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Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton CIO

**Trustees Report and Accounts
for the year ended**

31 March 2023

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References and administrative information

Trustees

Minister Melva Fraser (Chair)
Isabel Richards-trustee
Nadia Darmanie-trustee
Dr Audley Fraser-trustee
Elder David Collins- trustee

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Trustees Report

Introduction

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton was incorporated as a charitable Incorporated organisation on 20 July 2022.

This decision was driven primarily by the desire to take advantage of the separate legal personality and limited legal liability for Trustees.

Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton is an Independent Member of the Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic) UK and Europe, family of Churches, which pursues similar aims and signposts local beneficiaries to our services.

Aims and purposes

Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton has the responsibility of promoting the Oneness Apostolic Faith, primarily but not exclusively within Southampton and the surrounding area, evangelism, Outreach, social and community.

Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton worship services are through scriptures, preaching, teaching, prayer, singing and music.

Objectives and Activities

Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton is committed to ensuring that as many people as possible come to worship at the church and to become part of the community of Southampton and the surrounding area.

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Achievements and Performances

Being an integral part of the ecclesiastical district 7 of Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic UK and Europe and in particular Bethel UK, we organise weekly services for the church members and guests for prayers, Bible study and worship. These services are also open to the general public. We have a Sunday service every week as the main evangelical service and also a prayer and Bible study meeting on Friday nights which is held on zoom.

Additionally, we made some achievements in line with our 2022/23 annual plans as follows: we celebrated Christmas 2022 with a Christmas carol service which was well attended by members of the community and other district churches followed by a fellowship meal. We also had an Easter service in 2023 with all our church members.

We also support members' children in Education with weekly Sunday school classes on Sunday Mornings.

We fellowship with other churches in our ecclesiastical district, other ecclesiastical districts and other denomination churches and local organisations. We have a steady stream of visitors to the church, 3 of whom would like to get baptised and will do later in the year.

Future Plans

The Trustees plan to continue to promote the Oneness Apostolic Faith by involvement in the local community and beyond as set out in the objectives. We also plan to have an outreach meeting in 2024.

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Statement of Trustees` responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2005;
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to do so.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

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Structure, Governance And Management

The Church is governed by an Approved Governing Document. Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Constitution which requires them to be or to have been publicly baptised on the profession of faith in Jesus Christ and following a mode of baptism as per Acts 2v38.

A trustee meeting takes place throughout the year and has responsibility for the overall policy of the church. In accordance with the Constitution, the trustees, who together with the Pastor, Church Secretary and Treasurer, are responsible for the day to day running of the church's work, and the financial and legal aspects of the charity. All trustees are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and practical tasks involved in the furtherance of the charitable objective.

Relevant matters may be submitted to the General Congregational Church meeting by the Trustees for guidance or may be raised by members in General Congregational Church meeting for further consideration by the Trustees.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on the provision of public benefit and they confirm that public benefit has been provided By:-

- Providing regular public worship open to all
- Providing sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
- Conducting pastoral work including visiting the sick and the bereaved
- Teaching Christianity through sermons and Bible studies.
- Promoting the whole mission of the church through activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and other special needs groups

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Financial Review

The results for the CIO's first period were in line with the trustees' expectations, with income from Donations and Offering, unrestricted funds, for the period of £8,035 and are detailed in the financial statements.

Total expenditure in the period was £2,687 was spent to provide the Christian ministry.

The net result for the year was a surplus of £5,348 and adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward at 31 March 2023 for unrestricted funds totalled £44,125.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees review the policy on reserves and set targets at least once per annum with reference to the guidance and terminology published by the Charity Commission. The policy is also reviewed, when warranted by changes in risk assessment or business plans. The review includes unrestricted and, designated funds and tangible fixed assets. Transfer to and from funds are authorised by the Trustees acting as a whole.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major risks which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

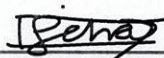
Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Minister Melva Fraser-Chair



Melva Fraser (Jan 21, 2024 15:04 GMT)

Isabel Richards-Trustee



Isabel Richards (Jan 26, 2024 11:29 GMT)

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Independent examiner's report to Bethel Apostolic Church Southampton CIO

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 9 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of the Committee and the examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

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

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Statement of Financial Activities

		20th July 2022 to 2023	
	Notes	Unrestricted Fund	Total Funds
		2023	2023
		£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donation and legacies	2	8,035	8,035
Investment income	3	-	-
Total		8,035	8,035
EXPENDED ON		-	-
Charitable activities	4	1,595	1,595
Administrative expenses	5	1092	1092
Total		2,687	2,687
NET INCOME		5,348	5,348
RECONCILLIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		38,777	38,777
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			
		38,578	38,578
		44,125	44,125

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

		2023	2023
	Notes	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Fixtures & Fittings Equipment			-
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank		44,525	
Current Liabilities			
Amount falling due within one year	8	400	
Net current assets			44,125
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			44,125
Creditors: amount falling due after one year			
Total Net Assets			44,125
Funds of the charity			
Total Unrestricted Funds			44,125

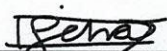
The notes on pages 11 to 14 form part of these financial statements

Accounts approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Melva Fraser (Jan 21, 2024 15:04 GMT)

Minister Melva Fraser-Chair



Isabel Richards (Jan 26, 2024 11:29 GMT)

Isabel Richards-Trustee

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Notes to the financial statements for the period 20th July 2022 to 31 March 2023

1 Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention

b) Income and Expenditure

All income and expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis.

c) Fund Accounting

The unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

There are no restricted funds held by the Charity

d) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & Equipment 25% straight line

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2 **Donation and Legacies**

	20 July 2022 to 2023	20 July 2022 to 2023
	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Donations & Offering	8,035	8,035
Gift Aid		
Total	8,035	8,035

3. **Investment Income**

	20 July 2022 to 2023	20 July 2022 to 2023
	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Interest Received	-	-
Total	-	-

4. **Charitable Activities cost**

	20 July 2022 to 2023
	£
Mission & Ministry Cost	670
Outreach and Evangelism	475
Ecclesiastical Support Cost [Contribution towards the responsibilities of the National Church]	450
Stipend	-
Total	1,595

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5. Administrative Expenses

	20 July 2022 to 2023
	£
Administrative expenses	-
Communication	72
Charity Consultancy Fees	400
Room Hire	220
Governance costs	400
Total Administrative expenses	1,092

6. Trustees Remuneration and Benefits

There was no trustee's remuneration or benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023

Trustees' expenses

There was no trustee's expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023.

7. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Fixtures, fittings & Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
20 July 2022	-	-
Additions		
Surplus on revaluation		
Disposal		
At 31 March 2023	-	-
Depreciation		
At 20 July 2022	-	-
Charge for the year		
On disposals		
At 31 March 2023	-	-
Net book value		
At 31 March 2023	-	-

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8. Creditors

	2023
	£
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	400
	400

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	20 July 2022 to 2023
	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	
Donation and Legacies	
Donation and offering	8,035
Sub-Total	8,035
Total Incoming resources	8,035
EXPENDITURE	
Charitable Activities	
Mission & Ministry Cost	670
Outreach and Evangelism	475
Ecclesiastical Support Cost [Contribution towards the responsibilities of the National Church]	450
Stipend	-
Sub-Total Charitable Activities	1,595
Administration Expenses	
Administrative expenses	-
Communication	72
Charity Consultancy Fees	400
Room Hire	220
Miscellaneous Expenses	
Sub-Total Administration expenses	692
Support Cost	
Governance costs	
Independent Examiner fee	400
DBS	-
Sub-Total Support Cost	400
Total resources expended	2,687
Net Income	5,348

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