

Court Farm Evangelical Church

Annual Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31 December 2024

Charity registration number 1195129

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Legal and administrative information

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Trustees Annual Report

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report and accounts.

General

Court Farm Evangelical Church is an independent evangelical Pentecostal church in Mottingham, S.E. London, founded in 1938 and newly registered as a CIO on 31 October, 2022. It is a registered charity in England and Wales, no. 1195129.

This report and accounts are for our third year as a CIO, from December 2023 to December 2024.

The Principal Office address is 198 Court Farm Road, London, SE9 4JS.

Charitable Objectives

The main objectives are to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs appearing in the schedule hereto in Mottingham, South East London and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World and in such ways as the trustees may from time to time think fit and to fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the charity.

Structure and Governance

The church is presently constituted as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) by the 2021 Governing document, comprising the Constitution and the Statement of Beliefs.

The trustees are appointed by existing trustees, according to our Constitution. Training is achieved with the help of Trust Advice.

Committee and Management

The Charity Trustees are:

Mr Joseph Mashi

Miss Christina Rodgers

Mr Barry Christopher, Chairman

These are responsible for the governance of the church, subject to any general directions of the church members' meeting. The day-to-day management of the charity is in the hands of the 1 Elder and 3 Deacons, who meet once a week.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011, to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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Activities

During 2023/4, the church's objectives were carried out through public activities which were open to all.

These include:

Worship services held on Sunday mornings, with Bible teaching and Gospel messages and which included the Lord's Supper.

Mid-week prayer meetings and quarterly half-nights of prayer.

Quarterly 'bring-and-share' lunches, open to all.

Church picnic/film afternoon (depending on the weather).

Sunday school classes for the children.

Special Baptismal services.

Men's Fellowship meetings.

Women's Fellowship meetings.

Quarterly Bible Study days. Two tracks: one for those who can commit to the entire course and those who cannot commit to come regularly.

Couples' ministry.

Local Evangelism and Outreach.

Quarterly hosting and financial support of Christian missions organisations, such as:

Barnabas Fund

Christian Solidarity Worldwide

New Foundations

Messianic Testimony

Raising the Standard

Christian Voice

Answers in Genesis

Christian Institute

We have hosted guest speakers from Christian Solidarity Worldwide and Messianic Testimony.

Two of our young adults have been baptised this Summer.

All those working with children and/or vulnerable adults are DBS checked.

The church also collects good quality second hand clothing for distribution to homeless people by the London City Mission.

Assets

The church owns its own building and manse, which are governed for the church by the Trustees.

The manse has been let out to tenants, in lieu of pastoral occupancy, and the rent supplements the income of the church.

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Finances and reserves policy

Our constitution authorises the Trustees to use all money raised to further its objects only. The church has no written reserves policy, but seeks to hold £30,000 in reserve and £12,000 in the current account, as an amount sufficient for 6 months' running costs and emergency repairs. Our current level of reserves exceed this target.

Total income amounted to £63,360 (2023: £48,496) in the year with expenditure of £55,075 (2023: £55,318) resulting in a surplus of £8,285 for the year. The church remains financially sound and is actively managing income generation and controlling expenditure. The levels of reserves held are reported to the trustees on a weekly basis to enable them to do so with quarterly management accounts presented.

Cash reserves were £49,189 (2023: £40,904) at 31st December 2024.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to highlight and lessen these risks.

Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been agreed by the Charity Trustees of Court Farm Evangelical Church.

Approved by the Trustees on

2025

and signed on their behalf by:



Barry Christopher (Oct 28, 2025 18:02:23 GMT)

Mr Barry Christopher
Trustee and chairman

28/10/25

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Receipts and Payments Account

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts	Notes	£	£	£	£
Donations and general gifts	2	12,366	4,080	16,446	9,112
Donations with gift aid	3	30,962	-	30,962	25,058
Sundry activities	4	15,952	-	15,952	14,308
Investment income		-	-	-	18
Total receipts (excluding assets receipts)		59,280	4,080	63,360	48,496
Total incoming resources		59,280	4,080	63,360	48,496
Payments					
Charitable Activities	6	40,090	4,080	44,170	47,662
Administrative Expenses	5	10,905	-	10,905	7,656
Total Payments (excluding assets receipts)		50,995	4,080	55,075	55,318
Total Payments		50,995	4,080	55,075	55,318
Net resources expended		8,285	-	8,285	(6,822)
Net movement in funds					
Cash Fund balances brought forward at 1st January 2024		40,904	-	40,904	47,726
		-	-		
Cash Fund balances carried forward at 31st December 2024	10	£49,189	-	£49,189	£40,904

The notes on page 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	2024 £	2023 £
Cash Funds						
NatWest		16,698	-	-	16,698	7,713
Barclays		32,491	-	-	32,491	33,191
Total cash funds		£49,189	-	-	£49,189	£40,904
Other monetary assets						
Prepayments		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
Assets retained for the charities own use	9	£25,000	-	-	£25,000	£25,000
Liabilities						
Accruals		£890	—	—	£890	£890
Unrestricted						
General funds		74,189	-	-	74,189	65,904
Restricted						
Restricted	10	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds		£74,189	-	-	£74,189	£65,904

The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

Christina Rodgers
Trustee

Christina Rodgers 29/10/25
Christina Rodgers (Oct 29, 2025 06:26:12 GMT) 2025

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Notes to the accounts

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of the accounts

The accounts are prepared on a 'Receipts & Payments' basis under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011, the statement of assets and liabilities included assets listed at insured values. The results of the Charity operations are described in the Trustees' Report and are continuing. 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 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed.

1.2 Fund accounting policy

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the Trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside at the discretion of the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are those which were raised for particular purposes and can only be used for those particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

1.3 Incoming resources

Donations and general gifts are recognised as incoming resources on receipt.

Gift aid income received are tax reclaims on the donations of tax paying members of the Church and are included in donations on receipt.

Investment and sundry income is recognised when received.

1.4 Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the statement of financial activities on a receipts and payments basis. Certain costs have been apportioned between direct charitable expenditure, management and administration on a basis consistent with the use of those resources.

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Notes to the accounts

2. Donations and general gifts - non gift aid

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
			2024	2023
Gifts	-	4,080	4,080	-
Tithes and offerings	12,366	-	12,366	9,112
Total	<u>£12,366</u>	<u>£4,080</u>	<u>£16,446</u>	<u>£9,112</u>

3. Donations including gift aid

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	Total £
			2024	2023
Gift aided donations received	24,357	-	24,357	19,337
Gift aid tax refund	6,605	-	6,605	5,721
Total	<u>£30,962</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£30,962</u>	<u>£25,058</u>

4. Sundry Activities

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £
			2024	2023
Rent received from manse	14,700	-	14,700	12,000
Other income	1,252	-	1,252	2,276
Leg club	-	-	-	32
	<u>15,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,952</u>	<u>14,308</u>

5. Administrative costs

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £
			2024	2023
Salary and NIC cost	6,846	-	6,846	6,756
Governance:				
Independent examination	890	-	890	900
Other professional advice	3,169	-	3,169	-
Total	<u>£10,905</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£10,905</u>	<u>£7,656</u>

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6. Analysis of Expenditure

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £ 2024	Total £ 2023
Sundry costs				
Speakers expenses	725	-	725	600
Catering and event costs	743	-	743	-
Child's Trust	-	-	-	180
Printing, postage and stationery	502	-	502	1,164
Sundries	2,762	-	2,762	1,292
Subscriptions	223	-	223	358
Publicity	253	-	253	232
Software	120	-	120	109
Safeguarding	163	-	163	219
Gifts	500	-	500	708
Small equipment items	798	-	798	453
Property expenses:				
Cleaning	2,895	-	2,895	2452
Utility	2,356	-	2,356	3,876
Repairs and maintenance	16,379	4,080	20,459	25,176
Insurance	2,434	-	2,434	2,749
Water rates	525	-	525	702
Returned deposits	600	-	600	-
Ministry costs				
Telephone and broadband	792	-	792	792
Pastoral expenses	-	-	-	-
Pastoral support	7,320	-	7,320	6,600
	40,090	4,080	44,170	47,662

7. Employment costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Salary cost	7,792	6,756
Employers' national insurance	-	-
Pension cost	-	-
	<u>£7,792</u>	<u>£6,756</u>

The charity had 2 employees during the year. The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme.

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8. Trustee and related parties

Donations were received from Trustees and related parties but as the charity operates an envelope giving scheme to ensure privacy it is not possible to identify individual donations. Amounts paid on behalf of the charity were reimbursed to the Trustees, but no other expenses were claimed or paid. Barry Christopher's son John rented the manse together with a group of other young people connected to the church while the property is empty. He did not receive terms more favourable than the other residents.

9. Assets retained for charity use

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cost		
Bfwd 1 st January 2024	25,000	25,000
Purchases in year	-	-
Cfwd 31st December 2024	<u>£25,000</u>	<u>£25,000</u>

The church owns its own premises and manse which was transferred to the charity at cost on registration. The original purchase was 1991 but professional valuations have been carried out during the year. The church building has been valued at £1,365,000 and the manse at £500,000.

10. Reserves

All reserves are unrestricted. One gift was made which was restricted to cover the payment of the manse roofing repairs.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Court Farm Evangelical Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

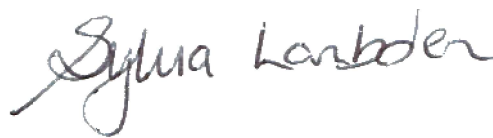
Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Sylvia Lambden FCCA



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