

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

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Worldwide Crusades is a charitable trust set up in 1977 to use its resources to promote the Gospel in any area of the world. The charity operates as Whittlesey Christian Church, based at 23 Broad Street, Whittlesey, Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, PE7 1HA.

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 2022 until the date this report was approved were:
Richard Oliver Bibby, Geoff Rondozi (ceased 3/7/2023), Elaine May.

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 Business Meeting (of all members wishing to attend) gives general guidance on the life and work of the Church.

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 twice during the year.
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.

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.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

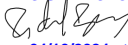
FINANCIAL REVIEW

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

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 Rondoza

Elaine May

Date:

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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 _____

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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>

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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	
		<u>92,863</u>	<u>84,909</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	633
		<u>906,952</u>	<u>907,110</u>

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

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%.