

NODDFA BAPTIST CHURCH
Our Valley, Our Community, Your Church
Church Rd, Abersychan, Torfaen NP4 7EF
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[Charity no 1199103](#)

Trustees Annual Report 2022

Aims and Purpose

Noddfa Baptist Church's aim and purpose is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through preaching and teaching the word of God. Our Paster Rev John Funnell is employed by the Church to enable us to fulfill this aim through pastoral care, evangelism and mission.

Objective and Activities

Noddfa Baptist Church provides a building where people are welcomed each week for Sunday services, prayer meeting, children's work, ladies and men's groups and local food share. We are open to the whole community and all are free to join us, we use social media to inform the local community. The commissions guidance on the public benefit and the specific advice for the advancement of religion has been considered when our activities are organized and planned. The objective of the church is also to support our members and visitors to enable them to live out their faith as part of the community in Abersychan and the surrounding area through

- Preaching the Gospel through the Word of God
- Worship
- Prayer Meeting
- Youth Work
- Mission Outreach
- Food Share

To enable all of these services to be provided it is essential that we maintain the church building and surrounding grounds.

Achievements and Performance

Preaching the Gospel

Each week on Sunday at 11 the Church meets; it is a service of worship and preaching and everyone is welcome to attend. The whole service is recorded and is available on line. During the service a Sunday School and Creche is held and afterwards a time of fellowship over a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit or cake. There are around 140 to 150 people attending this service from all walks of life and our aim as the bible says it to welcome all.

Sunday evening at 6 we hold another meeting again open to all but this tends to be smaller with around 20 people attending.

Monday Evening at 7 is our Ladies group called Bibles and Biscuits where they ladies study the word together and have a time of prayer. They all encourage one another having trips out together

Tuesday Morning, we have a toddlers group which is open to all – there are toys and activities for the babies and toddlers and the bible story is shared for them. There is tea and coffee for the adults and juice and snacks for the little ones

Wednesday Morning is our Prayer meeting which again is open to all – the Pastors gives a message then there is a corporate time of prayer – these services are recorded and shared on line.

Thursday Evening is the Men's meeting at 7 where the men led by the Pastor study the word and pray together.

Pastoral Care

The Pastor has been entirely responsible for the Pastoral Care of the members until very recently. We still have one but we have elders and deacons, who are able to support the Pastor in meeting the needs of a growing congregation.

Mission Outreach

In order for the church to fulfil its aims and purpose in spreading the gospel, our Pastor visits the local schools speaking at their assemblies and inviting them to visit our Church.

We run youth clubs on Friday evenings. Noddfa Juniors is just into its second year since the relaunch post-Covid and we now have around 40 or so 7 to 11 year old's who come to be taught the gospel and to have fun. Noddfa Youth restarted this September and we currently have around 12 young people who come and the numbers are growing. Many of the children of Church members come to Juniors and Youth but there are many for whom the Friday nights are their first taste of doing something in a church.

We leaflet the whole of our community several times a year to inform them of what is going on and this leads to many positive conversations on doorsteps and lets everyone know what we are doing and if they can benefit from it. We make it clear that all are welcome at our events.

One of our Elders is being sponsored on a church leadership course and this means that he is being trained to spread the Gospel.

Foodshare

The Foodshare was started in late 2019 in response to the observed need for parents, both working and not, to have help with feeding their children at lunchtimes. This was done entirely by Church members donating food for the families to collect. Very soon after this the pandemic struck with the accompanying lockdown which meant that many people were no longer able to have sufficient funds each week to pay for food because they were not able to earn. Therefore, we worked with local supermarkets to collect their surplus food and enable those in need to come to the church and collect the food or, if they were unable to come to us, the food was delivered to them by church volunteers.

We have progressed from there to being part of a local food network which supplies some of our needs and the rest we buy with money regularly donated by Church members and others.

Church Buildings

The Church Building does require improvements and we are working on these. The problems include the need to replace the old boiler, which has been condemned for safety reasons, and removing old woodwork and putting in new. We are currently applying for grant funding for this work from a number of different sources including Government and charities. This work will take several years to complete.

The Church Manse is located adjacent to the church and is occupied by the Pastor and his family

Church

The church is made up of Christians from all different walks of life and we are more diverse than many would expect in the South Wales valleys. The membership continues to grow and we currently have approximately 70 members with a congregation in excess of 120 adults plus children who regularly attend.

Financial Review

Total income for the Church was £89,081, £10,973 was specific grants to support our Pastor and to support one of our Elders in Leadership training. It was encouraging during the year that the members offering increased by almost 30% with the HMRC gift aid refund also showing an increase. The Church has also received support from other churches, grants from various bodies and individuals who are not member of the church.

The expenditure of the church of £64,251 which was used to support the ministry of the Church, the pastor's stipend, outreach of the church, the church running costs and donations.

There was a net surplus of £24,830 and it was decided that this would be set aside to provide support for a new musical ministry to the local schools and old people's homes

The Church has a total cash balance of £191k, this is made up of some individual funds which have been set up as recommended by previous report to cover works that may need to be done on the church building and the manse.

Volunteers

Noddfa Baptist Church would like to formally thank all of the volunteers who support the various ministries of the church, the youth work, the toddlers group, the food share, the leaflet posters, the gardeners, the tea and coffee makers, the cleaners and the many others tasks that are done that nobody realizes but are essential – like putting the bins out. They support all aspects of the work and ensure that our church is open and welcoming to the local community. We are grateful to God for the time that you give to ensure that the works of the church is able to carry on.

Structure, governance and management

Noddfa Baptist Church is an independent church and it is not part of any other religious organisation. The Church's constitution sets out the method and appointment details of our Church's rolls from Paster through to church members and this has been agreed by the church membership. The Annual General Meeting is held in the spring and the regular members meetings are held to discuss church business and make decisions on how the church is run, its various ministries and of course how the funds are spent. The Elders and Deacons also have regular meeting to discuss the ministries of the church and the Trustees meet regularly to fulfill their duties.

Administrative information

Noddfa Baptist Church is in Church Road, Abersychan, with the Manse also situated on site Noddfa Cottage

Pastor John Funnell is the church leader, he is supported by two church elders, two deacons and five trustees and numerous volunteers

Elders	- Mr. Jason Miller
	- Mr. Mark Gregory
Deacons	- Mr. Wayne Probert
	- Mr. Kevin Cooper
Trustees	- Mrs. Audrey Cullis
	- Mrs. Susan Davies (Treasurer)
	- Mrs. Liz Perez Powell
	- Miss Ellie Creighton
	- Mrs. Laura Robinson

NODDFA CHURCH

2022

Summary of Accounts

2021	RECEIPTS	2022
£		£
35,878.53	Offering	45,420.88
22,091.00	Donations	24,555.51
7,333.90	Tax Refunds	8,131.22
11,460.00	PB Grant/Welsh Leadership	10,973.36
76,763.43	Total Receipts	89,080.97
	PAYMENTS	
31,803.13	Employees	32,812.03
60.00	Other	150.00
29,853.24	Premise - Revenue	9,768.37
4,828.47	Donations	12,649.47
	Mission	1,600.00
1,189.17	Youth Work	1,655.25
3,708.85	Church Supplies	5,615.56
71,442.86	Total Payments	64,250.68
5,320.57	Receipts Less Payments	24,830.29

LIST OF ASSETS AS AT 31 DEC 2022

	£
Cash at Bank	148,960.11
Church Repair Fund	31,492.15
Manse Account	10,295.58
TOTAL	190,747.84

Valuations of Buildings & Contents as per insurance details

	£
Church	763,210.00
Manse	323,389.00

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2022
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

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PAYMENTS

Ministry			
30,236.67	Ministry	31,205.54	
60.00	Visiting Ministry	150.00	
1,566.46	Council Tax	1,606.49	
<u>31,863.13</u>	Sub Total		32,962.03
Premises			
2,577.44	Insurance	2,825.77	
1,931.94	Gas & Electric	3,375.46	
217.39	Welsh Water	253.14	
25,126.47	Cottage & Church Repairs & Maintenance	3,314.00	
<u>29,853.24</u>	Sub Total		9,768.37
Youth Work			
<u>1,189.17</u>	Friday Clubs & Toddlers	<u>1,655.25</u>	1,655.25
Donations			
804.00	UFM	804.00	
180.00	Tear Fund	180.00	
561.13	Food Bank	3,378.79	
3,283.34	Other	8,286.68	
<u>4,828.47</u>			12,649.47
	Mission	1,600.00	1,600.00

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2022
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

PAYMENTS (cont)

2021		2022	
	Church Supplies		
1,679.00	Outreach Materials	1,814.42	
442.03	Church Refreshments/Breakfast	174.55	
64.32	Church Envelopes	66.57	
60.00	Communion Wine	34.70	
1,463.50	Supplies & Stationary	3,525.32	
-	Depreciation	-	
<u>3,708.85</u>		<u>5,615.56</u>	
71,442.86	TOTAL PAYMENTS		64,250.68
5,320.57	RECEIPTS LESS PAYMENTS		24,830.29

Cash Brought Forward 2021	124,129.82	124,129.82
Add Net Receipts	24,830.29	
Cash at at 31st December 2022	148,960.11	

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

2021		2022	
£		£	
-	(Paid from Revenue)	-	
-	Capital Receipts	-	
6.71	Interest	132.57	
-	Depreciation	-	
<u>6.71</u>	NET CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	<u>132.57</u>	

Capital Account Movements 2022

CHURCH REPAIR FUND	
Balance B/F	31,418.19
Add net Capital gains	73.96
Balance as at 31st December 2022	31,492.15
MANSE ACCOUNT	
Balance B/F	10,236.97
Interest	58.61
Balance as at 31st December 2022	10,295.58

Noddfa Baptist Church 2022
Church Road, Abersychan

Charity No 1199103

Gift Aid HMRC Ref No XN32189

The Receipts and Payments account and Statement of assets relating to the accounting period to 31 December 2022 are attached.

Signed : Accountant SDavies

Mrs Susan Davies CPFA

Date 24th August 2023

12, The Moorings, Pontymoile, Pontypool NP4 5NB

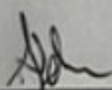
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER' S REPORT

for the period ended 31 December 2022

I have carried out an independent examination of the account and other records supplied by the accountant, including the bank statements.

This examination did not extend to a comprehensive audit of the account.

I confirm that, subject to the accuracy of the information supplied, the Receipts and Payments account together with the Statement of Assets reflect the church's activities for that period.

Signed:- 

Date:- 30/09/23

Name Neil Jenkins

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