

PRAYER GARDEN CHURCH
a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR END
31 MARCH 2025**

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Reference & Administration Details

Charity name:	PRAYER GARDEN CHURCH
Other names charity is known by:	PRAYER GARDEN (WORKING NAME)
Charity number:	1199216
Charity's operating address:	TRINITY COMMUNITY CENTRE EAST AVENUE LONDON, E12 6SG
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Names of the Charity Trustees Who Manage the Charity

- 1 Rev Varghese Thekkeparumbil Koshy
- 2 Pr. Shajan Kavunkal Thomas
- 3 Pr. Joshwa Oonnunny

Banks:

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Independent Examiner:

Mr Jaison Varghese Zachariah
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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

Objectives of the Charity

Prayer Garden Church is a charitable incorporated organisation, which abide by the principles and doctrines of the Apostolic church that are rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Our objective is to promote love, joy and peace in the society through promoting biblical values in the community. These are actioned through structured activities that benefit the general public and through helping the young people and children in the community.

Activities of the Charity

The objectives of the charity are fulfilled through regular Sunday church services and a wide range of community-focused activities. Weekly services include worship sessions that cater to both English and Malayalam-speaking communities, Bible teachings, and opportunities for individuals to share faith experiences and build meaningful connections.

To further strengthen our outreach to the wider community, we expanded our ongoing initiative of providing free food and clothing by launching a new program called “**The Giving Table.**” Through this initiative, we actively engage with the local community by distributing hot chocolate and coffee during the winter months, as well as seasonal clothing such as winter and summer wear depending on need. Additional essential items are also shared to support individuals and families facing hardship. Alongside this, care packages are regularly prepared and distributed to those who are less fortunate within the community.

On a weekly basis, the charity organizes community-centered initiatives designed to encourage social interaction, reduce isolation, and meet practical needs. These gatherings allow individuals to form social relationships, connect with new people, and feel supported in a welcoming environment.

The charity also runs a structured Sunday School program for children aged 3 to 17. Through these sessions, children are taught important social and life skills that support their education and personal development.

Creativity is strongly encouraged, with opportunities for children to explore and showcase their talents in music, arts, and performance. As part of this program, educational day trips are organized, including visits to museums such as the Natural Maritime Museum and more during the summer.

Young people within the community are supported through regular social meet-ups and online Zoom calls, providing safe spaces for discussion, encouragement, and relationship-building. Separate sessions are also held for women and men, focusing on prayer, sharing experiences, mutual counselling, and emotional and spiritual wellbeing. These meetings promote confidence, communication, and leadership skills among participants.

Established teams within the church, such as **Pilgrims (the music and worship team)** and the **Media and Production team**, provide members with opportunities to develop practical skills, explore creativity, and grow both individually and collectively while serving the wider community.

Throughout the year, the church organizes larger events including summer and winter camps held at various locations across the UK. These events offer opportunities for rest, reflection, and fellowship, contributing positively to mental health and overall wellbeing. Additional seasonal events such as Sports Days, Arts Days, recreational outings, and social gatherings are also held to promote relaxation and help reduce stress and daily burdens.

A **Winter Social** was organized and opened to the wider community, welcoming new attendees to experience performances such as dances, skits, and carol singing. This event helped introduce new individuals to the charity and encouraged greater community engagement.

Pastoral care and counselling services are available as required, with local pastors providing guidance and support to community members. Regular Zoom meetings are also conducted for ministers at different levels, both within and beyond the immediate community, to encourage learning, collaboration, and mutual support.

In addition to the main church services, the charity holds regular weekly gatherings and services in **Southend, Brighton, and Nottingham**, ensuring that the social and spiritual needs of people in these areas are met. The charity also continues to expand its community outreach efforts by partnering with other churches and organizations to deliver joint initiatives and programs that benefit the wider public.

Achievements and Performance:

The charity and its board members hold regular review and evaluation meetings to assess the effectiveness of all activities and initiatives. These meetings provide an opportunity to reflect on performance, identify areas for improvement, and implement changes where necessary. Continuous feedback and review ensure that the charity remains aligned with its objectives and is able to enhance its impact while effectively serving the community.

Future Developments:

The church intends to continue with the current activities and also plans to introduce new activities like opening more branches and introducing more social activities like street pastoring etc.

Financial Review

The Gross Income of the Charity for the year is £121,130.08 and the resources expended are £75,759.88.

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.

Other Optional Information

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):



VARGHESE THEKKEPARUMBIL KOSHY (Jan 31, 2026 16:19:38 GMT)



Shajan Kavunkal Thomas (Jan 31, 2026 15:22:33 GMT)

Full Name(s):

Rev Varghese
Thekkeparumbil Koshy

Pr. Shajan Kavunkal
Thomas

Position(s):

Chairperson

Trustee

Date:

31/03/2026

31/03/2026

We report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of 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 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 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
Date: 26/ 01/2026

PRAYER GARDEN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Categories	Unrestricted funds	Total funds	Last year
Receipts			
Donation and gifts	11,932.38	11,932.38	12,200.00
Offering	25,962.35	25,962.35	23,089.79
Other	3,548.04	3,548.04	810.47
Tithe	79,687.31	79,687.31	86,255.61
Sub total	121,130.08	121,130.08	122,355.87
Total receipts	121,130.08	121,130.08	122,355.87
Payments			
Refreshments	3,670.50	3,670.50	1,204.00
Software & IT	1,249.87	1,249.87	740.00
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	4,600.00	4,600.00	3,150.00
Events / Conferences	8,379.00	8,379.00	7,840.00
Travel Expense	250.00	250.00	2,500.00
Depreciation Charge for the Year - Plant & Machinery	610.00	610.00	-
Bank charges	59.80	59.80	-
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	24,360.67	24,360.67	27,592.64
Charity management & administration	-	-	65.60
Cost of services	826.00	826.00	387.91
Equipment	854.04	854.04	4,967.47
Allowance to Church Minister	30,900.00	30,900.00	41,000.00
Sub total	75,759.88	75,759.88	89,447.62

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Asset and investment purchases				
Plant & Machinery - Additions - Cost	-	-		3,052.05
Sub total	-	-		3,052.05
Total Payments				
		75,759.88	75,759.88	92,499.67
Net of receipts/(payments)	45,370.20	45,370.20		29,856.20
Cash funds last year end	181,378.85	181,378.85		151,522.65
Cash funds this year end				
		226,749.05	226,749.05	181,378.85


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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds
Cash funds			
	Barclays - 83857816	133,374.76.	-
	Barclays - 43145409	10,162.15	-
	Barclays - 93331792	3,348.80	-
	Barclays - 33622479	31,779.32	-
	HSBC - 52164191	48,694.02	-
	Total Cash Funds	227,359.05	-

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 31-Jan-2026 and signed on its behalf by:



VARGHESE THEKKEPARUMBIL KOSHY (Jan 31, 2026 16:19:38 GMT)
Rev Varghese Thekkeparumbil Koshy
Chairperson



Shajan Kavunkal Thomas (Jan 31, 2026 15:22:33 GMT)
Pr. Shajan Kavungal Thomas
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

Analysis	Unrestricted funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Donation and gifts	11,932.38	11,932.38	12,200.00
Offering	25,962.35	25,962.35	23,089.79
Other	3,548.04	3,548.04	810.47
Tithe	79,687.31	79,687.31	86,255.61
Total	121,130.08	121,130.08	122,355.87

3. Expenditure on Raising Funds

Analysis	Unrestricted funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	24,360.67	24,360.67	27,592.64
	24,360.67	24,360.67	27,592.64

4. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Honorarium to Guest Pastors	4,600.00	4,600.00	3,150.00
Events / Conferences	8,379.00	8,379.00	7,840.00
Bank charges	59.80	59.80	-
Charity management & administration	-	-	65.60
Cost of services	826.00	826.00	387.91
Allowance to Church Minister	30,900.00	30,900.00	41,000.00
	44,764.80	44,764.80	52,443.51

5. Support Costs

Analysis	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£
Support Costs		
Software & IT	1,249.87	740.00
Travel Expense	250.00	2,500.00
Equipment	854.04	4,967.47
	2,353.91	8,207.47

6. Other Expenditure

Analysis	Unrestricted funds	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Refreshments	3,670.50	3,670.50	1,204.00
Depreciation Charge for the Year - Plant & Machinery	610.00	610.00	-
Total	4,280.50	4,280.50	1,204.00

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Plant & Machinery
	£
7.1 Cost or valuation	
At 01 April 2024	3,052.05
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Revaluations	-
Transfers	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>3,052.05</u>
7.2 Depreciation and impairments	
At 01 April 2024	-
Charge for the year	610.00
Disposals	-
Revaluations	-
Transfers	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>610.00</u>
7.3 Net book value	
At 01 April 2024	<u>3,052.05</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>2,442.05</u>

8. Cash at bank and in hand

	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£
Barclays - 83857816	133,374.76	113,600.49
Barclays - 43145409	10,162.15	11,241.81
Barclays - 93331792	3,348.80	1,746.98
Barclays - 33622479	31,779.32	20,330.40
HSBC - 52164191	48,694.02	34,459.17

Total	227,359.05	181,378.85
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9. Charity funds

9.1 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 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	184,430.90	121,130.08	75,759.88	-	-	229,801.10

9.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	151,522.65	122,355.87	89,447.62	-	-	184,430.90