

BOURNEMOUTH (WINTON) CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA

England & Wales · Charity number 244004

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1965-10-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY CALLED CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA FOR PROMOTING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND OTHER LIKE OBJECTS.

Activities: The Church has continued to hold services on Sundays and Thursdays with additional functions, sometimes open to the public, on other occasions through the month. We have supported some external charities in response to appeals and we continue to be self sufficient for our own funding from contributions provided by our own members of which we currently have 177 registered

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BOURNEMOUTH AND DISTRICT
- Bournemouth
- Dorset

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-08-31 | £68,797 | £94,338 | - | - |
| 2023-08-31 | £67,347 | £67,729 | - | - |
| 2022-08-31 | £58,700 | £46,292 | - | - |
| 2021-08-31 | £77,744 | £68,023 | - | - |
| 2020-08-31 | £61,828 | £41,681 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---------------------|------|------------|
| Adam Peter Parsons | | 2021-10-12 |
| Alison Mary Tarrant | | 2021-01-12 |
| Angela Riley | | 2021-10-12 |
| David John Hankins | | 2021-10-12 |
| Keith Anthony Riley | | 2021-10-12 |
| Mary Susan Riley | | 2021-10-12 |
| Norman John Stock | | 2019-10-29 |
| Philip James Sealey | | 2021-10-12 |

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CHARITIES COMMISSION ANNUAL RETURN 2023-2024 (244004)

The church is based in Bournemouth and operates as a Christian organisation, having 160 registered members who are able to attend services. We also have a number of members who are either live to far away or who are no longer well enough to support the services, even though we are able to offer transport in our minibus service. These are, however, kept under the care of the church's welfare system and, where possible, visited by members of our welfare team.

We continue to offer a streaming of our services via both YouTube and Zoom. The Zoom option offers a more interactive experience with those online being able to chat to each other before and after the services – and even join in should they wish to by, for example giving the talk on a Sunday morning or doing a Bible reading or a prayer. The YouTube service is used both during the actual service, e.g. live during the Sunday morning or the Bible Class, or as a 'catch-up' facility when people are unable to actually join 'live' because of other commitments or because of time zone differences.

We have a number of Iranian members some of whom have been granted 'Leave To Remain' whilst others still await a decision. The numbers fluctuate as some are moved from Bournemouth to other locations, and others are moved to Bournemouth.

We continue to work with our sister church in Parkstone with the running of the Winton and Parkstone Community Pantry. We run four Open Pantry sessions per week, two at Parkstone and two at Winton with members of the public being invited by posters outside our buildings, by social media and by website such as 'Help and Kindness' and the 'Access to Food Partnership' run by our local council. These sessions are open to all with no pre-qualification needed. The ability to run these sessions and to be able to offer a variety of food to the attendees involves undertaking over 100 pickups from local supermarkets and other food outlets and this operation is carried out by a team of around 15 volunteers most of whom are not members of either church. It is an enormous blessing to be able to serve so many of our neighbours in this way with around 55 households attending each session at Parkstone and around 70 attending each session at Winton. One comment from a family who have recently started attending reminds of how essential this activity is for many – "Since coming to your pantry we have, for the first time in three months, been able to put a proper meal in front of our children." The social interaction that takes place over a cup of coffee and a slice of cake at the end of the pantry sessions shows that many also derive almost as much value from the company and the chats.

We also continue to offer a Welcome Space every Saturday morning at Winton where we offer tea, coffee, toast, cereal, bacon rolls as well as puzzles and conversation. We welcome between 30 and 45 of our 'neighbours' to these sessions every week. We were unable to open during the month of August because there were not sufficient volunteers to meet our operational criteria from a safeguarding point of view. The disappointment expressed by many of our regulars and the eagerness with which they counted down the weeks till we started again made us realise how much they value the warm space, the food and the company.

Our Sunday School continues, but the numbers declined simply because of the decreasing number of Sunday School aged children amongst our members' families. Around 20 children meet on a weekly basis during term time. Our Youth Club also continues, albeit that it too has suffered from the fewer children but is enjoyed by all who attend – including the leaders.

The administration throughout this year has, as usual, been in the hands of elected trustees, together with three affiliated (also elected) members of the Arranging Committee with special responsibilities for Preaching, Youth and Welfare.

The committee also includes the three Secretaries, and the Treasurer.

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Norman J Stock, Secretary

STATEMENT of PAYMENTS and RECEIPTS - YEAR END 31 AUGUST 2024

| DESCRIPTION | PAYMENTS | RECEIPTS | ACCUMULATED FUNDS |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| GENERAL FUND Incs: Energy, communications, Bldg mntnce, Minibus, Travelling expenses etc. | £39,939.37 | £35,746.56 | |
| OUTREACH: Preaching | £6,027.89 | £2,531.73 | |
| WELFARE | £12,416.04 | £12,790.67 | |
| YOUTH: Sunday School, CYC & Youth Activities | £2,409.74 | £2,432.42 | |
| PROJECTS: Building Improvements | £10,502.28 | £1,626.00 | |
| CHARITABLE GIVING: Special Donations | £13,510.70 | £13,589.70 | |
| CHOIR | £129.27 | £80.00 | |
| LEGACY | £9,402.39 | £0.00 | |
| Totals | £94,337.68 | £68,797.08 | |
| Payments Less Receipts | £25,540.60 | | |
| | | | Total |
| | | | At 01.09.23 |
| | | | £91,775.10 |
| | | | At 31.08.24 |
| | | | Current a/c |
| | | | £6,975.72 |
| | | | Gift Aid a/c |
| | | | £24,258.78 |
| | | | V/Money a/c |
| | | | £35,000.00 |
| | | | Total |
| | | | £66,234.50 |
| | | | Reduction in balance |
| | | | £25,540.60 |

EXAMINERS REPORT

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 August 2024. In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements: to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

J M Gillingham
John Gillingham
Auditor

Date:

1/12/2024

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Since the pandemic and its associated lockdown we have experienced a change in the attendance pattern of our members with a number choosing to join us in fellowship and worship remotely rather than at our building. This may be 'live' via Zoom or YouTube, or in 'catch-up' mode via YouTube. The streaming service that we offer continues to be used not just by our own members but also within the worldwide Christadelphian community. Although the numbers using the service vary from week to week the average attendance of our members is 80 with 25 of those being online. In addition there are a number of people who are not members of our church but choose join us online.

We have a number of Iranian members some of whom have been granted Leave To Remain whilst others still await a decision. The numbers fluctuate as some are moved from Bournemouth to other locations, and others are moved to Bournemouth.

We continue to work with our sister church in Parkstone with the running of the Winton and Parkstone Community Pantry. We run four Open Pantry sessions per week, two at Parkstone and two at Winton with members of the public being invited by posters outside our buildings, by social media and by website such as 'Help and Kindness' and the 'Access to Food Partnership' run by our local council. These sessions are open to all with no pre-qualification needed. The ability to run these sessions and to be able to offer a variety of food to the attendees involves undertaking over 100 pickups from local supermarkets and other food outlets and this operation is carried out by a team of around 15 volunteers most of whom are not members of either church. It is an enormous blessing to be able to serve so many of our neighbours in this way with around 50 households attending each session at Parkstone and around 65 attending each session at Winton. The comments that we receive from some of the attendees make us very aware that many are struggling and receive enormous benefit from the food we are able to provide and from the friendship we foster.

We also continue to offer a Welcome Space every Saturday morning at Winton where we offer tea, coffee, toast, cereal, bacon rolls as well as puzzles and conversation. We welcome between 30 and 45 of our 'neighbours' to these sessions every week.

Our Sunday School continues, but the numbers have declined simply because of the decreasing number of Sunday School aged children amongst our members' families. Around 20 children meet on a weekly basis during term time. Our Youth Club also continues, albeit that it too has suffered from the fewer children but is enjoyed by all who attend – including the leaders.

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| DESCRIPTION | PAYMENTS | RECEIPTS | ACCUMULATED FUNDS |
|---|------------|------------|----------------------|
| <u>GENERAL FUND</u> Incs: Energy, communications, Bldg mntrnce, Minibus, Travelling expenses etc. | £33,345.02 | £36,127.00 | |
| <u>OUTREACH:</u> Preaching | £4,131.35 | £4,660.00 | |
| <u>WELFARE</u> | £12,110.47 | £6,739.61 | |
| <u>YOUTH:</u> Sunday School, CYC & Youth Activities | £3,271.21 | £3,464.02 | |
| <u>PROJECTS:</u> Building Improvements | £1,544.59 | £3,233.22 | |
| <u>CHARITABLE GIVING:</u> Special Donations | £13,260.68 | £12,942.00 | |
| <u>CHOIR</u> | £65.90 | £181.17 | |
| Totals | £67,729.22 | £67,347.02 | |
| Payments Less Receipts | £382.20 | | |
| | | | Total |
| | | | At 01.09.22 |
| | | | £92,157.30 |
| | | | At 31.08.23 |
| | | | Current a/c |
| | | | £9,948.87 |
| | | | Gift Aid a/c |
| | | | £46,826.23 |
| | | | V/Money a/c |
| | | | £35,000.00 |
| | | | Total |
| | | | £91,775.10 |
| | | | Reduction in balance |
| | | | £382.20 |

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Signed: 

Date: 28 Aug 2024

Dennis Woodgate

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CHARITIES COMMISSION ANNUAL RETURN 2021-2022 (244004)

The church operates as a Christian organisation, having 148 registered members who are able to attend services. We also have a number of members who are no longer well enough to support the services, even though we are able to offer transport in our minibus service. These are, however, kept under the care of the church's welfare system where possible and visited by members of our welfare team.

To a certain extent we are still suffering from the aftereffects of the COVID19 Pandemic as a number of members who used to attend in person no longer do so but continue to use the streaming service. This streaming of our services continues to be heavily utilised, not only by our own members but also by others within the worldwide Christadelphian community with around 86 using the facility on a Sunday and 60 for the Bible Class on Thursday. In January 2022 we were blessed with the arrival in Bournemouth of a number of Iranian asylum seekers and around 26 began attending our services. We commenced a series of 22 Bible Study evenings and as a result of these classes and discussions with the individuals 18 of them have, over a period of months, been baptised and have joined our church family. They continue to attend on a Wednesday but the teaching for them is now focused on practical Christian living. The Open Pantry sessions continue twice a week, and provided tea and coffee at the end of the sessions which is helping to foster a real 'community' feeling with the attendees supporting each other and some helping with the actual sessions. The average attendance at these sessions is now around 58.

We restarted our coffee mornings moving them to a Saturday as chats with the attendees at our Open Pantry session indicating that this was the best day for them – the day they felt most lonely. At first these were just once a month, but with a number of the attendees suffering as a result of the increase in utility bills, we began offering a 'Warm Space' every Saturday, providing breakfast and tea and coffee and these morning sessions will continue as a 'Welcome Space' for the foreseeable future. Attendance at these sessions is around 30 people per week and includes several families.

Our Sunday School continues, but the numbers are declining simply because of the decreasing number of Sunday School aged children amongst our members' families. Around 17 children meet on a weekly basis.

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STATEMENT of PAYMENTS and RECEIPTS - YEAR END 31 AUGUST 2022

| PAYMENTS | | RECEIPTS | | ACCUMULATED FUNDS |
|---------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Utilities | 2579.88 | Cash Collections | 8066 | |
| Admin. Speakers Expenses | 3101.42 | Special Collections | 15394 | At 01.09.21 |
| Laundry Expenses | 2595.82 | Other Income & Collections | 10128.14 | Total |
| Community Mags | 0.00 | GA Donations | 20038.05 | 79749.00 |
| Welfare | 7068.83 | HMRC GA Refund | 5068.18 | At 31.08.22 |
| School & Youth Activities | 3414.35 | GASDS Refund | 0.00 | |
| Teaching & Outreach Work | 3899.29 | Bank Interest | 5.93 | Current a/c |
| Memorial Service Costs | 377.94 | Legacy | 0.00 | Gift Aid a/c |
| Building Maint. & Upkeep | 4633.71 | | | V/Money a/c |
| Minibus | 2766.50 | | | Total |
| | 850.26 | Excess - Receipts over payments (A) | -12408.30 | 92157.30 |
| Watering | 0 | | | Excess (A) |
| Special Causes | 15004 | | | |
| Special Projects | 0 | | | |
| Legacy | 0 | | | |
| | | Sub Total | 58700.3 | |
| | | | | TOTAL |
| | | | | 46292.00 |
| | | | | 79749.00 |

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Signed:  Date: 19 July 23

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CHARITIES COMMISSION ANNUAL RETURN 2020-2021 (244004)

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The COVID19 Pandemic has continued to cause disruption to our activities, but we continue to stream our services and we are delighted that the numbers joining us online continues to grow, not just amongst our own members but amongst others in our wider community. In accordance with Government guidelines a phased return to our church premises began in May 2021 with, amongst other restrictions, limited numbers permitted and a booking system to ensure that numbers were not exceeded. Our COVID strategy has been reviewed regularly so as to continue to protect our members, whilst also encouraging an increasing return to our premises and ensuring that we comply with the relevant guidelines. Throughout all this we have maintained the streaming service (via both Zoom and YouTube) and the provision of DVDs for members without internet connection.

We also have around thirty children eligible for the Sunday School and the senior Study class, the former of which continued to be held on a Sunday morning via Zoom, and which records a reasonably strong attendance. A fortnightly Young People's group is also currently operated under the guidance of qualified members, on Sunday evening via Zoom. This continues to provide successful temporary replacement for the senior Study class as well as fulfilling the function of the Sunday evening Young People's Group.

The restrictions still prevent us holding the regular coffee mornings and the provision of regular meals, but contact is still maintained with a significant number of those who attended these activities in the past. However, in March we commenced an outdoor 'Open Pantry' on the forecourt of our premises. We run two sessions per week where we were able to distribute surplus food to those in need amongst our neighbours. The sessions were attended by around 40 people when we commenced the activity but numbers gradually rose as a result of promotion on social media and by word of mouth.

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CHARITIES COMMISSION ANNUAL RETURN 2019-2020 (244004)

The church operates as a Christian organisation, having 130 registered members who are able to attend services. We have lost eight members by transfer to other Christadelphian Churches and have been pleased to welcome three newly baptised members since the last report. We also number a few other members who are no longer well enough to support the services, even when we were able to offer transport in our minibus service. These are, however, kept under the care of the church's welfare system where possible and visited by our welfare team.

The COVID19 Pandemic has, though, meant that 2020 has proved a very testing year for all of us. The last service at our hall was held in March and we have held all our meetings online since then. We were better equipped to make this transition than many other Christadelphian churches as we had already been streaming our services for a number of years. As a result of this we were able to transition seamlessly to fully online services. As a result we have been joined by members of other Christadelphian churches in the UK plus some from overseas. For those of our members with no internet connection we have been able to provide them with DVDs of the week's services.

We also have around forty children of ages eligible for Sunday School and senior Study class, the former of which is now held on a Sunday morning via Zoom, and which records a reasonably strong attendance. A fortnightly Young People's group is also currently operated under the guidance of qualified members, on Sunday evening via Zoom. This is proving a very successful temporary replacement for the senior Study class as well as fulfilling the function of the Sunday evening Young People's Group.

The restrictions have also meant that we have, since March 2020, been unable to operate our weekly public coffee mornings or our twice monthly public suppers. We have, however, been able to maintain contact with the majority of our regular visitors and have been able to provide support as and when it has been requested.

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