

Trustees' Annual Report

1. Introduction

Name of the Charity: Christian Evangelical Fellowship

Registration Number: 1194919

Address: 2 Carrington Close, PE11 1LZ Spalding

Names of Trustees:

- Piotr Jarzebski
- Piotr Hurec

Date of Report: 21.10.2024

2. Structure, Governance, and Management

On 29.04.2023, a new trustee, Piotr Tadeusz Jarzebski, pastor of a new congregation ChWE NoweNarodzenie Southampton, joined our organization. He took over the role of Chair of the charity on 12.06.2023, when former Chair, Paweł Banaś, stepped down from the role of Chair and resigned from his position of a trustee. Additionally, Alina Watras and Piotr Hurec serve as trustees.

The organization has the following policies in place:

- Safeguarding Policy
- Public Liability Insurance
- Risk Management

3. Objectives and Activities

The charity's primary objective is:

"The advancement of the Christian faith in the United Kingdom in accordance with the Basis of Faith. Putting into practice the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith, including but not limited to: the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness; the advancement of education."

This objective is actively pursued, and as a result, the charity now has two formal congregations: in Spalding and Southampton. These congregations fulfill statutory objectives by sharing Christian faith and Gospel within their communities, as well as over the internet and social media. Various tools are utilized to reach as many people as possible with the Bible and Gospel.

Some of the activities include Sunday Worship and Prayer Services (also available online), weekly Bible study meetings, prayer meetings, Sunday school for children, street and online evangelism, and prayer and worship evenings. Both congregations maintain their own

social media platforms and conduct their own projects, with plans to consolidate these efforts on a single platform in the future.

With Pastor Paweł Banaś's move to Poland, there was a significant change in the Spalding congregation. Piotr Hurec was chosen by Pastor Paweł as the Elder - leader of the congregation in Spalding. Meanwhile, Pastor Piotr Jarzebski from the Southampton congregation was appointed as the UK coordinator, fostering closer cooperation with CHWE Bielsko-Biała (HQ of denomination) and the congregation in Tarnowskie Góry. The organization is optimistic about future developments.

4. Achievements and Performance

A significant number of street evangelism events were conducted, along with joint evangelism efforts between both congregations and members from other congregations. These events were a great success, drawing in a high number of people who were willing to listen to worship songs and engage in conversations.

Although the congregations are still relatively small, the reach and impact have increased significantly. Both congregations conducted water baptisms, with a total of 15 individuals baptized.

5. Financial Review

The charity's financial position at the end of the reporting period reflects steady growth and prudent management. The main sources of income were offerings, tithes, and other revenues, primarily from the two congregations in Spalding and Southampton.

Income and Funding

- The total income for 2023 amounted to £23,472.24, with the following key contributions:
 - **Donations and offerings** £22,989.24
 - **Other Revenue (including sales):** £483.00

The charity is exploring options for grants and organizing fundraising events to diversify and increase income.

Expenditure Total expenditure for 2023 was £22,160.85.

The charity continues to monitor its spending to ensure efficient use of resources, focusing on essential operational needs. There are no pending debts or liabilities at this time.

Reserves Policy The charity aims to maintain reserves equivalent to three months of average operational expenses. This policy ensures that the charity can sustain its activities even in the face of unexpected financial challenges or income fluctuations. Both congregations (Spalding and Southampton) are actively working towards building and maintaining this reserve. Based on the current expenditure levels, the target reserves amount to approximately £5,540.00. The trustees will review this policy annually to adjust the reserve levels according to the charity's activities and anticipated financial needs.

Risk Management The trustees have identified key financial risks, including reliance on a limited number of income streams and fluctuations in donations. The charity is committed to diversifying and increasing income to maintain stable financial health. To address this, the organization is actively seeking grants and will organize fundraising events in the coming year.

6. Financial Statements

Income and Funding: The total income for 2023 amounted to £23,472.24, with the following key contributions:

- **Tithes:** £15,122.00
- **Offerings:** £6,605.34
- **Sunday Collection:** £1,871.21
- **Other Revenue:** £374.00
- **Sales:** £109.00

Expenditure: Total expenditure for 2023 was £22,160.85, covering the following categories:

- **Rent:** £8,140.00
- **Gifts and Grants to Minister of Religion:** £4,404.84
- **Charitable Donations:** £550.00
- **Travel (National & International):** £2,110.40
- **Church Equipment:** £663.75
- **Insurance:** £447.15
- **Legal Fees:** £791.75
- **Evangelism Events:** £18.08
- **General Expenses:** £582.34
- **Other Administrative Costs:** £4,452.54

Operating Result:

- **Gross Profit:** £23,472.24
- **Total Administrative Costs:** £22,160.85
- **Operating Profit:** £1,311.39

Reserve Policy: The charity aims to maintain reserves equivalent to three months of average operational expenses, approximately £5,540.00, to ensure sustainability during unforeseen circumstances.

The financial statements reflect prudent management, with no pending debts or liabilities. The charity is actively seeking grants and planning fundraising events to diversify income sources and build reserves.

Balance Sheet Summary

As of December 31, 2023, the combined balance sheet of the Polish Christian Evangelical Fellowship (PCEF) is as follows:

Current Assets:

- Cash at bank and in hand: £12,004.69

Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year:

- Accounts Payable: £540.00

Net Current Assets:

- £11,464.69

Capital and Reserves:

- Capital: £10,153.28
- Current Year Earnings: £1,311.39
- **Total Capital and Reserves: £11,464.69**

Overall Summary: The Polish Christian Evangelical Fellowship maintains a stable financial position with total assets of £12,004.69 and net assets of £11,464.69. The balance sheet reflects prudent financial management, ensuring the organization can continue its activities and support its mission effectively. The trustees remain committed to transparency, accountability, and responsible stewardship of all resources.

7. Plans for the Future

The charity's aim for the future is to continue its operations and development in accordance with Basis of Faith and governing document. The charity is going to continue provision of Sunday Worship and Prayer services, Bible studies, prayer meetings, Sunday school, street and online evangelism, prayer and worship evenings.

8. Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with general applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice). The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

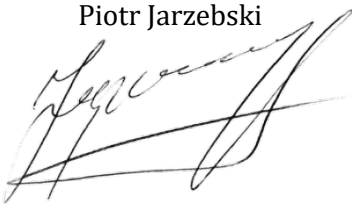
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2015 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safekeeping the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

9. Approval

This report was approved on 21.10.2024 by the following trustees:

Piotr Jarzebski



Piotr Hurec

