

# Perry Beeches Baptist Church



## **Annual Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Financial Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 for Perry Beeches Baptist Church**

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(charitable incorporated organisation (CIO))

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for the Financial Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1198329

Company Number: 10841497

Prepared in accordance with the requirements of:

- The Charities Act 2011;
- The Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (effective 1 January 2019);
- The Companies Act 2006;
- The relevant Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102); and
- Charity Commission guidance on public benefit statements.

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# Overview

## A Message from the Chair of Trustees



Senior Pastor and Chair of  
Perry Beeches Baptist  
Church Trustees

Welcome to this year's Annual Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. Let me start by sharing the very best wishes of everyone at Perry Beeches Baptist Church to those reading this report.

Financially, we have had a very encouraging year, being supported by donations. Thank you to everyone who has supported Perry Beeches Baptist Church financially over the past year. We have raised the funds we needed to deliver our projects. The generosity you have shown us at Perry Beeches Baptist Church, in the face of the economic and financial challenges we know so many of you have faced yourselves, is truly inspiring.

The Trustees are confident that we can plan with a two-year time horizon. The overarching ambition for our next strategy is to reach more of our community.

I feel truly privileged and I want to thank our incredible team of Trustees and volunteers at Perry Beeches Baptist Church. You have been simply inspirational, compassionate and committed to the work we are doing for our community.

We look back on this period as transitional, as unfortunately a large part of the year we had to limit the number of community events held, due to the building works for the construction of the Community Hub, which took place during summer 2022 and December 2022.

It was also a time of transition for myself as Pastor Owen Uriah, the previous Pastor, retired in December 2022 and I took over at that time. I also had to prepare for a new leadership team.

I am particularly proud of the new community hub at Perry Beeches Baptist Church, and highlights to me that God is able to put the right people in place to help and support this development.

**Pastor Tracy Sweet**  
**On behalf of Perry Beeches Baptist Church Charity Trustees**  
**January 2024**

# About Perry Beeches Baptist Church

## Objectives and Activities

In order to fulfil its purpose and mission statement, the Church provides a wide range of activities both to its membership and to the community.

The mission statement is:

- A Church serving the Lord, each other and the community in unity and harmony. Jesus at the centre of all we do, carrying out the Great Commission.

The activities may include, but are not restricted to:

- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
- baptism, as defined in the Baptist Union's Declaration of Principle;
- the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
- nurture and growth of Christian disciples;
- education and training for Christian and community service;
- giving and encouraging pastoral care;
- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians;
- supporting and encouraging charitable social action (i.e. coming together to help improve the lives of others and solve the problems that are important) in the United Kingdom and abroad, especially, but not limited to, the local community, on an inclusive basis in terms of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, disability, financial hardship or any other measure. This social action is described more fully in, but not limited by, our Social Action Plan document, which is reviewed annually.

The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into closer relationship with him.

## Achievements and Performance

### Church Attendance

Church attendance has been monitored and averaged over 5 periods of 3 months, as shown below:

1. March 2022 to May 2022
2. June 2022 to August 2022
3. September 2022 to November 2022
4. December 2022 to February 2023
5. March 2023 to May 2023

Average attendances for these periods are:

Period	Zoom/YouTube	In Church
1	37	52
2	40	47
3	41	54
4	36	63
5	40	74

We therefore conclude that the online presence remains fairly constant on the day, but has the ability to increase historically. One of our broadcasts achieved a viewing figure of 1,300 views. The In Church figure shows a seasonal variation in the summer, but shows a pleasing upward trend. Whilst numbers alone are not important, they do show a trend to increase personal appearance in the building.

The following sections of this report aim to provide you with a snapshot of the key activities we have undertaken this year.

### **Bible Study**

The Church holds weekly Bible study as a way to know God better.

### **Prayer Meetings**

Weekly prayer meetings are held in the Church for people to get together for the purpose of prayer as a group.

### **Worship Team**

The Worship Team hold rehearsals on a weekly basis to prepare for the Sunday morning service, baby dedications and other events.

### **Evangelism Course**

An Evangelism course was held with a training programme to help members engage actively in evangelism; providing insights, activities and talking points to help individuals understand how to share their faith and become more confident and effective in connecting with people.

### **Baby Dedications**

Four baby dedications were held during the reporting period.

### **Chaplaincy**

The Senior Pastor provides chaplaincy to several organisations in the community:

1. Arena Academy in Birmingham is a secondary school where the chaplain helps students that are struggling with anxiety, home problems, etc.
2. James Watt College in Birmingham is a centre of excellence for technical training and education. The chaplain provides family support counselling and staff counselling.
3. The chaplain provides emotional, social and spiritual support to staff at Erdington and Kingstanding Fire Station.

### **Food Bank Service**

The Church Food Bank is open weekly but also at other times when it is required. It collects, stores and distributes food to people in need. During the reporting period, the food bank supported a total of 759 people and families as outlined below:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Number of People Reached</b>
March 2022	16
April 2022	15
May 2022	28
June 2022	18
July 2022	16
August 2022	179
September 2022	41
October 2022	34
November 2022	26
December 2022	29
January 2023	98
February 2023	139
March 2023	120

There is a growing need for the food bank within the community due to the ongoing economic and financial challenges. The majority of people who needed the food bank were from the local community, but there were 3 instances of people attending from outside the area. There was a significant increase in the number of people attending the food bank during August 2022, due to the school holidays. A large number of these people attend on a weekly basis and collect the food parcels themselves, but where necessary, a few are delivered to people's homes.

### **Messy Church**

Messy Church is a way of being church for families and others. It is Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration. During the reporting period two sessions were held as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
April 2022	37
December 2022	28

These sessions are very popular within the community and are always over-subscribed.

### **Open the Book**

Open Book is an exciting programme that offers primary school children an opportunity to hear key Bible stories, from a team of storytellers from the Church. During the reporting period, the Church presented the Open Book seven times in a number of schools. The stories are presented in a fun and interactive way that both children and teachers love.

### **Prison Ministry**

Every fourth Sunday of the month one of the Trustees attends HM Prison Featherstone which is a Category C men's prison, located in the village of Featherstone in Staffordshire, England. The Prison Ministry deliver a church service and invite the inmates to participate, which they are more than happy to do.



### **Befriending Service**

The Church has a Befriending Team who offer a Befriending Service. This is a telephone service where the team calls on people who are referred to us that are struggling with loneliness.

### **Operation Christmas Child – November 2022**

The Church took part in Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, which has collected and delivered more than 209 million shoe box gifts to children in more than 170 countries and territories, and pastors and ministries use them to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. The shoe boxes go by plane, ship, river boat, camels, car, motorbike, and the boxes go to some of the remote places in the world and every box counts.

As well as the Church collecting shoe boxes and packing them for the children, they also became a distribution centre for the shoe boxes.

### **Compassion - Sponsor a Child**

Compassion is an organisation helps children around the world. Some members of the Church sponsor a child and we send payment each month and also write letters to each other. Sponsoring a child gives them life-changing support including food, education and health-checks.

### **Table Top Sales**

The Church held two table top sales during the reporting period and raised funding to support the community hub.

### **Place of Welcome**

In February 2022, the Church joined a growing network of local community groups providing a place where everyone can go for a friendly face, a cup of tea and a conversation if and when they need it.

### **Warm Place**

In the winter of 2022, the Church joined Birmingham Warm Welcome Spaces, which are vibrant local groups bringing people together and strengthens community ties. They provide free, safe, comfortable and welcoming places where people can come together to have a cup of tea or coffee or warm meal, take part in activities, access services, get practical advice and support, as well as meet members of their community.

### **Black Heritage Support Service**

Black Heritage Support Service presented to the Church during a Sunday Service, and also attended a few Coffee Mornings. They provide advocacy that was created to close the disparity gap between the black community and other groups. They have helped a number of church members with advice.

### **Building Work**

The Church started building work in the summer of 2022 to change the Church Hall into a Community Hub and Café. This work was completed in December 2022.

The Church held a fundraising concert on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and a total of £910.45 was raised towards the Community Café. The aim of the Community Café is to not only support church members but the wider community. It is important to create a space where anyone is welcome to enjoy refreshments and conversations together.



## Financial Review

### Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

The Church income for the year was £103,731 and expenses £80,545 giving a surplus of £23,186.

During the year £81,644 was spent on the Church Café including furniture and equipment.

At the end of the year, the bank and cash balances were £60,673. The bank balance includes Designated Funds of £2,225.

There were no Restricted Funds.

## Public Benefit

We confirm that the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission before each event, to check that it is for the benefit of the public, within the definition of that guidance.

Perry Beeches Baptist Church supports the local community, both individuals and organisations, through the various projects and activities that we are involved with. For example, Food Bank, Messy Church, Befriending and Counselling. We also have concerts that the public are invited to.

We support and encourage charitable social action not only in the community but also in other countries, for example, Water Aid International and the Christian ministry in parts of India.

## Structure, Governance and Management

Perry Beeches Baptist Church (PBBC) was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charity Commission on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023.

The charity's Board of Trustees are responsible for ensuring that it complies with its constitution and governing document and the law.

The Board of Trustees are also the Diaconates of the Church who support the work of the Senior Pastor.

PBBC's Constitution stipulates the process for the appointment of Trustees, who are elected from the Church Membership by ballot of Church Members. They are appointed for a one-year to three-year term and can serve further terms if elected again.

All members are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and practical tasks in furtherance of the charitable objectives. The Members Church Meeting is held regularly and is the discussion and major decision-making forum for the Church. Relevant matters are submitted to the Church Meeting by the Diaconate or can be raised by members.

Though the Constitution permits decisions to be made by appropriate majorities, the Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible. The Church membership at the end of the reporting period was 86.

## Reference and Administrative Details

### Charity Name

Perry Beeches Baptist Church, Birmingham

### Registered charity number

1198329

### Company Number

10841497

### Registered Office

Beeches Road  
Great Barr  
Birmingham  
B42 2HF

### Names of the charity Trustees who manage the charity

The Charity is governed by the Board of Trustees. The following Trustees served during all or part of the year:

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Angela WEISE-BENT	Treasurer	Whole year
2	Barbara QUARLESS	Secretary	Whole year
3	Belinda BELLE		2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023 onwards
4	David SUMMERS	Secretary	Resigned 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
5	Pastor Owen URIAH	Ex Officio	Resigned 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
6	Pastor Tracy SWEET	Ex Officio	Whole year
7	Patricia WRIGHT		Retired 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
8	Robert LEWIS		Whole year
9	Urmilaben JAMES		Resigned 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
10	Vinnett MADOURIE		2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023 onwards
11	Zoeta BROWN		2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2023 onwards

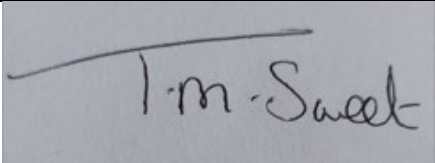

### Our Advisors

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Bankers	TSB Bank	893 Walsall Road, Great Barr, Birmingham, B42 1TN
Independent Examiner	Birmingham Voluntary Services Council	First Floor, Livery Place, 35 Livery Street, Birmingham, B3 2PB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins Solicitors	134 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES

## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity Trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Pastor Tracy Sweet	Barbara Quarless
<b>Position</b>	Senior Pastor/Chair of Trustees	Secretary
<b>Date</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	19 <sup>th</sup> January 2024

# Financial Statements

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Perry Beeches Baptist Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, which are set out on pages 13 to 19.

### Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and 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 section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Statements

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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 statement below.

### Independent Examiner's Statement

There are no issues:

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 Charities Act, and
  - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Andrew Hopkins  
Birmingham Voluntary Services Council  
First Floor, Livery Place  
35 Livery Street  
Birmingham B3 2PB

20<sup>th</sup> December 2023

**Perry Beeches Baptist Church**  
**Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	2023 Total Funds
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>				
Voluntary income		81,972		81,972
Rental income		1,455		1,455
Gift Aid Tax Relief		20,304		20,304
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<u>103,731</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>103,731</u>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>				
Costs of generating voluntary income		65,068		78,149
Governance costs		2,396	13,081	2,396
	5			
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>67,464</u>	<u>13,081</u>	<u>80,545</u>
<b>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		36,267	-13,081	23,186
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>				
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		355,900	15,306	371,206
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>392,167</u>	<u>2,225</u>	<u>394,392</u>

There were no recognised gains or losses for the year other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities

**Perry Beeches Baptist Church**  
**Balance Sheet at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated funds	2023 Total Funds
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Tangible assets	6	318,993	0	318,993
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	7	18,370	0	18,370
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>58,447</u>	<u>2,225</u>	<u>60,672</u>
		76,817	2,225	79,042
<b>CREDITORS</b>				
Amounts falling due within one year	8	-3,643	0	-3,643
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>73,174</u>	<u>2,225</u>	<u>75,399</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		392,167	2,225	394,392
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>392,167</u>	<u>2,225</u>	<u>394,392</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>				
Unrestricted funds	9			392,167
Designated funds				2,225
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>394,392</u>

The Trustees are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on the **13<sup>th</sup> January 2024** and were signed on its behalf by:

Pastor Tracy Sweet

# **Perry Beeches Baptist Church**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

#### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

#### **Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets for use by the church are stated at cost  
No depreciation was provided during the period.

#### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted and Designated funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### **2. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### **Trustees' Expenses**

Trustees' expenses paid for the year was Nil.

### **4. STAFF COSTS**

	2023
	£
Wages and salaries	38,994
Income Protection Insurance and Life assurance	833
Pension	1,875
	<u>41,702</u>

### **5. GOVERNANCE COSTS**

	2023
	£
Statutory accounts preparation and Independent Examination of Accounts	2,396
	<u>2,396</u>

**These notes form part of the financial statements**



**Perry Beeches Baptist Church****Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (continued)**

<b>6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</b>	2023 £
<b>COST</b>	
Cost b/fwd	237,349
Additions	81,644
Cost C/Fwd	<u>318,993</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>	
Accumulatd Depreciation b/fwd	0
Accumulatd Depreciation C/fwd	<u>0</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 March 2023	318,993

<b>7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	2023 £
Accounts Receivables	41
Accrued Income	18,329
	<u>18,370</u>

<b>8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	2023 £
Accountancy Fee	1,550
Payroll taxes	517
Accounts Payable	795
Pension	282
Other	499
	<u>3,643</u>

# **Perry Beeches Baptist Church**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (continued)**

### **9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 01/04/2022	Net movements in funds	At 31/03/2023
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General fund	355,900	36,267	392,167
<b>Designated Funds</b>	15,306	-13,081	2,225
	<u>371,206</u>	<u>23,186</u>	<u>394,392</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Net Movements
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	103,731	67,464	36,267
<b>Designated Funds</b>	0	13,081	-13,081
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>103,731</u>	<u>80,545</u>	<u>23,186</u>

# **Perry Beeches Baptist Church**

## **Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

2023

£

### **INCOMING RESOURCES**

#### **Voluntary income**

Building Fund Donations	13,157
Donations	863
Fundraising	4,522
General Offerings	6,048
Gift Aid tax relief	20,304
Gift-Aided Offerings	69,126
Gift-Aided Small Donations	909
Other Revenue	428
Rental Income	1,455

<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b><u>116,812</u></b>
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### **RESOURCES EXPENDED**

#### **Costs of generating voluntary income**

##### **Employee costs:**

Wages and salaries	38,994
Pensions	1,875
Staff training and welfare	300
Conference costs	235
Income Protection Ins and Life Assurance	833
MANSE Rent Allowance	6,644
Travel and Subsistence	58
	<u>48,938</u>

##### **Premises costs:**

Light and Heat	2,877
Water Rates	571
Cleaning	2,650
Gardening Costs	2,815
Repairs & Maintenance	<u>8,875</u>
	<b>17,789</b>

**Perry Beeches Baptist Church****Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (continued)**Church Running Costs:

Advertising and Marketing	116
Children and Youth expenses	213
Community Outreach	100
Equipment and Furniture expensed	501
Equipment Lease Costs	359
Event Costs	609
Gifts and Donations	1,743
Hygiene Supplies	123
Information and Publications	374
Insurance	1,516
IT Software and consumables	123
PBBC Cafe Costs	377
Postage	7
Refreshments	182
Stationery and printing	230
Subscriptions	1,699
Sundry expenses	478
Telephone and fax	652
Visiting Pastors and Speakers	100
Website expenses	425
	9,926
Legal and professional costs:	
Accountancy fees	2,396
Other Legal and Professional Fees	1,497
	3,893
	80,545
Surplus for Year	36,267

**This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements**