees (the board of trustees) by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Notwithstanding this, and because of the past and on-going relationship with the Chinese Overseas Christian Mission (COCM), the church relies on the Mission to put forward suitable ministers/missionaries for appointments to the board of trustees.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The first half of the year was dominated by changes in the composition of the board of trustees. Following extensive discussion and consultations by the COCM with individual trustees, prompted by Gabby Zhong and Yunhai Wu's wish to scale down their church responsibilities for personal health reasons, at a co-workers' meeting in April 2022, the board of trustees decided to accept COCM's suggestions and help to restructure and strengthen the leadership team of the church. The resulting changes meant that Gabby and Yunhai were able to relinquish many of their administrative responsibilities and concentrate on their worship and preaching, spirituality and praying, and student ministries. Rev. Grace Liu, a COCM ordained minister, based at the Mission in Milton Keynes, would join CCCC in the following months, initially visiting Canterbury once a month, to help shepherd the church as its senior pastor and Chair of the board of trustees; Rev. Liu took up her appointment in August 2022. Around the same time, Mr Frank Hao (a part-time Master's Degree Theology student who lives in Canterbury and a very active member of the church congregation for many years) together with his wife also joined the board of trustees to share in the ministry of the church; they have since become COCM missionaries in February 2023. Gabby Zhong and Yunhai Wu eventually resigned and left the church in March 2023, having been called to serve in another mission field in Portsmouth. Sadly, we had to say goodbye to one of our trustees Miss Rachel Li, a dear co-worker who had decided to leave CCCC, having settled in another church during her sabbatical year in 2022. In early 2023, our Treasurer Leiping took leave to go to China, visiting her parents for 6 months during which arrangements were made to cover her duties. Despite all these changes, we give thanks to God as He graciously provides the church with additional servants enabling the work of His church to continue.

We look ahead to 2023-2024 in humility, trusting and expecting our loving and faithful God to continue to provide us with new co-workers as the term of office of 4 of the current trustees, all 'first trustees', comes to an end in June 2024.

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith primarily but not exclusively among people of Chinese origin in the Canterbury area in England according to the historic Christian Faith as set forth in the Old and New Testaments and as summarised in the Apostles' Creed. In fulfilling this purpose the church will engage in a range of activities either on its own or with others that will vary from time to time with activities being initiated, expanded, or closed, as appropriate.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Consistent with the purpose/objects of the church set out in its constitution, and **having had full regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit**, the following activities were undertaken by the church during the period covered by this report.

*Foreword*

Like all other churches in the country, CCCC slowly and cautiously emerged from the coronavirus pandemic as all domestic legal COVID restrictions were officially lifted in England on 24/02/2022 followed by the revocation of the last coronavirus-related legal restrictions in effect in England on 18/03/2022. Most church meetings and activities returned to being physical as opposed to virtual, with the wearing of a face mask being entirely a personal choice. We thank God for His love, grace and mercy shown unequivocally to us in the past pandemic years.

*Sunday Worship*

Weekly worship attendances remained fairly constant, being on average 20-30 people including children. As before, Holy Communion was celebrated on the second Sunday of each month, using individual single-use prefilled cups, a practice inherited from the pandemic years. The church's themes were 'the pursuit of holiness' (追求聖潔) and 'faith rooted in the rock of Christ' (扎根磐石的信仰) for 2022 and 2023 respectively. Around October 2022, a new order of service for Sunday worship was introduced, printed and distributed every Sunday, which was well received by our congregation.

*Trustees/Co-workers' and Other Church Meetings*

Since August 2022, the trustees were meeting monthly instead of once every two months. Meetings were conducted mainly in person, with some being on Zoom because of circumstances. There were two prayer meetings, one on Zoom on the second Wednesday of every month between 7.30 – 9.00 pm, the other on the fourth Sunday of every month from 12.30 – 1.00 pm at St Andrew's Church.

*Bible Study Groups*

Apart from encouraging members of our congregation to invest in daily personal Bible study, during the week the church runs three Mandarin-speaking Bible study groups, one Cantonese-speaking Bible study group and one university student group. The aim is to enable individuals to grow spiritually based on the foundation of God's Word – the Way, the Truth and the Life. Group studies offer an opportunity for systematic and deeper study of the Bible, allow sharing of life applications and experiences, and encourage mutual love and care. During the year, Rev. Liu provided Bible study training to interested members of our congregation who were able to attend.

*Children Ministry*

Every Sunday, the total number of children attending our Sunday school ranged from 10 to 15. The school is divided into two classes, one for teenagers and the other, for children of primary-school age. There used to be a baby/toddler group but demand for it has diminished. Much prayer support is needed for this ministry in the face of difficulties related to language and discipline, as well as the availability of suitable teachers.

*Student Ministry*

The start of a new academic year in September/October sees the arrival of new university students and the return of familiar faces, the past year was no exception. CCCC and its predecessor has been blessed continually by the partnership of Christian students as well as by students who wish to seek and know more about Jesus Christ. The weekly student

Bible study group is popular with students, Christian and non-Christian alike. The number of students served by this ministry has been stable, around 10 every week. A couple of Christian students were also involved in our Sunday worship, serving the Lord through working the projector, leading worship or praising God through their musicality.

#### *Outreach Events*

During the year, we were able to hold a number of outreach events on a few special occasions, at the following times: Easter (17/04/2022), Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival (11/09/22), Christmas (25/12/22), and Chinese New Year (22/01/23). These events were always well attended by scores of people including children who did not usually come to church, during which a specially chosen evangelical message was preached. Trustees/co-workers and volunteers worked hard to make these events successful.

#### *Christian Conferences*

The church continued to encourage its congregation to attend Christian conferences by publicising those organised by the COCM as they have become available, and sought to part-support financially individuals as well as families who genuinely needed assistance. Besides meeting other Christians from the wider church family, feedback from attendees has confirmed the values of going to these conferences, for instance, having their faith strengthened and gaining a greater and deeper understanding of God's will in their lives.

### **Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We gratefully acknowledge the many contributions to the life of our church made by volunteers, our brothers and sisters in Christ who lead our Sunday worship services regularly, those who manage and run all the different church activities faithfully, and in compliance with our constitutional provisions and current applicable legal requirements, as well as those individuals and families who voluntarily prepare food for our students' fellowship every Friday. We thank God for them.

We praise God that Mrs Grace Wang, a member of the church congregation and one of our Sunday school teachers, has agreed to continue to be the Safeguarding Co-ordinator of the church.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

We believe whatever achievements and (praise-worthy) performance that happened during 2022-2023 were made possible by the power of the Holy Spirit according to the grace of Jesus Christ and the love of God our Father in Heaven. In this context, we celebrated the wonderful witness of our dear sister in Christ 劉雨欣姊妹 who was baptised on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022. We praise God for the moving testimony of our dear sister in Christ Tiffany Tu on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022, having joined Friends International (FI) as a FI student outreach volunteer for a year straight after her graduation from a local Kent university. We thank God that the church has been able to support Tiffany financially and by prayer.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Currently, the church has no policy on reserves.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

Our 'cash funds this year end' is in deficit by more than £5,000, which is largely accounted for by the difference between payments and receipts. A major factor is that the average monthly receipt this year is marginally smaller than that of last year averaged over 10 months but significantly smaller if averaged over 9 months. Depending on how the calculations are made, significant amounts of the church's expenditure (>60% / >70%) were standing / recurring costs (e.g. donations to the host church, contributions to the COCM etc.). The trustees will continue to be prudent in using the church funds, which are entrusted by God to the church for the furtherance of His kingdom.

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

While there is only a single source of income i.e. weekly offerings, the trustees remain confident that the church's finance is fundamentally sound. The bank balance of the church at the time when it became a registered charity was in credit, which has served to be a kind of 'reserves' for the church. As at 31/03/2023, the church's book balance stood at £27,947. Ultimately, we believe so long as the church remains faithful to its calling, God will provide us with the necessary resources to continue His work for the glory of His name.

## Section F



## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rev. Grace Liu	Mr. Frank Hao
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair COCM Ordained Minister	Trustee COCM Missionary
Date	22/01/2024	22/01/2024



**Receipts and payments accounts**

<b>For the period from</b>	<b>Period start date</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Period end date</b>
	1/4/22		31/3/23

**Section A Receipts and payments**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Last year</b>
	<b>to the nearest £</b>	<b>to the nearest £</b>	<b>to the nearest £</b>	<b>to the nearest £</b>	<b>to the nearest £</b>
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					<b>23/6/21-31/3/22</b>
Weekly Offerings	16,360	-	-	16,360	13,929
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
AR)	16,360	-	-	16,360	13,929
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>16,360</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,360</b>	<b>13,929</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
St. Andrew's URC (Host Church)	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,000
Chinese Overseas Christian Mission	8,400	-	-	8,400	4,900
Guest Speaker honorariums	1,680	-	-	1,680	640
Chinese Christian Herald Crusades HK	400	-	-	400	400
Living Water	400	-	-	400	400
Bank charges	128	-	-	128	27
Governance	2,532	-	-	2,532	402
Bible camp support (charitable objects)	870	-	-	870	408
1 volunteer support at Friends International	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
Ukraine appeal and Tearfund donations	2,130	-	-	2,130	-
Mission (COCM / 10% of receipts)	1,636	-	-	1,636	1,393
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>21,576</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,576</b>	<b>10,570</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases (see table)</b>					
New printer	213	-	-	213	-
New projector	-	-	-	-	130
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>21,789</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,789</b>	<b>10,700</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 5,429</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 5,429</b>	<b>3,229</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>3,229</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>- 5,429</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 5,429</b>	

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

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
		<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>	<b>to nearest £</b>
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Church's book balance at 31/3/2022	- 33,376	-	-
	Church's book balance at 31/3/2023	27,947	-	-



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# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	23rd	June	2021		31st	March	2022

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name**

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)**

**Charity's principal address**

c/o St Andrew's United Reformed Church	
Watling Street	
Canterbury, Kent	
<b>Postcode</b>	CT1 2UA

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Yunhai Wu	Chair (COCM missionary)		Ex officio trustee
2	Chijun Zhong	COCM missionary		Ex officio trustee
3	Huiqing Li	Secretary		Board of trustees
4	Jacqui Man			Ditto
5	Leiping Xu	Treasurer		Ditto
6	Chun Ming Dominic Man			Ditto
7	Huiying Li			Ditto
8	Jingjing Hu		23/06/21 – 16/11/21	Ditto
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity’s trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 1st May 2021
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	A trustee is appointed by the current trustees (the board of trustees) by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

<p>You <b>may choose</b> to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;</li> <li>• the charity’s organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;</li> <li>• relationship with any related parties;</li> <li>• trustees’ consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.</li> </ul>	<p>From its very beginning as a Chinese Christian fellowship, the organisation, now registered as Canterbury Chinese Christian Church (CCCC), has always had a very close working relationship with, and been helped and supported by, both spiritually and operationally, the Chinese Overseas Christian Mission (COCM), which itself is an interdenominational Christian charity established in 1950 with the objective of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with the Chinese diaspora and local communities in the UK and Europe.</p> <p>CCCC and its predecessor has never had any paid full or part-time pastor/minister as its leader. So in December 2018 the fellowship was delighted to welcome Yunhai Wu and Chijun Zhong, missionaries from the COCM and originally from the US, as its new volunteer leaders and who had felt called to serve God in England. In parallel, CCCC and its predecessor has been and continues to be blessed by the generous support offered by St. Andrew’s United Reformed Church, Canterbury, where CCCC holds its Sunday worship services and runs other related activities. The church thanks God for all these blessings.</p> <p>Under the leadership of Yunhai Wu and Chijun Zhong, the fellowship became a registered charity in June 2021, constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), whose trustees are the only voting members serving for a term of 3 years and for a maximum of 2 consecutive terms. A trustee who has served for two consecutive terms may not be reappointed for a third consecutive term but may be reappointed after an interval of at least one year; this provision does not apply to ex officio trustees.</p> <p>Objectively, the lack of paid, ‘permanent’ leaders naturally poses some level of uncertainty and instability to the leadership. The church continues to put its trust in God our Father in Heaven, believing He is faithful and continues to lead and guide us as the church seeks to honour and glorify</p>
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His name by bringing the good news of Jesus to and serving the Chinese communities in Canterbury and beyond.

As a result of the resignation of one of the first trustees (Jingjing Hu) in November 2021, and the granting of a sabbatical year in 2022 to Rachel Huiying Li (another first trustee), at the end of 2021 the board of trustees agreed to invite Mr & Mrs Frank and Aimei Hao, who have been very active and committed members of the church congregation, to join the board as non-voting members (i.e. not as trustees). Early in 2022, the board also agreed to invite Mrs Christina Denziloe, again an active and musically gifted member of our congregation to take a more regular and prominent role in leading Sunday worship. We praise God that Mr & Mrs Hao, and Mrs Denziloe have accepted our invitation and been able to contribute in many wonderful ways to our ministries. This, we believe, is a real and tangible sign of God's love, faithfulness and compassion in meeting the need of His church, for which we are very grateful to Him.

## Section C Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The principal purpose of the charity/church is the advancement of the Christian faith primarily but not exclusively among people of Chinese origin in the Canterbury area in England according to the historic Christian Faith as set forth in the Old and New Testaments and as summarised in the Apostles' Creed. In fulfilling this purpose the church will engage in a range of activities either on its own or with others that will vary from time to time with activities being initiated, expanded, or closed, as appropriate.

Consistent with the purpose/objects of the church set out in its constitution, and **having had full regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit**, the following activities were undertaken by the church during the period covered by this report.

#### *Foreword*

In the past couple of years, the coronavirus pandemic has caused deaths in the millions, countless disruptions and untold sufferings across the entire world, and practically every organisation has had to adjust because of government-enforced lockdowns and associated legal safety restrictions. Thanks to the phased lifting of legal restrictions in the UK that began at the end of March 2021, many of the church activities, which had to be carried out online during the various lockdowns have gradually gone back to being physical. At time of writing this, some activities have returned completely to being in-person as in pre-pandemic times, while others have remained virtual conducted via Zoom.

#### *Sunday Worship*

CCCC returned to St. Andrew's Church for Sunday worship on a hybrid format in September, and fully in-person in November 2021. Weekly worship attendances were gradually returning to pre-pandemic level, being on average 20-30 people including children. Throughout the year, Holy Communion was celebrated on the second Sunday of each month, using individual single-use prefilled cups since going back to St. Andrew's Church for worship.

#### *Trustees/Co-workers' and Other Church Meetings*

During the year, trustees meetings took place every two months on Zoom, and the church's monthly prayer meeting took place on the last Saturday of every month. For the trustees who are responsible for bringing God's Word to our congregation on Sundays, there is a 'preaching fellowship' meeting, which is held every 2-3 months enabling them to pray for one another and to share their preaching experiences to

### Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

the glory of God and for mutual support and encouragement.

#### *Bible Study Groups*

During the week we have four Mandarin-speaking Bible study groups, one Cantonese-speaking Bible study group and one university student group. These, alongside personal Bible study, enable individuals to grow spiritually based on the foundation of God's Word – the Way, the Truth and the Life. Group studies offer an opportunity for systematic and deeper study of the Bible, enable sharing of life applications and experiences, and encourage mutual love and care.

#### *Children Ministry*

Since the middle of 2021, we ran a children Sunday school online with two classes, one for 7 to 11 years old and the other for 12 years old and above; the total number of children attending ranged from 10 to 15. The online classes were particularly valuable for some children whose parents would not usually come to church on Sundays – a real outreach opportunity for these children! The school returned to St. Andrew's Church at the beginning of 2022 as people were more and more willing to engage with one another face-to-face. Back at St. Andrew's it has become possible to hold a baby/toddler group while the worship service is going on, which the parents can attend.

#### *Student Ministry*

The start of a new academic year in September/October 2021 saw the arrival of new university students and the return of familiar faces. CCCC and its predecessor has been blessed continually by the partnership of Christian students as well as by students who wish to seek and know more about Jesus Christ. The weekly student Bible study group is popular with students, Christian and non-Christian alike. The number of students served by this ministry has been stable, ranging from 10 to 15. A couple of Christian students are also involved in our Sunday worship, serving the Lord through working the projector or through their musicality.

#### *Outreach Events*

During the year, we were able to hold a number of outreach events on Sundays, at the following times: Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival (19/09/21), Christmas (19/12/21), and Chinese New Year (06/02/22). These events were well attended by up to 100 people including children, during which a specially chosen evangelical message was preached. Trustees/co-workers and volunteers worked hard to make these events successful, and we praise God that a total of 8 new believers came forward to declare their faith in Jesus Christ at these events.

#### *Christian Conferences*

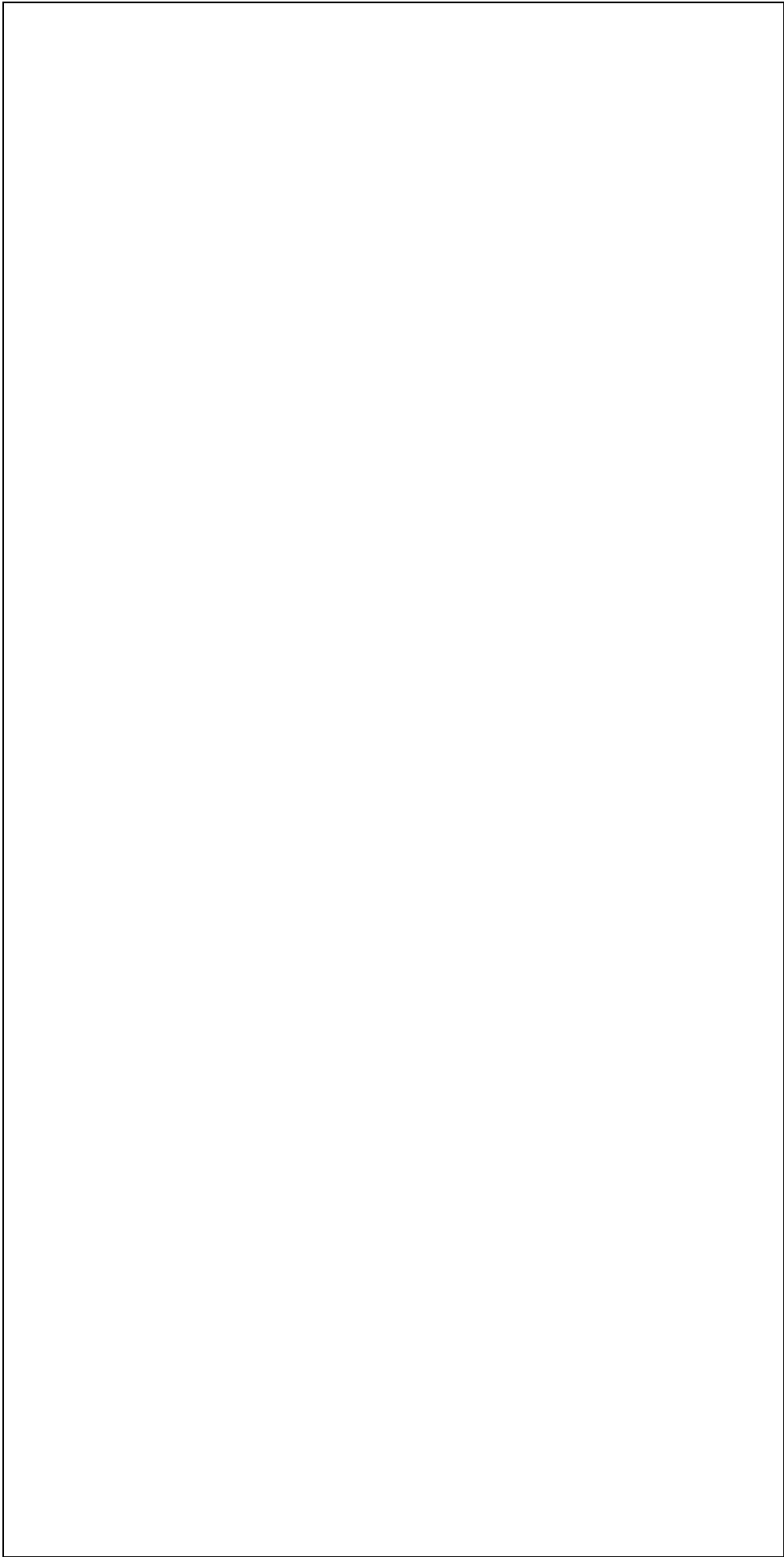
CCCC actively encourages all members of its congregation (students, families, etc.) to attend suitable Christian conferences organised by the COCM, which focus on a wide range of topics such as 'family' or 'a particular book of the Bible'. The church publicises these conferences as they have become available, and seeks to facilitate attendance by financially supporting those members who would otherwise be unable to afford the full conference costs. Besides meeting other Christians from the wider church family, feedback from attendees has confirmed the values of going to these conferences, for instance, having their faith strengthened and gaining a greater and deeper understanding of God's will in their lives.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

The church thanks God for the many contributions to the life of our church made by volunteers, our brothers and sisters in Christ who lead our Sunday worship services regularly, as well as those who manage and run all the different church activities faithfully, and in compliance with our constitutional provisions and current applicable legal requirements.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

In the face of a most devastating pandemic in generations, by all accounts 2021/2022 has been a very challenging year. We thank our God that the board of trustees have been able to work together, united in Christ, responding to the demands caused by the pandemic and meeting the needs of our congregation. Thanks to the knowledge and skills of some trustees, CCCC was able to operate 'online' enabling our Sunday worship and many of our activities to continue. In the same way, by focussing on God our Lord and Saviour and by being sensitive to the needs of our congregation, CCCC was able to resume many face-to-face activities as the legal safety restrictions were gradually being lifted.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, on Sunday 6 February 2022, we were blessed to witness the baptisms of a couple expecting their second child, and the dedications of their little girl as well as the baby yet to be born. We thank God for His love, grace and mercy as we see new creations made and lives transformed.

During the year, there has been a strong feeling that, by God's grace, CCCC is building a big Christian family, which is able to reach out to the local Chinese communities, a growing family from which they can receive care and support and to which they feel they belong. Yet there remains a lot more to be done but the trustees are being encouraged by these achievements and developments. For all this, we give our thanks and praise to our God who is the head of our church.

## Section E Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

Currently, the church has no policy on reserves, which will be a subject for consideration by the trustees in the future.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

At the moment, CCCC has no debts or loans, and has no significant assets.

The charity's principal source of funds comes from regular offerings given by the church congregation. We thank them for their faithfulness and for their continued support of the ministries of the church. Occasionally, the church raises money from its congregation on an ad hoc basis in support of good causes e.g. raising money for Ukrainian refugees.

Because of the relationships/partnerships described briefly in Section B (Additional governance issues) above, the church makes regular donations to both the COCM and St. Andrew's Church as a token of our gratitude and in support of their ministries.

The church part-funds individuals as well as families within its congregation to attend Christian conferences to help them mature spiritually and who would otherwise not be able to afford the full fees.



## Section F Other optional information

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## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Yunhai Wu	Chijun Zhong
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chair COCM Missionary	COCM Missionary

**Date**

21 January 2023





**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	Period start date 23-Jun-21	To	Period end date 31-Mar-22
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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>					
Weekly offerings	13,929	-	-	13,929	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>13,929</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,929</b>	<b>-</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>13,929</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,929</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
St Andrew's URC (host Church)	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Chinese Overseas Christian Mission (COCM)	4,900	-	-	4,900	-
Guest speaker honorariums	640	-	-	640	-
Chinese Christian Herald Crusades HK	400	-	-	400	-
Living Water	400	-	-	400	-
Ministry (charitable objects)	408	-	-	408	-
Governance	402	-	-	402	-
Bank charges	27	-	-	27	-
Mission (COCM / 10% of receipts)	1,393	-	-	1,393	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>10,570</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,570</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					

New projector	130	-	-	130	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>10,700</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,700</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>-</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>-</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>	HSBC church account	3,229	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>3,229</b>	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Projector	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

**B5 Liabilities**

		-	-
		-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Yunhai Wu (Chair)	1/21/2023
	Leiping Xu (Treasurer)	1/21/2023