

CAMBRIDGE CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 2023
CHARITY NUMBER 261612

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TRUSTEES AND CONTACTS

The trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Mr Simon Collard
Mr Kevin Bateman
Mr James Morse
Mr Jonathan Drury
Mr Kenneth Grant
Mr Nick Kendall
Mr Andrew Walding

Secretary
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Charity Number

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

The Trustees submit their annual report and the financial statements of Cambridge Christadelphian Ecclesia (the Charity) for the year ended 30th September 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Policies and Objectives

Our Ecclesia (or Church) is a member of the worldwide grouping known as "Christadelphians" who believe the Bible to be the inspired word of God, and whose aim is to follow the teachings and example of Jesus Christ. The Ecclesia is composed of members who have been baptised into Christ by full immersion in water following confession of their faith, as defined in the Christadelphian Statement of Faith (known as the BASF).

The Trustees may apply the income of the Charity to external charities or for charitable purposes in order to further the objectives of the Cambridge Christadelphian Ecclesia.

The objective of the Ecclesia is to meet for worship, fellowship, Bible study, preaching, teaching and recreation. These activities, together with the upkeep of our premises, are funded almost entirely by the members of the Ecclesia. It is our policy not to seek donations from outside the Christadelphian Community, although occasional donations for worthy causes are accepted from non-Christadelphians who regularly participate in our activities. *On occasion, we raise money from the public on behalf of other charities (such as Macmillan).*

Activities for Achieving Objectives

Meetings, educational materials, and refreshments used at our events are offered free of charge to the General Public. We hold regular Public Bible Talks in person or online and are very keen to provide activities for children and young people from within the Ecclesia and from the local community, via our Sunday School, weekly Mother & Toddlers Group (Treasure Tots) and fortnightly Youth Group (Treasure Seekers).

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Review of Activities

During the year we held activities such as our Mother and Toddlers Group (Treasure Tots) in our Sunday school room in Vinery Rd. We have also continued public Bible talks at the Hall. However, due to convenience we still hold some mid-week classes on-line.

This year, we have met and got to know more local Iranian Asylum seekers who are waiting for their cases to be decided. We have continued to provide them with a weekly meal and read the Bible with them. 8 of them have been baptised into Christ as members during the year and they have greatly benefitted from fellowship with us. We also transferred a number of Iranian members to other Christadelphian Ecclesias in UK, after they were moved and granted asylum.

We have continued to raise money from our members contributions for worthy causes such as overseas missionary work, support for care homes for the elderly, preaching activities and also for local charities (such as refugee and homeless support).

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Record Keeping and method of appointment or election of Trustees

The Secretary records monthly meetings of the Trustees Committee (Arranging Committee) and quarterly meetings of the Ecclesia. The remaining members of the committee chair these meetings in rotation. All members of the committee are elected by a majority in a two-yearly ballot of members.

Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Law applicable to Charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair value of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 26/07/24 and signed on their behalf by:



Mr Simon Collard
Secretary

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the Cambridge Christadelphian Ecclesia ("the Charity")

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30th September 2023.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as body, for my work or for this report.

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 can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirements that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no comments 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:



Date:

22-7-2024

**Mr Mark Bamford
Independent Examiner**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR**

	Restricted Funds	2023	Unrestricted Funds	2023	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£		£		£	£
Receipts						
Donations		10,672		15,640	26,312	23,640
Total Receipts		10,672		15,640	26,312	23,640
Payments						
Charitable activities		11,636		15,935	27,571	27,105
Total Payments		11,636		15,935	27,571	27,105
Net of Receipts/(Payments)		(964)		(295)	(1,259)	(3,465)
Transfers between funds		855		(855)	0	0
Net movement after transfers		(109)		(1,150)	(1,259)	(3,465)
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		722		51,913	52,635	56,100
Total funds carried forward		613		50,763	51,376	52,635

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT THE END OF THE PERIOD

	Restricted Funds	2023	Unrestricted Funds	2023	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£		£		£	£
Cash funds						
Cash in hand				138	138	290
Cash at bank		613		50,625	51,238	52,345
Total cash funds		613		50,763	51,376	52,635
Total monetary assets		613		50,625	51,238	52,345
Total funds		613		50,763	51,376	52,635

The Financial statements were approved by the Trustees on
signed on their behalf by:

26/07/24

and

Simon Collard

Mr Simon Collard
Secretary