

# DEBRE TSI GE ST.URAEL ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX TEWAHIDO CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1205005

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2023-10-02

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE :-1) TO ADVANCE THE ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX TEWAHIDO CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC MAINLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGHOUT THE PROVISION OF A PLACE OF WORSHIP, THE HOLDING OF PRAYER MEETINGS, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES AND TO PROVIDE OUTREACH AND PASTORAL CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY , AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT;2) TO RELIEVE SICKNESS AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AND TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE GOOD HEALTH BY THE PROVISION OF FUNDS, GOODS, OR SERVICES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR ABROAD AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Newcastle Upon Tyne City

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£123,683	£24,323	-	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Birhane Sisay</b>	Chair	
Ashenafie Balcha Tesfaye		
Mahlet yohannes Tagesse		
Mesele Abebe Dametaw		
Seble Sileshi Gebreyes		
Seble Fear		
Yonas Gidei Abraham		

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# Accounts

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**Debre Tsige St. Urael Ethiopian**

**Orthodox Tewahedo Church**

## **Annual Report**

**For the period 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**Charity registration number: 1205005**

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**Debre Tsige St. Urael Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church Annual  
Report For the period 2nd October 2023 to 31st March 2025**

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CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report

For the period 2nd October 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

**Charity name:** Debre Tsige St Urael Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church.

**Registered charity number:** 1205005

The Trustees hereby present their Annual Report for the financial year for the period 2nd October 2023 to 31st March 2025. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document and the relevant accounting policies, and are fully compliant with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011, the Charities Accounts and Reports Regulations 2008, and the latest Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) based on Financial Reporting Standard 102, as amended.

## Objectives and Activities

The purpose of the charity is to advance the Christian faith while extending outreach and pastoral care to the wider community. Its mission includes relieving sickness and financial hardship among those in need, as well as promoting and preserving good health through the provision of goods, services, counselling, and support. The charity also seeks to encourage, welcome, and include young people, fostering a sense of belonging and hope.

The charity's main activities encompass providing a place of worship, holding prayers, offering religious education, conducting ceremonies such as christening, wedding and funeral prayers service as well as delivering outreach and pastoral care to the community.

## Achievements and Performance

The church has faced challenges in securing a permanent venue of own but has diligently provide regular prayer services every other Saturday and Sunday throughout the year, along with annual religious events. Additionally, a prayer program was organised during fasting periods and Holy Week. Over the course of the year, the Charity facilitated several gatherings during Mass services and conducted various ceremonies.

The church also held regular educational programs for children on religious and cultural heritage, supporting their physical, mental, and spiritual growth to help them become responsible citizens.

The Charity created opportunities for the community to unite and nurturing the maintenance of positive mental and spiritual well-being. It also built bridges to connect other communities, enabling the sharing and learning of various traditions. Furthermore, it organised

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opportunities to travel to different cities to participate in spiritual celebrations, fostering broader connections and valuable experiences.

## Financial Review

By the end of 31 March 2025, the charity achieved a net operating of £89,156. The charity reserves primarily to ensure a stable financial and to accumulate savings for the future purchase of its own church. The current cash reserve stands at £184,412. The charities have no concerns or uncertainties regarding its ability to continue as a concern.

## Structure, Governance and Management

### Establishment and Service Area:

Founded in the United Kingdom, our charity extends its services primarily to residents of the North East region of England. Our congregation comprises members from all parts of Tyne and Wear, reflecting a diverse and committed community.

### Governance and Management:

The governance of the charity is overseen by a Board of Trustees, which convenes biweekly (every four weeks) to ensure effective oversight and strategic direction. The committee responsible for managing day-to-day activities reports directly to the Trustees.

### Selection and Appointment of Trustees:

- Trustees are nominated and elected by the general assembly in accordance with the charity's procedures.
- Each trustee serves a term of three years, as determined by resolutions passed during properly convened meetings of the trustees.
- In selecting individuals for trustee positions, careful consideration is given to their skills, knowledge, and experience to ensure effective governance and administration of the charity's activities.

### Renewal and Re-election of Trustees:

- The management committee may nominate new trustees from among the congregation members every three years.
- At the end of their term, trustees are required to retire but are eligible for re-election by the membership, provided they continue to uphold the charity's objectives.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Individuals subscribing to and supporting the aims and objectives of the charity are encouraged to participate in governance and leadership roles.

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## Reference and Administrative details

Debre Tsige St. Urael Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church is situated in Newcastle rented in st Michael church in Elswick, Westmorland road, , NE4 7RE.


### Members of the board of trustees who manage the charity

1	Rev Brhane Sisay	Chairman
2	Decon Mesele Abebe Dametew	Vice Chairman
3	Mrs Mahlet yohannes Tagesse	Secretary
4	Mr Ashenafi Balcha Tesfaye	Care Taker
5	Mrs Seble Sileshi Gebreyes	Head of finance
6	Mrs Seble Fear	Treasure
7	Mr Yonas Gidei Abraham	Public relation

## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Mahlet yohannes Tagesse	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	
<b>Date</b>	26/01/2026	

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**Including income and expenditure account  
for the period 2 October 2023 to 31 March 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>		
Members subscriptions		13,030
Donations from congregations		81,602
Alms		14,632
Charity activities		4,425
Christening		610
Prayers		450
Tilthes		3,350
Weddings		100
Vows		2,000
Gross interest received		3,484
		123,683
<b>Cost of generating funds</b>		
Hire of hall for church services	3,521	
Priest/Deacon allowance	14,435	
Transportion cost for priest/Deacon	5,100	
Sundry expenses	660	
Telephone	133	
Donations	475	
		24,323
<b>Net income for the year</b>		99,360
Cash funds last year end		112,810
Cash funds this year end		273,568



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**Receipts and payments accounts**

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For the period from	02/10/2023	To	31/03/2025
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**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Members subscriptions	13,030	-	-	13,030	
Donations from congregations	81,602	-	-	81,602	
Alms	14,632	-	-	14,632	
Charity activities	4,425	-	-	4,425	
Christening	610	-	-	610	
Prayers	450	-	-	450	
Tithes	3,350	-	-	3,350	
Weddings	100	-	-	100	
Vows	2,000	-	-	2,000	
Gross interest received	3,484	-	-	3,484	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>123,683</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>123,683</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>123,683</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>123,683</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Hire of hall for church services	3,521	-	-	3,521	-
Priest/Deacon allowance	14,435	-	-	14,435	-
Transportation cost for priest/Deacon	5,100	-	-	5,100	-
Sundry expenses	660	-	-	660	-
Telephone	133	-	-	133	-
Donations	475	-	-	475	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>24,323</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,323</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>24,323</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,323</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>99,360</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>99,360</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>99,360</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>99,360</b>	<b>-</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash in hand	311	-	-
	Bank account (1)	88,845	-	-
	Bank account (2)	184,412	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b> <small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>	<b>273,568</b>	-	-

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Mahiel Yohannes Tafese	28/01/2026

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28/01/2026

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

## DEBRE TISGE ST URAEL ETHIOPIAN ORTHODOX TEWAHIDO CHURCH

For the year 2 October 2023 to 31 March 2025

In accordance with instructions given to us we have prepared without carrying out an audit the annexed financial statements from the accounting records of Debre Tisge St Urael Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church from information and explanations supplied to us.

Flannagans Gateshead  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
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The Watermark  
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