

LifeSpring Church Burntwood

Reports & Accounts

Financial Year Ending 31/03/2025

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: LifeSpring Church Burntwood

Charity Number: 1208514

Charity Address: CANNOCK ROAD
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WS7 1JS

Trustees: Anthony Wastall (Appointed 04/06/2024)

Delmar Selwyn Brown (Appointed 04/06/2024)

Stephen Eaves (Appointed 04/06/2024)

Linda Bowen (Appointed 04/06/2024)

John Michael Blackah (Appointed 04/06/2024)

Christopher Woods (Appointed 04/06/2024)

Independent Examiner: Davina Vince

5 Paget Road
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Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

LifeSpring Church Burntwood exists to advance the Christian faith through the proclamation of the Gospel and the faithful teaching of God's Word, in accordance with the foundational trust deeds of the Church. As a vibrant, Spirit-filled community, we are called to minister in multiple directions — sharing the Gospel, developing leaders, and nurturing spiritual maturity within the body of Christ.

Our passion is to create a welcoming environment where people of all ages can encounter the presence of God, grow in their relationship with Him, and be empowered to make a lasting impact in their communities and beyond.

Key Mission Goals

Save the Lost

Reaching those who do not yet know Jesus with the life-transforming message of the Gospel.

Raise Leaders

Identifying, equipping, and mentoring emerging leaders to serve within the church and in wider ministry contexts.

Make Disciples

Nurturing spiritual growth and maturity in every believer through intentional discipleship, prayer, and Bible-based teaching.

Impact the Community

Transforming lives in Burntwood and beyond through practical support, wise counsel, prayer, and local outreach initiatives.

Assisting with the Relief of Poverty

As part of our community outreach, we are actively engaged in helping to relieve poverty and hardship within our local area. Current initiatives include:

1. Food Bank: Providing essential groceries and supplies to individuals and families in need.
2. Weekly Community Meals: Offering a welcoming space for fellowship and nourishment for those facing financial or social challenges.
3. Community Store Support: Partnering with and supporting our local community store to ensure affordable access to basic goods.
4. Financial Guidance and Debt Relief Support: Offering practical help, advice, and pastoral guidance to those struggling with financial pressures.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

To further our vision and charitable objectives, LifeSpring Church Burntwood has engaged in a wide range of spiritual, pastoral, and community-focused activities throughout the year. These initiatives reflect our commitment to advancing the Christian faith, nurturing spiritual growth, and serving the local community with compassion and care.

Key Activities and Achievements

Sunday Services: Held weekly gatherings centred on passionate worship, Bible-based teaching, and authentic community building.

Prayer Groups: Facilitated three dedicated prayer gatherings each week, creating space to seek God's presence, guidance, and breakthrough for individuals and the wider community.

Home Groups: Ran small discipleship groups throughout the week, fostering fellowship, accountability, and deeper engagement with Scripture.

Family, Couples, and Individual Discipleship: Offered monthly support and discipleship sessions focused on strengthening personal faith, relationships, and emotional well-being.

Children's Ministry: Provided a safe, fun, and faith-building environment every Sunday for children to grow in their knowledge of God and enjoy community with peers.

The Hub: Operates as a key outreach initiative, offering food, meaningful conversation, and practical support to individuals and families in need.

Food Bank Support: Partnered actively with the local food bank hosted on our premises — collecting donations, serving meals, and offering prayer and companionship to all who came through our doors.

Youth Ministry: Invested in the next generation through weekly youth gatherings and an annual youth camp, with over 10 young people participating and growing in faith and fellowship.

Quarterly Fellowship Events: Hosted events such as BBQs, socials, and community activities to strengthen church relationships and create welcoming spaces for newcomers.

Community Engagement: Actively participated in local events and collaborated with other charities and organisations to extend support and share God's love throughout the Burntwood area and beyond.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial Review

The finances of LifeSpring Church Burntwood continue to grow steadily, thanks to the faithful and consistent monthly giving of our church family. We are encouraged by the increasing number of individuals and families committing to regular financial support — a strong indicator of both spiritual engagement and healthy church growth.

Key Financial Highlights

Sustainable Growth in Giving: Regular donations have increased throughout the year, reflecting a deepening commitment within the congregation and enabling us to plan with greater confidence and vision.

Strategic Investment in Children's Ministry: A significant proportion of expenditure this year has been dedicated to our youth and children's ministry. This includes the hire of a Portable Cabin, providing a dedicated space for children's work on Sundays to foster growth and development.

Strong and Stable Financial Position: Despite increased operational expenses, the church remains in a strong and sustainable financial position, with sufficient resources to support current ministries and activities, as well as future growth.

Introduction of a Finance Team: To strengthen our financial governance, we have established a dedicated finance team that now oversees the church's finances on a weekly basis. This step demonstrates our ongoing commitment to transparency, accountability, and good stewardship of all resources entrusted to us.

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to hold a minimum of £6,000 (which is approximately 2 months of expenditure) as unrestricted cash, so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £9,014.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name *CHRISTOPHER WOODS*

Signature

Woods

Date

17-12-2025

Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of LifeSpring Church Burntwood ('the charity') for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. 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.

Independent Examiner's Details

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Signature: WVB ODS

Date: Vince

9th December 2025

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Receipts & Payments Statement

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Receipts				
Donations & Legacies				
Donations	16,670	6,710	23,379	0
Gift Aid	0	1,954	1,954	0
Grants	0	0	0	0
Charitable Activities				
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Investments				
Bank Interest	0	0	0	0
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	600	0	600	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Loans Received	0	0	0	0
Other Income	500	0	500	0
Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0
Sale of Investments	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	17,770	8,664	26,433	0
Payments				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	0	0	0	0
Admin	1,816	0	1,816	0
Advertising	58	0	58	0
Bank Charges	56	15	71	0
Event Costs	0	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Premises	1,426	0	1,426	0
Staff Costs	5,401	0	5,401	0
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Other				

Fixed Asset Purchases	0	0	0	0
Loans Repaid	0	0	0	0
Money Invested	0	0	0	0
Total payments	8,756	15	8,771	0
Net Receipts / Payments (before transfers)	9,014	8,649	17,663	0
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Cash Funds	9,014	8,649	17,663	0
Total Cash Funds Brought Forward	0	0	0	0
Total Cash Funds Carried Forward	9,014	8,649	17,663	0

Represented By

General (Unrestricted)	9,014	0	9,014	0
Building Fund (Restricted)	0	7,799	7,799	0
Limitless (Restricted)	0	850	850	0

Asset & Liability Statement

Cash Assets

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
General (Unrestricted)	9,014	0	9,014	0
Building Fund (Restricted)	0	7,799	7,799	0
Limitless (Restricted)	0	850	850	0

Other Monetary Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Gift Aid		0	0	0	0
Stock		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Investment Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Property		0	0	0	0
Investment Accounts		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Fixed Assets

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Land & Buildings		0	0	0	0
Music & PA Equipment		0	0	0	0
Computers & IT		0	0	0	0
Furniture		0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicles		0	0	0	0

Liabilities

	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Loans Outstanding		0	0	0	0
Pension Payment Owed		0	0	0	0

HMRC Payments Owed		0	0	0	0
Independent Examination Fee Due		0	0	0	0
Other		0	0	0	0

Signature

These accounts have been approved by the trustees, and are signed on their behalf by:

Name *CHRISTOPHER WOODS*

Signature *Woods*

Date *17-12-2025*

Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

Transactions to Related Parties

There were no transactions to related parties during the accounting period.

Movement of Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	0	17,770	8,756	0	9,014
Total	0	17,770	8,756	0	9,014
Unrestricted Total	0	17,770	8,756	0	9,014
Restricted					
Building Fund (Restricted)	0	7,814	15	0	7,799
Limitless (Restricted)	0	850	0	0	850
Total	0	8,664	15	0	8,649
Restricted Total	0	8,664	15	0	8,649
TOTAL	0	26,433	8,771	0	17,663