

# BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1198548

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2022-04-07

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£25,766	£19,765	-	-
2024-03-31	£25,911	£17,415	-	-
2023-03-31	£19,386	£13,108	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>SAJI SAMUEL</b>	Chair	2022-04-07
Ajay Koshy John		2024-01-21
Nibu John		2022-04-07
Thomas Varghese Manamel		2022-04-07

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# Accounts

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR END  
31 MARCH 2025**

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# BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH UK

UK Charity Number: 1198548

## ANNUAL WORK REPORT

"Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psalms 133: 1 "Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psalms 133: 1

This document contains the Bristol Pentecostal Church's (BPC) annual work report, extended by three months and organized under relevant headings.

### 2024

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Bristol Pentecostal Church was held under the leadership of the esteemed Church Minister, Pastor Saji Samuel. The meeting commenced with expressions of gratitude to God for His faithfulness and the blessings bestowed upon the church.

Following the opening, former Church Secretary Brother Thomas Manamel presented and submitted the Annual Report covering the period from January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2023. Subsequently, an amendment concerning the resignation of Trustee Brother Thomas John was proposed by Brother Nixon Sam. This amendment was added to the report and passed by Brother Nixon Sam and seconded by Brother Anub Samuel.

Thereafter, Church Treasurer Brother Bibin Varghese presented and submitted the Financial Report for the same period. The Financial Report was passed by Brother Johnley James and seconded by Brother Jiju John.

Following the presentation of the reports, the previous Church Council was officially dissolved, and new members were elected during the AGM.

For the position of Church Secretary, Evangelist Ajay Koshy John was suggested by Brother Thomas Manamel and seconded by Brother Nixon Sam. Brother Lijo Reji was suggested as Church Treasurer by Evangelist Ajay Koshy John, with Brother Thomas Manamel seconding the nomination. On September 1st, 2024, as Brother Lijo Reji left for Cornwall, Brother Siju Kurian was appointed as Church Treasurer.

For the role of Sisters' Coordinator, Sister Sheba Ajay was suggested by Sister Sibi Bipin and seconded by Sister Lalu Nibu. Subsequently, Sister Sibi Bipin was suggested as Assistant Sisters' Coordinator by Sister Mercy Saji and seconded by Sister Feba Jiju.

Regarding the Youth Ministry, Sister Feba Jiju was suggested as Youth Coordinator by Brother Thomas Manamel and seconded by Brother Albert Thomas. Brother Aaron Thomas was suggested as Assistant Youth Coordinator by Brother Bipin Varghese and seconded by Brother Anub Samuel. Sister Mercy Saji was appointed as the Sunday School in-charge, suggested by Sister Lalu Nibu and seconded by Sister Linta Thomas. Finally, Brother Anub Samuel was nominated as Auditor by Brother Bipin Varghese, and Brother Johnley James was nominated as Joint Secretary by Brother Thomas Manamel.

The church offered prayers for the newly elected members, seeking God's guidance and strength as they undertake their responsibilities in advancing His Kingdom.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

Over the past 15 months, the Church Council has convened seven meetings. As per church governance practices, all decisions made during these meetings were communicated to the congregation for approval, ensuring transparency and collective agreement. The specific decisions and programs implemented by the council are detailed below.

01. A two-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) was scheduled on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
02. The Church agreed to host the COG UK & EU 17<sup>th</sup> National Conference at Trinity Academy, Bristol, from July 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
03. A one-day church trip to Weymouth Beach was planned for August 17, 2024.
04. The Annual Fasting Prayer was scheduled over three days - 31<sup>st</sup> October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2024.
05. The Sunday School examination date was fixed for December 17, 2024.
06. Sunday School, Youth and Sister's Anniversary was scheduled on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024
07. The church's financial year was changed to end on March 31, 2025, replacing the previous year-end date of December 31, 2024, as per Charity Commission guidelines.
08. Farewell services were held for departing families: Brother Lijo and family, Brother Robin and family, and Brother Joel Saji.
09. A contribution of £500 was made to Kingsholm Church as a gift for lavatory and washroom maintenance.
10. The fund transferred for Mission support- Bihar in 2024.
11. Indian charitable support was extended to two families at £500 each, totalling £1,000.
12. Five local charities were supported with donations of £200 each, totalling £1,000.
13. Utility bills for Kingsholm Church will now be paid based on actual usage.
14. A donation of £100 was made to support the COG Kerala 102nd General Convention 2025.
15. A donation of £80 was made to support the EMPC One-Day Family Conference 2024.

### **WORSHIP**

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." Psalms 95:6  
Bristol Pentecostal Church holds its Sunday worship services at Kingsholm Church from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. On the first Sunday of each month, the congregation partakes in the Lord's Table, commemorating the suffering and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Malayalam services are led by Pastor Saji Samuel; in his absence,

Associate Pastor Evangelist Ajay Koshy John presides over the meetings. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Pastor Saji Samuel for his unwavering dedication and faithful service to our church.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS & CHAIN PRAYERS**

BPC conducts online prayer meetings via Zoom every Wednesday and Saturday from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Also, every Tuesday, members of Bristol Pentecostal Church participate in a chain prayer- a coordinated initiative where individuals unite in continuous intercession. This collective effort fosters spiritual unity and underscores the power of prayer within our congregation. These gatherings focus on interceding for our nation, global events, the sick and unwell, the repentance and edification of believers, and the well-being of families. The meetings are led by Pastor Saji Samuel and Evangelist Ajay Koshy John. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all families who participate, lead, and intercede during these prayer sessions.

**FASTING PRAYER**

On the first Saturday of each month, Bristol Pentecostal Church conducts fasting prayer sessions in two parts: a morning session from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM and an evening session from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. These gatherings are led by Pastor Saji Samuel and Evangelist Ajay Koshy John. We have also been blessed by visiting pastors who have supported us by sharing the Word of God. The church extends heartfelt gratitude to all guest ministers who have enriched our fellowship through their ministry.

Pastors who ministered to us were:

Pr. Roy George	Pr. Habel
Pr. C. K Johnson	Pr. Reji Antony
Pr. J. John	Pr. David Joseph
Pr. Stephen Benjamin	Pr. Ajeesh C K
Pr. James Mathew	Pr. Blesson Abraham
Pr. Alex	Pr. George Daniel
Pr. James John	Br. Urie, Ukraine (Charity Worker)
Pr. Sibin Kurian	

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it. (Proverbs: 22:6)  
 Sunday School sessions are held every Sunday, excluding the first Sunday of each month. Currently, 22 children are enrolled, organised into six classes. We extend our sincere gratitude to Sister Mercy Saji for her leadership of the BPC Sunday School and to the dedicated teachers: Brother Blesson Varghese, Brother Jiju John, Sister Sibi Bipin, Sister Anjala Anub, Sister Feba Jiju, and Sister Sharon Blesson. Their commitment to nurturing the spiritual growth of our children is deeply appreciated.

**SISTERS MEETING**

The sisters' meetings at Bristol Pentecostal Church are held based on the availability of members and coordinators. During these gatherings, participants engage in prayer for various topics and for the blessing and growth of the church. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Sister Sheba Ajay and Sister Sibi Bipin for their initiative in coordinating these meetings and organising meals on special occasions, particularly following fasting prayers. We also express our gratitude to all the sisters who actively participate in these sessions.

**YOUTH MEETING**

The youth meeting at BPC is held on the last Sunday of each month. During these sessions, participants of all ages engage in various activities, including singing, sharing messages, reciting Bible chapters, and participating in Bible quizzes. We extend our sincere appreciation to Sister Feba Jiju and Brother Aaron Manamel for their dedicated leadership in organising and conducting these meetings. Additionally, we express our gratitude to the Bible quizmaster Sister Sheba Ajay for her diligent efforts and support. May God abundantly bless each of you.

**ENGLISH MEETING**

Bristol Pentecostal Church has been holding monthly English services on Saturdays, based on the availability of Evangelist Ajay Koshy John. These gatherings have provided a platform for our youth to actively participate in worship, share the Word of God, and foster spiritual growth.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Brother Joel Saji for his dedicated efforts in encouraging the youth and leading worship sessions. Additionally, we appreciate Brother Jiju John for stepping in to share the Word and lead the meetings during Evangelist Ajay Koshy John's absence. Their contributions have been instrumental in nurturing the spiritual development of our congregation.

**NEW MEMBERS**

Over the past 15 months, Bristol Pentecostal Church has been blessed with the addition of several new members to our congregation. We warmly welcome Brother Blesson Varghese and his family, Brother Godly Thomas and his family, Sister Sherin Mathew, Sister Merin and her family, Sr. Tessy, Sr. Angel Albert, Sr. Sneha, and Sr. Chelsea into our church family. We are grateful for their presence and look forward to growing together in faith and fellowship.

**PROMOTED TO GLORY**

'Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants.' Psalms 116:15

Bristol Pentecostal Church experienced a profound loss with the unexpected passing of Brother T. S. Punnoose, the beloved father of Sister Tissymol Punnoose. During this time of grief, the congregation united in prayer and support, offering comfort and strength to the family. We continue to uphold them in our prayers, trusting in God's peace to sustain them.

**LOCAL CHARITY**

Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done. (Proverbs 19:17)

By God's grace, we have been able to support local charities in Bristol and the surrounding areas.

In Hope Bristol Charity	£ 200/-
St. Peter's Hospice	£ 200/-
One 25 Charity	£ 200/-
Bible Society	£ 200/-
Barnabas Aid	£ 200/-

**CHURCH OUTING**

Bristol Pentecostal Church organized a one-day trip to Weymouth Beach, providing a coach for transportation. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all members and their families who participated in this outing. Special thanks to Manna Cater for arranging the meals for the church during this event. The expenses for the trip were shared among each family and individual involved.

**VBS**

By God's grace, Bristol Pentecostal Church organised a two-day Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Kingsholm Church on 31st May and 1st June 2024. The event featured various activities for children and was attended by over 70 participants. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Pastor Sibin Kurian and Sister Aksa Sibin for leading the sessions with dedication and enthusiasm. Special thanks also to Sister Mercy Saji for her invaluable support in coordinating the event, contributing significantly to its success.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL YOUTH AND SISTER'S ANNIVERSARY**

On 21/12/2024, Bristol Pentecostal Church celebrated its anniversary with a joyful gathering attended by guests from various churches across the UK. The event featured active participation from members of all ages, who contributed through songs, Bible skits, dances, action songs, Bible quizzes, and imaginative presentations. We sincerely thank Brother Blesson Varghese for delivering an inspiring message and sharing the Word of God. Prizes were awarded to the winners of the youth programs, and we also recognised the dedication of our Sunday School teachers and the youth and sister coordinators, whose hard work made the day truly special.

### **COG UK & EU 17TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

Bristol Pentecostal Church had the honor of hosting the 17th Church of God UK & EU National Conference from 26th to 28th July 2024 at Trinity Academy, Bristol. The event was attended by over 2,000 believers from across the UK and Europe, making it a significant gathering for our community. Through God's grace and meticulous planning, every member of BPC contributed to the success of the conference. Responsibilities such as venue coordination, safeguarding, essential safety measures, parking management, cleaning, catering support, and waste disposal were diligently managed by our dedicated congregation. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Brother Bipin Varghese, Sister Lalu Nibu for their leadership and to all church members for their unwavering commitment and hard work, which were instrumental in making the conference a resounding success.

### **CASH IN HAND**

Church Council has decided to keep £ 250.00 cash in hand, instead of the previous decision made, which was £ 200.00. This will be active from the current financial year onwards.

### **CONCLUSION**

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. (Jeremiah 29:11).

Over the past fifteen months, by God's abundant grace, Bristol Pentecostal Church has reached several meaningful milestones. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each member of our congregation for your steadfast support through prayer, service, and financial contributions. Your unity and dedication have been instrumental in all that we have accomplished.

We also offer special thanks to the leaders of Kingsholm Church for graciously providing us with a place of worship. Your generosity has greatly enriched our spiritual journey.

I sincerely acknowledge the Church Council members for their faithful leadership and commitment in guiding the church. Your efforts have been vital in shaping our church community, and we continue to pray for God's blessings on your service.

As we look ahead, let us remain united in spirit and purpose. Our unity will strengthen the fellowship and love among us and serve as a testimony to the Kingdom of God. We give all glory, honor, and praise to the Lord for His unfailing guidance and the blessings we have witnessed.

With great joy and gratitude, I, Ajay Koshy John, Secretary, on behalf of the Bristol Pentecostal Church Council, humbly submit this report to the church on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025. We look forward to continued growth and prosperity in the days ahead.

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act), to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and to state whether 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 41 of the 1993 Act; and to prepare accounts which record with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting records of the 1193 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.

Jaison Varghese Zachariah



Vectra Management Consultancy

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Categories	Unrestricted funds	Total funds	Last year
<b>Receipts</b>			
Donation and gifts	-	-	50.00
Offering	8,995.56	8,995.56	11,084.19
Other	2,420.61	2,420.61	4,799.00
Tithe	14,350.00	14,350.00	9,978.00
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>25,911.19</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>25,911.19</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
Rent	4,040.00	4,040.00	2,347.00
Refreshments	275.00	275.00	2,904.26
Software & IT	150.00	150.00	324.69
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,873.15
Events	1,540.94	1,540.94	700.00
Donations	6,613.04	6,613.04	4,910.65
Printing and stationery	1,361.17	1,361.17	300.22
Other Expenditure	2,240.26	2,240.26	2,804.64
Accountants fees	250.00	250.00	250.00
Travelling Expenses	1,194.51	1,194.51	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	<b>17,414.61</b>
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	<b>17,414.61</b>
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,001.25	6,001.25	8,496.58
Cash funds last year end	35,423.02	35,423.02	
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>41,424.31</b>	<b>41,424.31</b>	<b>8,496.58</b>

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
<b>Cash funds</b>		
	Cash in hand	250.00
	Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	41,174.31
	<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>41,424.31</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 15-Nov-2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Saji Samuel  
Chair



Thomas Varghese Manamel  
Trustee

**1. Accounting Policies**

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of charitable properties and fixed asset investments and investment properties at valuation.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

**1.2 Going concern**

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

**2. Income from Donations and Legacies**

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds 2025</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donation and gifts	-	-
Offering	8,995.56	8,995.56
Other	2,420.61	2,420.61
Tithe	14,350.00	14,350.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>

**3. Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Total funds 2025</b>
	<b>£</b>
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	2,100.00
Events	1,540.94
Donations	6,613.04
Printing and stationery	1,361.17
Travelling Expenses	1,194.51
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,809.66</b>

**4. Support Costs**

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Total funds 2025 £</b>
Rent	4,040.00
Accountancy fees	250.00
	<hr/> <b>4,290.00</b> <hr/>

**5. Other Expenditure**

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2025 £</b>
Refreshments	275.00	275.00
Software & IT	150.00	150.00
Other Expenditure	2,240.26	2,240.26
<b>Total</b>	<hr/> <b>2,665.26</b> <hr/>	<hr/> <b>2,665.26</b> <hr/>

**6. Cash at bank and in hand**

	<b>Total funds 2025 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	250.00
Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	41,174.31
<b>Total</b>	<hr/> <b>41,424.31</b> <hr/>

**7. Charity funds****7.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period**

<b>Fund names</b>	<b>Fund balances brought forward £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>Gains and losses £</b>	<b>Fund balances carried forward £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
<b>General Fund</b>	<hr/> <b>35,423.02</b>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	-	-	<b>41,424.27</b> <hr/>
<b>Total</b>	<hr/> <b>35,423.02</b> <hr/>	<b>25,766.17</b>	<b>19,764.92</b>	-	-	<b>41,424.27</b> <hr/>

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## WORK REPORT

*Eph. 1:11- In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will.*

The Biennial work report of the Bristol Pentecostal Church is seen in this document classified under the relevant headings.

### **2023**

For this year the AGM convened on 22.01.23 and began in prayer. Following this the finance report for 01.01.2023-31.03.2024 was read and submitted by Treasurer Br. Bipin Varghese. The report was passed by Br. Thomas John and seconded by Pr. Ajay Koshy John. Then the election of the new year coordinators began. Starting with the Sunday School In charge. Sr. Mercy Saji was requested to continue her good work for another year by the AGM and she accepted. This also extended to all the teachers in the Sunday School also. For the sister's coordinator, Lalu Nibu was appointed and there was an opinion to have an assistant coordinator. The AGM was in approval and therefore Sr. Mercy Saji would be assistant coordinator. For the Youth coordinator Sr. Sherin Robin was proposed by Lalu Nibu and, this was seconded by Br. Bipin Varghese. For assistant coordinator Sr. Susan Nixon was proposed by Sr. Mercy Saji and seconded by Sr. Sheba Ajay. The AGM asked Br. Bipin Varghese to be the Quizmaster for the Youth Event, and he accepted. Following this Pr. Ajay Koshy John ended the meeting thanking God for his work asking God to guide the church faithfully for another year.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AGM AND COUNCIL MEETING**

In the duration of the past 24 months the church council has convened a total of 15 times. As required all decisions made in the council were made known to the congregation for approval.

**WORSHIP**

*Psalm 100:9 - Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.*

Bristol Pentecostal church worship services are held every Sunday at Kingsholm Church from 3pm-5pm. On the first Sunday of every month the lord's table is held in remembrance of the suffering and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Malayalam service is led by Pr. Saji Samuel and in his absence associate Pr. Ajay Koshy John. I take this opportunity to express gratitude to both Pr. Saji Samuel and Pr. Ajay Koshy for their dedication.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

On every Wednesday and Saturday 7pm-9pm we gather as a congregation via zoom. We pray together for many different issues and requests. This includes those who are sick or unwell, different countries especially where there is no freedom of religion, for new people of all races to join, those who are persecuted for their faith, the UK in which we are living, relatives that have not yet come to the faith, also our local community and city of Bristol. These meetings are led by Pr. Saji Samuel and Pr. Ajay Koshy John. We as a church have been able to see God's work through our prayers and I take this time to thank all of you who were involved in earnestly praying, participating and leading this meeting.

**FASTING PRAYER**

The first Saturday of every month we hold our fasting prayer in two sessions, one in the morning beginning at 10:30am to 12:30pm and one in the evening at 6pm to 8pm. This meeting is led by Pr Saji Samuel and Pr Ajay Koshy John. On certain occasions we received word from visiting Pastors and pastors online via zoom. I want to thank the pastors and those involved in the fasting prayer for all the scripture we have received and for our spiritual growth.

I want to take this opportunity again to thank them all for giving and uplifting us through the word especially during these times and God bless them abundantly.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*Proverbs 22:6- Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it*

Children are God's gift to us and therefore we should educate them about what God has done for us and what the scripture says. Sunday School is arranged every Sunday at 2pm-3pm except the first Sunday of the month. There are a total of 16 children currently in the Sunday school split into 3 classes. We would like to thank Sister Mercy Saji for leading the Sunday School and also thank the teachers including Sr. Sibi Bipin, Sr. Daisy Saji, Sr. Karen Nibu, Sr. Susan Nixon, Sr. Sherin Robin, Sr. Galdis Thomas, Miss. Annette Manamel and Sr. Linta Thomas. The ministry you are doing is a great asset to the church and the Kingdom of God may God bless you abundantly.

**SISTERS MEETING**

The Sisters of the Bristol Pentecostal Church hold their meeting on the third week of every month. They pray sincerely for many issues and requests that are placed in their hearts. This prayer is a pillar for our church and we have seen God's work being fulfilled through them and their prayers. God bless you all for the effort you provide

for fasting and prayer. Especially we thank Sr. Linta Thomas in 2022 and Sr. Lalu Nibu assisted by Sr. Mercy Saji in 2023 for coordinating this meeting. I also thank all the sisters for participating.

### **YOUTH EVENT**

*Timothy 4:12- Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.*

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In the past 24 months we welcomed several families to the congregation. By God's grace and love we now have a total of 16 families. They now worship the lord together with us and I want to welcome you again, God bless you all abundantly.

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• St Peter’s Hospice- £200
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For those who worked behind the scenes to make these outings a successful time including Br. Bipin Varghese, Br. Thomas Manamel I thank you and additionally Br. Nibu John for coordinating the food preparations. I sincerely thank you all once again.

**INDIAN CHARITY**

God enabled our church to provide financial assistance to charities and people in India who are struggling and in need. We have been able to see our help and God work in the Christian communities of India.

**INDIAN EVANGELISATION**

Separate from charities we were able to support evangelisation missions in India specifically in Bihar. Through India Mission, a charity, we received word of a mission in need of support. We provide 5000 Indian rupees every month to a mission work since 2022 and also helped them to purchase a bicycle. Additionally due to problems

with a place to worship, we decided to send an extra £25 every month to help with rent in 2023 and to continue working with them for another year.

Another instance we helped a worker with his financial struggles by sending £100 to help him.

To help poor children with their education in Bihar we provided £300. This allowed them to buy essential books and uniform for their studies.

Our second venture centres around Pr. S A who we decided to help for one year through Church of God UK. He has started a new church and is ministering there in Bihar. Every month we send 5000 Indian rupees for support.

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Our journey so far has been guided by the hand of the Lord, and I am confident that He will continue to lead us in the future. Let us give thanks to God and offer Him all the glory, honour, and praise for the wonderful achievements and blessings we have experienced as a church community.

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act), to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and to state whether 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 41 of the 1993 Act; and to prepare accounts which record with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting records of the 1193 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.

Jaison Varghese Zachariah



Vectra Management Consultancy

**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH****RECEIPT AND PAYMENT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>	<b>Last year</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donation and gifts	50.00	-	-	50.00	3,691.04
Offering	11,084.19	-	-	11,084.19	6,613.37
Other	4,799.00	-	-	4,799.00	-
Tithe	9,978.00	-	-	9,978.00	8,485.76
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	25,911.19	-	-	25,911.19	18,790.17
Asset and investment sales					
Other	-	-	-	-	596.02
Sub total	-	-	-	-	596.02
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>25,911.19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,911.19</b>	<b>19,386.19</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Rent	2,347.00	-	-	2,347.00	2,050.00
Refreshments	2,904.26	-	-	2,904.26	2,514.62
Software & IT	324.69	-	-	324.69	143.88
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	2,873.15	-	-	2,873.15	2,876.00
Events	700.00	-	-	700.00	583.66
Donations	4,910.65	-	-	4,910.65	4,290.76
Printing and stationery	300.22	-	-	300.22	61.44
Other Expenditure	2,804.64	-	-	2,804.64	287.33
Accountant's fees	250.00	-	-	250.00	300.00
Sub total	17,414.61	-	-	17,414.61	13,107.69

**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH****RECEIPT AND PAYMENT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024

<b>Total Payments</b>	17,414.61	-	-	17,414.61	13,107.69
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,496.58	-	-	8,496.58	6,278.50
Cash funds last year end	26,595.42	-	-	26,595.42	
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>35,092.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,092.00</b>	<b>6,278.50</b>

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted income funds</b>	<b>Endowment funds</b>
<b>Cash funds</b>				
	Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	35,423.06	-	-
	<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>35,423.06</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 14-Nov-2024 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Saji Samuel (Nov 14, 2024 22:30 GMT)

14/11/24

Saji Samuel  
Chair



14/11/24

Thomas Varghese Manamel  
Trustee

## 1 Accounting Policies

### 1.1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

### 1.2 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of charitable properties and fixed asset investments and investment properties at valuation.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with “Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)” (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

### 1.3 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

## 2 Income from Donations and Legacies

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2024
	£	£
Donation and gifts	50.00	50.00
Offering	11,084.19	11,084.19
Other	4,799.00	4,799.00
Tithe	9,978.00	9,978.00
	<u>25,911.19</u>	<u>25,911.19</u>

### 3 Other Income

	Analysis	Total funds 2024
		£
Other		-
		<u>-</u>

### 4 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Analysis	Total funds 2024
		£
Honorarium to Guest Pastors		2,873.15
Events		700.00
Donations		4,910.65
Printing and stationery		300.22
Support Costs		2,597.00
		<u>11,381.02</u>

### 5 Support Costs

	Analysis	Total funds 2024
		£
<b>Governance Costs</b>		
Rent		2,347.00
Accountant's fees		250.00
		<u>2,597.00</u>

### 6 Other Expenditure

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Refreshments		2,904.26	2,904.26
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		<u>6,033.59</u>	<u>6,033.59</u>

## 7 Cash at bank and in hand

	<b>Total funds 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>
Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	35,423.06
	<u>35,423.06</u>

## 8 Charity funds

### 8.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
<b>General Fund</b>	26,926.44	25,911.19	(17,414.61)	-	-	35,423.02
<b>Total</b>	26,926.44	25,911.19	(17,414.61)	-	-	35,423.02

### 8.2 Transfers between funds

#### This Year

	<b>Amount £</b>
Between unrestricted and restricted funds	-
Between endowment and restricted funds	-
Between endowment and unrestricted funds	-

**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1198548

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# Accounts

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# **BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**

**Charity Number: 1198548**

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the Period 07 April 2022 to 31 March 2023**

## Reference & Administration Details

**Charity name:** BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Other names charity is known by: **BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH (WORKING NAME)**

Charity number: **1198548**

Charity's operating address: 20A PEN PARK ROAD  
BRISTOL  
BS10 5SB

Telephone number: 07723329299

Email address: BRISTOLPENTECOSTALCHURCH@GMAIL.COM

### Names of the Charity Trustees Who Manage the Charity

1. **Mr. Saji Samuel** Chairperson
2. **Mr. Nibu John**
3. **Mr. Thomas V Manamel**
4. **Mr. Thomas John**

**Bank:** NatWest Bank

**Independent Examiner:** Mr Jaison Varghese Zachariah  
Vectra Management Consultancy  
Suite 4, 113A The Old Church  
Gloucester Road North  
Filton, Bristol, BS34 7PT

## 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

As a charity organisation we are keen to help our community in every possible way to achieve peace and happiness through the love of Jesus. We strictly follow the doctrines and principles of Apostolic Christianity.

We conduct outreach ministries, where we offer one to one prayer and support to anyone in need. Fundraising events to support the homeless and underprivileged in and around our town.

Counselling and Empowerment meetings for the youths in the community, to guide and direct them. We also support many churches and orphanages in India by sending clothes and by providing food and school essentials for school children.

Overall, our charity organisation helps us to advance the aura of Christian Religion in accordance with the Statement of faith, to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to advance education throughout the world as the trustees may see fit from time to time.

## Achievements & Performance

### WORSHIP

*Psalm 100:9 - Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.*

Bristol Pentecostal church worship services are held every Sunday at Kingsholm Church from 3pm-5pm. On the first Sunday of every month the Lord's table is held in remembrance of the suffering and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Malayalam service is led by Pr. Saji Samuel and in his absence associate Pr. Ajay Koshy John.

### INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

On every Wednesday and Saturday 7pm-9pm we gather as a congregation via zoom. We pray together for many different issues and requests. This includes those who are sick or unwell, different countries especially where there is no freedom of religion, for new people of all races to join, those who are persecuted for their faith, the UK in which we are living, relatives that have not yet come to the faith, also our local community and city of Bristol. We as a church have been able to see God's work through our prayers and I take this time to thank all of you who were involved in earnestly praying, participating, and leading this meeting.

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**FASTING PRAYER**

The first Saturday of every month we hold our fasting prayer in two sessions, one in the morning beginning at 10:30am to 12:30pm and one in the evening at 6pm to 8pm. On certain occasions we received word from visiting Pastors and pastors online via zoom.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*Proverbs 22:6- Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*

Children are God's gift to us and therefore we should educate them about what God has done for us and what the scripture says. Sunday School is arranged every Sunday at 2pm-3pm except the first Sunday of the month. There are a total of 16 children currently in the Sunday school split into 3 classes.

**SISTERS MEETING**

The Sisters of the Bristol Pentecostal Church hold their meeting on the third week of every month. They pray sincerely for many issues and requests that are placed in their hearts. This prayer is a pillar for our church, and we have seen God's work being fulfilled through them and their prayers. God bless you all for the effort you provide for fasting and prayer.

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Our bible study was held on October 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of 2022 through an online platform due to the situation. It was held over a 2-day period and the guest pastor was Pr. Jose Abraham (India). On the first day the bible study was from the book of Colossians (Ch.4:12) about being complete in the will of God. The second was about living in Christ, Romas (Ch.6:1-8). It was a blessed time as we got to once again strengthened our faith with the word.

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**Future Developments**

The church intends to continue to host its regular conferences in the UK and will continue to hold their regular Sunday services, their Sunday school for children aged from 3 to 16 years old, their youth and ladies' events and their outreach programmes. The charity is looking for a permanent place for the events. The charity will be focusing on church planting, starting mission oriented academic institution, charity events and upskilling events for youths and vulnerable residents in the community.

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## 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.

## Financial Review

The Gross Income of the Charity for the year is £19,386.00 and the resources expended are, £13,108.00. The opening cash balance was £20,317.00 and the available cash funds at the year-end is £26,595.00.

## Statutory Notes to the Accounts

### Particulars of Any Outstanding Guarantee Given by the CIO

The Charity did not receive any grants during the period and does not have any ongoing projects or contracts committed for the future. Therefore, there is no liability arising from any guarantees given by the CIO.

### Particulars of Any Outstanding Debt

The Charity does not have any outstanding debts.

## Statutory Notes to the Accounts

The charity is not recognised by HMRC for Gift Aid.

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature(s):

  
Saji Samuel (May 8, 2024 19:03 GMT+1)

  
Thomas V Manamel (May 8, 2024 17:53 GMT+1)

Full Name(s): Saji Samuel

Thomas V Manamel

Position(s): Chairperson

Trustee

Date: 08/05/24

08/05/24

**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**  
a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

for the period

07 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

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We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner:**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act), to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(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 41 of the 1993 Act; and to prepare accounts which record with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting records of the 1993 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.

Jaison Varghese Zachariah



Vectra Management Consultancy

Categories	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
<b>Receipts</b>				
Donation and gifts	3,691.04	-	-	3,691.04
Offering	6,613.37	-	-	6,613.37
Tithe	8,485.76	-	-	8,485.76
XYZ	-	-	-	-
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	18,790.17	-	-	18,790.17
Asset and investment sales				
Other	596.02	-	-	596.02
Sub total	596.02	-	-	596.02
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>19,386.19</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,386.19</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Rent	2,050.00	-	-	2,050.00
Refreshments	2,514.62	-	-	2,514.62
Software & IT	143.88	-	-	143.88
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	2,876.00	-	-	2,876.00
Events	583.66	-	-	583.66
Donations	4,290.76	-	-	4,290.76
Printing and stationery	61.44	-	-	61.44
Other Expenditure	287.33	-	-	287.33
Accountants fees	300.00	-	-	300.00
Sub total	13,107.69	-	-	13,107.69
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>13,107.69</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,107.69</b>


**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH****RECEIPT AND PAYMENT****BP**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2023


Net of receipts/(payments)	6,278.50	-	-	6,278.50
Cash funds last year end	20,316.92	-	-	20,316.92
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>26,595.42</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,595.42</b>

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds
<b>Cash funds</b>				
	Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	6,278.50	-	-
	<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>6,278.50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 08-May-2024 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Saji Samuel (May 9, 2024 06:18 GMT+1)  
Saji Samuel  
Chairperson

Date: 09/05/24

  
Thomas V Manamel (May 8, 2024 18:08 GMT+1)  
Thomas Varghese Manamel  
Trustee

Date: 08/05/24

## 1 Accounting Policies

### 1.1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

### 1.2 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of charitable properties and fixed asset investments and investment properties at valuation.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with “Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)” (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

### 1.3 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

## 2 Income from Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds 2023
Analysis	£	£	£	£
Donation and gifts	3,691.04	-	-	3,691.04
Offering	6,613.37	-	-	6,613.37
Tithe	8,485.76	-	-	8,485.76
	18,790.17	-	-	18,790.17

### 3 Other Income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds 2023
Analysis	£	£	£	£
Other	596.02	-	-	596.02
	596.02	-	-	596.02

### 4 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

Analysis	Total funds 2023
	£
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	2,876.00
Events	583.66
Donations	4,290.76
Printing and stationery	61.44
Support Costs	2,350.00
	10,161.86

### 5 Support Costs

Analysis	Total funds 2023
	£
<b>Governance Costs</b>	
Rent	2,050.00
Accountants fees	300.00
	<b>2,350.00</b>

## 6 Other Expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds 2023
Analysis	£	£	£	£
Refreshments	2,514.62	-	-	2,514.62
Software & IT	143.88	-	-	143.88
Other Expenditure	287.33	-	-	287.33
	2,945.83	-	-	2,945.83

## 7 Cash at bank and in hand

	Total funds 2023
	£
Bristol Pentecostal Church Community Account	6,278.50
	6,278.50

## 8 Charity funds

### 8.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and losses	Fund balances carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General Fund	20,316.92	19,717.21	(13,107.69)	-	-	26,926.44
<b>Total</b>	20,316.92	19,717.21	(13,107.69)	-	-	26,926.44

### 8.2 Transfers between funds

#### This Year

	Amount
	£
Between unrestricted and restricted funds	-
Between endowment and restricted funds	-
Between endowment and unrestricted funds	-

**BRISTOL PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 March 2023**