

# Annual Report and Accounts

Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

People's Mission,

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*God's Love Never Fails.*

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## Annual Report for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

In introducing this Annual Report, we must give the Lord our thanks for always being with us. This has been a challenging year as we struggle to adapt to a life living with the fears of covid, whilst also celebrating that those restrictions have lifted and church life can resume. The initial covid restrictions came in almost two years ago. We must be thankful to the Lord that although it has been a difficult two years he has loved and protected us during this time. If we trust in Him, we will be blessed.

The Annual report is an opportunity to recall the occasions during the year when the Lord has blessed us. This year it reflects how the Lord has continued to challenge us to put our trust in Him.

As a fellowship we were blessed with the Year with the dedication of Daniel as Pastor. I know the weekend was enjoyed with all.

The Good Friday Sunday School March of Witness was cancelled again as a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic. This change in tradition was difficult for all, but it did not stop us from remembering the sacrifice of Christ at Calvary. We look forward to being able to carry out the March of Witness again this coming Good Friday.

### Changes in membership

We Praise the Lord that Vicky Buzzard decided to become a member this year. Let us pray that we move out of covid restrictions and can spread God's word more easily in the local community that more people will come to the Lord and choose to become members of the People's Mission.

### Obituaries

It is with great sadness that we record the home call to Glory of our dear Sister Margaret Dowell. Although Margaret had not been able to attend the Church services for several years, she was much loved and will be sadly missed. However, we do not mourn but celebrate in the knowledge that Margaret is now in the presence of her Saviour.

### Believers Baptisms

No requests were made this year for a believer's baptism. May we pray that as the cases of Coronavirus reduce and life returns to normal that God will place a desire in the hearts of those not baptised will follow in Jesus' example and step through the waters of baptism.

### Dedications

We have been blessed this year to have had one child dedication so far with a second planned for tomorrow. Let us pray that more families will dedicate their children to the Lord in the coming year.

### Auxiliaries

It has been an exciting year as the Church Ministries have once again commenced. We have been much blessed as the local community, friends of the church and church members have returned to spend time with us. May we pray that God will continue to work through us to plant a seed of salvation in all who walk through our doors.

May God bless us during this year ahead as we continue to seek His Kingdom in all that we do.

Gwen Smith

Secretary

## Pastors Report

Taking into consideration the aspects highlighted in the Pastor's Report submitted for 2020 / 21, the weekly activities at the People's Mission were still under many of the same lockdown regulations until July 2021. For the beginning of the year, we were able to meet each week for Sunday worship, albeit without singing and with restricted movement. Our Junior Church was able to reconvene in the hall.

For the months of January to July 2021, we were meeting In-Person on Sunday morning while providing Online, Pre-recorded services for those who were not able or comfortable joining us in person. Both were well attended. Although restrictions meant many of our programs couldn't operate normally, we were able to host a ZOOM "Coffee Connect" in the evening on 28th January and 25th February for a time of socializing amongst the church family. The Silver Band was able to celebrate the 122nd year Anniversary on 31st January with a pre-recorded Online service. Our weekly Bible studies still met each week on an online format. Despite the limitations and challenges we made the most of every opportunity we had to meet inside our building but also outside, following Government guidelines and restrictions as best we could. Even after restrictions were lifted, we continued to provide weekly recordings of our service, maintaining our online presence for the encouragement of others.

During the months still under lockdown, the Walk & Talk group met in the evening hours on 17th April, 23rd May, and the 27th June. We were able to do three walks in Spring and Summer months and one night time walk on the 23rd October which proved to be a big hit with the young people who came along with their torches, glow sticks and headlamps. These were positive and encouraging times when the church family could connect outside in the fresh air and enjoy both fellowship and God's creation around the Leas.

On 12th June, 10 young people from the Lawe Top community and our Junior Church came (with the parents and guardians) and helped the Mission tidy up the outside of our building. This was a practical event that was enjoyed by all participants and even got the attention of a local Postman who, when seeing what was happening with the young people involved, went away, and purchased Ice-lollies and came back to hand-deliver them to the kids. Some of the neighbours living around the Mission came out to see what was happening.

In July, lockdown restrictions were lifted which meant the majority of what wasn't happening, or could happen, in the Mission building could go ahead. With the summer months typically being the time when our ministries wind down and people are away on vacation, the joint decision was made to start things up again come September.

On the 30th September at the Members Meeting, the People's Mission Constitution was accepted and adopted. This document is intended to give clarity in purpose and direction in all People's Mission ministries and activities, explaining our Purpose Statement, Doctrinal Beliefs, Membership Requirements, Leadership Roles and descriptions,

Procedural Practices along with Provision for Amendments and guidance on how the meetings and business of the Mission should be conducted. No church constitution is perfect, but it serves as a tool to both protect the Mission and help communicate our identity and purpose as a church for ourselves to understand and new members who get involved.

On the 2nd October we were able to host the first “Coffee with Friends” since Covid-19 In-Person; which was well attended despite some apprehension. During the summer months it became increasingly clear that a second session of Parents & Toddlers needed to happen in order to relieve the current waiting list for the Morning session, while creating opportunity to connect with and bring in more people from the local, Lawe Top area. We had the capacity to expand this ministry into the afternoons each Thursday and the support for this ministry expansion was overwhelming amongst the volunteers. The first morning session since Covid-19 began in September, and the first afternoon session in October. It has been an encouragement to connect with new families and to see parents and grandparents, whose first introduction to the Mission was through the Toddlers program, start connecting with other ministries and initiatives currently underway.

One of these initiatives has been the “Friends of the Mission” which has been greatly helped by David & Carol Cooke. This is an initiative designed to help with the practical maintenance at the People’s Mission through inviting and actively encouraging practical involvement from our own people but also those from the wider community. We have seen parents, among others, from both Morning and Afternoon Toddlers take part in this initiative; painting walls and stripping wallpaper while engaging in wholesome conversation in the building.

On the 31st October the Mission Membership grew when Vicky Buzzard was accepted into Membership. That afternoon the Mission hosted the “Community Cardboard Drive-In” where the junior church along with young people from the community came along and built card-board cars, planes, tanks and houses from cardboard boxes and a film was shown, along with lots of snacks and goodies.

Things are better when we work together and on 14th November there was a joint Remembrance Day service with St. Stephen's Church. This was an encouraging time when we were able to work together towards a common goal, helping to foster a sense of unity and fellowship in the Lawe Top Community.

On the evening of 27<sup>th</sup> November, the People’s Mission hosted the first annual Ladies Dessert Night, which was an outreach initiative that saw many new and old faces come along to participate and enjoy. Hannah shared a message from the Bible and the night was a success largely due to the great support and assistance of the volunteers who worked behind the scenes to make sure everything ran smoothly.

Over the Advent/ Christmas season the Junior Church was present with us each Sunday morning for the first 5-10 minutes of the service. The young can learn from the old and the old can still learn from the young and we look forward to a growing multi-generational church in the months to come. The Junior Church is the next generation of the church.

These are but a few of the many exciting highlights from 2021. It should be noted that while the above took place, the Ladies Fellowship, Lunch-Club, Silver Band, mid-week Bible studies and much more continued to function after July and despite the difficulty of Covid-19, our Mission Ministries have all seen growth, maturity, and God's Blessing.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pastor Daniel

## Accounts

For the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Current Accounts:	
Petty Cash	£21.91
Current Account NatWest	£12,407.14
Total	£12,429.05

Investments:	
Cambridge & Counties	£81,382.96
Yorkshire Bank	£65,196.03
Hodge Bank	£59,702.47
Total	£206,281.46

Total as at 31.1.2022          £229,103.57

## Income

Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Category	31.01.2022	31.01.2021
Donations	£3,137.85	£5,174.70
Gift Aid	£6,276.48	£5,189.90
Legacies	£5,000.00	£0.00
Miscellaneous	£645.42	£344.02
Pastor Expenses	£0.00	£841.00
Sunday Offering & Standing Order Offerings	£25,030.21	£20,299.57
Transfers	£15,000.00	£38,883.52
Total	£55,089.96	£70,732.71



## Expenditure

Accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Category	31.01.2022	31.01.2021
Capital Expenditure	£0.00	£629.98
Cleaning	£209.32	£167.21
Communion Wine	£68.68	£44.99
Donations	£400.00	£400.00
Electric / Gas / Water	£2,590.40	£1,923.79
Fire Safety / Boiler Servicing	£585.30	£175.68
Flowers	£0.00	£40.97
Insurance & Licences	£4,404.04	£4,042.41
Investments	£0.00	£4,383.01
Kitchen Equipment	£26.99	£0.00
Miscellaneous	£1,491.85	£386.60
Missionary Quota	£3,010.00	£3,000.00
Music Books / CDs / DVDs	£159.84	£107.81
Pastor Expenses	£12,510.12	£20,462.13
Pastor Salary	£22,735.52	£23,592.97
Preacher's Expenses	£400.00	£550.00
Refreshments	£318.86	£0.00
Rent	£0.00	£80.00
Technical Equipment	£143.90	£1,678.89
Wi-Fi	£206.16	£301.79
<b>Total</b>	<b>£51,883.17</b>	<b>£62,008.22</b>

## Budget

For the year 2022/2023

Category	2022/2023	2021/2022 (Budget)	2021/2022 (Spend)
Capital Expenditure	£2,000.00	£3000.00	£0.00
Cleaning	£300.00	£300.00	£209.32
Communion Wine	£100.00	£0.00	£66.68
Compassion UK	£0.00	£1,150.00	£0.00
Decorating	£500.00	£500.00	£0.00
Donations	£400.00	£400.00	£400.00
Electric / Gas / Water	£5,000.00	£3,500.00	£2,590.40
Flowers	£250.00	£400.00	£0.00
Insurance & Licences	£4,500.00	£4,100.00	£4,404.04
Kitchen Equipment	£150.00	£150.00	£26.99
Maintenance	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£3,154.30
Miscellaneous	£1,500.00	£400.00	£1,491.85
Missionary Quota	£4,000.00	£3,000.00	£3,010.00
Music Books / CDs / DVDs	£200.00	£100.00	£159.84
Pastor Expenses	£13,000.00	£20,000.00	£22,735.52
Pastor Salary	£23,000.00	£24,000.00	£22,735.52
Preacher's Expenses	£500.00	£500.00	£400.00
Printing / Postage / Stationery	£100.00	£100.00	£53.19
Refreshments	£350.00	£200.00	£318.86
Technical Equipment	£150.00	£0.00	£143.90
Wi-Fi	£205.00	£204.00	£206.16
Total	£61,205.00	£67,004.00	£51,883.17

## Bible Study

Income		Expenditure	
Collections	£475.00	Donations	
		Tear Fund	£100.00
		Open Doors	£100.00
		New Hope for Children	£100.00
		Lagos Ministries International	£100.00
Sub-total	£475.00	Sub-total	£400.00
		Excess Income / Expenditure	£75.00
total	£475.00	total	£475.00

Cash in hand as 1.2.2021	£0.00
Cash in hand as 1.2.2022	£75.00

## Ladies Fellowship

Income		Expenditure	
Offerings	£87.00	Christmas Carol Service	£38.00
Donations	£100.00	Postage Stamps	£10.20
Sub-total	£187.00	Sub-total	£48.20
		Excess Income / expenditure	£138.80
total	£187.00	total	£187.00

Cash as at 31.1.21	£6.71
Excess Income / Expenditure	£138.80
Capital as at 31.1.2022	£145.51

## Lunch Club

Income		Expenditure	
Donations	£581.31	Food and Flowers	£545.98
		Equipment	£55.95
		Sundry	£17.00
Sub-total	£581.31	Sub-total	£618.93
		Less excess / income	£37.62
Total	£581.31	Total	£581.31

Total Capital as at 31.1.2021	£948.38
Plus, excess income / expenditure	£37.62
Total Capital as at 31.1.2022	£910.76

Bank as at 31.1.2022	£855.15
Cash in hand	£55.61
Total Capital as at 31.1.2022	£910.76

## Parent and Toddlers

Income		Expenditure	
Y/E Cash Deposit	£47.61	Gift Bibles	£97.02
Weekly Collections	£624.75	Refreshments	£310.86
Sale of Snowman Soup etc	£335.00	Toys/craft	£75.67
Children in Need	£113.25	Donation - D. Pritchard (Mr Tumble)	£300.00
Alzheimer's Society	£82.00	Snowman Soup Ingredients	£177.10
Drop & Donate	£197.11	Cleaning	£47.87
		Birthday Cards / Gifts	£130.07
		Children in Need	£122.50
		Food Safety Course	£132.00
		Alzheimer's Society	£82.00
Sub-total	£1399.72	Sub-total	£1475.09
Expenditure / Income	£75.37		
total	£1476.09	total	£1475.09

Capital as at 31.1.2021	£847.69
Less Expenditure / Income	£75.37
Bank Balance as at 31.01.22	£1,277.61
Less unpresented cheques	£505.29
Total	£772.32

**The People's Mission**  
**Independent Annual Report and Accounts Audit**  
**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022**

**TR Dixon & Co Ltd**  
**Chartered Certified Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditors**  
**Bermuda House**  
**1A Dinsdale Place**  
**Newcastle upon Tyne**  
**NE2 1BD**

We have audited the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022, which have been prepared from the accounting records, information and explanations provided to us by N. Daglish acting on behalf of the People's Mission

#### **Respective responsibilities of The People's Mission and Independent Auditor**

The People's Mission are responsible for keeping proper, complete accounting records and for the preparation of the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022. N Daglish, has undertaken these responsibilities on behalf of The People's Mission.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 and to report our opinion exclusively to the People's Mission, to the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume any liability to anyone other than The People's Mission, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts in the statement sufficient to give reasonable assurance that it is free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies, we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Basis of opinion**

We planned and performed our independent audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 show a true and fair summary of the accounting records relating to The People's Mission and is sufficiently supported by accounts, receipts and other documents which have been made available to us.

We are not required to express an opinion on the adequacy of any future expenditure.

We include appendix A, B and C as evidence of the verification of figures provided.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

- i) have been prepared in accordance with the accounting records, information and explanations provided to us, and
- ii) is sufficiently supported by accounts, receipts, and other documents.
- iii) is correctly stated and free of material error.



Jennifer O'Toole FCCA Ba (Hons)  
(Senior Statutory Auditor)

TR Dixon & Co Ltd  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Statutory Auditors  
Bermuda House  
1A Dinsdale Place  
Newcastle upon Tyne  
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Date: 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022



**Peoples Mission**  
**Year end 31.01.2022**

**Appendix A**

Income	Accounts for the year ended 31st January 2022	Verified
Donations	3138	08.09.22
Gift Aid	6276	08.09.22
Legacies	5000	08.09.22
Misc	645	08.09.22
S/O Offering	3480	08.09.22
Sunday Offerings	21550	08.09.22
Bank Transfers from Closed Accounts	15000	08.09.22
	<b>Total Income</b>	
	<b>55091</b>	

On behalf of T R Dixon and Co Ltd, I can confirm that the figures in the accounts are correctly stated and free of material error.

Will Clifton  
ACCA

09.09.22



A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and strokes, positioned above a horizontal dotted line.

Expenditure	Accounts for the year ended 31st January 2022	Verified
Capital Expenditure	0	08.09.22
Cleaning	209	08.09.22
Communion wine	69	08.09.22
Donation	400	08.09.22
Electric	2590	08.09.22
Fire Safety	585	08.09.22
Floral Tributes	0	08.09.22
Harvest Items	0	08.09.22
Insurnace	4404	08.09.22
Investments	0	08.09.22
Kitchen Equipment	27	08.09.22
Macmillan	0	08.09.22
Miscellaneous	1492	08.09.22
Missionary Quota	3010	08.09.22
Music	160	08.09.22
Pastor Appointment	12510	08.09.22
Paster Salary	22736	08.09.22
Preachers expenses	400	08.09.22
PPS	372	08.09.22
Repairs	2568	08.09.22
Technical equipment	144	08.09.22
Wifi	206	08.09.22
Total Expenses	<u>51883</u>	
Total per Management report	<u>51883</u>	
Non Material Error	<u>0</u>	

On behalf of T R Dixon and Co Ltd, I can confirm that the figures in the accounts are correctly stated and free of material error.

Will Clifton  
ACCA

09.09.22



**Peoples Mission**  
**Year end 31.01.2022**

**Appendix C**

Bank Accounts	Accounts for the year ended 31st January 2022		Verified
Current Account Natwest 48836354 60-00-01		12407	08.09.22
Cash Account		22	
Revenue Accounts & cash in hand		<u>12429</u>	
Hodge Bank	30-16-27 7628200	59702	08.09.22
Cambridge	15011612 Deposit	81383	08.09.22
Monmouthshire Building Society	164999 Deposit	65196	08.09.22
Trust Fund Account Balance		<u>206281</u>	
Total Funds		<u>218711</u>	

On behalf of T R Dixon and Co Ltd, I can confirm that the figures in the accounts are correctly stated and free of material error.

Will Clifton  
ACCA

08.09.22

