

**Camrose Baptist Church
Trustees Report for year end
31 December 2023**

Aim and Objectives

The principal purpose of Camrose Baptist Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the Baptist denomination.

The governing document of the church is the church constitution and the application of the bible in relation to all activities that we undertake as a church.

The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world. The Church will normally promote, encourage, support and advance the work of the Baptist Union, the Association and BMS World Mission through prayer, through financial contributions and, where appropriate, by making personnel available from the membership of the Church. When it is able the Church will also support local Baptist and ecumenical gatherings.

Camrose Baptist Church Mission Statement is

Camrose Baptist Church exists to glorify God reaching out to all people, making Christ known, changing lives through the knowledge and truth of the Gospel. Making disciples of Jesus by Teaching, Equipping and faithfully reproducing in others the character of Christ.

Summary of Activities

The church supports a number of charities both locally and around the world through prayer covering and financial support, some organisations have also sent representatives in person to update the church about their work.

BMS World Mission, Baptist Home Mission

Mission for Life Ministries (Libera) London City Mission ,

FEBA Radio, Mission Aviation Fellowship Overseas Missionary Fellowship, South Asian Concern

Christian Blind Mission, Evangelical Alliance Edgware & District Churches, and Pathway

The church also has specific ministry areas like pastoral support for all who attend the church overseen by Pastor Robson Lopes and the deacons. House groups meeting weekly at the church building in Edgware on Tuesday evenings and Wednesday morning and Hemel Hempstead on a Thursday evening, Girls Brigade Wednesday evening at the church , Prayer Meetings twice a week on Monday via Zoom and Friday face to face at church, Sunday School and Teens groups on a Sunday morning.

On a Sunday morning, we have praise and worship followed by a sermon on a particular subject from the bible with a practical link as to how this should be applied to our daily lives and relationship with Jesus.

Camrose Baptist Church has not sought any guidance from the charity commission regarding its public benefit since becoming a registered charity.

Grant Making Policy

The church distributes a proportion of its income to the previously mentioned organisations, these are not grants but gifts towards their work on an annual basis dependant on the churches level of income for that financial year.

Individuals can approach Pastor Robson Lopes if they are in financial hardship/difficulty and individuals may be offered support from the Fellowship fund (on a case-by-case basis) at the discretion of Pastor Robson Lopes and the deacons – Individual church members can request that some of the regular giving be allocated to the fellowship fund.

Financial Review

We are thankful to God for the financial provisions provided to the congregation to support the ongoing work of Camrose Baptist Church in the UK and around the world and the income from the three rental properties 85 Vancouver Road ,16 Summit Close and 2 and 2a Fairfield Avenue.

The finances efficiently managed by the church treasurer who provides a monthly report detailing expenditure to the church leaders at our deacons meeting, and the church members are provided the same report at our quarterly members meeting.

The expenditure and accounts for the report cover the financial year 2023

Structure, Governance and Management

Camrose Baptist Church is governed by its constitution, this governs the responsibilities of church member, how members meeting is to be conducted, what happens when carrying out the day-to-day business like the appointing of church trustees (deacons) and appointing of a minister.

The members of Camrose Baptist Church have the right to vote on any decision relating to the church. This takes place in a member's meeting. Members meetings are held every 3 months.

The church has its Annual General Meeting in March each financial year. The church's financial year end date is 31 December.

The deacons have overall responsibility for the day to day running of the church, but this is shared with volunteers who are part of various ministry teams for example worship, media, property (church building) catering, finance. The church would fail to function with these important ministry teams.

Prior to deciding to register with Camrose Baptist Church with the charity commission, the church was registered with HMRC for employment purposes.

The members of church have the reserved authority under section 9.2 of the constitution to appoint and remove trustees and the minister.

The following trustees have been in office during the period covered in this report

Pastor Robson Lopes (Minister /chairperson) date appointed 12/10/2022

Charina Ocampo date appointed 01/01/2021

Vicky Mensah date appointed 01/01/2021

Appointment of Independent Examiner

Camrose Baptist Church appointed

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to independently examine the church's financial accounts on 25 November 2024 as required by the charity commission of England and Wales for charities with an annual income of more than £25,000. The audited accounts are provided in addition to this report.

The trustees of Camrose Baptist would like it to be on record that they acknowledge the delay in submitting the audited accounts on time , this was due to problems beyond their control with the previous independent examiner.

Plans for the Future.

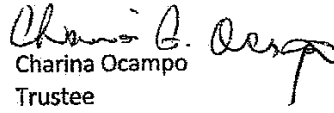
Camrose Baptist Church seeks to further develop it's the house groups and encourage everyone within our church family to find an area where they can serve the church and live for Jesus.

Camrose Baptist Church will be looking to continue to support organisations that work for the advancement of the Christian faith, who provide practical support for the relief of poverty, educational and spiritual assistance.

This report was approved by the trustees on 09 June 2025

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Robson Lopes
Trustee

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Charina Ocampo
Trustee

Camrose Baptist Church – Charity Number 1200344

Annual Report and Accounts

Year ended 31/12/2023

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Charity Information**

Trustees

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Bankers

Natwest Bank
315 Station Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA1 2AD

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The trustees present their annual report and accounts for the period ended 31 December 2023.

Principal Activities

The organisation was engaged in charitable and religious activities.

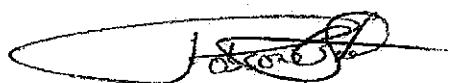
Trustees

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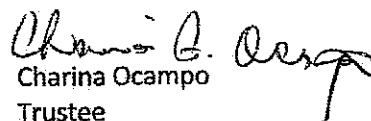
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Robson Lopes
Trustee



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Camrose Baptist Church**Income and Expenditure Account for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

	Notes	2023 £
Income :		
Rental of Residential Properties		45345
Gift Aided Donations		42312
Gift Aid Tax Refund		10578
General Donations		8442
Hall and Church Lettings		2525
Interest on Bank Deposits		1209
Events and Activities Income		161
Total Income		110572
Expenses :		
Wages and Salaries		22852
Manse Rental		22200
Support for Individuals and Organisations		9275
Repairs and Maintenance		8895
Light and Heat – Church and Manse		6177
Insurance – Church and other Properties		4969
Pension Contributions		4288
Solicitors Fees		3899
Cleaning, Gardening and Waste Disposal		3782
Property Service Charges (inc Council Tax & Water)		3094
Catering, Hospitality and Entertaining		2145
Equipment Leasing and Hiring		1808
Memberships and Subscriptions		1245
Other Legal and Professional Expenses		755
Software		652
Accountancy Fees		535
Staff Training and Welfare		238
Stationery and Printing (exc photocopier)		108
Internet		49
Travel and Subsistence		38
Equipment Expensed		26
Advertising and PR		22
Total Expenditure		97052
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		13520
Retained Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		13520
Income and Expenditure account brought forward		116136
Income and Expenditure account carried forward		129656

Camrose Baptist Church
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 £
Current Assets:		
Debtors		14958
Prepayments and Accrued Income		4697
Bank Deposits		113313
Total Assets		132968
Current Liabilities:		
Creditors – Amount falling due within one year	4	3312
Total Liabilities		3312
Net Assets		129656
Capital and Reserves:	5	
Called up share capital		0
Income and Expenditure Account		129656
Surplus Funds		129656
Application of Assets to Funds		
General Fund		129656
Total Assets		129656

Independent Examiner's Statement

Camrose Baptist Church is a Registered Charity. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993. In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- (a) To keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
- (b) To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to obtain a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Camrose Baptist Church
Notes to the Accounts for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2. Reserved Funds

There are no reserved funds at this time.

3. Charitable Status

The organisation is an unincorporated charity without shareholders. As a result no taxes are payable on its surplus funds and there are no dividends payable to shareholders.

4. Creditors – Amount falling due within one year

Rent Deposits and Prepayments Held	2190
Accountancy Fees	535
Other Trade Creditors	531
Bank Loans and Overdrafts	0
Loans from Trustees	0
Corporation Tax	0
VAT	0
Salaries & Pensions	56
Charitable Donations	0

5. Share Capital

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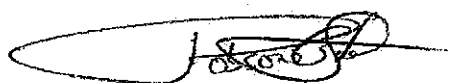
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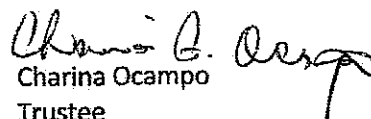
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