

BETHEL LIGHTHOUSE
Charity Number 1195081

**Trustees' Annual Report
and Financial Statements
for the year ended
31 March 2025**

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Reference & Administration Details

Charity name: BETHEL LIGHTHOUSE

Other names charity is known by: BETHEL LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN CENTRE
(WORKING NAME)

Charity number: 1195081

Charity's operating address: BETHEL UNITED CHURCH
CALDMORE ROAD
WALSALL
WS1 3NQ

Telephone number: 07903355570

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Names of the Charity Trustees Who Manage the Charity

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|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Paster O'Neil Lewis | Chairperson |
| 2. Missionary Maureen Lewis | Treasurer |
| 3. Deacon Roger Thompson | |
| 4. Sister Pesina Mararike | |
| 5. Minister Frederick Kerr | |

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Bank: NATWEST

Independent Examiner: Mrs Susan D Cooke FCCA
For and on behalf of Rice & Co (Brownhills)
Limited
Chartered Accountants
90 High Street
Brownhills
Walsall
West Midlands
WS8 6EW

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Structure, Governance & Management

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Selection Methods: The Trustees are selected in the Annual General Meeting

Objectives & Activities

Objectives of the Charity

- a) To advance the Christian religion in accordance with the Christian faith in such ways in Walsall and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the charity trustees from time to time may deem fit.
- b) To provide facilities for education, recreation and other leisure-time occupation for the benefit of the community in the interest of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said community.
- c) To relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support.

Activities of the Charity

Bethel Lighthouse is a church-based community organisation, which provides activities to address areas where there is lack of opportunities, deprivation, low levels of achievement in education and high levels of unemployment. Activities have included empowerment sessions to support women back into work, holiday activities for children from low-income families, to build confidence and social engagement, as well as meetings and events.

Statutory Declaration

The trustees declare that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the commission in exercising their powers or duties.

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Financial Review

The principle sources of income from the Charities activities are generated by donations & grants. During the year income from grants amounted to £10,734 and income from charitable activities amounted to £77,639.

Total expenditure for the year was £94,932 resulting in an overall deficit of £(6559).

At 31 March 2025 the charity held reserves of £24,346.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature(s): Mhew

Full Name(s): Maureen Lewis

Position(s): Treasurer

Date:

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Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 set out on pages 7-8.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the act"). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act), to follow the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's 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 charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the 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 statements below.

Independent examiner's statement:

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention: which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting records of the Act have not been met; or to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mrs Susan Denise Cooke FCCA
For & on behalf of
Rice & Co (Brownhills) Limited

Date:

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
Year end 31 March 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Unrestricted				
Tithes	28229		33949	
Offerings	12619		12901	
Donations	2015		4453	
Grants received	10734		13527	
Lighthouse charges	14902		15088	
Other income	240		670	
HMRC Charities	<u>19158</u>		<u>20266</u>	
		87897		100854
Interest received		<u>476</u>		<u>490</u>
		88373		101344
EXPENDITURE				
Property costs	64429		58799	
Support costs	12251		16697	
Office costs	4061		3633	
Repairs & renewals	3275		7832	
Events, meals & travel	5300		9484	
Ministerial & departmental expenses	4913		3648	
Gifts & donations	300		220	
Finance costs	168		44	
Depreciation costs	<u>235</u>		<u>313</u>	
		94932		100670
Net Surplus (Deficit)		<u>(6559)</u>		<u>674</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
Year end 31 March 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Equipment		703		938
CURRENT ASSETS				
Prepayments	438		449	
Bank Account	3083		3675	
Deposit Account	25167		30258	
Cash in hand	57		1196	
	<u>28745</u>		<u>35578</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accrued expenses	<u>5102</u>		<u>5611</u>	
		23643		29967
NET ASSETS		<u>24346</u>		<u>30905</u>
 Represented by:				
ACCUMULATED FUND				
Balance brought forward		30905		30231
Excess of expenditure over income		<u>(6559)</u>		<u>674</u>
		<u>24346</u>		<u>30905</u>

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:

Signature(s): Maureen Lewis

Full Name(s): Maureen Lewis

Position(s): Treasurer

Date:

