



HOPE FELLOWSHIP
A PARTICULAR BAPTIST CHURCH

TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

From Charity Registration on 10th February 2025

to

Year ended 31st December 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name:	Hope Fellowship Particular Baptist Church	
Charity Registration Number:	1212077	
Church Address:	Leeds Road Ossett West Yorkshire WF5 9QW	
Correspondence Address:	14 Field Lane Ossett West Yorkshire WF5 9DZ	
Trustees:	Mr Jeremy Roe	Appointed 10 th February 2025
	Mr Andrew Light	Appointed 10 th February 2025
	Mr Christopher Green	Appointed 10 th February 2025
	Mr Euan Roe	Appointed 10 th February 2025
Bank:	Bank of Scotland	
Independent Examiner:	Antony Wilson	

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document: The church is governed by its Foundation CIO Constitution. It is committed to the historic Christian faith revealed in the Bible and summarised in the Statement of Faith.

Trustee Appointment: The pastor and deacon of the church are 'ex-officio' trustees for as long as they hold office. Other trustees are selected for a fixed term by the charity trustees and must be non-voting members of the church or of another church which can subscribe to the same statement of faith. The trustees form the membership of the CIO.

Decision making: There is an advisory council consisting of the non-voting members of the church. This is governed by the Church Handbook and makes recommendations to the trustees, including on the appointment and removal of trustees, the buying and selling of property, and the constitution. There were ten non-voting members of the church at the end of the period.

Management: Between registering and 31st December 2025 the trustees met once and the advisory council met three times.
The church is independent and self governing. However we have links with other likeminded churches for mutual support, advice and joint activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Objects:	The advancement of the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the Statement of Faith appearing in the Schedule. To advance any such other charitable purposes (according to the law of England and Wales) that, in the opinion of the charity trustees, further the work of Hope Fellowship Particular Baptist Church, as the charity trustees in their absolute discretion see fit from time to time.
Public Benefit:	The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when planning activities and in exercising their powers and duties and believe they have complied with that guidance.
Main Activities:	Public Worship Meetings are held every Sunday at 11 am and 6 pm for worship services open to the public and advertised on our church website. There is a regular Bible Class in the afternoon for young people. On advertised week evenings there are meetings for prayer and Bible study. Other Group activities There are regular Youth meetings on a Friday evening, and separate men's and women's book clubs on stated Tuesdays. We have a fellowship lunch on selected Sundays. Once a year we run a day conference, and organise a social outing for the whole church. We organise community Carol singing at Christmas. Grants In accordance with the Bible's teaching on Christian giving, the church aims to complement its direct local activities with financial and prayer support to other individuals and organisations where the trustees consider this achieves the aim of its public benefit. We invite presentations from such likeminded groups of their work on occasional evenings throughout the year, Food bank We are a collection point for The Resource food bank based at Christ Church South Ossett.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and Ministry:	The gospel has been preached to all and the Bible expounded and applied. Attendance rose during the period although there were no baptisms to report. We have approx. twenty people at Sunday services. Our church conference was attended by over sixty people with meals freely provided. A conference book was produced and distributed. We distributed leaflets in the community with an invitation to carol singing at Christmas. Bibles and tracts continue to be offered freely from a box outside the church. Our website contains information and sermons which may freely be used by anyone seeking to understand the Christian faith. We continue to broadcast our Sunday services to those who are housebound or otherwise unable to attend.
Church purchase:	In May 2025 we purchased and moved into the former Salvation Army Corps in Gawthorpe after previously renting the Darby and Joan Welfare Hall in the village for services. We give thanks to God for this wonderful provision as the money came purely from voluntary offerings from a number of individuals. It is a suitable building with good facilities for flexible use beyond the main purpose of worship.
Community Impact:	With the purchase of our own church building we have a stronger Christian presence in the area. Dozens of Bibles have been freely offered and taken by members of the public. We have financially and prayerfully supported local and national Christian organisations and charities during the year. This included a speaking opportunity for the Zimbabwe Partnership Trust.
Volunteer Contributions:	The pastor is the only employee. All of the other activities are possible thanks to the committed voluntary efforts of the trustees and members of the church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Performance:	The church's chief source of income is voluntary gifts, mainly from the trustees and members of the church. Gifts were received of £55,355.05 including Gift Aid relief in the period. Expenditure amounted to £221,138 mainly due to the purchase of the church building. However funds brought forward at point of Charity registration were £169,897.17, which left unrestricted funds of £4,114.22 at 31 st December 2025. Grants totalled £4,050 to the organisations listed in the notes to the accounts.
Funds Breakdown:	The church has its own building, which was purchased with restricted funds.
Reserves Policy:	The trustees consider that the minimum reserves necessary are equivalent to three month's expenditure, which is in the range of £2,500 to £3,000.
Payments to trustees:	One trustee, Jeremy Roe, is the pastor of the church and its sole employee. He currently receives a salary amounting to that as stated on the Statement of Financial Activities. He also jointly owns with his wife the Christian Bookshop in Ossett, which supplied books and Bibles for the use of the church amounting to £380 in the period. Formal agreements for both of these expenditures have been signed with the other trustees. They are considered to be in the best interest of the church, and represent good value for money.
Risk Statement:	The trustees commit the affairs of the church to the guidance and providence of God. However they are aware that the principal risk to which the charity is potentially exposed is loss of membership and hence a lowered level of income from voluntary giving. This would be mitigated by a corresponding reduction in grant making. Prudent stewardship of resources involves giving financial updates to the church at every advisory council meeting and setting and monitoring an annual budget. Policies are in place for Safeguarding, Health and Safety, Data Protection, Food Safety, and Fire Management. A Fire Risk Assessment was carried out in July 2025. These measures are also considered to minimise any financial risk arising from potential losses or claims.

Trustee Responsibility:

Charity law requires us as trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its income and expenditure for the year.

We are required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
2. Observe the methods and principles in SORP.
3. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
4. State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts.
5. Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

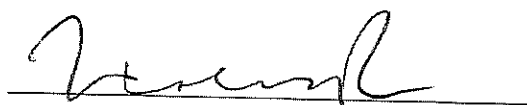
We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and follow the principles in the new edition of the Charity Governance Code. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

DECLARATIONS

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustee's Annual Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature:



Full Name:

Jeremy Roe

Position:

Chairman of trustees

Date:

4th August 2026

Hope Fellowship Particular Baptist Church

Statement of Financial Activities 10th February to 31st December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025
Income			
Total funds brought forward (2)	4,897.17	165,000.00	169,897.17
Direct Giving	26,972.50	27,000.00	53,972.50
Reliefs - Gift Aid	1,382.55	-	1,382.55
Total Income	28,355.05	27,000.00	55,355.05
Expenditure			
Wages	4,480.00	-	4,480.00
Fees for services	465.00	-	465.00
Rent (4)	863.50	-	863.50
Repairs and Maintenance	11,982.68	-	11,982.68
Light and heating	835.38	-	835.38
Water and sewage	43.36	-	43.36
Insurance (Buildings & Liability)	984.57	-	984.57
Legal (Including Capital cost) (1)	3,420.00	189,617.82	193,037.82
Donations (3)	4,050.00	-	4,050.00
Online Presence	202.20		202.20
Evangelism (5)	1,299.91	-	1,299.91
Events	1,225.39	-	1,225.39
Sundries	1,218.02	-	1,218.02
Ministries (5)	412.00	-	412.00
Fees	38.17	-	38.17
Total Expenditure	31,520.18	189,617.82	221,138.00
Net income / expenditure	1,732.04	2,382.18	4,114.22
Reallocation of funds (6):	2,382.18	-2,382.18	0.00
Funds Carried Forward	4,114.22	0.00	4,114.22

Note 1:

Legal fees relate to the purchase of the Church building.

Note 2:

Funds held in our bank account prior to Charity registration on the 10th February 2025. Made up of donations for the new Church building from various individuals.

Note 3:

Donations made to the following organisations:

Caring for Life £550	European Mission Fellowship £300	The Resource £650
Savannah Education Trust £450	Trinitarian Bible Society £600	Individuals £600
Free Grace Evangelistic Association £600	Zimbabwe Partnership Trust £300	

Note 4:

Rent for Hall hire prior to purchase of own building.

Note 5:

Includes £380 payments made to Christian Book Shop Ossett, jointly owned by the Pastor of the Church who is one of our Trustees.

Note 6:

The surplus of money from restricted funds was used purely to carry out general maintenance on the Church building to year end 2025

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Statement of Assets 31st December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025
Current Assets			
Church building (7)	-	189,617.82	189,617.82
Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	4,114.22	-	4,114.22
Total Net Assets	4,114.22	189,617.82	193,732.04

The church is the beneficial owner of the property.

The legal title to which is held by the trustee Hope Fellowship Particular Baptist Church.

Note 7:

Church premises of Hope Fellowship, Leeds Road, Gawthorpe purchased valued of £189,617.82

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (7)	Buildings	Equipment	Total
Cost at 10-Feb-25			-
Additions (7) 21-May-25	189,617.82	-	189,617.82
Disposal			-
Cost at 31-Dec-25	189,617.82	-	189,617.82
Transfer of Assets			
Depreciation 10-Feb-25			
Charge			
Disposal			
Depreciation at 31-Dec-25	-	-	-
Net Book Value 31-Dec-25	189,617.82	-	189,617.82
Net Book Value 31-Dec-24			

No depreciation is charged to the freehold land & building as the are maintained to such a standard that the estimated residual value is not less than the cost.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hope Fellowship

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Hope Fellowship for the period ended 31 December 2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 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 Act.

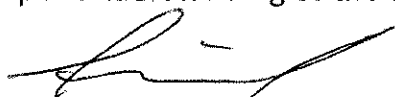
Independent examiner's statement

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 respect of the Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those 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.

Signed:



Name: Antony Wilson MAAT

Address: 12 Thirlmere Road, Wakefield, WF2 9EP

Dated: 4 August 2026