

Drummond Gospel Hall CIO
Annual Report for the period ended 31/12/2024

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Registered Charity Number 1195957 (England and Wales)

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Trustees

At the end of the year, the trustees were

- o Derek Charles Walter Sercombe
- o Reginald Garfield Carnall
- o Neil Bedford Harkness

Objects

The objects of the CIO are

- To advance the Christian faith for the public benefit in accordance with the statement of beliefs and practices in the Schedule hereto attached in Bournemouth and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the charity trustees may from time to time think fit;
- To prevent and relieve poverty and financial hardship in Bournemouth and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the charity trustees may from time to time think fit.

Scope of the report

The CIO was incorporated on 28/9/2021.

The scope of this third annual report is from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024.

The Assembly that meets at Drummond Gospel Hall

The CIO exists to assist with the administration of the funds of the Assembly that meets at Drummond Gospel Hall, Drummond Road, Bournemouth.

During the period covered by this report, the number in fellowship in the Assembly has dropped so that there are now about 11 who are able to meet. Some of those in fellowship are more elderly and this affects the activities that can be carried out.

Activities

Assembly activities

The Assembly continues to meet regularly each week for the Breaking of Bread, Worship, Prayer, Bible teaching and Gospel preaching.

There are no activities which are provided specifically for vulnerable adults or children.

At Easter and Christmas, supper was arranged for after the services on the Sunday evenings. Invitations were given to about 1000 households in the area around Drummond Gospel Hall. At Christmas, a similar number of calendars and invitations were distributed, also in the neighbourhood of the hall.

Support for full time Christian workers and evangelists continues with regular monthly offerings by the members of the congregation specifically for this purpose. These offerings provide, typically, more than the other offerings for the running of the Assembly. The gifts that are given are supplemented from general funds as well.

In particular, there have been one offerings made for work undertaken by a similar Assembly in Lutsk, Ukraine. £1,000 has been sent which has helped to support daily feeding of over 200 people who have faced difficulties following the Russian invasion of Ukraine. This number includes many children for whom an orphanage is now in operation. Funds have been given to another charity, Operation Brotherly Love (Registration Number 1037681), to help with refugees arriving from Ukraine and for the Care Home that they run. Operation Brotherly Love operates in Romania. £400 was also sent to Peter and Elaine Smith for hardship relief in St. Lucia.

Other missionaries and full time evangelists were supported in Angola, Ethiopia, Nepal, Ukraine, Botswana, Canada, Angola and elsewhere.

CIO activities

The CIO met a number of times during the year and assisted the Assembly with these gifts.

Accounts

We note, from the guidance given on the Charity Commission website ([Charity Reporting](#) - paragraph 1.4), that the accounts do not require external examination as the gross income is less than £25,000.

The accounts have been kept by the Church Treasurer and audited internally by a retired Company Director.

Bank accounts

Funds are held as follows:

General operating funds - Current Account at Santander plc

General operating funds comprise:

- Restricted funds – those specified for a particular purpose. In all cases, this has been for supporting missionaries and mission work

- Unrestricted funds – offerings made for the running of the Assembly and maintenance of the building

Reserve funds – Teachers Building Society

These funds are result of a grant that was made when the hall was rebuilt during 1999-2000, together with some legacies. The fund is kept in case of more substantial work being needed on the building fabric.

Overall movement of funds

Summary

Income	11,409
Expenditure	<u>12,265</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	-856.90
Brought forward from 31/12/2024	<u>32,395</u>
Carried forward	<u>31, 538</u>

<u>Expenditure</u>	
Missionary Gifts	5,900.00
Insurance	1,304.85
Maintenance	1,257.00
Gas and Electricity	1,099.11
Speakers Expenses	785.00
Publicity	682.66
Cleaning (Windows)	438.00
Security (alarm)	312.60
Water and Sewerage	187.73
Catering	116.50
Sundries	107.50
Safeguarding	<u>75.00</u>
Total	12,265.94

Assets

Legal ownership of the building and grounds of Drummond Gospel Hall resides with a separate legal Trust established on 19/2/1930. At the time of preparing this report, the CIO Trustees were also trustees of the building.

The CIO has no assets other than the funds in the Santander Bank account and the Teachers Building Society account

Sources of income

Sources of income are

- From the weekly offerings made by the members of the Assembly
- Occasional gifts from visitors
- Occasional legacies

No funds are sought from the public and there is no “fundraising” activity.

Gift Aid

The CIO does not claim Gift Aid.