

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1200257

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-09-02

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

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Activities

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£144,516	£44,063	-	-
2024-12-31	£157,232	£80,419	-	-
2023-12-31	£84,870	£85,689	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Julie Elizabeth Dawkins	Chair	2025-09-01
DAVID KEITH SEWELL		2022-07-03
JOHN PHILIP DAWKINS		2022-07-03
JONATHAN MARK BROWNETT		2022-07-03
Jacqueline Arnold		2024-04-14
KAYE NANCY COOKE		2022-07-03
Katherine Sian Roberts		2025-04-27
Keith Malcolm Newport		2023-04-20
Ruth Joy Fuller		2022-07-03
Victoria Anne Harper		2024-04-14

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CHARITY INFORMATION

LEGAL STATUS

Clarence Park Baptist Church was formed in June 1900 and established at the present site in Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare by a Deed of Trust dated 25 July 1904. The Church is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under reference number 1200257.

CHURCH ADDRESS

Clarence Park Baptist Church
Walliscote Road
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CHARITY TRUSTEES

The governance of the Church is in accordance with the Church Constitution dated 03 July 2022 which is based on the Approved Governing Document agreed between the Charity Commission and the Baptist Union of Great Britain.

The Church is administered by the Minister and Deacons who are the Charity Trustees. During 2024 these were:

Secretary and Chair of Trustees Julie Dawkins
Treasurer Ruth Fuller

Deacons Jonathan Brownett
Elisabeth Speakman (until April 27th 2025)
Kaye Cooke
John Dawkins
Keith Newport
David Sewell
Susannah Weeks (until April 27th 2025)
Tori Harper
Jacky Arnold
Katherine (Sian) Roberts (from April 27th 2025)

The Secretary and Treasurer are elected annually with no limit to the number of terms they may serve. Deacons are elected for a term of three years and may offer themselves for re-election at the end of the term with no limitation on the number of terms they may serve. No Deacon receives payment other than the reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

PROPERTY TRUSTEES

The West of England Baptist Trust Company (West) Limited, Little Stoke Baptist Church, Kingsway, Bristol BS34 6JW are the holding Trustees of the following properties -

1. Church and Hall at Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1ED
2. Manse at 137 Totterdown Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 4LW

No professional valuation of these properties has been made in recent years and the values shown in the Accounts are the current insured values.

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Clive Bennett, 14 High Street, Banwell, Somerset BS29 6AE.

CONNECTED CHARITIES

The Church is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the West of England Baptist Association (Webnet) both of which are registered charities. The Church receives no grant funding from either of these bodies.

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OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The principal object of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service, and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

The Church vision is: 'We seek to bring people to Jesus and together grow in our relationship with God and each other as we serve the community.' We do this under the strap line **WORSHIP God, GROW Together, SERVE Others**.

During 2025, the church has still been without a Minister so the Trustees have continued to ensure the work of the Church has been able to continue, including the holding of regular Sunday services and the provision of pastoral care. In consultation with the West of England Baptist Network (Webnet) Regional Ministers, the process was continued to discern the way forward for the Church and to consider the appointment of a new Minister.

To achieve its objective the Church provides a variety of activities both to its members and to the community generally aiming to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord.

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship each Sunday, normally at 10.30am. The services are live-streamed on YouTube for those who are unable to attend in person or wish to watch on demand later in the week. There are occasional services at other times which are advertised at the services, in the weekly bulletins, on Facebook groups and on the Church website www.cpbpc.co.uk There is a Sunday club programme, usually on the first and third Sunday of the month, for children; the services on the other weeks of the month are aimed for an all age congregation. The Church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community, and anybody is free to attend any of these services.

The Church runs a series of **House Groups** for the growth of faith and discipleship in the homes of some members. Details of these can be obtained from the Trustees on request, or at the Sunday services of worship.

The Church is responsible for a **Toddler Group** which meets on the Church premises on Thursdays, with the purpose of assisting the community and demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ. Also, on a Thursday, the Church holds a **Community Coffee Morning** open for anyone to attend where free tea and coffee is served, and people are welcome to come and chat and find help if needed.

There are also groups open for the community to attend which are both social but also Christian in nature. **Time Out** and **The Ladies Friendship Group** for women; a **Men's Group**; a **Craft Group**; a **Community Choir (Caprione)**; and a **Hand Chimes Group (the Clangers)**. A **Meet and Mix Group** arrange various activities for all but with a particular focus for those having special needs.

Our building is used regularly by a **Narcotics Support Group** and **The Mount Church**, an Indian speaking congregation who are part of a church in Bristol. The latter group shares with us in our Christmas community event, **Carols around the Tree**, and have used our baptistry for services of believers' baptism.

The Deacons have continued to meet with the Church leaderships from Milton Baptist, Worle Baptist, and Bristol Road Baptist Churches to explore how we can better work together for mission within our town and build on the projects that are already being held. A Charitable Incorporated Organisation has been set up to enable this. One combined activity has been providing a safe space for the community to experience 'peace' in the form of a **Renew Centre**.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship, encouragement and influence in people's lives. The Trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure but believe that 2025 was a positive year in the life of the Church and that it will be able to pursue its mission purposes in 2026.

The Church is very fortunate in having people who are willing to give their time and talents to support its life and work. Whether it be leading study groups, setting up and packing away for services and meetings, staffing the office, providing refreshments, making music, supplying flowers, welcoming people into the premises, cleaning or many of the other tasks done quietly day by day. This is truly appreciated, and the Church wishes to record its thanks to all our members and friends for their support.

MEMBERSHIP

Members at 01 January 2025		96
Additions		3
		99
Deletions	Death	5
	Transfer/resignation	15
		20
Members at 31 December 2024		79

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Church continues to raise the funds needed to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal for funds was made during the year.

Until 31 August 2024 the most significant expense of the Church had been our responsibility for the stipend and housing costs of our Minister, Revd Steve Christian. Following his resignation the manse was not needed for a Minister and he and his family have been renting the premises whilst they look for suitable alternative accommodation and have assumed responsibility for all other expenses relating to the manse.

Financially the Church offerings have been below our expected income but the balance in our reserves has enabled us to continue to operate all our activities. The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves, together with ongoing anticipated income, to enable the Church to function effectively in the coming year.

In terms of building maintenance, the necessary repairs and maintenance have been undertaken to keep the buildings in good condition.

The Church has continued to maintain its membership with the wider Baptist family through the Baptist Union, the West of England Baptist Association (Webnet); representatives of the Church have attended their meetings. During 2025 the Church supported Baptist mission work through donations to Baptist Union Home Mission and BMS World Mission. In addition, the Church has supported work in the local community such as Foodbank, Christians Against Poverty and elsewhere by responding to requests from national mission partners to help with disaster and poverty relief.

The Church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public. All meetings are open to the community at large.

DESCRIPTION OF FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED FUND

General Fund Working fund to meet general running expenses.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Agape Fund Confidential fund for meeting needs within the fellowship and the community.

Legacy Fund Holding fund for legacies pending final disbursement.

Fabric Fund General maintenance and repair to the Church premises.

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Manse Fund	General maintenance and repair to the manse.
Equipment Fund	Upkeep, upgrade and replacement of audio, visual and office equipment.
Youth Fund	For youth work.
RESTRICTED FUNDS	
Training Fund	Income from the invested capital may only be used for training purposes.
Agency Funds	The Church receives and distributes money for other registered charities, including Baptist Union Home Mission, BMS World Mission, Baptist World Aid, Operation Agri and Spurgeons Childcare. Individual funds are maintained for each charity to ensure that these amounts are separated from normal Church funds. By this means the Church can claim and pass on to those charities any tax rebates received under Gift Aid.

CHURCH GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

The various groups and organisations associated with the Church are listed with details of money they have received and paid. All money received and paid out by the groups and organisations has been included in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

RISK ASSESSMENT AND SAFEGUARDING

The Deacons, as Charity Trustees, are engaged in an on-going programme of risk assessment, including health and safety issues, relating to the Church buildings and the Church activities.

The Church operates systems to ensure that all people working with children and adults at risk are appropriately vetted through the Disclosure and Barring Service and receive Baptist Union of Great Britain Excellence in Safeguarding training relevant to their role.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practices.

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income, 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 then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2023 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUTHORISATION

The Annual Report and the accompanying Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 were approved by the Deacons on 1 April 2026 and we are authorised to sign the Report on their behalf.



Julie Dawkins
Church Secretary/Trustee
1 April 2026



Ruth Fuller
Church Treasurer/Trustee
1 April 2026

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Clarence Park Baptist Church report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clarence Park Baptist Church for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 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 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:

accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or the accounts do not accord with those records; or the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Clive Bennett

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Clive Bennett', written in a cursive style across the page.

3rd March 2026

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2025

	2025	2024
Monetary Assets		
CAF Bank Cheque Account	6,726	54,938
CAF Income Bond	0	0
Baptist Union - 6 Month Deposit A/C	127,741	0
Baptist Union - 3 Months Deposit A/C	106,644	103,481
Baptist Union - 7 Day Deposit Account	13,032	12,899
CAF new CIO Account	47,416	29,799
Petty Cash	41	30
 Total	 301,600	 201,147
Represented by		
Unrestricted General Funds	59,144	21,898
Designed Funds	230,637	166,446
Restricted Funds	7,953	7,953
Agency Restricted Funds	3,866	4,850
 Total	 301,600	 201,147
Other Items		
Gift Aid Tax Rebates Due	2,367	1,954
Funds held by Church Organisations (18)	5,301	5,273
 TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS	 309,268	 208,374
Fixed Assets (Insured Values)		
Church Building & Organ	9,592,301	9,049,340
Furniture & Fittings, Instruments Etc	268,161	201,675
Manse	427,939	403,716
 Total Fixed Assets	 10,288,401	 9,654,731

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS for Year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
Income							
Donations & Legacies	2	65,233	56,419	-	2,561	124,213	144,180
Investment	3	9,582	5,036	-	-	14,618	8,801
Charitable activities	4	5,685	-	-	-	5,685	4,251
Total Income		80,500	61,455	-	2,561	144,516	157,232
Expenditure							
Ministry	5	(681)	0	0	0	(681)	34,854
Mission	6	6,853	1,818	-	3,545	12,216	10,945
Community	7	2,500	-	-	-	2,500	2,682
Church Premises	8	15,495	2,874	-	-	18,369	19,321
Manse	9	560	292	-	-	852	3,127
Fellowship	10	5,543	-	-	-	5,543	5,440
Worship	11	4,574	-	-	-	4,574	3,848
Leadership	12	690	-	-	-	690	202
Total Expenditure		35,534	4,984	-	3,545	44,063	80,419
Net income / (Expenditure)		44,966	56,471	0	(984)	100,453	76,813
Funds Transfer		(7,720)	7,720			0	0
Total Funds Brought Forward		21,898	166,446	7,953	4,850	201,147	124,334
Total Funds Carried Forward		59,144	230,637	7,953	3,866	301,600	201,147

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for Year ended 31 December 2025

1 Basis of Accounts - General Fund

These Accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis and accord with Section 132 of the Charities Act 2011

2 Donations & Legacies

	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
Offerings	52,946	2,374			55,320	58,644
Gift Aid Tax reclaimed	11,617	171			11,788	16,484
Donations - General	670			2,561	3,231	6,490
Donation Fabric fund		150			150	-
Donation Stone repairs					-	7,062
Other Receipts (Legacy)	-	53,724			53,724	55,500
	65,233	56,419	-	2,561	124,213	144,180

During 2024 income was split as follows: Unrestricted £72,521, Designated £62,420, Restricted £3,000 and £6,239 Agency Restricted

3 Investment Income

Interest Received	182	5,036			5,218	5,601
Dividend Distribution					-	-
Capital Revaluation					0	-
Manse Rent	9,400				9,400	3,200
	9,582	5,036	0	-	14,618	8,801

During 2024 all investment income was Unrestricted except £5,566 Designated

4 Charitable Activities

Lettings / Fees - Wedding etc	5,685				5,685	4,251
	5,685	-	-	-	5,685	4,251

During 2024 all income from Charitable Activities was Unrestricted

5 Ministry Costs

Stipend	-				-	28,360
Employers National Insurance	-	681			681	-
Employers Pension	-				-	2,996
Staff Travel Expenses	-				-	870
Other expenses	-				-	496
Baptist Together - MIT	-				-	2,000
Payroll charges	-				-	132
	-	681	-	-	681	34,854

During 2024 all Ministry Costs were Unrestricted

6 Mission

BMS	2,976				2,976	3,010
Home Mission	2,976				2,976	3,010
Baptist Unions Subscription	556				556	638
Churches Together					-	-
Other	345				345	480
Agape Gifts		1,818			1,818	787
Agency Gifts				3,545	3,545	3,020
	6,853	1,818	-	3,545	12,216	10,945

During 2024 all Mission Costs were Unrestricted except £787 Designated Funds and £3,020 Agency Restricted

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	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
7 Community						
Sunday Club	-				-	-
Messy Church	-				-	-
Girls Brigade	-				-	-
New Initiatives	2,500				2,500	2,682
	<u>2,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,682</u>

During 2024 all Community Costs were Unrestricted

8 Church Premises						
Insurance	7,322				7,322	6,908
Heating & Lighting	6,637				6,637	6,715
Appliance Maintenance	508				508	924
Water and Sewage	262				262	225
Equipment Fund					-	13
Fabric Fund		2,874			2,874	711
Church Telephone	766				766	645
Charitable Inc Org Fees		-			-	-
Stone work repairs		-			-	3,180
	<u>15,495</u>	<u>2,874</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,369</u>	<u>19,321</u>

During 2024 all Church Premises Costs were Unrestricted except Designated Funds (Equipment £13, Fabric £711 and £3,180 Stone Repairs)

9 Manse						
Council Tax	-				-	1,127
Insurance	560				560	481
Heating and Lighting	-				-	550
Manse Repair Fund		292			292	70
Manse Repair (non-Fund)	-				-	120
Water and Sewage	-				-	384
Manse Telephone	-				-	395
Other Expenses	-				-	-
	<u>560</u>	<u>292</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>852</u>	<u>3,127</u>

During 2024 all Manse Costs were Unrestricted except £70 Designated Funds (Manse Repair)

10 Fellowship / Admin						
Advertising and Publicity	-				-	-
Photocopier	2,266				2,266	2,150
Postage and Stationery	352				352	563
Website	-				-	465
Catering	603				603	563
House Keeping	1,983				1,983	1,555
Bank Charges	120				120	121
Sundry Expenses	219				219	23
	<u>5,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,543</u>	<u>5,440</u>

During 2024 all Fellowship / Admin Costs were Unrestricted

11 Worship						
Preaching Fees	3,224				3,224	2,095
Books and Preaching Material	126				126	132
Organ and Pianos	-				-	504
Music	70				70	144
Copyright Licences	1,154				1,154	973
Sabbatical Preaching Fees	-				-	-
	<u>4,574</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,574</u>	<u>3,848</u>

During 2024 all Worship Costs were Unrestricted

12 Leadership						
Baptist Assembly					-	-
Ministers Conference					-	-
Training	690				690	105
Deacons training	-				-	97
	<u>690</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>202</u>

During 2024 all Leadership Costs were Unrestricted

Total Charitable Activities	<u>35,534</u>	<u>4,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,545</u>	<u>44,063</u>	<u>80,419</u>
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	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfer	closing Balance	Last Year
13 Designated Funds						
Agape Fund	3,171	2,545	(1,818)		3,898	
Legacy	131,188	58,760			189,948	
Fabric	11,487	150	(2,874)	3,308	12,071	
Manse	6,824		(292)	2,208	8,740	
Equipment	6,791		0	2,204	8,995	
CIO	1,109				1,109	
Youth	839				839	
Stone work	5,037				5,037	
Total	166,446	61,455	(4,984)	7,720	230,637	
14 Restricted Funds						
Training Fund Capital	3,654				3,654	
Training Fund Interest	1,299				1,299	
Youth	3,000				3,000	
Total	7,953	0	0	0	7,953	
15 Agency Funds						
BMS World Mission	0	445	(400)		45	
BMS Birthday	126	210	(301)		35	
Home Mission	0	0	0		0	
Baptist World Aid	0				0	
Build / Meet & Mix	95	72	(79)		88	
Clangers Group	251	245	(324)		172	
Mens Group	378	440	(390)		428	
Christians Against Poverty	0				0	
Flower Fund	307				307	
Operation Agri	2	198	(194)		6	
Weston Food Bank	0	17			17	
Pickleball	144				144	
Ladies Fellowship	580	800	(747)		633	
Boys Brigade	1,111				1,111	
Girls Brigade	856				856	
Community Café		134	(110)		24	
Steve C Leaving gifts	1,000		(1,000)		0	
Total	4,850	2,561	(3,545)	0	3,866	
16 BMS Donations						
Birthday Scheme			301			468
Envelopes, Boxes Etc			400			7
Christmas Post Box						
BMS Relief Fund						
Total Gifts			701			475
Budget Giving			2,976			3,010
Total Giving to BMS			3,677			3,485
17 Home Mission						
Envelopes, Boxes Etc						0
Christmas Post Box						0
Other Receipts			0			0
Total Gifts			0			0
Budget Giving			2,976			3,010
Total Giving to BMS			2,976			3,010
18 Church Organisations						
Boys Brigade	1,111				1,111	
Pickle ball	144				144	
Build Social Club	376				376	
Clangers	274	245	(269)		250	
Community Coffee Morning	31	225	(227)		29	
CPBC Men's Group (Donation Record)	342	500	(340)		502	
Flower Fund	323	50	(37)		336	
Girls Brigade	856				856	
Ladies Friendship Group	571	741	(656)		656	
Ladies "Time Out" Group	359				359	
So Crafty Group	96	305	(261)		140	
Tots and Toddlers	395	766	(686)		475	
Caprione Choir	4	1,193	(1,130)		67	
Total	4,882	4,025	(3,606)	0	5,301	

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Clarence Park Baptist Church, Weston-super-Mare – Charity No. 1200257
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CHARITY INFORMATION

LEGAL STATUS

Clarence Park Baptist Church was formed in June 1900 and established at the present site in Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare by a Deed of Trust dated 25 July 1904. The Church is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under reference number 1200257.

CHURCH ADDRESS

Clarence Park Baptist Church
Walliscote Road
Weston-super-Mare BS23 1ED

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The governance of the Church is in accordance with the Church Constitution dated 03 July 2022 which is based on the Approved Governing Document agreed between the Charity Commission and the Baptist Union of Great Britain.

The Church is administered by the Minister and Deacons who are the Charity Trustees. During 2024 these were:

Minister and Chair of Trustees	Revd Steve Christian (until 31 August 2024)
Secretary	Elisabeth Speakman (until 14 April 2024) Julie Dawkins (from 14 April 2024)
Treasurer	Ruth Fuller
Deacons	Jonathan Brownett Kaye Cooke John Dawkins Keith Newport David Sewell Frances Wedlake (until 14 April 2024) Susannah Weeks Avril Wilson (until 14 April 2024) Tori Harper (from 14 April 2024) Jacky Arnold (from 14 April 2024)

The Secretary and Treasurer are elected annually with no limit to the number of terms they may serve. Deacons are elected for a term of three years and may offer themselves for re-election at the end of the term with no limitation on the number of terms they may serve. No Deacon receives payment other than the reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

PROPERTY TRUSTEES

The West of England Baptist Trust Company (West) Limited, Little Stoke Baptist Church, Kingsway, Bristol BS34 6JW are the holding Trustees of the following properties -

1. Church and Hall at Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1ED
2. Manse at 137 Totterdown Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 4LW

No professional valuation of these properties has been made in recent years and the values shown in the Accounts are the current insured values.

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Clive Bennett, 14 High Street, Banwell, Somerset BS29 6AE.

CONNECTED CHARITIES

The Church is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the West of England Baptist Association (Webnet) both of which are registered charities. The Church receives no grant funding from either of these bodies.

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OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The principal object of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service, and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

The Church vision is: 'We seek to bring people to Jesus and together grow in our relationship with God and each other as we serve the community.' We do this under the strap line **WORSHIP God, GROW Together, SERVE Others.**

A significant event during the year was the departure, in August, of Steve Christian as Minister after almost twenty-one years of service with the Church. The Trustees immediately put in place procedures to enable the work of the Church to continue, including the holding of regular Sunday services and the provision of pastoral care. In consultation with the Regional Ministers the process was commenced to discern the way forward for the Church and to consider the appointment of a new Minister.

To achieve its objective the Church provides a variety of activities both to its members and to the community generally aiming to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord.

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship each Sunday, normally at 10.30am. The services are live-streamed on YouTube for those who are unable to attend in person or wish to watch on demand later in the week. There are occasional services at other times which are advertised at the services, in the weekly bulletins, on Facebook groups and on the Church website www.cpbcc.co.uk There is a Sunday club programme, usually on the first and third Sunday of the month, for children; the services on the other weeks of the month are aimed for an all age congregation. The Church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community, and anybody is free to attend any of these services.

The Church runs a series of **House Groups** for the growth of faith and discipleship in the homes of some members. Details of these can be obtained from the Trustees on request, or at the Sunday services of worship.

The Church is responsible for a **Toddler Group** which meets on the Church premises on Thursdays, with the purpose of assisting the community and demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ. Also, on a Thursday, the Church holds a **Community Coffee Morning** open for anyone to attend where free tea and coffee is served, and people are welcome to come and chat and find help if needed.

There are also groups open for the community to attend which are both social but also Christian in nature. **Time Out** and **The Ladies Friendship Group** for women; a **Men's Group**; a **Craft Group**; a **Nomads Group**; a **Community Choir (Caprione)**; and a **Hand Chimes Group (the Clangers)**. A **Meet and Mix Group** arrange various activities for all but with a particular focus for those having special needs.

Our building is used regularly by a **Narcotics Support Group** and **The Mount Church**, an Indian speaking congregation who are part of a church in Bristol. The latter group shares with us in our Christmas community event, **Carols around the Tree**, and have used our baptistry for services of believers' baptism.

The Church has joined with the other Baptist Churches in our town to offer **Alpha Courses** for people interested in discovering more about Christianity. The Deacons have continued to meet with the Church leaderships from Milton Baptist, Worle Baptist, and Bristol Road Baptist Churches to explore how we can better work together for mission within our town and build on the projects that are already being held. A Charitable Incorporated Organisation has been set up to enable this. One combined activity has been taking a lease on a building in Worle, to provide a safe space for the community to experience 'peace' in the form of a **Renew Centre**.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship, encouragement and influence in people's lives. The Trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure but believe that 2024 was a positive year in the life of the Church and that it will be able to pursue its mission purposes in 2025.

The Church is very fortunate in having people who are willing to give their time and talents to support its life and work. Whether it be leading study groups, setting up and packing away for services and meetings, staffing the office, providing refreshments, making music, supplying flowers, welcoming people into the premises, cleaning or many of the other tasks done quietly day by day. This is truly appreciated, and the Church wishes to record its thanks to all our members and friends for their support.

MEMBERSHIP

Members at 01 January 2024		100
Additions		1
		101
Deletions	Death	3
	Transfer	2
		5
Members at 31 December 2024		96

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Church continues to raise the funds needed to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal for funds was made during the year.

Until 31 August 2024 the most significant expense of the Church had been our responsibility for the stipend and housing costs of our Minister, Revd Steve Christian. Following his resignation the manse was not needed for a Minister and he and his family have been renting the premises whilst they look for suitable alternative accommodation and have assumed responsibility for all other expenses relating to the manse.

Financially the Church offerings have been below our expected income but the balance in our reserves has enabled us to continue to operate all our activities. The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves, together with ongoing anticipated income, to enable the Church to function effectively in the coming year.

In terms of building maintenance, the necessary repairs and maintenance have been undertaken to keep the buildings in good condition.

The Church has continued to maintain its membership with the wider Baptist family through the Baptist Union, the West of England Baptist Association (Webnet); representatives of the Church have attended their meetings. In the year to 31 December 2024 the Church supported Baptist mission work through donations amounting to £3,010 each to Baptist Union Home Mission and BMS World Mission. In addition, the Church has supported work in the local community such as Foodbank, Christians Against Poverty and elsewhere by responding to requests from national mission partners to help with disaster and poverty relief.

The Church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public. All meetings are open to the community at large.

DESCRIPTION OF FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED FUND

General Fund Working fund to meet general running expenses.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Agape Fund Confidential fund for meeting needs within the fellowship and the community.

Legacy Fund Holding fund for legacies pending final disbursement.

Fabric Fund General maintenance and repair to the Church premises.

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Manse Fund	General maintenance and repair to the manse.
Equipment Fund	Upkeep, upgrade and replacement of audio, visual and office equipment.
Youth Fund	For youth work.
RESTRICTED FUNDS	
Training Fund	Income from the invested capital may only be used for training purposes.
Agency Funds	The Church receives and distributes money for other registered charities, including Baptist Union Home Mission, BMS World Mission, Baptist World Aid, Operation Agri and Spurgeons Childcare. Individual funds are maintained for each charity to ensure that these amounts are separated from normal Church funds. By this means the Church can claim and pass on to those charities any tax rebates received under Gift Aid.

CHURCH GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

The various groups and organisations associated with the Church are listed with details of money they have received and paid. All money received and paid out by the groups and organisations has been included in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

RISK ASSESSMENT AND SAFEGUARDING

The Deacons, as Charity Trustees, are engaged in an on-going programme of risk assessment, including health and safety issues, relating to the Church buildings and the Church activities.

The Church operates systems to ensure that all people working with children and adults at risk are appropriately vetted through the Disclosure and Barring Service and receive Baptist Union of Great Britain Excellence in Safeguarding training relevant to their role.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practices.

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income, 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 then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2023 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUTHORISATION

The Annual Report and the accompanying Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 were approved by the Deacons on 04/09/2025 and we are authorised to sign the Report on their behalf.



Julie Dawkins
Church Secretary/Trustee
04/09/2025



Ruth Fuller
Church Treasurer/Trustee
04/09/2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Clarence Park Baptist Church report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clarence Park Baptist Church for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

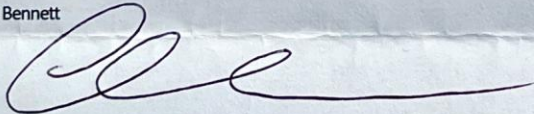
Independent examiner's statement

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 respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or the
2. accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Clive Bennett



24th February 2025

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS for Year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
Income							
Donations & Legacies	2	72,521	62,420	3,000	6,239	144,180	78,520
Investment	3	3,235	5,566	-	-	8,801	3,620
Charitable activities	4	4,251	-	-	-	4,251	2,730
Total Income		80,007	67,986	3,000	6,239	157,232	84,870
Expenditure							
Ministry	5	34,854	-	-	-	34,854	44,180
Mission	6	7,138	787	-	3,020	10,945	10,707
Community	7	2,682	-	-	-	2,682	952
Church Premises	8	15,417	3,904	-	-	19,321	15,599
Manse	9	3,057	70	-	-	3,127	5,545
Fellowship	10	5,440	-	-	-	5,440	4,651
Worship	11	3,848	-	-	-	3,848	3,445
Leadership	12	202	-	-	-	202	610
Total Expenditure		72,638	4,761	-	3,020	80,419	85,689
Net income / (Expenditure)		7,369	63,225	3,000	3,219	76,813	(819)
Funds Transfer		(7,351)	7,351			0	0
Total Funds Brought Forward		21,880	95,870	4,953	1,631	124,334	125,153
Total Funds Carried Forward		21,898	166,446	7,953	4,850	201,147	124,334

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for Year ended 31 December 2024

1 Basis of Accounts - General Fund

These Accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis and accord with Section 132 of the Charities Act 2011

2 Donations & Legacies

	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
Offerings	56,593	2,051			58,644	59,701
Gift Aid Tax reclaimed	15,177	1,307			16,484	12,500
Donations - General	251			6,239	6,490	3,219
Donation Fabric fund					-	-
Donation Stone repairs		7,062			7,062	
Other Receipts (Legacy)	500	52,000	3,000		55,500	3,100
	72,521	62,420	3,000	6,239	144,180	78,520

During 2023 all income was Unrestricted except £4,508 Designated

3 Investment Income

Interest Received	35	5,566			5,601	3,658
Dividend Distribution					-	-
Capital Revaluation					0	38
Manse Rent	3,200				3,200	
	3,235	5,566	0	-	8,801	3,620

During 2023 all investment income was Unrestricted except £3,584 Designated and £36 Restricted

4 Charitable Activities

Lettings / Fees - Wedding etc	4,251				4,251	2,730
	4,251	-	-	-	4,251	2,730

During 2023 all income from Charitable Activities was Unrestricted

5 Ministry Costs

Stipend	28,360				28,360	34,450
Employers National Insurance	-				-	875
Employers Pension	2,996				2,996	3,943
Staff Travel Expenses	870				870	699
Other expenses	496				496	30
Baptist Together - MIT	2,000				2,000	4,000
Payroll charges	132				132	183
	34,854	-	-	-	34,854	44,180

During 2023 all Ministry Costs were Unrestricted

6 Mission

BMS	3,010				3,010	2,724
Home Mission	3,010				3,010	2,724
Baptist Unions Subscription	638				638	599
Churches Together					-	-
Other	480				480	460
Confidential Gifts		787			787	1,567
Agency Gifts				3,020	3,020	2,633
	7,138	787	-	3,020	10,945	10,707

During 2023 all Mission Costs were Unrestricted except £1,567 Designated Funds and £2,633 Agency Restricted

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	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
7 Community						
Sunday Club	-				-	-
Messy Church	-				-	-
Boys Brigade					-	-
Girls Brigade					-	-
New Initiatives	2,682				2,682	952
	<u>2,682</u>	-	-	-	2,682	<u>952</u>

During 2023 all Community Costs were Unrestricted

8 Church Premises						
Insurance	6,908				6,908	6,530
Heating & Lighting	6,715				6,715	4,502
Appliance Maintenance	924				924	972
Water and Sewage	225				225	151
Equipment Fund			13		13	104
Fabric Fund		711			711	2,562
Church Telephone	645				645	488
Charitable Inc Org Fees					-	290
Stone work repairs		3,180			3,180	
	<u>15,417</u>	<u>3,904</u>	-	-	19,321	<u>15,599</u>

During 2023 all Church Premises Costs were Unrestricted except Designated Funds (Equipment £104, CIO set up fees £290 and Fabric £2,562)

9 Manse						
Council Tax	1,127				1,127	2,075
Insurance	481				481	430
Heating and Lighting	550				550	825
Manse Repair Fund		70			70	1,123
Manse Repair (non-Fund)	120				120	54
Water and Sewage	384				384	351
Manse Telephone	395				395	565
Other Expenses	-				-	122
	<u>3,057</u>	<u>70</u>	-	-	3,127	<u>5,545</u>

During 2023 all Manse Costs were Unrestricted except £1,123 Designated Funds (Manse Repair)

10 Fellowship / Admin						
Advertising and Publicity	-				-	28
Photocopier	2,150				2,150	2,150
Postage and Stationery	563				563	201
Website	465				465	-
Catering	563				563	387
House Keeping	1,555				1,555	1,584
Bank Charges	121				121	110
Sundry Expenses	23				23	191
	<u>5,440</u>	-	-	-	5,440	<u>4,651</u>

During 2023 all Fellowship / Admin Costs were Unrestricted

11 Worship						
Preaching Fees	2,095				2,095	570
Books and Preaching Material	132				132	319
Organ and Pianos	504				504	492
Music	144				144	268
Copyright Licences	973				973	923
Sabbatical Preaching Fees	-				-	873
	<u>3,848</u>	-	-	-	3,848	<u>3,445</u>

During 2023 all Worship Costs were Unrestricted

12 Leadership						
Baptist Assembly					-	-
Ministers Conference					-	240
Training	105				105	370
Deacons training	97				97	-
	<u>202</u>	-	-	-	202	<u>610</u>

During 2023 all Leadership Costs were Unrestricted

Total Charitable Activities	<u>72,638</u>	<u>4,761</u>	-	3,020	80,419	<u>85,689</u>
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	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfer	closing Balance	Last Year
13 Designated Funds						
Agape Fund	1,755	2,203	(787)		3,171	
Legacy	73,622	57,566			131,188	
Fabric	9,048		(711)	3,150	11,487	
Manse	4,792		(70)	2,102	6,824	
Equipment	4,705		(13)	2,099	6,791	
CIO	1,109		0		1,109	
Youth	839				839	
Stone work		8,217	(3,180)		5,037	
Total	95,870	67,986	(4,761)	7,351	166,446	
14 Restricted Funds						
Training Fund Capital	3,654				3,654	
Training Fund Interest	1,299				1,299	
Youth		3,000			3,000	
Total	4,953	3,000	0	0	7,953	
15 Agency Funds						
BMS World Mission	0	7	(7)		0	
BMS Birthday	0	468	(342)		126	
Home Mission	0	0	0		0	
Baptist World Aid					0	
Build social Club	377	140	(422)		95	
Clangers Group	253	239	(241)		251	
Mens Group	297	401	(320)		378	
Christians Against Poverty	0				0	
Flower Fund	307				307	
Operation Agri	0	760	(758)		2	
Weston Food Bank	0	50	(50)		0	
Pickleball	100	44			144	
Ladies Fellowship	297	663	(380)		580	
Boys Brigade		1,611	(500)		1,111	
Girls Brigade		856			856	
Steve C Leaving gifts		1,000			1,000	
Total	1,631	6,239	(3,020)	0	4,850	
16 BMS Donations						
Birthday Scheme			468			361
Envelopes, Boxes Etc			7			351
Christmas Post Box						
BMS Relief Fund						
Total Gifts			<u>475</u>			<u>712</u>
Budget Giving			<u>3,010</u>			<u>2,724</u>
Total Giving to BMS			<u><u>3,485</u></u>			<u><u>3,436</u></u>
17 Home Mission						
Envelopes, Boxes Etc						
Christmas Post Box						0
Other Receipts			<u>0</u>			<u>161</u>
Total Gifts			<u>0</u>			<u>161</u>
Budget Giving			<u>3,010</u>			<u>2,724</u>
Total Giving to BMS			<u><u>3,010</u></u>			<u><u>2,885</u></u>
18 Church Organisations						
Boys Brigade	908				908	
Boys Brigade Camp Fund	742				742	
Build Social Club	376				376	
Clangers	335	193	(254)		274	
Community Coffee Morning	53	218	(240)		31	
CPBC Men's Group (Donation Record)	296	336	(290)		342	
Flower Fund	328	115	(120)		323	
Girls Brigade	856				856	
Ladies Friendship Group	298	780	(507)		571	
Ladies "Time Out" Group	268	947	(856)		359	
So Crafty Group	75	885	(864)		96	
Tots and Toddlers	337	655	(597)		395	
Caprione Choir	(2)	3,516	(3,510)		4	
Total	4,872	4,129	(3,728)	0	5,273	

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
Monetary Assets		
CAF Bank Cheque Account	54,938	8,812
CAF Income Bond	0	0
Baptist Union - 1 Year Deposit A/C	0	75,263
Baptist Union - 3 Months Deposit A/C	103,481	22,951
Baptist Union - 7 Day Deposit Account	12,899	12,611
CAF new CIO Account	29,799	4,697
Petty Cash	30	
Total	201,147	124,334
Represented by		
Unrestricted General Funds	21,898	21,880
Designed Funds	166,446	95,870
Restricted Funds	7,953	4,953
Agency Restricted Funds	4,850	1,631
Total	201,147	124,334
Other Items		
Gift Aid Tax Rebates Due	1,954	6,166
Funds held by Church Organisations (18)	5,273	4,872
TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS	208,374	135,372
Fixed Assets (Insured Values)		
Church Building & Organ	9,049,340	7,214,077
Furniture & Fittings, Instruments Etc	201,675	201,675
Manse	403,716	321,839
Total Fixed Assets	9,654,731	7,737,591

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CHARITY INFORMATION

Charity Name and Number:

Clarence Park Baptist Church,
Registered Charity number 1200257.

Principle Address:

Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 1ED

Becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

On the 1st January Clarence Park Baptist Church became operative as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). On the 1st January 2023 all assets, liabilities and activities of the Church were transferred from the registered Unincorporated Charitable Organisation number: 1174118.

Trustees

The Church is administered by the Minister and Deacons who are the Charity Trustees. During 2023 these were:

From the 1st January 2023 the trustees of charity number: 1174118 were all registered as founding trustees of the CIO with charity number: 1200257.

Minister and Chair of Trustees	Revd Steve Christian
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Treasurer	Ruth Fuller
	Jonathan Brownnett
	Kaye Cooke
	John Dawkins
	Ruth Fuller
	Keith Newport (from 23 04 2023)
	Peter Price
	David Sewell
	Frances Wedlake
	Susannah Weeks
	Avril Wilson

Revd Steve Christian was appointed as the full-time Minister on 20 September 2003. His stipend is paid through the agency of the West of England Baptist Payroll Company Limited to whom the church pays a fee (**currently £183.00 per annum**). The amount of the stipend is reviewed annually in accordance with guidelines published by the Baptist Union of Great Britain.

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2. Manse at 137 Totterdown Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 4LW

No professional valuation of these properties has been made in recent years and the values shown in the Accounts are the current insured values.

West of England Baptist Trust Company (West) Ltd

Little Stoke Baptist Church, Kingsway, Little Stoke, BRISTOL, BS34 6JW

Registered Charity Number 1092446

Company Limited by Guarantee Number 00188973

Bankers

CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill,
West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner

Clive Bennett, 14 High Street, Banwell, Somerset BS29 6AE

Connected Charities

The Church is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the West of England Baptist Network both of which are registered charities. The Church receives no grant funding from either of these bodies.

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the receipts and payments of the Charity for the period ended 31 December 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governance of the Church is in accordance with **the Church Constitution dated 3rd July 2022** which is based on the Approved Governing Document agreed between the Charity Commission with advice and assistance from the Baptist Union of Great Britain, their solicitors Anthony Collins.

Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Constitution which requires them to profess repentance towards God and faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ and have lives that bear evidence of their Christian profession. Members are usually received after baptism by immersion.

The Members Meeting normally takes place at least four times per year and has responsibility for the overall policy of the church. In accordance with the Constitution, the members appoint up to twelve Trustees usually for a period of three years who, together with the Minister, (who is also appointed by the Members), are collectively known as the Diaconate, and are responsible for the day to day running of the church's work and witness, and the financial and legal aspects of the charity.

The election of Trustees normally takes place at the AGM. The Constitution requires advanced notice to be given over two weeks then nominations close fourteen days before the election, with each person preparing a profile which is displayed two weeks prior to the election. At the election, nominees must receive at least 70% of the cast votes to be elected.

Trustees are encouraged to attend both regional and national activities to gain a wider understanding of the role.

All members 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 Members Meeting by the Trustees for guidance or may be raised by members for further consideration by the Trustees. Though the Constitution permits decisions to be made at Members Meetings by appropriate majorities, the Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible.

The Trustees have made an assessment of the major risks facing the church, and are satisfied that there are policies in place to minimise these risks. The charity has a continual process of reviewing risk exposure, a formal Safeguarding Policy has been prepared covering children and adults at risk, this is regularly reviewed and updated by the church.

The Trustees have complied with their duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Objectives and Activities

The principal object of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service, and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

The church vision is: we seek to bring people to Jesus and together grow in our relationship with God and each other as we serve the community. We do this under the strap line **WORSHIP God, GROW Together, SERVE Others.**

In order to achieve the principal objective which is set out above, the Church provides a variety of activities both to its membership and to the community generally. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord.

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship. These services take place each Sunday, normally at 10.30am. These services are also live streamed on YouTube for those who are unable to attend in person to watch either live or later in the week on demand. There are occasional services at other times which are advertised in the services, weekly bulletin, Facebook groups and on the Church website www.cpbc.co.uk. There is a Sunday club programme usually on the first and third Sunday of the month for Children, and the services on the other weeks of the month are aimed for an all age congregation. The church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community and anybody is free to attend any of these services.

The Church runs a series of house groups for the growth of faith and discipleship in the homes of some members, and further details of these can be obtained from the Trustees on request, or at the Sunday services of worship.

The Church is responsible for a Toddler Group which meets in the Church premises on Thursdays, with the purpose of assisting the community and demonstrating the love of Jesus Christ. Also on a Thursday the church holds a community coffee morning open for anyone to attend where free tea and coffee is served and people are welcome to come and chat and find help if needed.

There are also groups open for the community to attend which are both social but also Christian in nature **Time Out** and **The Ladies Friendship Group** for women only, a **men's group**, a **craft group**, a **nomads group**, a **community choir** and a **hand chimes** group.

The church has joined with the other Baptist churches in our town to offer Alpha courses for people interested in discovering more about Christianity.

The Baptist churches in Weston continue to work together having taken a lease on a building in Worle, to provide a safe space for the community to experience “peace” in the form of a “Renew Centre”.

Our building is also used regularly by a Narcotic Anonymous support group, and an Indian speaking congregation who are part of a church in Bristol. The latter group shares with us in our Christmas community event ‘carols around the tree’.

Throughout the year some of our members have continued to serve on the management and executive committees of **Abbeycare Residential Homes**. Our Minister is a governor in a local primary school, continues as the chair of trustees for **the West of England Baptist Network** (Webnet), and is a trustee for the local **Christians Against Poverty** (CAP) group.

The Deacons have continued to meet with the church leaderships from Milton Baptist, Worle Baptist, and Bristol Road Baptist Churches to explore how we can better work together for mission within our town, to build on the projects that are already being held. And have set up a CIO to achieve this. The churches have through the CIO taken on a **Minister in Training** for her final year at college.

Financially the **church offerings** have been below our expected income. The **Agape Fund** has supported local families and needs.

In terms of **building maintenance**, the necessary repairs and maintenance have been undertaken to keep the building in good condition. At the **manse** the church has continued its investment in minor jobs like **refurbishing the downstairs toilet** and other works that have been needed to be done to keep the building in good condition.

The church has continued through the year to be involved in the Baptist Union, Webnet, and representatives have attended the meetings. Our Minister continues to support Ministers in our local Baptist cluster as he organises their activities, as well as supporting a newly accredited Minister in a neighbouring town

through his probation years and studies. Our Minister has continued to attend both the Ministers' meetings and Churches Together meetings.

The church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

All meetings are open to the community at large.

Risk Assessment & Safeguarding

The Deacons, as Charity Trustees, are engaged in an on-going programme of risk assessment, including health and safety issues, relating to the church buildings and the church activities.

The Church operates systems to ensure that all people working with children and adults at risk are appropriately vetted through the Disclosure and Barring Service and receive Baptist Union of Great Britain Excellence in Safeguarding training relevant to their role.

Achievements and Performance

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship, encouragement and influence in people's lives. The Trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure, but believe that 2023 was a positive year in the life of the church and that it will be able to pursue its mission purposes in 2024 with continued enthusiasm.

Membership

Membership END 2022	101
Membership END 2023	100

additions	1	
deletions	0	moved away
	2	deceased
	0	transferred
	0	resigned
	0	Removed
Baptisms	0	(not reported in 2021)

Financial Review

The Church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal was made for funds during the year.

The most significant expense of the Church is our responsibility for the stipend and housing costs of our Minister, Revd Steve Christian who is appointed to lead and co-ordinate the church's activities including the Sunday Services, to provide pastoral care for the congregation and other people, and to equip and encourage the membership in their life, Christian witness, and service.

The Church continues to maintain its membership with the wider Baptist family through the West of England Baptist Network and the Baptist Union of Great Britain. In the year to 31 December 2023, it supported Baptist missionary work through donations amounting to £2,724 for Home Mission and £2,724 for BMS World Mission. In addition, the Church financially supports local work such as Foodbank, Christians Against Poverty and requests from National mission partners to help with disaster and crisis relief.

The Church is very fortunate in having people who are willing to give their time and talents to support its life and work.

Whether it be leading study groups, setting up and packing away for services and meetings, staffing the office, providing refreshments, making music, supplying flowers, welcoming people into the premises, cleaning or any of the many other tasks, quietly - day by day. This is truly appreciated, and the Church wishes to record its thanks to all our members and friends for their support.

The financial results for the year, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted are set out in the accompanying financial statements.

Remuneration of Trustees

Apart from the Minister, all Trustees act in a voluntary capacity and receive no remuneration or other material benefits from their services to the Charity. Out-of-pocket expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred by Trustees in promoting the purposes of the Charity are reimbursed at cost.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the Church to function effectively in the coming year.

Description of Funds

UNRESTRICTED FUND

General Fund - Working fund to meet general running expenses

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Agape Fund	Minister's confidential fund for meeting needs within the fellowship and the community
Legacy Fund	Holding fund for legacies pending final disbursement
Fabric Fund	General maintenance and repair to the church premises
Manse Fund	General maintenance and repair to the manse
Equipment Fund	Upkeep, upgrade and replacement of audio, visual and office equipment
Youth Fund	For future youth work

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Training Fund - Income from the invested capital may only be used for training purposes

Agency Funds - The Church receives and distributes money for other registered charities, including Baptist Home Mission, BMS World Mission, Baptist World Aid, Operation Agri, ARocha and Spurgeons Childcare. Individual funds are maintained for each charity to ensure that these amounts are separated from normal Church funds. By this means the church can claim and pass on to those charities any tax rebates received under Gift Aid.

CHURCH GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS

The various groups and organisations associated with the Church are listed with details of money they have received and paid. All money received and paid out by the groups and organisations has been included in the Statement of Receipts and Payments.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income 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 then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provision of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Authorisation

The Annual Report and the accompanying Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 were approved by the Minister and Deacons on **12th April 2024** and we are authorised to sign the Report on their behalf.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'R Fuller', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ruth Fuller
Church Treasurer/Trustee
12th April 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Elisabeth Speakman', with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Elisabeth Speakman
Church Secretary/Trustee
12th April 2024

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Clarence Park Baptist Church report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clarence Park Baptist Church for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 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 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 respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act;
2. or the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Clive Bennett



9th April 2024

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS for Year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Income							
Donations & Legacies	2	71,244	4,508	-	2,788	78,520	76,019
Investment	3	-	3,584	36	-	3,620	718
Charitable activities	4	2,730	-	-	-	2,730	2,420
Total Income		73,974	8,092	36	2,788	84,870	79,157
Expenditure							
Ministry	5	44,180	-	-	-	44,180	39,626
Mission	6	6,507	1,567	-	2,633	10,707	13,256
Community	7	952	-	-	-	952	40
Church Premises	8	12,643	2,956	-	-	15,599	17,993
Manse	9	4,422	1,123	-	-	5,545	3,638
Fellowship	10	4,651	-	-	-	4,651	4,517
Worship	11	3,445	-	-	-	3,445	2,353
Leadership	12	610	-	-	-	610	2,161
Total Expenditure		77,410	5,646	-	2,633	85,689	83,584
Net income / (Expenditure)		(3,436)	2,446	36	135	(819)	(4,427)
Funds Transfer		22,703	(22,703)			0	0
Total Funds Brought Forward		2,613	116,127	4,917	1,496	125,153	129,580
Total Funds Carried Forward		21,880	95,870	4,953	1,631	124,334	125,153

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 Basis of Accounts - General Fund

These Accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis and accord with Section 132 of the Charities Act 2011

2 Donations & Legacies

	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Offerings	57,865	1,836			59,701	58,557
Gift Aid Tax reclaimed	12,328	172			12,500	12,653
Donations - General	451			2,768	3,219	5,809
Donation Fabric fund					-	1,000
Other Receipts (Legacy)	600	2,500			3,100	-
	<u>71,244</u>	<u>4,508</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,768</u>	<u>78,520</u>	<u>76,019</u>

During 2022 all income was Unrestricted except £1,763 Designated and £4,371 Agency Restricted

3 Investment Income

Interest Received		3,584	74		3,658	1,475
Dividend Distribution					-	-
Capital Revaluation			(38)		(38)	757
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,584</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,620</u>	<u>718</u>

During 2022 all investment income was Unrestricted except £1,329 Designated and £611 reduction in Restricted

4 Charitable Activities

Lettings / Fees - Wedding etc	2,730				2,730	2,420
	<u>2,730</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,730</u>	<u>2,420</u>

During 2022 all income from Charitable Activities was Unrestricted

5 Ministry Costs

Stipend	34,450				34,450	32,175
Employers National Insurance	875				875	-
Employers Pension	3,943				3,943	6,638
Staff Travel Expenses	699				699	583
Other expenses	30				30	61
Baptist Together - MIT	4,000				4,000	
Payroll charges	183				183	169
	<u>44,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,180</u>	<u>39,626</u>

During 2022 all Ministry Costs were Unrestricted

6 Mission

BMS	2,724				2,724	3,074
Home Mission	2,724				2,724	3,074
Baptist Unions Subscription	599				599	544
Churches Together					-	-
Other	460				460	920
Confidential Gifts		1,567			1,567	398
Agency Gifts				2,633	2,633	5,246
	<u>6,507</u>	<u>1,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,633</u>	<u>10,707</u>	<u>13,256</u>

During 2022 all Mission Costs were Unrestricted except £398 Designated Funds and £5,246 Agency Restricted

CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds (13) £	Restricted Funds (14) £	Agency Restricted Funds (15) £	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
7 Community						
Sunday Club	-				-	-
Messy Church	-				-	-
Boys Brigade	-				-	-
Girls Brigade	-				-	-
New Initiatives	952				952	40
	<u>952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>952</u>	<u>40</u>

During 2022 all Community Costs were Unrestricted

8 Church Premises						
Insurance	6,530				6,530	6,746
Heating & Lighting	4,502				4,502	3,292
Appliance Maintenance	972				972	1,901
Water and Sewage	151				151	166
Equipment Fund		104			104	114
Fabric Fund		2,562			2,562	4,277
Church Telephone	488				488	391
Charitable Inc Org Fees		290			290	1,106
	<u>12,643</u>	<u>2,956</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,599</u>	<u>17,993</u>

During 2022 all Church Premises Costs were Unrestricted except Designated Funds (Equipment £114, CIO set up fees £1,106 and Fabric £4,277)

9 Manse						
Council Tax	2,075				2,075	1,972
Insurance	430				430	384
Heating and Lighting	825				825	669
Manse Repair Fund		1,123			1,123	41
Manse Repair (non-Fund)	54				54	
Water and Sewage	351				351	101
Manse Telephone	565				565	411
Other Expenses	122				122	60
	<u>4,422</u>	<u>1,123</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,545</u>	<u>3,638</u>

During 2022 all Manse Costs were Unrestricted except £41 Designated Funds (Manse Repair)

10 Fellowship / Admin						
Advertising and Publicity	28				28	375
Photocopier	2,150				2,150	2,264
Postage and Stationery	201				201	227
Website	-				-	77
Catering	387				387	174
House Keeping	1,584				1,584	1,253
Bank Charges	110				110	82
Sundry Expenses	191				191	65
	<u>4,651</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,651</u>	<u>4,517</u>

During 2022 all Fellowship / Admin Costs were Unrestricted

11 Worship						
Preaching Fees	570				570	545
Books and Preaching Material	319				319	191
Organ and Pianos	492				492	628
Music	268				268	134
Copyright Licences	923				923	855
Sabbatical Preaching Fees	873				873	
	<u>3,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,445</u>	<u>2,363</u>

During 2022 all Worship Costs were Unrestricted

12 Leadership						
Baptist Assembly					-	697
Ministers Conference	240				240	250
Training	370				370	977
Deacons training					-	237
	<u>610</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>2,161</u>

During 2022 all Leadership Costs were Unrestricted

Total Charitable Activities	<u>77,410</u>	<u>5,646</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,633</u>	<u>85,689</u>	<u>83,584</u>
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CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
NOTES TO ACCOUNTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Balance	Last Year
13 Designated Funds						
Agape Fund	1,314	2,008	(1,567)		1,755	
Legacy	97,538	8,084		(30,000)	73,622	
Fabric	8,460		(2,562)	3,150	9,048	
Manse	3,867		(1,123)	2,048	4,792	
Equipment	2,710		(104)	2,099	4,705	
CIO	1,399		(290)		1,109	
Youth	839				839	
Total	116,127	8,092	(5,646)	(22,703)	95,870	
14 Restricted Funds						
Training Fund Capital	3,692		(38)		3,654	
Training Fund Interest	1,225	73			1,298	
Total	4,917	73	(38)	0	4,952	
15 Agency Funds						
BMS World Mission	0	351	(351)		0	
BMS Birthday	20	361	(381)		0	
Home Mission	0	161	(161)		0	
Baptist World Aid					0	
Build social Club	171	206			377	
Clangers Group	367	168	(282)		253	
Mens Group	311	386	(400)		297	
Christians Against Poverty	0				0	
Flower Fund	307				307	
Operation Agri	0	386	(386)		0	
Weston Food Bank	0	70	(70)		0	
Pickleball		100			100	
Ladies Fellowship	320	579	(602)		297	
Total	1,496	2,768	(2,633)	0	1,631	
16 BMS Donations						
Birthday Scheme			361			693
Envelopes, Boxes Etc			351			170
Christmas Post Box						
BMS Relief Fund						
Total Gifts			<u>712</u>			<u>863</u>
Budget Giving			<u>2,724</u>			<u>3,074</u>
Total Giving to BMS			<u><u>3,436</u></u>			<u><u>3,937</u></u>
17 Home Mission						
Envelopes, Boxes Etc						0
Christmas Post Box						
Other Receipts			161			496
Total Gifts			<u>161</u>			<u>496</u>
Budget Giving			<u>2,724</u>			<u>3,074</u>
Total Giving to HOME MISSION			<u><u>2,885</u></u>			<u><u>3,570</u></u>

**CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
NOTES TO ACCOUNTS
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

18 Church organisations

organisation	opening balance	income	expenditure	closing balance	charitable giving
Boys Brigade	908.73	0.00	0.00	908.73	
Boys Brigade Camp Fund	742.81	0.00	0.00	742.81	
Build Social Club	98.29	639.45	469.06	268.68	
Caprione Choir	0.00	1320.74	1323.26	-2.52	1300.39
Clangers	371.28	268.00	308.97	330.31	280.00
Community Coffee Morning	39.25	214.53	200.78	53.00	190.00
CPBC Mens Group	406.00	290.50	400.00	296.50	400.00
Flower Fund	423.99	225.00	320.90	328.09	
Girls Brigade	856.42	0.00	0.00	856.42	
Ladies Friendship Group	291.06	596.75	589.24	298.57	570.00
Ladies Time Out	98.29	639.45	469.06	268.68	
Pickle Ball	144.00	0.00	144.00	0.00	
So Crafty	87.17	818.00	829.73	75.44	645.50
Tots & Toddlers	240.78	675.38	578.76	337.40	172.93
totals 2023	4708.07	5687.80	5633.76	4762.11	3558.82

I have examined the books and accounting records of the Church Groups and organisations listed above (Note 18) relating to the 12 months ended 31 December 2023. I have checked the figures given in this summary and can confirm that the records in each case accord with basic accounting principles and that the balances held are correct as shown.

Nick Lawrence
23 February 2024

**CLARENCE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
Monetary Assets		
CAF Bank Cheque Account	8,812	6,304
CAF Income Bond	0	3,574
Baptist Union - 1 Year Deposit A/C	75,263	73,071
Baptist Union - 3 Months Deposit A/C	22,951	22,013
Baptist Union - 7 Day Deposit Account	12,611	20,191
CAF new CIO Account	4,697	
Total	<u>124,334</u>	<u>125,153</u>
Represented by		
Unrestricted General Funds	21,880	2,613
Designated Funds	95,870	116,127
Restricted Funds	4,953	4,917
Agency Restricted Funds	1,631	1,496
Total	<u>124,334</u>	<u>125,153</u>
Other Items		
Gift Aid Tax Rebates Due	6,166	6,450
Funds held by Church Organisations (18)	4,838	4,838
TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS	<u>135,338</u>	<u>136,441</u>
Fixed Assets (Insured Values)		
Church Building & Organ	8,079,767	7,214,077
Furniture & Fittings, Instruments Etc	225,876	201,675
Manse	360,460	321,839
Total Fixed Assets	<u>8,666,103</u>	<u>7,737,591</u>