The Angel Church

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31 December 2025

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THE ANGEL CHURCH

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	Zion Hall 7 Arlington Way Angel, Islington EC1R 1XA
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution dated May 2020
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1200155
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Regan King Thomas Nielsen Colin Mayhew
BANKERS	CAF Bank
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Nicola Harrison CA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution, and is constituted as charitable incorporated organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are:

a) to advance the Christian faith in the UK and elsewhere in accordance with Baptist principles, and
b) such other charitable objects as the trustees may from time to time determine.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

The life of a church in an urban context is always full of transitions and change. I often think of it as similar to a cellular organism. The core nucleus remains the same and intact while the outer layer - the membrane is regularly turning over and changing for the good and ongoing health of the cell. We have known and experienced a measure of this at The Angel Church. It can, frankly, be difficult both personally and pastorally and there is much behind the scenes that many will not be aware of which does not and in some cases cannot always be shared.

People join particular churches with varying motives. Some join with an expressed desire to serve, but they only truly see the church as a stepping stone to some form of recognition or status - this is why submission and reliability - faithfulness in training processes - is of utmost and critical importance. In leadership, Godliness must always be favoured over giftedness. Others join with a consumer mentality. “What can the church do for me?” is a question that I find is often prioritised over “What does Christ call me to do in the church and for His kingdom?” Many want deliverance without discipleship, community without covenant, experience without involvement, and fellowship without faithfulness. Put simply, some come to church to have a good time or to help them get out of a bad situation. Pastorally and congregationally, you can walk down a road with people of deep involvement and intimacy only to be discarded once your purpose of providing what was wanted has been served or not. It is part of an ideologically consumeristic and materialistic society. This is of course on the negative side and yet the pain of it actually helps the church to be healthier. There is also positive transition and change. Individuals may move to different areas or Bible believing churches closer to where they are so they can deepen involvement and service. Anything pursued for God’s glory, the good of others, and growth in the kingdom must always be seen as a good thing. I am thankful that in the vast majority of cases of people we have seen profess faith in recent years, there is ongoing meaningful connection in Christian community somewhere. I haven’t always liked or agreed with how this was gone about, but the Kingdom is much bigger than us and as God used the separation of Paul and Barnabas, he can continue to do the same wherever we are and go. 2025, I feel, saw a little more of this “cellular regeneration” and I am confident it will lead to greater health.

One of the greatest challenges of 2025 was the stretching within our team. James became almost exclusively focused on outreach and ministry in seeking to plant a church among North Korean refugees. This has been fraught with challenge, but James has pressed on and we hosted a baptism of two new brothers linked to James’ work. I regularly went out to Braintree, at least twice a week for much of the year. While we had hoped to have reliable, local pastoral input by this time, it sadly didn’t materialise as hoped. This was a strain personally, financially, and presented challenges to church dynamics. It was encouraging in 2025, particularly to see Mehrdad grow and develop in his own gifting and exercise of it and he and his wife Jess have been of great support. Additionally, in recognition of consistent service over many years, I was granted a sabbatical by the church which happily coincided with the weeks following our third child, Shoshana’s, birth. We were grateful for the opportunity to rest, reflect, and serve alongside other family and friends in Israel over the Summer. In this time, Samson and Keith helped oversee particular elements of the work in Angel and our plant in Braintree.

While both times saw many blessings, they were also very real stretching exercises for Samson and Keith in their own ministry training. Unfortunately, the sabbatical was somewhat disrupted by a very difficult and tragic pastoral situation that arose and was revealed in Braintree. Even as God was growing the work there, Satan was seeking to disrupt and the months that followed did not get easier. I reminded the congregation of God's wrath and how it can be seen in very shocking ways and reminded of the importance of relying on God's mercy and sanctifying grace in how we observe and partake in Christian ordinances. We are called to freedom and should not be perpetually and cyclically going through the same mess and dramas of sin!

Our outreach continued unabated with various groups once more serving alongside for a day here and there. Hundreds of Bibles and other items of Christian literature given out. Our digital outreach as well saw some people find the church through strategically used Google and Facebook adverts and God used our local presence to introduce others to us and see them come to newness of life - including 2 from Braintree and 2 connected to James Rhee we saw 19 professions of faith through baptism in The Angel Church. We also were able to host other churches in their baptisms, and a highlight was our joint service with a revitalised Hope Community Church (West End) whom I served as an evangelist with alongside The Angel Church in 2013.

Internationally, we continued in our support prayerfully and practically of projects in India, Uganda, and Zambia and Regan also pastorally represented The Angel Church as the lead Chaplain at the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem's annual Feast of Tabernacles event. Our heart for discipleship among those of Islamic background also was seen in hosting a multi-day conference featuring a range of gifted and godly apologists and pastors in the field. We are hosting this again in 2026. Our heart to reach our Jewish community endures, all the more in a season of grotesque and open antisemitism on our streets - deeply affecting people in our congregation. With this in mind we also hosted Stephen and Deborah Pacht of WEC in the Spring, held a special event broadcast by Revelation TV - "Rachel Weeping" in which we welcomed hostage family members - in the Summer, and then in the Winter, International Mission to Jewish People (formerly CWI) which has its roots in ministry from our building almost 200 years ago! The final day of this event was very poignant as it came at the beginning of Hannukah and news broke before our prayer meeting of the tragic terror attack on the Menorah lighting on Bondi Beach in Australia. We have been encouraged to see some non-Christian Jewish friends attend meetings and even services in the past year.

Regular preaching and teaching ministry continued with highlights being series' through Daniel and 1 and 2 Thessalonians equipping us to focus as God's people on His call in our lives. Most messages, Regan has been able to repackage and present on behalf of the church for Revelation TV and these are accessible on our YouTube playlists.

We are nothing without the strength God gives. 2025 at times felt quite gruelling. But a look back has proven very healthy. Satan attacks when God is doing things in and through His people. We have known challenges, but God is the one who blesses and keeps!

Our prayer, as we press on: "Father in Heaven, this is your church, we are your people, help us to honour you in it. Strengthen us and grow us in your Spirit, and may we know the power of Christ day by day. In Jesus' name"

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

During the year income decreased by £7,201 to £122,850 and expenditure increased by £14,151 to £141,183. At the year end cash at bank had decreased by £18,333 to £71,245, of which £71,045 was unrestricted and could be used for any charitable purpose.

James ended his 6-month contract, as a church evangelist with the last payslip being paid in January 2025. James' continues his work in London leading a Korean fellowship outside The Angel Church oversight.

The Angel Church will continue to cover the deficits for the Foodbank and Braintree, with
Braintree oversight anticipated to be handed over to Grace Baptist Church Wood Green by end of Q2 2026 with any 2026 Braintree specific net contribution (after expenses) being transferred.

Reserves policy

The charity does not currently have a formal reserves policy, but monitor cash levels closely and will consider and adopt such a policy in the near future. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £71,045 and the trustees consider it able to meet its ongoing commitments and expenses as they become due and meet the forecast 2026 deficit.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the members, by a majority vote.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Thomas Jensby Nielsen

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THOMAS JENSBY NIELSEN

Date: Sep 10, 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

THE ANGEL CHURCH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Angel Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2025 on pages 6 to 8 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Nicola Harrison
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Date: Sep 10, 2026

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 £	2024 £
Income receipts					
Donations		99,644	5,799	105,443	86,286
Gift Aid receipts		12,669	725	13,394	10,146
Bank interest		1,513	-	1,513	1,936
Grant income		-	2,500	2,500	31,683
Total receipts		113,826	9,024	122,850	130,051
Payments					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	120,181	10,145	130,326	116,893
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others		6,732	4,125	10,857	10,140
Total payments		126,913	14,270	141,183	127,033
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(13,087)	(5,246)	(18,333)	3,019
Transfers between funds	5	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(13,087)	(5,246)	(18,333)	3,019
Cash funds as at last year end		84,132	5,446	89,578	86,560
Cash funds at this year end	A	71,045	200	71,245	89,578

The notes on page 8 form part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	General funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 £	2024 £
A Cash funds					
Cash at bank with immediate access		71,045	200	71,245	89,578
		71,045	**200**	**71,245**	**89,578**
B Other monetary assets					
Gift aid due to charity		1,085	-	1,085	2,024
		1,085	**-**	**1,085**	**2,024**
C Liabilities					
Other creditors		-	-	-	7,080
HMRC for employment tax and NIC		-	-	-	6,045
Independent Examination Fee		1,290	-	1,290	1,260
		1,290	**-**	**1,290**	**14,385**

D Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf

by Thomas Jensby Nielsen date Sep 10, 2026

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly

	Unrestricted Funds			
	General funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Employment costs	56,701	5,446	62,147	70,017
Light, heat & water	23,430	-	23,430	8,363
Office costs	2,053	-	2,053	1,819
Insurance	2,640	-	2,640	1,928
Foodbank Expenses	8,567	-	8,567	8,449
Buildings maintenance and improvements	10,644	-	10,644	21,125
Professional costs and governance	1,260	-	1,260	1,200
Gifts	2,750	-	2,750	350
Outreach	4,549	-	4,549	2,877
Other costs The Angel	690	-	690	646
Other costs Braintree	6,897	4,699	11,596	118
	120,181	10,145	130,326	116,892

3 Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others

Grants for:				
Local and overseas mission				
PZ Zambia	1,200	-	1,200	2,500
KTTGM Mission (Zambia)	1,818	-	1,818	-
RM Russell Mission Indian Church	-	-	-	3,000
Grace Baptist Charities AGBC-SE	1,140	-	1,140	1,140
Grace Baptist Partnership	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Uganda Mission	-	3,125	3,125	-
Grants under £1000	574	1,000	1,574	1,500
	6,732	4,125	10,857	10,140

4 Transactions with related parties

Regan King served as church leader and was paid £36,750 plus £2,205 pension (2024: £36,750 plus £2,205 pension) for serving in that capacity, not for serving as trustee; this is permitted by the charity's governing document.

5 Movement of funds

	Balance at 1 Jan 2025	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	84,132	113,826	(126,913)	-	71,045
Restricted funds					
Employment Support from CMC	5,446	-	(5,446)	-	-
Braintree Village Church	-	4,699	(4,699)	-	-
Uganda Mission	-	3,125	(3,125)	-	-
India Mission	-	500	(500)	-	-
WEC - Stephen Pacht	-	500	(500)	-	-
Gift for staff	-	200	-	-	200
	5,446	9,024	(14,270)	-	200
Total funds	89,578	122,850	(141,183)	-	71,245

The employment support fund is for a church evangelist who worked in the church on a 6-month contract. Their employment is fully funded by CMC – Central Missionary Clearinghouse, Texas, US. The final payment was made in January 2025.

Braintree Village Church fund is a new church planting initiative overseen by The Angel Church. The aim is that Braintree during 2025 or 2026 will constitute as an independent church.

The gift to staff was given at Christmas by a church member and will be paid over via payroll in the next period.