

Derry Baptist Fellowship

Northern Ireland · Charity number 101124

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2015-06-19
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The Trust is established for the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Derry/Londonderry, Northern Ireland and the surrounding neighbourhood; and such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees further the work of the trust.

What the charity does: The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of education, The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Counselling/support, Cross-border/cross-community, Education/training, Overseas aid/famine relief, Religious activities, Youth development

Who the charity helps: Addictions (drug/solvent/alcohol abuse), Children (5-13 year olds), General public, Men, Older people, Women, Youth (14-25 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£31,823	£27,766	£0	0

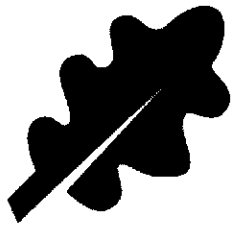
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Josh Furan		
Mr James Wilson		
Mr John Samuel Quinn		

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DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

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DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT

AND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

31st DECEMBER 2024

DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

Financial ended 31st December 2024

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Trustees:

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John Quinn
James Wilson

Independent Examiners:

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Trustees Annual Report

For Financial Year Ended 31st December 2024

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- Education and training.
- Overseas aid and famine relief.
- Religious activities.
- Youth Development.

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2024 REVIEW OF THE YEAR AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS:

During the year the church organised Mid-Week & Sunday services for members & general public. We believe that a number of individuals in our Church have grown in their knowledge of Scripture & in their walk with the Lord. Praise be to the Lord as we report that He once again gave us a record-breaking year. The Holy Spirit drew 291 first time visitors to our church [200 were local], through special & Sunday events. We had two people complete our discipleship programme, we gave out an estimated 80k leaflets, we also had more people serving at events. Praise the Lord we had one baptism. We were also very blessed to have an outreach team from Pennsylvania, North Carolina & Illinois. We broadcasted from the church building sermons offering hope in Christ. We did studies from the old & new testaments. The Church was able to reach different age groups and interests that provided support & comfort too many people. Average attendances in 2024 were again the highest in the history of the church. We have once again been very blessed as servants of Christ in our city through His church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW:

The Trustee's would like to explain the reason for the higher expenditure in 2024 in regard for Pastoral Stipend is due to a gift voted for at 2024 AGM that were not in 2023 budget. We also had overreached with guest speakers & outreach & we have updated the new budget to address this going forward. The Trustees have considered carefully the future expenditure of the Church for the next twelve months. They believe that the regular giving of friends & members of the Church will continue to at least their current levels & 2024 we may see a rise as the Lord leads His people to be cheerful givers.

RISK REVIEW

The leadership team has conducted its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed & systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

THE TRUSTEES

The trustees give a true & fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the balance sheet date & of its incoming resources & application of resources, including income & expenditure for not only the financial year but every quarter.

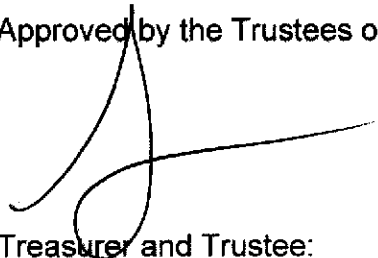
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Approved by the Trustees on 8th July 2025 and signed on their behalf

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Wilson', written over the text 'Approved by the Trustees on 8th July 2025 and signed on their behalf'.

Treasurer and Trustee:
James Wilson

To the Trustees:
DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Responsibilities and basis of report.

I have Independently Examined the Financial Statements on Pages 6-10, for the financial year ending 31st December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparations of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

I have examined your accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.
3. That the accounts do not comply with accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reach.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed by examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connections with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention,

Brenda Peers-Ross

Brenda Peers-Ross FMAAT ACIE
9th August 2025

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

For the Period 31st December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Receipts							
Donations, offerings		29,620	686	30,306	23,172	-	23,172
Mission giving	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	2	2,204	-	2,204	1,501	-	1,501
Total receipts for the Year		31,823	686	32,509	24,673	-	24,673
Payments							
Charitable activities	3	27,766	686	28,452	19,749	-	19,749
Total Payments for the Year		27,766	686	28,452	19,749	-	19,749
Net Receipts/(Payments)		4,057	-	4,057	4,924	-	4,924
Total funds brought forward		7,960	83,489	91,449	3,036	83,489	86,525
Total funds carried forward		12,017	83,489	95,506	7,960	83,489	91,449

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

For the Period 31st December 2024

As At 31st December 2024

Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Assets:						
Fixed Assets	-	83,489	83,489	-	83,489	83,489
Current Assets						
Cash at bank and in hand 4	12,017	-	12,017	7,960	-	7,960
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	12,017	-	12,017	7,960	-	7,960
Liabilities						
Creditors: other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: accrual IE	-	-	-	-	-	-
	12,017	-	12,017	7,960	-	7,960
Net Current Assets	12,017	-	12,017	7,960	-	7,960
Net Assets	12,017	83,489	95,506	7,960	83,489	91,449

Reconciliation of Funds

Unrestricted/Designated Reserves

General reserve 6	12,017	-	12,017	7,960	-	7,960
Restricted reserve 5	-	83,489	83,489	-	83,489	83,489
Debtors, Creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	12,017	83,489	95,506	7,960	83,489	91,449

Presented and approved by the Trustees at a committee meeting held on 8th July 2025,
and signed on their behalf.

James Wilson

Trustee

For the Period 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Note 1						
Charitable Activities						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Note 2						
Other income						
Other income and designations	2,160	-	2,160	1,493	-	1,493
Interest	44	-	44	8	-	8
	2,204	-	2,204	1,501	-	1,501

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Note 3 Charitable Activities						
Payments :						
Rent and rates	9,126	-	9,126	680	-	680
Heat and light	777	-	777	802	-	802
Team room and cleaning	151	-	151	320	-	320
Insurance	1,891	-	1,891	400	-	400
Benevolence	595	-	595	720	-	720
Ministry	1,707	-	1,707	660	-	660
Events	1,215	-	1,215	-	-	-
Pastoral expenses, stipend	5,650	-	5,650	1,950	-	1,950
Office expenses	11	-	11	44	-	44
Special project and outreach	1,627	-	1,627	1,163	-	1,163
Equipment and maintenance	136	-	136	1,015	-	1,015
Guest speaker	1,827	-	1,827	-	-	-
Other expenses	107	686	793	52	-	52
Other expenses and designations	2,946	-	2,946	11,943	-	11,943
	27,766	686	28,452	19,749	-	19,749

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £
Note 4						
Cash at Bank						
Santander current account	6,502	-	6,502	6,695	-	6,695
Santander savings account	5,515	-	5,515	905	-	905
	12,017	-	12,017	7,600	-	7,600

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Note 5 Restricted Funds	01.01.24			Transfer Between Funds	31.12.24
	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended		Closing Balance
Fixed assets - building	83,489	686	(686)	-	83,489
	83,489	686	(686)	-	83,489

Note 6 Unrestricted / Designated reserves	01.01.24			Transfer Between Funds	31.12.24
	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended		Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
General Reserve	7,960	31,823	(27,766)	-	12,017
	7,960	31,823	(27,766)	-	12,017

Note 7**Ultimate Controlling Party**

The charity is under the direct control of it's board of Trustees, the names of whom are shown at the beginning of the Trustee's Report.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2024

Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The Charity is a small entity and produces its accounts in a Receipts and Payment and Statement of Assets and Liabilities format.

Format

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions of the Charities Act and presented an income and expenditure account in the form of a Receipts and Payments, and Statement of Assets and Liabilities basis for small entities .

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Receipts and Payments account when received by the charity. Grants are brought into account on a when received.

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it has been received.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an payable basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of all tangible fixed assets by instalments over the expected useful lives. The period generally applicable are:

Computer and IT equipment	3 year	straight line method
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Intangible income

Intangible income, in the form of donated facilities and voluntary help etc., is not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Reserves

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments, and the replacement of certain assets. Not all grants/course income are received at the beginning of the financial others are received in arrears.

Risk

The trustees do not believe the Charity is subject to any substantial risk beyond those disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees present their report and the draft accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 on 11th February 2024

REVIEW OF THE YEAR AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS During the year the church organised Mid-Week & Sunday services at which good teaching enabled members and visitors to evaluate and make changes to their lives to the benefit of them, their families and the general public. We believe that a number of individuals in our Church have grown in their knowledge of Scripture and in their walk with the Lord.

2023 was the most blessed time of the Lord thus far. The Holy Spirit drew 195 first time visitors to our church, many from the city, through special Holiday Bible Clubs and Sunday events. We had one person complete our discipleship programme, we started new ministries with men's & ladies bible studies, we gave out 45k leaflets, we also had more people serving especially in our Holiday bible clubs 20+ volunteers. 2022 was without doubt a wonderful year of growth but the Lord really opened the door of blessings in 2023 to an exceptional year for our church, all glory and honour goes to the Lord.

Praise the Lord we had one baptism, and two new members join the church. We were also very blessed to have an outreach teams from Ohio & North Carolina, we also hosted a joint meeting with Carrick Baptist Church and shared our city's spiritual need with them as they helped with outreach.

During this time from January 2023, we broadcasted from the church building sermons offering hope in Christ. We did studies from the old & new testaments.

The Church was able to reach different age groups and interests that provided support and comfort too many people.

Attendances in 2023 were the highest in the history of the church smashing all our previous records, along with the Lord working to give us continued growth in sacrificial giving of tithes and offerings from our members/regular attendees. We have once again been very blessed as servants of Christ in our city through His church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The Trustee's would like to explain the reason for the higher expenditure in 2023 this was due to moving into hired hall because our own building was unable to host the growth in attendance this gave us rental costs that were not in 2023 budget. We also gave more gifts of benevolence coupled with more church events which were designed as evangelistic outreach.

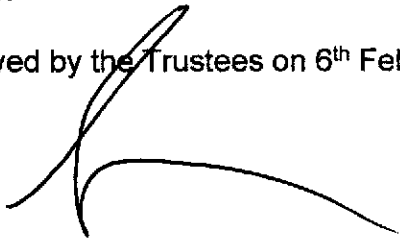
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Approved by the Trustees on 6th February 2024 and signed on their behalf



Treasurer and Trustee:
James Wilson

**Brenda Peers-Ross
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To the Trustees:
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Brenda Peers-Ross

Brenda Peers-Ross FMAAT ACIE
Date: 28th October 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

For the Period 31st December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £
Receipts							
Donations, offerings		23,172	-	23,172	12,198	-	12,198
Mission giving	1	-	-	-	-	2,694	2,694
Other income	2	1,501	-	1,501	1,181	-	1,181
Total receipts for the Year		24,673	-	24,673	13,379	2,694	16,073
Payments							
Charitable activities	3	19,749	-	19,749	12,358	2,694	15,052
Total Payments for the Year		19,749	-	19,749	12,358	2,694	15,052
Net Receipts/(Payments)		4,924	-	4,924	1,021	-	1,021
Total funds brought forward		3,036	83,489	86,525	2,015	83,489	85,504
Total funds carried forward		7,960	83,489	91,449	3,036	83,489	86,525

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

For the Period 31st December 2023

As At 31st December 2022

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £
Assets:						
Fixed Assets	-	83,489	83,489	-	83,489	83,489
Current Assets						
Cash at bank and in hand 4	7,960	-	7,960	3,036	-	3,036
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7,960	-	7,960	3,036	-	3,036
Liabilities						
Creditors: other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors: accrual IE	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	7,960	-	7,960	3,036	-	3,036
Net Assets	7,960	83,489	91,449	3,036	83,489	86,525

Reconciliation of Funds

Unrestricted/Designated Reserves

General reserve 6	7,960	-	7,960	3,036	-	3,036
Restricted reserve 5	-	83,489	83,489	-	83,489	83,489
Debtors, Creditors	-	-	-	-	-	-
	7,960	83,489	91,449	3,036	83,489	86,525

Presented and approved by the Trustees at a committee meeting held on 15th October 2024,
and signed on their behalf.

James Wilson

Trustee

For the Period 31st December 2023

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £
Note 1						
Charitable Activities						
Mission giving	-	-	-	-	2,694	2,694
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	2,694	2,694

Note 2						
Other income						
Other income and designations	1,493	-	1,493	1,174	-	1,174
Interest	8	-	8	7	-	7
	1,501	-	1,501	1,181	-	1,181

Note 3 Charitable Activities

Payments :						
Rent and rates	680	-	680	593	-	593
Heat and light	802	-	802	772	-	772
Team room and cleaning	320	-	320	201	-	201
Insurance	400	-	400	400	-	400
Missionary costs	720	-	720	399	-	399
Ministry	660	-	660	-	-	-
Pastoral expenses, stipend	1,950	-	1,950	800	-	800
Office expenses	44	-	44	29	-	29
Special project and outreach	1,163	-	1,163	67	-	67
Equipment and maintenance	1,015	-	1,015	152	-	152
Guest speaker	-	-	-	511	-	511
Other expenses	52	-	52	266	-	266
Other expenses and designations	11,943	-	11,943	8,168	2,694	10,862
	19,749	-	19,749	12,358	2,694	15,052

Note 4

Cash at Bank						
Santander current account	6,695	-	6,695	2,131	-	2,131
Santander savings account	1,265	-	1,265	905	-	905
	7,960	-	7,960	3,036	-	3,036

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For the Period 31st December 2023

Note 5	01.01.23				Transfer	31.12.23
Restricted Funds	Opening	Incoming	Resources	Between	Between	Closing
	Balance	Resources	Expended	Funds	Funds	Balance
Fixed assets - building	83,489	-	-	-	-	83,489
	83,489	-	-	-	-	83,489

Note 6	01.01.23				Transfer	31.12.23
Unrestricted / Designated reserves	Opening	Incoming	Resources	Between	Between	Closing
	Balance	Resources	Expended	Funds	Funds	Balance
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Reserve	3,036	24,673	(19,749)	-	-	7,960
	3,036	24,673	(19,749)	-	-	7,960

Note 7

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The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions of the Charities Act and presented an income and expenditure account in the form of a Receipts and Payments, and Statement of Assets and Liabilities basis for small entities .

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Receipts and Payments account when received by the charity. Grants are brought into account on a when received.

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it has been received.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an payable basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is stated inclusive of value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of all tangible fixed assets by instalments over the expected useful lives. The period generally applicable are:

Building	2%	straight line method
Computer and IT equipment	3 year	straight line method

Intangible income

Intangible income, in the form of donated facilities and voluntary help etc., is not included in the financial statements since it is not considered practicable to quantify such income.

Reserves

The current reserve policy is to maintain sufficient cash flow for known commitments, and the replacement of certain assets. Not all grants/course income are received at the beginning of the financial others are received in arrears.

Risk

The trustees do not believe the Charity is subject to any substantial risk beyond those disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts.

Derry Baptist Fellowship

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101124

Annual report

DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP
Registered Charity Number 101124

Trustees Annual Report

For Financial Year Ended 31st December 2023

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The members of the Board of Trustees of Derry Baptist Fellowship present their report together with Receipts and Payments Accounts and Statement of Assets and Liabilities for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Structure, Governance

Derry Baptist Fellowship is a registered Charity in Northern Ireland.

Trustees are appointed as individuals, but where feasible, with representation from Trustees are appointed at an AGM,

Derry Baptist Fellowship has a Trustee Induction Pack to support the induction and training of trustees. Induction and training are led by the Chair of the Board of Trustees with the support of the other trustees.

Objectives & Activities and Public Benefit

The trust benefits the public by the advancing the Christian Faith through providing worship services that are open to the public and through various forms of outreach. The prevention or relief of poverty, the advancement of education and the advancement of religion. It meets its objective via.

- Training in leaders, preachers, teachers, ministers and volunteers.
- Works on projects promoted by the church in areas of benefit.
- Promotes Christianity.
- Provides counselling and support.
- Education and training.
- Overseas aid and famine relief.
- Religious activities.
- Youth Development.

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees present their report and the draft accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 on 11th February 2024

REVIEW OF THE YEAR AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS During the year the church organised Mid-Week & Sunday services at which good teaching enabled members and visitors to evaluate and make changes to their lives to the benefit of them, their families and the general public. We believe that a number of individuals in our Church have grown in their knowledge of Scripture and in their walk with the Lord.

2023 was the most blessed time of the Lord thus far. The Holy Spirit drew 195 first time visitors to our church, many from the city, through special Holiday Bible Clubs and Sunday events. We had one person complete our discipleship programme, we started new ministries with men's & ladies bible studies, we gave out 45k leaflets, we also had more people serving especially in our Holiday bible clubs 20+ volunteers. 2022 was without doubt a wonderful year of growth but the Lord really opened the door of blessings in 2023 to an exceptional year for our church, all glory and honour goes to the Lord.

Praise the Lord we had one baptism, and two new members join the church. We were also very blessed to have an outreach teams from Ohio & North Carolina, we also hosted a joint meeting with Carrick Baptist Church and shared our city's spiritual need with them as they helped with outreach.

During this time from January 2023, we broadcasted from the church building sermons offering hope in Christ. We did studies from the old & new testaments.

The Church was able to reach different age groups and interests that provided support and comfort too many people.

Attendances in 2023 were the highest in the history of the church smashing all our previous records, along with the Lord working to give us continued growth in sacrificial giving of tithes and offerings from our members/regular attendees. We have once again been very blessed as servants of Christ in our city through His church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The Trustee's would like to explain the reason for the higher expenditure in 2023 this was due to moving into hired hall because our own building was unable to host the growth in attendance this gave us rental costs that were not in 2023 budget. We also gave more gifts of benevolence coupled with more church events which were designed as evangelistic outreach.

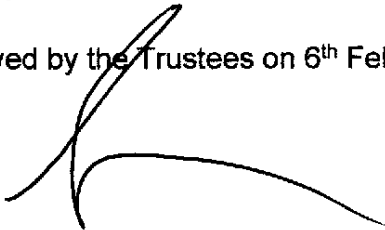
The Trustees have considered carefully the future expenditure of the Church for the next twelve months. They believe that the regular giving of friends and members of the Church will continue to at least their current levels & 2024 we may see a rise as the Lord leads His people to be cheerful givers.

RISK REVIEW

The leadership team has conducted its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

THE TRUSTEES give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the Statement of Assets and Liabilities date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for not only the financial year but every quarter.

Approved by the Trustees on 6th February 2024 and signed on their behalf



Treasurer and Trustee:
James Wilson

Derry Baptist Fellowship

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101124

Annual return

**Brenda Peers-Ross
29 Drift Road
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West Sussex
PO20 0PW**

To the Trustees:
DERRY BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP
Registered Charity Number: 101124

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Responsibilities and basis of report.

I have Independently Examined the Financial Statements on Pages 6-10, for the financial year ending 31st December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparations of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under 65 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

I have examined your accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.
3. That the accounts do not comply with accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reach.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed by examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connections with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention,

Brenda Peers-Ross

Brenda Peers-Ross FMAAT ACIE
Date: 28th October 2024

Derry Baptist Fellowship

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101124

Accounts

Northwest Baptist Church
CHARITY NUMBER NIC101124

Financial Statements

for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

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Trustees Report and Financial Statements
for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

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Northwest Baptist Church

Report of the trustees for the year ended 31st December 2020

Charity Registration Date: 19/06/2015

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the group for the year ended 31st December 2020 together with a Balance Sheet reflecting a balance of funds together with funds due and funds owed at the year end. These accounts have been prepared using the "receipts and payments" basis.

Reference and Administrative Information

Association Name: Northwest Baptist Church

Principle Address 15a The Diamond
Derry
Co Londonderry
BT48 6HW

Trustees

Travis Snode	Chairperson
James Wilson	Treasurer
Terri Snode	Trustee

Charity Objects:

The objects of the Charity are to - Train Leaders, Preachers, Teachers, Ministers, and Volunteers who have skills in teaching, building, or other practical skills, so that they may work on projects promoted by the Church in the area of benefit; Promotes Christianity and educate people about the Christian faith in regard to the area of benefit, by preaching the word of God Relieves persons in need as a result of poverty, famine, war or other disaster, natural or otherwise in any part of the world.

Independent Examiners:

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Bankers:

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Londonderry Waterside Branch
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Northwest Baptist Church
 Receipts and payments account
 for the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

	2020 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Receipts				
Donations	2,713	1,602	4,315	9,465
Missions Giving	607	-	607	30
Building Fund	797	11,048	11,845	23,921
Total receipts	<u>4,117</u>	<u>12,650</u>	<u>16,767</u>	<u>33,416</u>
Payments				
Wages	620	-	620	121
Heat and Light	95	-	95	533
Rent	1,260	-	1,260	3,000
Accounts Preparation & Independent Examination	-	-	-	302
General Equipment	52	-	52	12
Insurance	-	-	-	406
Mission Expenses	-	-	-	68
Repairs	-	-	-	-
Office Expenses	63	-	63	25
Special Projects	1,519	12,650	14,169	8,343
Temporary Support	-	-	-	-
Sundry	196	-	196	5,935
Total payments	<u>3,805</u>	<u>12,650</u>	<u>16,455</u>	<u>18,745</u>
Net receipts / (payments)	312	-	312	14,671
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Cash fund balances brought forward	<u>211</u>	<u>83,489</u>	<u>83,700</u>	<u>69,029</u>
Cash fund balances carried forward	<u>523</u>	<u>83,489</u>	<u>84,012</u>	<u>83,700</u>

Northwest Baptist Church
 Balance sheet
 as at 31st December 2019

	2020 Unrestricted	2020 Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets	-	83,489	83,489	83,489
Total fixed assets	-	83,489	83,489	83,489
Current Assets				
Cash at bank - Main Account	715	-	715	181
Cash at bank - Mission Account	(192)	-	(192)	30
Total current assets	523	-	523	211
Current Liabilities				
Creditors falling due within one year	-	-	-	-
Net current assets / (liabilities)	523	-	523	211
Total assets less current liabilities	523	83,489	84,012	83,700
Net assets	523	83,489	84,012	83,700
<i>Unrestricted Funds</i>	523	83,489	84,012	83,700
Total Funds	523	83,489	84,012	83,700

The financial statements have been approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Mr James Wilson

Signature.....

James Wilson (Treasurer)

Date: 31st October 2021

1 Accounting Policies

a Basis of accounting

The Management Committee have opted to prepare these accounts on a Receipts and payments basis

b Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £500

c Pensions

Contributions are charged when they become due in accordance with the scheme rules.

d Fund accounting

Funds held by the organisation are either:

Unrestricted general funds

These are funds which can be used in accordance with the organisation's objects at the discretion of the management committee.

Restricted funds

These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the organisation. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Designated funds

These are funds set aside by the management committee out of unrestricted general funds equal to 3 months staffing and overhead fees in the event the group has to wind down.

**Independent examiner's report on the accounts of
North West Baptist Church**
for the period 1 JANUARY 2020 to 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on pages 2 - 4

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act (NI) 2008.

It is Community Accountancy Services responsibility to:

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Signed:  on behalf of Community Accountancy Services

Date: 31st October 2021

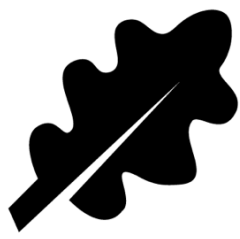
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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2019.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

During the year the church organised Sunday services at which good teaching enabled members and visitors to evaluate and make changes to their lives to the benefit of them, their families and the general public. We believe that a number of individuals in our Church have grown in their knowledge of Scripture and in their walk with the Lord.

2020 was very difficult for our church family like it was for all individuals because of the Covid pandemic, we moved into our new building and had our first service on 2nd February 2020, it was a most exciting time and we were totally packed out with many joining us that day to share in the celebration of how the Lord worked to bless us with a new building. Sadly in March 2020 due to the government requests, we closed the church to help stop the Covid pandemic from spreading, we later opened again in July only to close again in late December 2020.

In 2020 we as a church studied Genesis 1-11 [verse by verse] then during the Covid Lockdowns we had a conference call each Sunday and we prayed, read hymns and sermons that were topical so as to give each other encouragement in the difficult times of a global pandemic. We finished out the year with the beginning of the book of Psalms.

The Church was unable to run groups aimed at different age groups and interests that usually provided support and comfort to many people due to Covid lockdowns. And attendances were lower than normal each time the church reopened after various lockdowns but this was to be expected.

In July 2020 the members voted unanimously to change our church name to Derry Baptist Fellowship, as we felt it better reflected the area of our church and the community which we serve as servants of Jesus Christ.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The Trustees have considered carefully the future expenditure of the Church for the next twelve months. They believe that the regular giving of friends and members of the Church will continue to at least their current levels.

RISK REVIEW

The leadership team has conducted its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

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Approved by the Trustees on 13/01/2021 and signed on their behalf

Treasurer and Trustee: James Wilson

Derry Baptist Fellowship

Northern Ireland - Charity number 101124

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