THE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL/PRESBYTERY

England Registered Charity No. 1202488

Annual Returns 27 March 2023 to 1 January 2024

Account Reference Date: 1/1/2024

Trustees (Serving during year ending 1 January 2024)

Moderator	Kwan Sheung LI
Secretary	Pang Chiu LI
Treasurer	Wai Fat Chan
Bankers	N/A
Church Locations	Solihull Women's Institute, 745 Warwick Road, Solihull B91 3DQ

Annual Report (Year Ending 1 January 2024)

1. General Purposes

a) To serve individuals and families, both old and young, that are affiliated with our organisation by providing ministerial activities for the betterment of their physical, mental, and spiritual health.

b) To provide assistance to people in communities where our organisation's churches are present, providing material help to those in need, spiritual encouragement, and positive events and activities that support individuals and families.

c) To establish churches and missions (see Clause 13) with a common system of government and theology that are able to be used as the means to achieve the aforementioned goals.

d) This Organisation is the result of large numbers of Hong Kong people migrating to England. The Charity Organisation's primary focus is Cantonese speaking people. However, the organisation does not exclude people from joining who are not of Hong Kong descent. This organisation does not exclude people based on their language or ethnicity.

e) This Organisation will be a governing body to form churches and missions (see Clauses 7 b., 10, 11 d.) in different communities in England to fulfil the goals of the organisation. Pastors, along with elected non-clergy persons will be members of the governing organisation, referred to as the CPC Council/Presbytery.

f) The CPC Council/Presbytery will not prevent its local churches from establishing their own Charitable Organisation for their local church/congregation. If they determine it is needed and necessary each church may establish their own Charitable Organisation, which would be complementary to this Organisation. The CPC Council/Presbytery is a Charitable Organisation that will assist its affiliated congregations in the aforementioned goals.

2. Activities and Achievements

To serve individuals and families, both old and young, we have enrolled the Disclosure and Barring Service(DBS) through Thirtyone:eight in August 2022. After registering our volunteer tutors started our children and youth ministry in Sunday morning since October 2022, in the Solihull Women's Institute[1]. We also worked closely with the Solihull United Reformed Church[2] which is adjacent to us. We had had two joint worships together in which allowed us to share different culture between us.

We provide Sunday Services in Cantonese, sometimes in English with Cantonese translations. Communion Services are held every month.

Our pastors have continued to provide pastoral care to our congregations and also any new immigrants in need. Prayer sessions, fellowships and bible study groups are organised regularly. Special events are held during religious festivals like Easter and Christmas, and Hong Kong festivals like the Lunar New Year in order to encourage and support new immigrants including but not limited to those coming from Hong Kong via the BN(O) Visa.

3. Highlights in The CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL/PRESBYTERY

The attendance grew steadily from forty people in our first Sunday Worship to average a hundred and fifty in the year ending in 1 January 2024. We grew from 10 cell groups to 13 cell groups during the same period, including one specifically for the elderly. For Kids' worship, numbers of comers increased from one group to two which are separately the Junior(Year 1 to 3) and Senior(Year 4 to 6) Groups in the same period. For Teens' worship, numbers of comers also increased from one group to two which are separately the Junior(Year 7 to 9) and Senior(Year 10 to 13) Groups in the same period. People came together to form a support network and that in turn helped any new comers.

4. Financial Statements and Funds

In accordance with the Regulations of Charity Commissions For England and Wales and the Charities SoRP(FRS102), being a charity with an annual gross income less than £25,000, the Financial Statements of this Congregation set out on pages 7 to 9 consist of a Statement of Congregation Funds and movements thereon during the Year from 27 March 2023 to 1 January 2024 and details of the Receipts and Payment, Surplus(Deficit), and Net Movement on Funds during the year with supplementary notes thereon where appropriate.

The Receipts and Payments for the regular Congregation activities are shown in the

[1] Solihull Women's Institute, 745 Warwick Road, Solihull B91 3DQ
[2] Registered Charity No. 507027

General Fund and in the year amounted to £12,737 and £10,146 respectively and gives a gross surplus of £ 2,590.

The total amount of all Funds as at 1 January 2024 is £2,590.

5. Accounting Policies

- The main sources of income are the donations of members.
- The Receipts and Payments of Congregation Fund are recorded and reported on a cash received and cash paid (as invoices/accounts are received) basis respectively. In the event that a commitment is made after the date of the Statement of Balances which will materially reflect on the amount of any Fund(s) this will be reported in the accompanying Notes to the Accounts.
- The Balance of Congregation Fund represents sums available for the ongoing work and activities of the Congregation. For this financial year, all our Fund is Unrestricted.

6. Approval of Report and Financial Statements

The Report and Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustee at their meeting on 6 October 2024. The Office Bearers authorised to sign the Report and Finance Statements on behalf of the Congregation are:-

Signed	LI	Kwan Sheung LI	**Moderator**
Signed	PANG	Pang Chiu LI	**Secretary**
Signed	Chan	Wai Fai CHAN	**Treasurer**

Date: 6/10/2024

Financial Statements:

The CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL/PRESBYTERY

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS ANALYSIS

ANALYSIS OF CASH BOOK

27 March 2023 - 1 January 2024

DESCRIPTION	27.3.2023 - 1.1.2024 £	TOTAL £
INCOME		
DONATIONS - WORSHIP GROUP	12,737.77	12,737.77
DONATIONS – HKCCB	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	**12,737.77**	**12,737.77**
EXTRAORDINARY	0.00	0.00
	12,737.77	**12,737.77**

DESCRIPTION	27.3.2023 - 1.1.2024 £	TOTAL £
EXPENDITURE		
VENUE RENTAL		
SOLIHULL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE	3,740.00	3,740.00
SOLIHULL UNITED REFORMED CHURCH	1,672.00	1,672.00
EQUIPMENT		
AV EQUIPMENT	1,603.11	1,603.11
ACCESSORIES	84.33	84.33
ADMIN MISCELLANEOUS		
INSURANCE	187.04	187.04
ANNUAL FEE	696.49	696.49
WORSHIP ACTIVITIES		
ADULT WORSHIP	361.36	361.36
YOUTH WORSHIP	500.87	500.87
CHILD WORSHIP	704.72	704.72
SPEAKER FEE	449.00	449.00
FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES	148.00	148.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**10,146.92**	**10,146.92**
EXTRAORDINARY	0.00	0.00
	10,146.92	**10,146.92**
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	**2,590.85**	**2,590.85**

Statement of balance:

The CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL/PRESBYTERY

Statement of Balances and Movement on Congregation Funds for Year ending 1 January 2024

Fund	Nature of Fund	Balance 27.3.23 £	Receipts 27.3.2023 - 1.1.2024 £	(Payments) 27.3.2023 - 1.1.2024 £	Surplus (Deficit) £	Net Fund Transfers £	Net change on Fund £	Balance 1.1.2024 £	Held as follows	£
Birmingham	**Unrestricted Note 1**	0.00	12,737.77	10,146.92	2,590.85	0.00	2,590.85	2,590.85	Cash In Hand	2,590.85
Total Fund		**0.00**	**12,737.77**	**10,146.92**	**2,590.85**	**0.00**	**2,590.85**	**2,590.85**		**2,590.85**

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ending 1 January 2024

Nature of Congregation Funds:

The CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL/PRESBYTERY	Unrestricted	**Note 1**	Ordinary receipts and payments of the Congregation. Office Bearers may 'designate' unrestricted funds for general reserves or for specified purpose(s).
Property	Church	**Note 2**	No property is owned
Contingent Liabilities		**Note 3**	Financial Statements present the receipts received and payments made during the year. In the event there are any material outstandings, contingent liabilities and /or commitments these are noted below:- There are no contingent liabilities at the date of this Report and Financial Statement.
Payments to Trustees		**Note 4**	No payments have been made to any Trustee for the performance of their duties as Trustees of the Congregation

Approval of Congregation Financial Statements for the Year ending 1 January 2024 as set out in Sections 10,11 by Office Bearers authorised to sign.

Moderator LI **Name:** Kwan Sheung LI

Treasurer Chan **Name:** Wai Fat CHAN

Date:
6/10/2024