Charity Registered number
1209466

Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church

Trustees Report and Financial Statements

31 August 2025

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FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

Widmore Circuit	Circuit no.	

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1209466
If not a registered charity **His Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid**	

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242).

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Minister:	Revd Hannah Faal-Heim
Church Stewards:	Nana Ama Brehene Doris Appiah Ewusi Kwaku Kwakye Dorcas Atiemo Bernice Adu-Gyamfi
Treasurer:	John Ntow
Charity Number:	1209466
Registered Address:	Clock House, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4JP
Independent Examiner:	Paul Alander Crowther

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

The Church Council submits its Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31August 2025.

Members of the church are managing trustees of the Church, and the ordinary general meetings are held three/four times per annum. Day to day administration of the church is delegated to the Church Stewards and the other officers, including the Treasurer.

The number of members at 31 August 2025 was 22 (2024:20).

The purpose of Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church is to glorify God, proclaim the Gospel and seek to win people for the Kingdom of God:

- To nurture and care for those who are committed to Christ
- To extend pastoral oversight to the church's wider family
- To promote Christian values
- To respond in the name of Christ to contemporary issues
- To share a vision of the world church

The following is a summary of the main activities undertaken during the year in pursuit of those objectives:

Worship: The Church meets regularly for acts of worship, the weekly 3pm service on Sundays averaging 26 adults and 7 children. The service takes the form of Holy Communion once a month and All Age Worship once a month. The services are led by the Widmore Circuit Ministers and local preachers.

The Church also holds bible studies and prayer meetings on a Fridays with average adult attendance of 10. This is a local arrangement led by members of the church.

Pastoral Care: Revd Hannah Faal-Heim took pastoral charge of Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church. Revd Hannah was supported by a team of pastoral visitors whose work is overseen by the Pastoral Committee.

Service: The Church seeks to make itself available to the local community. The church hall has been used during term time by an independent Preschool.

Mission and Outreach: Members of the Church contribute to the mission work of the Methodist Church, both overseas and at home, through regular giving and by special fund-raising events.

Ecumenical: The Church is actively involved in the Churches Together in Central Bromley group. During the year we shared services with the local Churches in Widmore Circuit.

Property: Our policy continues to be maintaining the fabric of the premises in good condition. Work is to be done in the coming years to replace the windows, carpeting etc. in the church.

Finance: Details of the church's financial affairs appear in the attached accounts. Normal church activities resulted in a surplus of £15,804 (2024: £14,715).

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025 (CONTINUED)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities:

Charity legislation requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity as at the end of the financial year and of surplus and deficit for the period. In preparing for the Financial Statement, suitable accounting policies are to be adopted and consistently applied to the best of the Trustees' knowledge and belief, making reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates as necessary. The statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting by Charities is to be followed, together with applicable Statements of Standard Accounting Practice. The Trustees are responsible for maintaining accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and for preventing and detecting Fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are also required to indicate where the Financial Statements are prepared other than on the basis that the Charity is a going concern.

Appreciation

The Trustees would like to thank all those who work in a volunteer capacity to enable the smooth running of the Church in all its facets. As can be seen, Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church (FGMC) is an organisation devoted to providing public benefit with the assistance of its members. The Trustees, in exercising their powers and duties, complied with their obligation to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

This Report was approved at FGMC's Church Council meeting on 28 February 2026, on which date the Trustees were the following:	The Trustees during the year ending 31 August 2025 were the following:
Revd Hannah Faal-Heim John Ntow Albert Oppong Belynda Pykes Barbara Kyei Dorcas Atiemo Bernice Adu-Gyamfi Kwaku Kwakye Felix Oppong	Revd Hannah Faal-Heim John Ntow Nana Ama Brehene Albert Oppong Belynda Pykes Barbara Kyei Doris Appiah Ewusi Amo Kofi Aidoo Emmanuel Ofori Melchizedek Abudu Dorcas Atiemo Bernice Adu-Gyamfi Kwaku Kwakye Felix Oppong

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH No.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer ..... Date 22/07/2026

Name: John Ntow

Address: 45 Tulse House, Tulse House. London SW2 2HT

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 28 ~~March~~ Feb 2026.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. H C Paal-Hein Date 28/2/2026

Superintendent minister : Karen George
27/6/2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church

Charity Number 1209466

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Freeman Ghanaian Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 8 to 10. As the Church's trustees, 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 Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 Act.

* delete or circle as appropriate

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST CHURCH **No .....**

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 (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I have/~~have not~~* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner ..... P.A. Crowther

Name of independent examiner ..... PAUL A. CROWTHER

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .....

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address ..... 14 Clarendon Way .....

..... Chislehurst, Kent ..... Post Code .....

Date ..... 22 April 2026 .....

* delete or circle as appropriate

Form Reviewed Aug-25

Notes

(1) There was no separate bank account until 16 Sept. 2024

(2) I have certified the personal loan whose repayment appears in the accounts.

P.A. Crowther

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST	Church

SECTION A

		Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals this year £		Totals last year £
a1	**RECEIPTS**						
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		16,541		**16,541**		12,218
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		21		**21**		
a4	Lettings		23,793		**23,793**		6,750
a5	Other receipts						10,000
a6	**TOTAL RECEIPTS**		**40,355**		**40,355**	(a7)	**28,968**

SECTION B

b1	**PAYMENTS**						
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		8,834		**8,834**		2,500
b3	Donations						
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		7,140		**7,140**		863
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		6,007		**6,007**		3,365
b6	Other payments		2,570		**2,570**		7,525
b7							
b8	**TOTAL PAYMENTS**		**24,551**		**24,551**	(b9)	**14,253**

SECTION C

c1	**NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR** (a6-b8)		15,804		**15,804**		14,715
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		14,600	112	**14,712**	(c6)	(3)
c3	**Sub total** (c1+c2)		30,404	112	**30,516**		**14,712**
c4	Transfers and adjustments		112	(112)		(c7)	
c5	**TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR** (c3+c4)		**30,516**		**30,516**	(c8)	**14,712** (c6)

SECTION D

		£		£
d	**FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures**			
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	130		
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	130		
d4	**BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID** (d1+d2-d3)			

FREEMAN GHANAIAN METHODIST Church

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

SECTION E **Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page**

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts		Payments		Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments		Opening balances		Closing balances	
e1												
e2												
e3												
e4												
e5												
e6												
e7												
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds									(e11)		(e12)
e9	**Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)**	40,355	(a7)	24,551	(b9)	15,804		(c7)	14,712	(c6)	30,516	(c8)
e10	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	40,355		24,551		15,804			14,712	(x)	30,516	(y)

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

TOTAL RECEIPTS **TOTAL PAYMENTS**

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025	OPENING BALANCES		CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand	2,356			
f2	Bank Current Account	25,549		19,995	
f3	Bank Deposit Account			10,010	
f4	Central Finance Board			511	
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes				
f6	Other funds				
f7	**SUB TOTAL - Church accounts**	**27,905**	(c6)	**30,516**	(c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		(e11)		(e12)
f9	**TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH**	**27,905**	(x)	**30,516**	(y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

		At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,746,043	1,746,043
g3	Other Assets		
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5	Other Liabilities	13,193	

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5