

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES

England & Wales · Charity number 275471

Details

Other names WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1979-08-15

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AND IN PARTICULAR BY INSTRUCTION IN THE DOCTRINES AND PRACTICES SET OUT IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE ATTACHES TO THE DECLARATION OF TRUST, IN SUCH PART OR PARTS OF THE WORLD AS THE TRUSTEES MAY DECIDE.

Activities: To promote the gospel and teachings of Jesus Christ in any area of the world.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WORLDWIDE
- Cambridgeshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£34,078	£33,887	-	-
2024-03-31	£37,095	£40,258	-	-
2023-03-31	£29,973	£22,177	-	-
2022-03-31	£23,689	£34,893	-	-
2021-03-31	£36,021	£34,534	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Angela Eaton		2026-01-09
Elaine Patricia May		2023-04-01
Geoffrey Rutendo Rondozi		2024-09-25
Rachel Bull		2024-02-27

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2025

Trustees Report 01st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

Trustees: Geoffrey Rutendo Rondozi (Chairman), Elaine May (Treasurer), Rachel Bull (Secretary), Richard Bibby (ceased 10th October 2024)

The trustees are pleased to present the report on the activities of Worldwide Crusades Charity. The charity operates as Whittlesey Christian Church and during the period has operated from its base at 23 Broad street, Whittlesey.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. We meet every Thursday evening at the rear of the church, at 19.30 for a meeting lasting 1.5 hrs. Our attendance varies, usually between 10-18 people. We finance the meeting by voluntary contributions by people attending, we make a contribution to the church as and when we can, usually monthly. We have used the church as a venue for our meeting for many years, apart from during the Covid lockdown, and have always had a good collaboration between us and the church, which we hope will continue.

T@23- Elaine May

Every Wednesday the church hosts "Tea@23" an adult coffee morning for the community. Attending are a wide range of guests from young adults with a learning disability to people from a local residential home for older people. During school holidays some children attend with their parents. We offer free cake and beverages however monetary donations are welcomed. It is run by dedicated volunteers and we average at 60 people who visit each week.

The ethos of the church is reflected in all we do in serving God at this event. We offer individual prayer sessions throughout the morning plus a short message and prayer to the whole group.

Whittlesey Christian Church Children's work



Hello, my name is Cate Ross, I'm the children's ministry leader at the Whittlesey Christian Church and have been for 27 years now. In this role it has been my joy to work with a team of dedicated volunteers who seek to share the Gospel with as many children and families as possible. We are doing this in two main ways.

1. Lighthouse Gang, our 2-11's children's church club and community outreach.

At Lighthouse Gang on Sunday morning, we walk through the bible with stories, songs, games, video clips, activities and more. The children are also encouraged to pray and share their thoughts. During the summer holidays we also host Lighthouse Gang Summer Holiday club to the wider community and again we share the good news of the gospel using bible stories, songs, games, video clips and more. We also host special events around Easter, All Saints Day and Christmas.

2. Little Angels, our pre-school parent/carers outreach community group.

At Little Angels, which runs Tuesdays during term time, we welcome parents/carers and their children into a safe space where we seek to support them and share the gospel. We do this by providing a craft table, free play equipment, story time, song time, and big indoor play equipment too! We have a time of refreshments and are delighted to say that we have, the very popular, giveaway table which is loaded with items no longer used or needed to bless one another. This year for the first time we decided to keep connected during the summer holidays by still meeting on a Tuesday at different venues. This worked very well.

I give God all the glory for the privilege of being a part of this work which has allowed me to see individuals won for his kingdom.

Women's Ministry – Margaret Rondozaï and Cristina Neves

We are a sisterhood with Christ at the centre of all we do. We begin every year with a prayer breakfast meeting, this is an opportunity to fellowship and pray for the year ahead, pray for ourselves, our community and our church. We share Testimonies of what God has done for us to encourage each other.

In year 2024 we had many healing and protection testimonies. We have seen God's provision and protection. The highlight events of 2024 included, Games Night, Light Night Walk, Open Worship Night and a very popular Movie Night. We always celebrate our diversity and talents in our church".

International Day-Rachel Bull

On November 22nd, we hosted our second International Evening — a celebration of the rich and diverse cultures within our church family. It was a wonderful evening with a great turnout, as we shared and enjoyed a wide array of delicious dishes from around the world. At least eight countries were represented, making it a truly global experience.

Men's Ministry

The men during the year have held a number of events. These included breakfast and meals at the church and at local restaurants. They have been able to interact and share their faith with different people and also encouraged each other. The events were arranged by Fabio and Austin who have.



The charity has continued to maintain a strong presence in the community and has been ready to support those in need. Through the church the emphasis has been to ensure that Jesus Christ is at the centre of our community activities and outreach.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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The Church Office has not been open at set times, but has been available on an on demand basis.

Those who served from 1st April 2024 until the date this report was approved were Elaine May, Rachel Bull, Geoffrey Rondozaï (from 25th September 2024).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The activities of Whittlesey Christian Church are overseen by the Leaders of the Church. The governing document of the registered charity is the founding Trust Deed dated 1977.

The Trustees are responsible for the financial administration of the Church, and the care and maintenance of Church premises.

The members of the Leaders Meeting included the minister in charge (Richard Bibby until 10th October 2024, Raymond and Sarah Manoehoetoe were identified as the new Pastors for the church in November. They were living and ministering in Huddersfield and will be moving to Whittlesey to take on their new role. Currently, there are no appointed senior leaders (elders) who will assist in strategic planning.

A Business Meeting has not been held during the year.



OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Whittlesey Christian Church seeks to advance the Christian religion through its activities and the facilities offered to the community by its building, and described more specifically in its mission statement as “Serving the Fenland Community”.

The Leaders of the Church are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and has regard to it in the administration of the Church. During the financial period, Richard Bibby ceased to be Senior Leader, a position that has now been filled by Raymond and Sarah Manoehoetoe as Pastors.

The Trustees believe that the Church provides benefit to the public by providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care and the teaching of Christian doctrine, both for the congregation and the local community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

(1) There has been a decrease of total overall income of about 8%. The level of giving has remained largely similar to the previous financial year. As in the previous year, no Gift Aid claim was made with HMRC. This is due to lack of capacity and clarity by the trustees of this process. It is hoped, this will be achieved in the coming financial year.

The outlook for income in the following year is expected to be about the same as for the current year. However, as we have not claimed Gift Aid in the last 2-3 years, once claimed this will be a significant inflow.

(2) The Church would like to maintain an amount equal to at least 12 months' regular expenditure as “free” reserves, in order to meet future shortfalls in income. The current account balance of £74123 (including non-identified savings) at 31 March 2025 represents about 11 months of net expenditure.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 01/01/2026 and is signed on its behalf by Geoffrey Rondozaï (Chairman).



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Geoff Rondozi".

Rachel Bull

Geoff Rondozi

Elaine May



**OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN
CHURCH**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S
REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH
2025**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Whittlesey Christian Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Whittlesey Christian Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under s. 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s. 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 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 _____ LWSisimayi _____

Name MR LOVEMORE WILSON SISIMAYI

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Date 1ST Janaury,2026



WORLDWIDE CRUSADES

OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
		Total for Year £	Total for Year £
<u>Assets</u>			
Monetary assets:			
Barclays Community current account		11468	12409
Barclays Active Saver.		74123	73039
Barclays Active Saver – Reserve.		5117	5042
T@23 Bank Account		1294	680
		<u>92002</u>	<u>91170</u>
Non-monetary assets:			
Property at 23 Broad Street	2	881,477	881,477
Land at 19 Broad Street	3	25,000	25,000
Furniture and equipment (net book value)	4	475	475
		<u>906,952</u>	<u>906952</u>



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NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL

ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Notes on accounts

1) Accounting policies

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis.

2) Property

The insurance value of the property at 23 Broad Street has previously been £854,535 as at 31 March 2014. The extension work is now complete. In September 2015, the church purchased solar panels to the value of

£17,812, increasing the value of the property to £872,347. In August 2018, the church upgraded the heating system and installed new radiators to the value of £9,130, increasing the value of the property to £881,477.

3) Land

The remaining land at 19 Broad Street has been included at a value equal to the net cost balance of

£25,000.



4) Furniture & equipment

Furniture and equipment has been depreciated by the reduced balance method at a rate of 25%.

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES		
OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH		
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS		
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025		
	-	-
TAX YEAR	2025	2024
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
Bank Interest.		
Donations, legacies and other.		
similar receipts:		
Identified giving.	29028.3 9	17637
Donations.		
Unidentified Donations.		10292
Cash deposits(Rev Richard)		375
Insurance Refund	2175	
Energy Income	1392	
Catering Income	57	
Subscription Incmoe	175.98	
Returns	79	
Tax recovered		



Activities for generating funds:		
Venue and room hire		
Investment Income receipts:		
Bank Interest	1170.66	959
Other income:		680
Income generated from Solar Panels		5152
Other income(Grant-Support Services)		2000
TOTALS	<u>34078.0</u> 3	<u>37095</u>
-		
Payments : Charitable Services		
-		
Pastoral Services		
Zambian orphanage		0
Speakers expenses (honorarium)	6570	400
Pastoral Services(other)		607
Special events	342	0
Catering	612	913
Donations given		
Support costs		
Wages		0
Subscriptions	368	914
Church light, heat and water		4146
Maintenance & upkeep	10710.1	16161
Telephone	1104	1376
Training courses Creative arts	335	81
Management & administration		
Printing, stationery & postage	150	
Bank charges	52	
Accountancy	1070	400
Insurance premiums	1919	1877
Depreciation		0
Other		1534
Telephone Services	175	



Net receipts / payments	191	-3,163
Balance brought forward from previous year	461,101	464,264
Balance carried forward at end of year	£461,29 2	£461,101

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

FOR

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OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Trustees Report April 2023 to March 2024

The trustees are pleased to present the report on the activities of Worldwide Crusades Charity. The charity operates as Whittlesey Christian Church and during the period has operated from its base at 23 Broad street, Whittlesey.

Community Activities AA The charity offered use of its facilities to the AA who ran rehabilitation groups every Thursday for anyone in the community who required their service. The charity did not charge rental fees for this but the AA made a donation to the charity. The AA group reports this has enabled them to provide this service free to their members which has been offered benefit due to the current hardships many face and the reduction in public funding.

T@23

This has proved a popular community activity for all adults. This was led by Elaine May and has seen a number of people who would otherwise be lonely come in every Wednesday morning for a fellowship.

Children's Ministry The charity through the church has run children play groups every week led by Cate Ross. These provide a social space for members of the community to come and spend time with others whilst the young ones learn social skills in a play and learn environment.

The Holiday Club was also successfully hosted during the course of the financial year. Although reduced to 3 days due to volunteer capacity, 55 children attended and enjoyed games, social interaction and learning about our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The charity also attended School assemblies at the 3 local primary schools. The team shared the gospel news with the children and staff.

Women's Ministry

The women held a number of monthly events. These included prayer breakfasts, prayer walks,

International Day

In September the church launched its inaugural International Day. This was the brainchild of Rachel Bull. The purpose was to bring together all the different nationalities in the church and community and celebrate our unique and diverse food and culture based on our common love for God. About 10 nations were represented.

This event helps to foster community cohesion.

Men's Ministry

The men during the year have held a number of events. These included breakfast and meals at the church and at local restaurants. They have been able to interact and share their faith with different people and also encouraged each other. The events were ably arranged by Kevin before his retirement. We thank Kevin for his dedication.

The charity has continued to maintain a strong presence in the community and has been ready to support those in need. Through the church the emphasis has been to ensure that Jesus Christ is at the centre of our community activities and outreach.

Governance

The charity is governed by a trust deed and its activities were managed and overseen by the leadership team comprising, Richard Bibby, Geoffrey and Margaret Rondozi, Christine Price, Sue MacDonald, Rachel Bull, Elaine May, Cate Ross and Megan Ross.

Trustees

Richard O. Bibby

Elaine May

Rachel Bull (from February 2024)

Geoffrey Rondozi (left 03/07/2023)

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Those who served from 1st April 2023 until the date this report was approved was Elaine May; Richard Oliver Bibby left 10/10/2024 , Geoffrey Rondozi (ceased 3/7/2023 and rejoined 07 July 2024), Rachel Bull from 27/02/2024 .
STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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The members of the Leaders Meeting include the minister in charge (Richard Bibby) and heads of department within the Church, as appointed by the minister in charge. Currently, there are no appointed senior leaders (elders) who will assist in strategic planning.

The Head of Department Leaders met on a monthly during the year. A Business Meeting has not been held during the year.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and has regard to it in the administration of the Church.

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REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

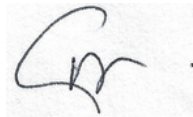
FINANCIAL REVIEW

(1) There has been an increase of total overall receipts of 26%, assisted by income from solar panels. The level of giving has remained largely similar to the previous financial year.

The outlook for income in the following year is expected to increase with not only an increase in the number of congregants but donations.

(2) The Church would like to maintain an amount equal to at least 12 months' regular expenditure as "free" reserves, in order to meet future shortfalls in income. The current account balance of £73039 (including non-identified savings) at 31 March 2024 represents about 11 months of net expenditure.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 30/01/2025 and is signed on their behalf by Geoffrey Rondozi (Chairman).



ceased to be trustee

Richard Bibby

Geoff Rondozi

Elaine May

Rachel Bull

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES
OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Signed _____ LWSisimayi

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Date 30th Janaury,2025

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES OPERATING
AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
		Total for Year £	Total for Year £
<u>Assets</u>			
Monetary assets:			
Barclays Community current account		12409	10274
Barclays Active Saver.		73039	72170
Barclays Active Saver – Reserve.		5042	10001
T@23 Bank Account		680	418
		<u>91170</u>	<u>92863</u>
		<u>3</u>	
Non-monetary assets:			
Property at 23 Broad Street	2	881,477	881,477
Land at 19 Broad Street	3	25,000	25,000
Furniture and equipment (net book value)	4	475	475
		<u>906,952</u>	<u>906952</u>

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WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL

ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Notes on accounts

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3) Land

The remaining land at 19 Broad Street has been included at a value equal to the net cost balance of £25,000.

4) Furniture & equipment

Furniture and equipment has been depreciated by the reduced balance method at a rate of 25%.

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES**OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH****STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****TAX YEAR**

2024

2023

£

£

RECEIPTS**Bank Interest.****Donations, legacies and other.****similar receipts:**

Identified giving.

17637

25773

Donations.

Unidentified Donations.

10292

Cash deposits(Rev Richard)

375

Tax recovered

Activities for generating funds:

Venue and room hire

3986

Investment Income receipts:**Bank Interest**

959

Other income:

680

214

Income generated from Solar Panels

5152

Other income(Grant-Support Services)

2000

Totals**37095****29973****Payments : Charitable Services****Pastoral Services**

3300

Zambian orphanage

0

0

Speakers expenses (honorarium)

400

370

Pastoral Services(other)	607	
Special events	0	1692
Catering	913	2259
Donations given		121
Support costs		0
Wages	0	0
Subscriptions	914	386
Church light, heat and water	4146	3613
Maintenance & upkeep	16161	2386
Telephone	1376	2208
Training courses Creative arts	81	0
Management & administration		0
Printing, stationery & postage		1057
Bank charges		61
Accountancy	400	600
Insurance premiums	1877	1884
Depreciation	0	158
Other	1534	
Other payments		
Licences		
Sundries	2446	267
Advertising	904	1370
Legal fees	0	445
Equipment	27	
Software Package	141	
Plumbing	263	
Charitable activities(tlcr us)	275	
Video Hosting	121	
Other charities	60	
Support costs	1150	
Sundries	413	
Cleaner	1125	
Sundries(Paypal)	749	
Sundries(Sump)	0	
Transport	0	
Utilities(Gas)	377	
Utities (Energy)	1130	
Other(God Powered)	434	
Identified Giving()	82	
Printer	770	
Other utilities	291	
Sundries (Ebay)	1091	
TOTALS	40258	22177

Printing, stationery & postage		1057
Bank charges		61
Accountancy	400	600
Insurance premiums	1877	1884
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Other payments		
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Transport	0	
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Other(God Powered)	434	
Identified Giving()	82	
Printer	770	
Other utilities	291	
Sundries (Ebay)	1091	
TOTALS	40258	22177
Surplus /Deficit	-3163	7796

SUMMARY

Net receipts / payments	-3,163	7,796
Balance brought forward from previous year	464,264	456,468
Balance carried forward at end of year	£461,101	£464,264

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FOR

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES

OPERATING AS

WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS


FINANCIAL REVIEW

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The outlook for income in the following year is expected to be about the same as for the current year.

(2) The Church would like to maintain an amount equal to at least 12 months' regular expenditure as "free" reserves, in order to meet future shortfalls in income. The current account balance of £20,275 (including non-identified savings) at 31 March 2023 represents about 11 months of net expenditure.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 12/9/2024 and is signed on its behalf by Richard Bibby (minister in charge).

SIGNED SECURELY

04/10/2024 at 2:25:00 PM UTC

Richard Bibby

Geoff Rondozaï

Elaine May

Date:

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WORLDWIDE CRUSADES
OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Whittlesey Christian Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Whittlesey Christian Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under s. 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s. 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 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 Matthew Coates AATQB AICB PM.dip

46 Topham Crescent
Thorney
PE6 0SR

Date _____

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES
OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	1	Total for Year £	Total for Year £
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations, legacies and other similar receipts:			
Identified giving		25,773	23,463
Tax recovered		-	-
Activities for generating funds:			
Venue and room hire		3,986	-
Investment Income receipts:			
Other income:			
Other income		214	226
Total receipts		<u>29,973</u>	<u>23,689</u>
<u>Payments</u>			
Charitable activities			
Pastoral Services		3,300	6,050
Speakers expenses (honorarium)		370	-
Zambian orphanage		-	-
Special events		1,692	-
Catering		2,259	106
Donations given		121	-
Support costs			
Wages		-	14,880
Subscriptions		386	155
Church light, heat and water		3,613	4,949
Maintenance & upkeep		2,386	1,166
Telephone		2,208	1,221
Training courses		-	-
Creative arts		-	-
Management & administration			
Printing, stationery & postage		1,057	3,346
Bank charges		61	-
Accountancy		600	600
Insurance premiums		1,884	1,688
Depreciation		158	211
Other payments			
Licences		-	440
Sundry		267	33
Advertising		1,370	48
Legal fees		445	-
Total payments		<u>22,177</u>	<u>34,893</u>
Net receipts / payments		7,796	- 11,204
Balance brought forward from previous year		456,468	467,672
Balance carried forward at end of year		£ <u>464,264</u>	£ <u>456,468</u>

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES
OPERATING AS WHITTLESEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
		Total for Year £	Total for Year £
<u>Assets</u>			
Monetary assets:			
Barclays Community current account		10,274	2,862
Barclays Active Saver		72,170	72,061
Barclays Active Saver - Reserve		10,001	9,986
Tea Bank Account		418	
		92,863	84,909
Non-monetary assets:			
Property at 23 Broad Street	2	881,477	881,477
Land at 19 Broad Street	3	25,000	25,000
Furniture and equipment (net book value)	4	475	633
		906,952	907,110

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NOTES TO THE STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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2) Property

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3) Land

The remaining land at 19 Broad Street has been included at a value equal to the net cost balance of £25,000.

4) Furniture & equipment

Furniture and equipment has been depreciated by the reduced balance method at a rate of 25%.

WORLDWIDE CRUSADES

England & Wales - Charity number 275471

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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In November 1997 a mortgage was obtained in order to purchase our building from the United Reformed Church. In 2008, due to a generous donation, we were able to repay the remainder of the mortgage in full.

Growth continues at a steady and sustainable pace and allows for the solid and stable foundation which the church has enjoyed from its inception to continue; ensuring its long-term, positive presence in the community.

Marija Lysak continues to be employed by the Church as an assistant Senior Pastor and in administrative responsibilities, working four days per week.

Marija continues to be an essential part of the day-to-day operations and community-oriented activities of the Church, and works tirelessly to ensure smooth running of the increasingly challenging schedule.

The Whittlesey Festival was cancelled for 2020 due to the prevailing pandemic, but the Church intends to resume support when the Festival can safely return.

Our Church continues to serve in the administration, storage and distribution in connection with the Whittlesey Emergency Food Aid program, which has continued to provide a lifeline to increasing numbers of local people in need in difficult times.

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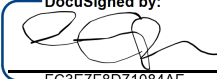
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	1	Total for Year £	Total for Year £
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations, legacies and other similar receipts:			
Identified giving		35,916	24,476
Tax recovered		-	13,573
Investment Income receipts:			
Other income:			
Other income		105	481
Total receipts		<u>36,021</u>	<u>38,530</u>
<u>Payments</u>			
Charitable activities			
Pastoral Services		6,667	6,631
Speakers expenses (honorarium)		-	575
Zambian orphanage		-	-
Special events		584	528
Catering		-	526
Travel expenses		327	488
Support costs			
Wages		17,079	16,904
Subscriptions		113	392
Church light, heat and water		279	1,548
Maintenance & upkeep		3,758	1,429
Telephone		1,001	1,577
Training courses		-	-
Creative arts		-	-
Management & administration			
Printing, stationery & postage		1,699	1,983
Bank charges		-	-
Accountancy		600	-
Insurance premiums		1,536	1,506
Depreciation		281	375
Other payments			
Licences		382	279
Sundry		228	198
Advertising		-	193
Legal fees		-	-
Total payments		<u>34,534</u>	<u>35,132</u>
Net receipts / payments		1,487	3,398
Balance brought forward from previous year		462,787	462,787
Balance carried forward at end of year		<u>£ 464,274</u>	<u>£ 466,185</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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Barclays Active Saver		71,862	71,862
Barclays Active Saver - Reserve		9,959	9,959
		<u>94,288</u>	<u>93,911</u>
Non-monetary assets:			
Property at 23 Broad Street	2	881,477	881,477
Land at 19 Broad Street	3	25,000	25,000
Furniture and equipment (net book value)	4	844	1,125
		<u>907,321</u>	<u>907,602</u>

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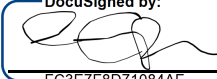
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Worldwide Crusades, t/a Whittlesey Christian Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

275471

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

29 March 2022

Name:

Matthew Coates

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)
Institute of Certified Bookkeepers (ICB)

Address:

46 Topham Crescent, Thorney
Peterborough, PE6 0SR

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.