

**Registered Charity Number.1203894**

**Bethel Church Kidderminster CIO**

**Trustee Report and Financial Statements  
For the year ending 31 March 2025**

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**References and administrative information**

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## **Trustees Report**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Bethel Church Kidderminster was incorporated as a charitable Incorporated organisation on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

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

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

### **Aims and Purposes**

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

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

### **Objectives and Activities**

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

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**Achievements and Performances**

Bethel Church Kidderminster is an integral part of the Ecclesiastical District One of Bethel United Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic UK and Europe. We host weekly services in the sanctuary and online for the Church members and the general public.

The services comprise of: Prayer, Sunday school, Interactive discussions and Worship;

These services are also open to the general public:

Upper Room Prayer Ministry (Daily), Living Manna - Bible Study (Weekly), Zoom Home Prayer Meeting (Fortnightly), Midnight Call - All Night Prayer Meeting (Monthly).

We also participate in our Bethel UK National Prayer Call (Daily).

In addition, we have accomplished the following:

- Community Outreach
- Evangelism & Outreach
- Ministries Appreciation/Fellowship Meal
- Social Activities

We have had two new members join the church.

**Future Plans**

The church leadership and Trustees plan to continue to promote the spiritual growth through education and workshops by involvement in the local community and beyond as set out in the objectives.

We also plan to continue:

- Visits to Care homes
- Visits the housebound
- Street Ministry
- Identify and purchase a building for a place of worship
- Discipleship Training
- Community Zoom Movie Nights
- Christmas Service & Meal
- Easter Service & Meal
- February service & Meal
- Mother's & Father's Day service

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**Statement of Trustees` responsibilities**

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

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

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

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**Structure, Governance And Management**

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

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

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

**Public Benefit**

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

By:-

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

**Financial Review**

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £16,546(£12,086-2024) and are detailed in the financial statements.

£5,542 in 2025(£4,845-2024) was spent to provide the Christian ministry.

The net result for the year was a surplus of £11,004 in 2025( £7,241-2024) and adding bank and deposit balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balances carried forward at 31 March 2025 for unrestricted funds totalled £33,625( £22,621-2024).

**Reserves Policy**

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

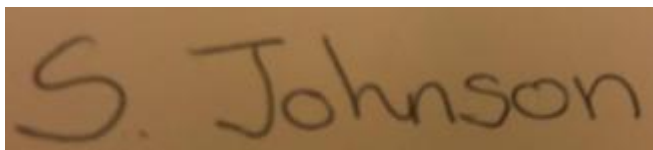
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**Risk Management**

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

**Approved by the Trustees**

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Missionary Sandra Johnson-Chair

August 2025



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**Independent examiner's report to Bethel Church Kidderminster CIO**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 8 to 16.

**Respective responsibilities of the Committee and the examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

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

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

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**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Statement of Financial Activities**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
		2025	2025	2024
		£	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>				
Donation and Legacies	2	16,546	16,546	12,086
Investment Income	3	-	-	-
Total				
<b>EXPENDED ON</b>				
Charitable activities	4	5,542	5,542	4,845
Total		5,542	5,542	4,845
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>11,004</b>	<b>11,004</b>	<b>7,241</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>				
Total funds brought forward		22,621	22,621	15,380
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>33,625</b>	<b>33,625</b>	<b>22,621</b>

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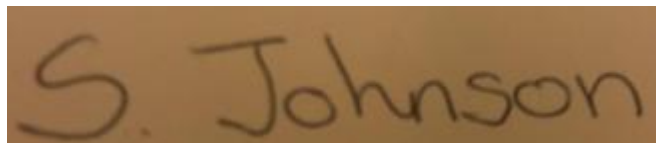
**Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025**

		31 March 2025	31 March 2025	31 March 2024
	Notes	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Freehold property/ Building Improvements	6	-	-	-
Printing, Video & Catering Equipment		-	-	-
Equipment, Furniture & Fittings	6	714	714	-
Computer Hardware		399	399	-
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<b>1,113</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash at Bank and in hand		33,032	33,032	23,141
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>33,032</b>	<b>33,032</b>	<b>23,141</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Creditors falling due within one year	7	520	520	520
<b>Net Current assets</b>		<b>32,512</b>	<b>32,512</b>	<b>22,621</b>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<b>33,625</b>	<b>33,625</b>	<b>22,621</b>
<b>Creditors:</b> falling due after more than 1year		-	-	-
<b>Total Net assets</b>		<b>33,625</b>	<b>33,625</b>	<b>22,621</b>
<b>Funds of the charity</b>				
Restricted and Unrestricted Funds		33,625	33,625	22,621

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The notes on pages 11 to 16 form part of these financial statements

Accounts approved by the Trustees

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Missionary Sandra Johnson-Chair

August 2025

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**1 Accounting Policies**

**a) Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention

**b) Income and Expenditure**

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

**c) Fund Accounting**

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

Charity.

There are no restricted funds held by the Charity

**d) Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

Fixed assets are capitalised in the accounts where their initial cost is a value of £200 and greater, items lower than this amount are expended through the Statement of Financial Activities.

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

Freehold property	not provided
Building improvement	10% straight line
Plant & Machinery	10% straight line
Fixtures & Fittings	20% straight line
Office Equipment	20% straight line
Audio Visuals	10% straight line
Laptops & Computers	20% straight line
Motor Vehicle	20% straight line

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**2 Donation and Legacies**

	2025	2025	2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Donations & Offering	16,546	16,546	12,086
Gift Aid	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,546</b>	<b>16,546</b>	<b>12,086</b>

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	2025	2025	2024
	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Interest Received	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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**4. Expenditure on Charitable Activities**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Administrative expenses	--	-
Communication	155	155
Governance Cost	--	-
Finance/Financing Cost	--	-
Depreciation on tangible assets: Owned by the Charity	278	-
Legal Cost	--	-
Insurance	236	240
Utilities Cost	-	-
Professional/Consultancy Fees	-	700
Accountancy/Independent Examination	520	-
Transportation/Travel/Subsistence	-	-
Mission & Ministry Cost	1,350	1,263
<b>Ecclesiastical Support Cost</b> [Contribution towards the responsibilities of the National Church]	110	-
Outreach/Evangelism [beyond the church]	480	-
Property Cost/Premises Hire/Room Hire	2,285	1,943
Security/Health/Safety Cost	-	-
Honorarium/Pastoral Support/Stipend	-	-
Supplies & Services	128	-
Equipment & Furniture Repairs/Maintenance	-	-
Small Equipment/Furniture Non-Capital	-	-
Training /Short Courses/Conferences	-	-
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	2
<b>Total Administrative expenses</b>	<b>5,542</b>	<b>4,845</b>



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**5. Trustees Remuneration and Benefits**

One trustee received £0-2025(£0-2024), not as a trustee but for services provided to the charity.

**Trustees` Expenses**

There was no trustee`s expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024, nor for the year ended 31 March 2025

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**6. Tangible Fixed Assets**

	Freehold Property/Building Improvements	Fixtures, fittings & Equipment	Audio/ Heating System/ Kitchen Equipment	Computer Hardware	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>					
1 April 2024	-	-	-	-	-
Additions		892		499	1,391
Surplus on revaluation	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025		892	-	499	1,391
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 April 2024	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Charge for the year</b>	-	178	-	100	278
<b>On disposals</b>	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 31 March 2025	-	714	-	399	1,113
At 31 March 2024	-	-	-	-	-

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**7. Creditors**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	520	520
	520	520

**8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025