

ZETSEAT CHURCH OF CHRIST LONDON

England & Wales · Charity number 1208396

Details

Other names	■■■■■ ■■■■■ ■■■■■■ ■■■■■, ■■■■ ■■■■ ■■■■■ ■■■■ [English translation = Zetseat Church of Christ London]
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2024-05-24
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 3.1 THE PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH ARE: 3.1.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN LONDON AND THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURHOOD; AND 3.1.2 SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS SHALL, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES, PUT INTO PRACTICE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: THE PREVENTION AND RELIEF OF NEED, HARDSHIP AND SICKNESS; THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION; AND THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEED OF SUCH FACILITIES BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH, AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE; PROVIDED THAT THE ADVANCEMENT OF SUCH PURPOSES MUST BE UNDERTAKEN IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH SUCH OTHER FAITH STATEMENTS AS MAY BE ADOPTED AND AMENDED BY THE CHURCH FROM TIME TO TIME IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHURCH HANDBOOK.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£42,012	£28,787	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Desta Arefaine Bokre	Chair	
Dawit Tekel		
Mekonen Solomon		
Mussie Woldu Berhane		
Samson Goitom BSc		

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2024		31	March	2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Zetseat Church of Christ London

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1208396

Charity's principal address

10B Compton Crescent

Northolt

Postcode

UB5 5LP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Desta Arefaine Bokre (Chair)	Charity Trustee	27 th April 2024	Members of the Charity
2	Dawit Tekel	Charity Trustee	27 th April 2024	Members of the Charity
3	Mekonen Solomon	Charity Trustee	27 th April 2024	Members of the Charity
4	Samson Goitom (Treasurer)	Charity Trustee	27 th April 2024	Members of the Charity
5	Mussie Woldu Berhane	Charity Trustee	27 th April 2024	Members of the Charity
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by Members of the Charity

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

In addition to the Church Constitution, the Charity has developed a **supplementary document titled the *Church Handbook***. This handbook outlines practical guidance for church operations, leadership responsibilities, and ministry activities, supporting the effective implementation of the Charity's mission and values.

The Church Handbook must not be inconsistent with any provision of the constitution and, for the avoidance of doubt, should there be any inconsistency the constitution prevails.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

3. Purposes

3.1 The purposes of the Church are: 3.1.1 2 the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within London and the surrounding neighbourhood; and

3.1.2 such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees, put into practice the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith, including but not limited to: the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness; the advancement of education; and the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life;

provided that the advancement of such purposes must be undertaken in a manner that is consistent with such other Faith Statements as may be adopted and amended by the Church from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Church Handbook.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Zetseat Church of Christ: April 2024 – March 2025

1. Leadership & Charity Registration

On 20 April 2024, new Elders were appointed, followed by the election of Church Representatives and Trustees on 27 April. The church was officially registered with the Charity Commission on 24 May 2024 with Charity No. 1208396.

2. Celebrations

To mark these milestones, a “Double Portion Celebration Conference” was held on 7 July 2024 to thank God for His guidance. The release of a worship album by Sister Ruta Tesfamichael was also celebrated, with participation from over 20 churches and choirs ministering in Tigrigna and Amharic.

3. Fundraising

On the same day, over £20,000 was raised to support the church’s mission and future initiatives, thanks to generous contributions from attendees and supporters.

4. Church Services

Weekly services continue with strong participation:

- Sundays (2:00–5:30pm): Adult worship in the Assembly Hall; youth and children’s ministry in separate rooms.
- Tuesdays & Thursdays (8:30–10:00pm): Online Bible study and teaching.
- Wednesdays (7:00–10:00pm): In-person choir rehearsals.
- Daily (6:00–7:30am): Online morning prayers.
- Fortnightly (7:00–11:00pm): In-person leadership meetings.

5. Elders’ Ministry

Elders remained committed to spiritual leadership through:

- Biweekly meetings
- Annual retreat (31 May–2 June)
- Quarterly fellowship participation
- Joint retreat with Church Representatives (28 Nov–1 Dec)
- Over 12 additional meetings for pastoral care and collaboration

6. Trustees

Trustees successfully opened a Lloyds bank account and registered the church with HMRC for Gift Aid. They work closely with the Finance Department to ensure financial transparency and approve all expenditures.

7. Deacons & Ushers

We thank God for our devoted deacons and ushers who serve faithfully, fostering a welcoming and orderly worship environment.

8. Prayer Ministry

The Prayer Ministry meets daily at 6:00am and hosts in-person sessions every Sunday. Their dedication has led to spiritual growth and answered prayers, with many now confidently sharing the Word.

9. Choir

The choir serves with consistency and passion, rehearsing weekly and leading Sunday worship. They have ministered at various churches and welcomed guest choirs, including from Switzerland.

10. Youth & Children

Youth received foundational teaching on salvation for 12 months, culminating in the baptism of 16 youth and 1 adult on 22 February 2024. They also attended a youth conference in Birmingham and led worship in the church twice. The children's ministry continues to thrive, supported by dedicated teachers and assistants.

11. Media Ministry

The Media Ministry has consistently recorded and broadcast Sunday and Thursday services, enabling remote participation and spiritual engagement. These recordings have been a valuable resource for those unable to attend in person. We are also encouraged by the involvement of 2–3 youth currently training to support this ministry, reflecting growth and continuity.

12. Bible Study & Teaching

Weekly online Bible studies have focused on the Book of Romans (Tuesdays) and the Book of Revelation (Thursdays). These sessions have deepened our understanding of Scripture and strengthened our faith. The active participation of the congregation is a testament to God's grace and the church's hunger for His Word.

13. Finance Team

The Finance Team has demonstrated diligence and integrity in managing church funds. Offerings and donations are securely deposited into the church's bank account, and annual financial reports are prepared to ensure transparency and good governance. Their faithful service is vital to the church's operations.

14. Men's Group

Meeting quarterly, the Men's Group provides fellowship and support while contributing significantly through fundraising. Many members have also established monthly standing orders, demonstrating ongoing financial commitment to the church's mission.

15. Women's Ministry

The women of the church have shown exceptional dedication through hospitality and service. They prepare weekly refreshments and support all special events with generosity and grace. Their contributions greatly enrich our fellowship and community life.

16. Church Ordinances & Blessings

- Child Dedication: Six children from two families were dedicated in special services.
- Baptism: Seventeen individuals were baptised on 22 February 2024.
- Lord's Supper: A monthly communion service has been introduced, offering a time of reflection, renewal, and unity in Christ. These ordinances mark significant spiritual milestones and affirm our commitment to nurturing faith across all life stages.

17. Fellowship Trips & Retreats

To strengthen community bonds, two fellowship outings were held in August 2024:

- 5–8 August: A church retreat to Butlin's Bognor Regis offered rest, spiritual renewal, and joyful fellowship.
- 17 August: A seaside day trip to Chalkwell, Essex focused on worship, unity, and social connection.

18. New Year Reflection & Worship

On 31 December 2024, a New Year's Eve gathering at Langanoo Restaurant provided space for reflection, worship, and thanksgiving. The evening fostered gratitude and renewed hope for the year ahead.

19. Compassion in Times of Loss

Seven members experienced bereavement during the year. The church responded with love and unity, offering comfort and support—reflecting the strength of our spiritual family.

20. Guest Preachers

We were blessed by the ministry of Brother Luul, Pastor Daniel, Pastor Mehari (USA), and Pastor Aaron (USA). Their messages enriched our spiritual journey and encouraged the congregation.

21. Inter-Church Fellowship

- Evangelical Alliance: Zetseat Church became a registered member in March 2025, strengthening ties with the wider UK Christian community.
- Eritrean Churches Fellowship: We remained active participants, co-hosting a three-day conference (12–14 July) at Bethel Eritrean Church London, focused on worship, teaching, and unity.
- Ministry Outreach:
 - Brother Mussie and Brother Desta ministered at Bethel Church.
 - Brother Meseret shared the Word in Turkey.

We thank God for their service and the impact of their ministry.

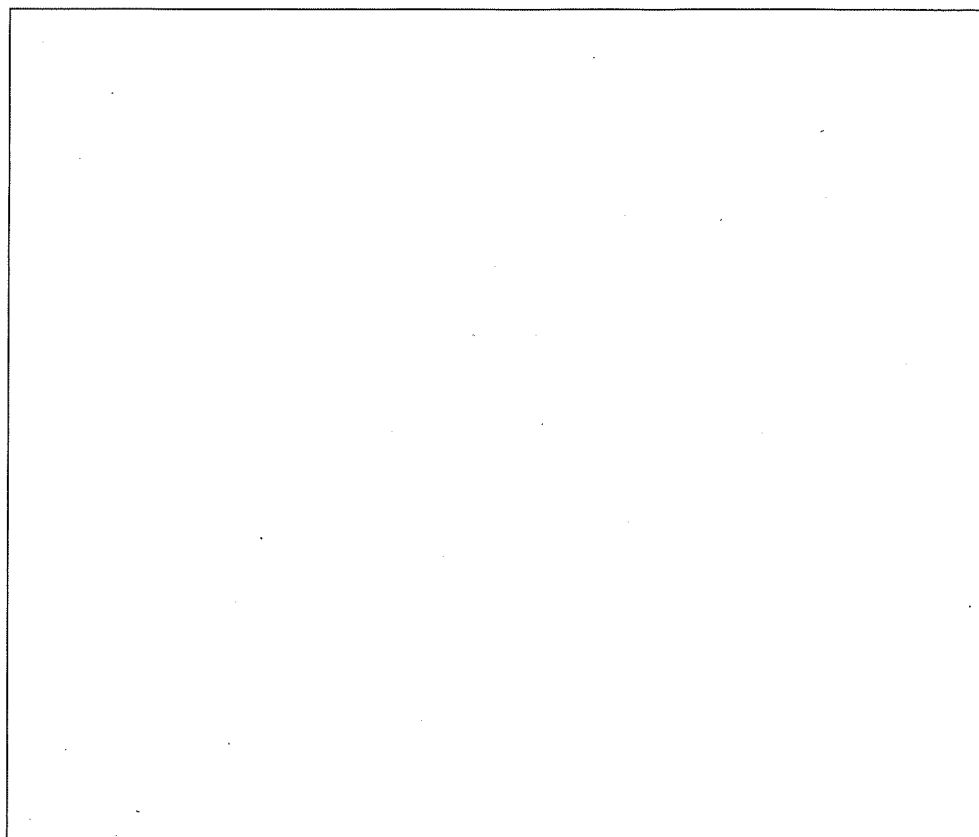
22. Venue Transitions

- May 2022 – 7 July 2024: Services held at St Stephen's Church, Canonbury Road.
- 21 July – 4 August 2024: Temporary relocation to Christ Apostolic Church Bethel UK.
- From 11 August 2024: Services and activities have continued at Beacon High School, Hilldrop Road.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements and Performance

1. Governance and Leadership

Developed the Charity Constitution and Church Handbook, which guided the appointment of Elders, Church Representatives, and Trustees.

2. Charity Registration

Successfully registered with the Charity Commission (Charity No. 1208396).

3. An impactful Conference and Fundraising

Organised a great conference on 7 July 2024, attended by over 20 churches. The event raised more than £20,000 to support church ministry.

4. Worship Album Release

Released a new worship album that glorifies God and reaches audiences both locally and globally.

5. Regular Worship Services

Established consistent weekly services accessible to both members and the wider public.

6. Financial Infrastructure

Opened a church bank account and implemented effective financial management practices.

7. Baptisms

Baptised 17 individuals (16 youth and 1 adult) on 22 February 2024, following a year-long discipleship programme.

8. Digital Evangelism

Regularly broadcast Sunday and Thursday services via YouTube and Facebook, extending the church's reach.

9. Community Building

Fostered a supportive and welcoming church community that celebrates together and provides care during times of loss, while actively reaching out to newcomers.

10. Christian Networking and Outreach

- Joined the Evangelical Alliance and remained active in the Fellowship of Eritrean Evangelical Churches in London.
- Collaborated with over 20 churches for the July 2024 conference.
- Hosted guest preachers and sent church members to minister in other congregations.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

As of the end of the reporting period, the Charity holds **£13,224.92** in reserve.

As a newly registered charity, we have not yet developed a formal reserves policy. However, we are committed to establishing one in due course to ensure responsible financial planning and sustainability in line with our charitable objectives.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not Applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The Charity's primary source of income is derived from **offerings and tithes** generously given by church members during services. Some members also contribute through **standing orders** directly into the church's bank account.

Additional income is generated through a **2% commission on books sold** during church services. The Charity is also in the process of registering for **Gift Aid**, which will further enhance financial sustainability by allowing us to reclaim tax on eligible donations.

The majority of the Charity's funds are allocated to **venue hire** for weekly services and church activities, which directly support our mission to advance the Christian faith.

Additional expenditures include the **purchase of musical instruments and media equipment**, which enhance worship and facilitate the effective delivery of the gospel during services and online broadcasts.

Section F

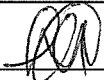
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Samson Gaitom	Desta Bokhe
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer.	Chairman

Date



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Zetseat Church of Christ London

No 1208396

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2024	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 £
A1 Receipts					
Offerings and tithes	£18,630.06	-	-	18,630	-
Fund raising event	£21,812.18	-	-	21,812	-
Income from book sales & Albums of songs	£1,510.00	-	-	1,510	-
Bank compensation	£60.00	-	-	60	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,012	-	-	42,012	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,012	-	-	42,012	-
A3 Payments					
Rent of Buildings	£19,007.79	-	-	19,008	-
Media & IT Devices	£6,388.89	-	-	6,389	-
Choir & Muscial Instruments	£1,080.44	-	-	1,080	-
Conference Expenses	£730.06	-	-	730	-
Donation & Aid	£500.00	-	-	500	-
Consumable items	£455.93	-	-	456	-
Legal Fee	£389.71	-	-	390	-
Bank Service Charge	£164.50	-	-	165	-
Office Stationery	£70.00	-	-	70	-
Sub total	28,787	-	-	28,787	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	28,787	-	-	28,787	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,225	-	-	13,225	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	13,225	-	-	13,225	-

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 £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	-	-	-
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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

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

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Desta Bokke	02/11/25
	Somson Gritom	02/11/25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Zetseat Church of Christ London

On accounts for the year
ended

01/04/2024 – 31/03/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1208396

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2025**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Adhanet Tekir

Date:

02/11/25

Name:

Adhanet Tekir

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Business Management

Address:

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132 ARLINGTON ROAD
N7 6ED

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.