

# **Victory Church Leek**

## **Report and Financial Statement for Year End 31st December 2025**

**Charity Number: 1197972**

### **Legal and Administrative Information**

#### **Charity Trustees**

Brett Hagger (Chairperson)  
Patricia Hagger (Treasurer)  
Anthony Green  
Sue Green

#### **Principal Address**

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#### **Bank**

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#### **Independent Financial Examiner**

Christine Vaughan  
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## **Report of the Trustees of Victory Church for year end 31 December 2025**

### **Constitution and object of the Organisation**

Victory Church Leek is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) whose only voting members are the Trustees of the Charity. The organisation became a Registered Charity on 18th February 2022.

The church is known as "Victory Life Church" and operates under its registered name of "Victory Church Leek."

This report covers the operating year of the charitable organisation from 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025.

The principle activities of the church are conducted within the town of Leek at the Memorial Hall, Longsdon, Leek Road, Leek, Stoke, ST9 9QF.

## **Report of the Trustees for Victory Church Leek for year 2025 (continued)**

The charity's object is to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs and the worship of God by any means whatsoever including (but not by way of limitation) the preaching and proclaiming of the Christian Gospel. The object is also the teaching of Christian doctrine and principles and the pastoral care of Christian people and the printing and distribution of the Bible in the county of Staffordshire or elsewhere in the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time may think fit.

### **Aims and Objectives**

Victory Church Leek exists to advance the Christian faith and education in the United Kingdom and the world, for the benefit of the public, under the direction of the Church Leadership Team. It also aims to benefit the public by relieving financial hardship and the provision of funds and services, to disadvantaged people throughout the world.

When planning our activities for the year, the Leadership Team have considered the Charity Commissions's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement on religion. In particular, the team utilise ways for people to live out their faith as part of the Church community.

### **Activities of the Organisation**

The Church Leadership Team is committed to enabling both the Church congregation, and members of the public, to engage in church activities and partake in worship and other services conducted by the Church.

The Church services put into practice these benefits by providing Sunday Communion meetings alongside regular Bible study, prayer, praise, and worship services. Other meetings are arranged when and where necessary, such as specific events for religious festivals including Christmas and Easter. All these meetings are open to members of the public.

Other Church activities would include weekly held Life Group meetings, at various locations and times, which provide benefits tailored to cater for the needs of each group. These groups provide Bible study and a time of socialising and fellowship. There have also been arranged throughout the year, women's groups and men's groups organised around various activities of the church.

During the year we moved the Bible Study session held every month, from a room at Daisy Hey, to Longsdon Memorial Hall. The effect of this is for the church to be able to make the Live Bible Studies more accessible to anyone wishing to partake. The number of people attending these sessions increased.

Online video services are also provided across various social media platforms, free of charge, to benefit the Church congregation and the general public who are not able to attend the Church building in person. These services, as well as reaching people within the local community, are also received by people in the rest of the UK. Also our services are watched by people in countries world wide, which include, Bulgaria, Slovakia, USA, Canada, Italy, India, Kenya, France, Pakistan and South Africa.

Victory Church Leek has been regularly invited to speak on the local radio, "Moorlands Radio". We have valued this opportunity within the community and give thanks to everyone at Moorlands Radio.

In April 2025 the church received a team of 13 students from the Charis Bible College, Walsall. The students stayed in the town for a week, and became part of the church. This was a mission team to the town of Leek and helped with the presentation of various church activities such as worship evenings, testimony evenings, engagement with the general public in the streets and



## **Report of the Trustees for Victory Church Leek for year 2025 (continued)**

presented a healing school. Members of the public attended these activities which were provided free.

The church also hosted mission leaders from Bulgaria to the church for a weeks training and seminars and workshops. Many of the sessions were open to the public and were free of charge.

The church has been host to various visiting speakers, including Simon Turpin UK Executive of Answers in Genesis Ministry. The church has hosted Children's activities through the year. The church has held Christian Celebrations for the periods of Christmas and Easter. All these events have been free for the public to attend.

The ladies group held regular events throughout the year and also attended the 'Women Arise' conference at Walsall.

### **Performance**

During the year Victory Church has been able to reach out and connect with different communities within the surrounding areas of Leek and surrounding towns which has resulted in an increase in the awareness of the Church and people coming to be a part of the community.

We have seen the life of the Church grow throughout the year where people of varied age groups and varied walks of life have attended services of the church and gained tremendous benefit.

We have met as a Church throughout the year at various retail premises within the town of Leek, which has brought the benefits of patronage to different kinds of businesses within Leek and the surrounding area.

During the year a new group started within a residential complex in Leek and this group brings worship, Bible study and activities of the church to the residents and staff. This is an excellent resource in which to reach out to the community of Leek.

Various welfare issues have been met during the year.

During the year of 2025, Victory Life Church gave to various charitable organisations a total of **£13,757.65** and this represents **20.3%** of the total receipts of gifts and offerings received through the year. This is an increase from the previous year from 15.8%. The target set at the beginning of the year was 16% which has been well exceeded.


These donated funds have gone towards making an impact on tackling poverty, persecution, welfare issues, several children's welfare agencies, Christian education and support. Support of other churches and outreaches within the UK. Other agencies we have supported are local, national and international. These agencies have been supported, some on a monthly basis and others on a one-off basis (usually on the lead up to the Christmas period.)

Due to the valuable support of the Church congregation and members of public, the performance of Victory Church last year has made a big impact on the lives of many people both in Leek and the surrounding areas, and also internationally. Peoples lives have been changed and transformed in amazing ways.

The year has been of great encouragement and enables Victory Church a valuable platform for the coming year in which to progress further in its purpose and objectives as a charitable organisation.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Approved by the trustees and signed on behalf... 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026 .....(Date)

By  ..... Brett Hagger (Chairperson)

### Charity Accounting Year From 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Church Income		Church Expenditure	
Tithes & Offerings	£56,279	Direct Expenses	£9,472
Interest from Bank	£2,512		
Gift Aid/GADS	£9,011	Donations to Third Parties	£36,291
		Accountancy Fees	£300
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£67,802</b>		
		Equipment	£720
		Insurance	£221
		Hire of Buildings	£4,065
		Subscriptions	£0
		IT	£203
		Legal	£143
		Travel	£202
		Depreciation	£1,300
		<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£52,917</b>
<b>Reserve Funds Total</b>	<b>£14,885</b>		



## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Members/Trustees of Victory Church Leek, Staffordshire.**

I report on the accounts for the period ended 31 December 2025, which are set out above.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner –

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under the section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent examiner's report**

My 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 the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanation from you as 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 statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

Have not been met; or

- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Christine Vaughan

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Tall Trees, Park Road, Leek, Staffordshire. ST13 8JS.

Date:

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026