# Hope Fellowship Newry

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102769

## Details

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| **Status** | Received |
| **Registered** | 2015-06-04 |
| **Register** | View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register |

## Contact

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## Activities

**Purposes:** The objects of Hope Fellowship, Newry are for the benefit of the public: to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Northern Ireland or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit: to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Northern Ireland or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit; and to advance education in such ways and in such parts of Northern Ireland or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit.

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education,The advancement of religion,The advancement of health or the saving of lives

**How the charity works:** Counselling/support,Education/training,Religious activities

**Who the charity helps:** General public

## Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2025-01-31 | £1,715 | £4,870 | £0 | 0 |

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## Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---|---|---|
| Mr Brian Beattie | | |
| Mr Declan Carr | | |
| Mrs Caroline Elizabeth Patterson | | |
| Mrs Jane Carr | | |
| Mrs Roisin Beattie | | |
| Mrs Teresa Carr | | |

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# Accounts

# ANNUAL REPORT

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**Discipleship Training**
The Discipleship training group continues to meet on Monday mornings via Zoom, to study the subject of Discipleship. The main objective of this group continues to be one of encouraging believers at Hope Fellowship Newry as they continue on their spiritual journey to becoming more like Jesus. Attendees enjoyed the benefits of being able to share their personal revelations in respect of the bible verses they explored together. When a need was identified, members would take the opportunity to pray together for those with needs. This supported the fellowship to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion), education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health.

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The prayer group continued to meet regularly each week on Thursdays. This provides an opportunity to spend a short time in worship and intercession for the needs of those associated with the Fellowship and for those the Fellowship come into contact with in the local community and further afield.

**Support of other Ministries**
Members of the Hope Fellowship Newry Trustees decided to provide financial support to an African ministry during this annual reporting period.

The Fellowship provided this financial support through E Turley, to support the purchase of some seating for a small African church, known to E Turley.

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**Weekly Meetings**

During this Annual Reporting period, the group continued to use Zoom for most Sunday meetings, as well as for all Thursday evening Prayer Group (Intercession) meetings plus the Monday morning Discipleship meetings. The group did meet in the hotel (in person) on a limited number of Sundays for Worship, Intercession and to celebrate Communion.

**Trustee Membership**

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**Speakers Rota for Teaching at Bible Time**

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## 5. Financial Position Review (01 February 2024 to 31 January 2025)

**Financial Review**

**Total receipts for the year amounted to £1,715.00. The receipts were generated from Free Will Offerings and Gift Aid and activities, which the Fellowship ran during the year.**

While the Fellowship has now been established for a number of years, it is noteworthy that the Covid Pandemic and the move of many of our meetings to a virtual platform, rather than face to face meetings, has impacted on the level of offerings received.

The cost of providing facilities for our meetings, together with the cost of speakers continues to be the major cost incurred during the reporting period.

**Reserves Policy**

The Fellowship was not established to build up cash reserves and therefore at the end of the year funds retained amounted to **£20,218.** The Trustees are pleased that the funds have been used to further the aims of the Fellowship.

**Administrative Information**

Hope Fellowship Charitable Trust Deed is registered and recognised by HM Revenue and Customs for the purpose of charitable donations.

Hope Fellowship Newry is registered with the Charity Commission under Reference: 102769.

**Approved by the Trustees on 07/01/26 and signed on their behalf by Carol Patterson.**

Brian Beattie
Roisin Beattie
Carol Patterson
Teresa Carr
Christina Stinson
Samuel Stinson
Jane Carr
Declan Carr

**Hope Fellowship**
Financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2025.

Approved by Trustees on **07/01/26** on their behalf by:

**Carol Patterson (Treasurer)**

## HOPE FELLOWSHIP

### Year Ended 31 January 2025

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

| | 2025 |
|---|---|
| | £ |
| **Receipts** | |
| Receipts from donors | |
| Collections | 1,715 |
| Bank interest | |
| Glenada Conference | |
| Gift Aid | |
| **Total income** | 1,715 |
| **Payments** | |
| Room Hire | 640 |
| Child Protection | 150 |
| Insurance | 482 |
| Charity Donations | 100 |
| Bank charges | 48 |
| Speakers fees | 3,450 |
| **Total expenditure** | 4,870 |
| **Excess of income over expenditure** | **- 3,155** |

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

**Cash Funds**

| | |
|---|---|
| Current Account | 19,698 |
| Fixed Assets | 520 |
| **Total Assets** | 20,218 |

**Notes: The financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments Basis.**

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY**

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 'Hope Fellowship Newry' Trust.**
I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 January 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**
**Charity Trustees**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The Charity Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an Independent examination is needed.

**Independent Examiner**
It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 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 charity 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. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true' and 'fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**
I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention or which give me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

To keep accounting records in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2008 Act; have been met;
Or:

To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Colm Quinn, BSSc, FCA, CTA, TEP, ACIArb**

7/1/2026

**52 Monaghan Street**
**Newry**
**Co. Down BT35 6AA**

## 6. Aims and Objectives (01 February 2025 to 31 January 2026).

During the February 2025 to January 2026 period, Hope Fellowship Newry has and will continue to work to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion) and education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health and financial hardship. This will be supported by:

- When appropriate, running outreach meetings during the year with visiting outside speakers in order to minister to the needs of those within the Fellowship and to help meet the needs of the invited Speaker from outside of the Fellowship. This will include actively seeking opportunities to support believers in the area to come together and pray for the spread of the Kingdom in the locality, region and nation.
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- Providing opportunities on occasions, to young musicians, from outside of the Fellowship, to develop their worship leading skills by leading worship at the Fellowship from time to time and for the Fellowship to benefit from their fresh approaches to worship.
- Continuing to hold the Discipleship study group on Monday mornings to allow the Fellowship to become more effective in terms of the Discipleship movement within and outside of the Fellowship, as well as providing opportunities to benefit the public.
- Identifying opportunities to widen the Fellowship's World mission vision by supporting those who would undertake Mission trips to Africa and other countries. Also taking opportunities for those who would engage in a Mission trip, to then provide the Fellowship with feedback of their experiences. This sharing of the needs and challenges of the third world with members of the Fellowship, helps members to see how the Fellowship can support their ministry through prayer and financial support.
- Continuing, as a priority, a regular prayer group to cover in prayer all the activities undertaken by the Fellowship and all the needs of the members, while at the same time providing an opportunity for members to compassionately focus on and pray for the Nation and the World and
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## 2. Trustees' regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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**Weekly Meetings**

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During this Annual Reporting period, the group continued to use Zoom for most Sunday meetings, as well as for all Thursday evening Prayer Group (Intercession) meetings plus the Monday morning Discipleship meetings. The group did meet in the hotel (in person) on a limited number of Sundays for Worship, Intercession and to celebrate Communion.

**Trustee Membership**

During this Annual Reporting period (February 2023 to January 2024) there were no resignations from the Trustees.

**Speakers Rota for Teaching at Bible Time**

Those attending the Fellowship continued to benefit from preaching of the Word delivered by those participating in the monthly preaching rota, namely S Stinson, C Taylor and E Turley. This has continued to ensure a greater variety and richness of teaching.

In May 2023, the Fellowship hosted Gregg Henry from the Gospel Revolution Church in Louisiana USA. Gregg preached on two separate occasions, focussing on the love of Jesus and the impact of God on lives. These two sessions were a blessing to those in attendance.

In January 2024, the group hosted John Gates in the Mourne Country Hotel in Newry, as a visiting preacher. John shared a special message with those present, in relation to the impact

that Jesus has had on his life. Attendees were blessed by the message of love and compassion shared by John.

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The prayer group continued to meet regularly each week on Thursdays. This provides an opportunity to spend a short time in worship and intercession for the needs of those associated with the Fellowship and for those the Fellowship come into contact with in the local community and further afield.

**Support of other Ministries**

Members of the Hope Fellowship Newry Trustees decided to provide financial support to a number of ministries during this annual reporting period.

The Fellowship also provided some financial support E Turley to go on a Mission Trip to Uganda, where Evin spent time visiting a number of churches to share God's Word and to Prophesy with those in attendance.

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## 5. Financial Position Review (01 February 2023 to 31 January 2024)

**Financial Review**

**Total receipts for the year amounted to £1,392.00. The receipts were generated from Free Will Offerings and Gift Aid and activities, which the Fellowship ran during the year.**

While the Fellowship has now been established for a number of years, it is noteworthy that the Covid Pandemic and the move of many of our meetings to a virtual platform, rather than face to face meetings, has impacted on the level of offerings received.

The cost of providing facilities for our meetings, together with the cost of speakers, is the major cost incurred during the reporting period.

**Reserves Policy**

The Fellowship was not established to build up cash reserves and therefore at the end of the year funds retained amounted to **£24,563.00**. The Trustees are pleased that the funds have been used to further the aims of the Fellowship.

**Administrative Information**

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**Approved by the Trustees on 28/11/24 and signed on their behalf by Carol Patterson.**

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Jane Carr
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**Hope Fellowship**
Financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2024.

Approved by Trustees on **28/11/24** on their behalf by:

**Carol Patterson (Treasurer)**

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP**

**Year Ended 31 January 2024**

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

| | 2024 £ |
|---|---|
| **Receipts** | |
| Receipts from donors | |
| Collections | 1,392 |
| **Total income** | **1,392** |
| **Payments** | |
| Room Hire | 740 |
| Child Protection | 145 |
| Insurance | 445 |
| Charity Donations | 2,000 |
| Bank charges | 45 |
| Speakers fees | 3,550 |
| **Total expenditure** | 6,925 |
| **Excess of income over expenditure** | **- 5,533** |

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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|---|---|
| **Cash Funds** | |
| Current Account | 24,043 |
| Fixed Assets | 520 |
| **Total Assets** | **24,563** |

**Notes: The financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments basis.**

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY**

**Independent Examiner's report to the members of the Hope Fellowship**
I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 January 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**
**Charity Trustees**
As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The Charity Trustees consider that and audit is not required for the year (under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an Independent examination is needed.

**Independent Examiner**
It is my responsibility to:

- **Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act**
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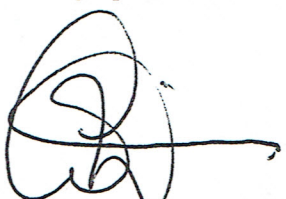

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**Financial Review**

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**Approved by the Trustees on 28/11/24 and signed on their behalf by Carol Patterson.**

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**Hope Fellowship**
Financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2024.

Approved by Trustees on **28/11/24** on their behalf by:

**Carol Patterson (Treasurer)**

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP**

**Year Ended 31 January 2024**

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

| | 2024 £ |
|---|---|
| **Receipts** | |
| Receipts from donors | |
| Collections | 1,392 |
| **Total income** | **1,392** |
| **Payments** | |
| Room Hire | 740 |
| Child Protection | 145 |
| Insurance | 445 |
| Charity Donations | 2,000 |
| Bank charges | 45 |
| Speakers fees | 3,550 |
| **Total expenditure** | 6,925 |
| **Excess of income over expenditure** | **- 5,533** |

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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| **Cash Funds** | |
| Current Account | 24,043 |
| Fixed Assets | 520 |
| **Total Assets** | **24,563** |

**Notes: The financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments basis.**

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY**

**Independent Examiner's report to the members of the Hope Fellowship**
I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 January 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**
**Charity Trustees**
As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The Charity Trustees consider that and audit is not required for the year (under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an Independent examination is needed.

**Independent Examiner**
It is my responsibility to:

- **Examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act**
- **Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under the 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 charity 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. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true' and 'fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

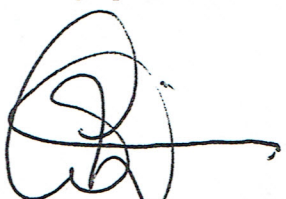
My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

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

**Independent examiner's statement**
I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention or, which give me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect the requirements:

To keep accounting records in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2008 Act: have been met: or:

To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**52 Monaghan Street**
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## 6. Aims and Objectives (01 February 2024 to 31 January 2025).

During the February 2024 to January 2025 period, Hope Fellowship Newry has and will continue to work to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion) and education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health and financial hardship. This will be supported by:

- When appropriate, running outreach meetings during the year with visiting outside speakers in order to minister to the needs of those within the Fellowship and to help meet the needs of the invited Speaker from outside of the Fellowship. This will include actively seeking opportunities to support believers in the area to come together and pray for the spread of the Kingdom in the locality, region and nation.
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- Continuing, as a priority, a regular prayer group to cover in prayer all the activities undertaken by the Fellowship and all the needs of the members, while at the same time providing an opportunity for members to compassionately focus on and pray for the Nation and the World

and

- Actively looking for opportunities to donate where appropriate, to local charities and worthy causes, in keeping with the vision, purpose and objects of the Fellowship.

**END**

**Hope Fellowship Newry**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102769

# Annual return

# ANNUAL REPORT

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| **Financial Period Covered:** 01 February 2023 to 31 January 2024 |
| **Northern Ireland Charity Number:** 102769 |
| **Charity Address:** 212 Armagh Road, Newry Co. Down. BT35 6NW |

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## 2. Trustees' regard to the Commission's Public Benefit requirement statutory guidance.

The Trustees would take this opportunity to provide assurance that they are aware of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's statutory guidance as it relates to Public Benefit requirement and that the Trustees make decisions having taken due regard of the same associated guidance.

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**Weekly Meetings**

During the Covid Pandemic due to restrictions in respect of meeting in public, the group availed of the facilities provided in terms of using Zoom to meet virtually. This proved to be particularly popular and convenient, with the group quickly adapting to the use of Zoom for all meetings.

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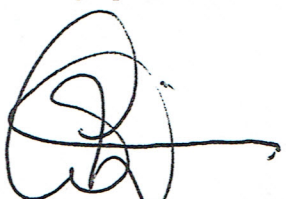

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**Hope Fellowship Newry**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102769

# Accounts

HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY

# ANNUAL REPORT

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## 4. Chairperson's Summary of Activity (February 2018 to January 2019)

**God Encounter Weekend at Glenada Conference Centre in Newcastle**

A successful residential weekend was held at the end of June 2018. This year the Conference focussed on providing Hope Fellowship members with an opportunity to minister to those in attendance through preaching the word, sharing testimonies as well as including a time of prayer ministry for healing. The main speakers at the conference in June 2018 were Stephen and Rosemary Davis from the USA. Conference sessions were also delivered by Clifford and Ruth Taylor. The conference supported the fellowship to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion) and education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health and financial hardship.

**Trustee Membership**

During this Annual Reporting period (February 2018 to January 2019) there were no resignations from the Trustees. However, there was a decision taken during this reporting period by Trustees to add two new Trustees. There were no other changes to the Trustees within this Annual Reporting period.

As part of a Trustee's meeting on 02 September 2018, the Trustees listened to a presentation in respect of the "Public Benefit Requirement" – presented by B Beattie. This presentation allowed the Trustees an opportunity to refresh and update themselves in respect of the Public Benefit Requirements, in keeping with Charity Commission expectations. The information covered during the presentation was in keeping with the information provided by the Charities Commission on the website.

**Speakers Rota for Teaching at Bible Time**
Those attending the Fellowship continued to benefit from preaching of the Word delivered by those members of the Fellowship participating in the preaching rota, as well as regular input from Clifford and Ruth Taylor. This has continued to result in greater variety and richness of teaching. In February 2018 the teachers continued a Study on the topic of "New Creation Image" by Dr AL Gill. These teachings continued right through until the first week of May 2018. During the period May 2018 to mid January 2019, the teaching focus was on input from D Smethurst via a series of DVD teachings, as well as from S Stinson and C Taylor on a range of topics. Then from mid January 2019, the fellowship commenced a new Bible Study called "Church Triumphant – Through the Book of Acts" by Dr AL Gill. This supported the fellowship to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion) and education.

**Discipleship Training**
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**Sunday Morning Testimony Sessions (Monthly)**
The Sunday morning meetings have continued to incorporate a monthly testimony time. This provides an opportunity for individuals within the fellowship to share the experiences of their journey into deeper relationship with God. The relaxed approach taken has facilitated and greatly strengthened the sense of love and deepening of Fellowship amongst those attending. During the course of the year, outside speakers attended the group and shared the Word. This supported the fellowship to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion), education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health.

**Prayer Group**
The prayer group continued to meet regularly each week on Thursdays. This provides an opportunity to spend a short time in worship and intercession for the needs of those associated with the Fellowship and for those the Fellowship come into contact with, both in the local community and further afield.

**Support of other Ministries**
Members of the Hope Fellowship Newry Trustees decided to provide financial support to a number of ministries during this annual reporting period. This included the following ministries:

- Christians Against Poverty
- St Vincent de Paul
- Salvation Army and
- United Christian Broadcasters

This supported the fellowship to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion), education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health and financial hardship.

## Financial review

**Total receipts for the year amounted to £14,825. The receipts were generated from Free Will Offerings and Gift Aid and activities which the Fellowship ran during the year.**

While this is the fourth year of the Fellowship it is hoped that the current year will show an increase on the previous year to enable us to continue the work undertaken.

The cost of providing facilities for our meetings, together with the cost of speakers is the major cost incurred in the year.

**Reserves Policy**

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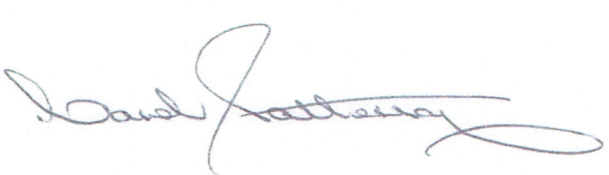

**HOPE FELLOWSHIP**

**Year Ended 31 January 2019**

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| | £ | £ |
| **Receipts** | | |
| Receipts from donors | | |
| Collections | 10,395 | 13,866 |
| Bank interest | 50 | 50 |
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| Gift Aid | 2,320 | 2,968 |
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| Room Hire | 4,416 | 4,602 |
| Ministerial Gift | 2,500 | 2,890 |
| Insurance | 402 | 390 |
| Subscriptions | 76 | 74 |
| Bank charges | 82 | 105 |
| Speakers fees | 2,961 | 2,677 |
| Sundry Expenses | 1,645 | 60 |
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| Legal and Professional Fees | 120 | |
| Depreciation | 118 | 157 |
| **Total expenditure** | 18,924 | 13,375 |
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HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY

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**Hope Fellowship Newry**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102769

# Annual report

HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY

# ANNUAL REPORT

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| **Charity Address:** 212 Armagh Road, Newry Co. Down BT35 6NW |

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**Trustee Membership**

During this Annual Reporting period (February 2018 to January 2019) there were no resignations from the Trustees. However, there was a decision taken during this reporting period by Trustees to add two new Trustees. There were no other changes to the Trustees within this Annual Reporting period.

As part of a Trustee's meeting on 02 September 2018, the Trustees listened to a presentation in respect of the "Public Benefit Requirement" – presented by B Beattie. This presentation allowed the Trustees an opportunity to refresh and update themselves in respect of the Public Benefit Requirements, in keeping with Charity Commission expectations. The information covered during the presentation was in keeping with the information provided by the Charities Commission on the website.

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The prayer group continued to meet regularly each week on Thursdays. This provides an opportunity to spend a short time in worship and intercession for the needs of those associated with the Fellowship and for those the Fellowship come into contact with, both in the local community and further afield.

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Members of the Hope Fellowship Newry Trustees decided to provide financial support to a number of ministries during this annual reporting period. This included the following ministries:

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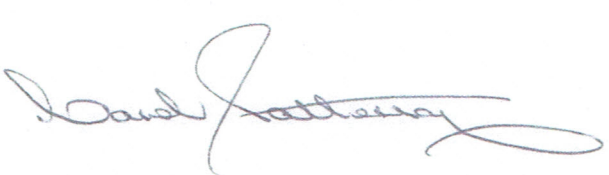

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Northern Ireland - Charity number 102769

# Annual return

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# ANNUAL REPORT

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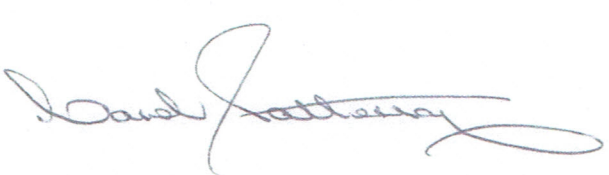

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|---|---|---|
| | £ | £ |
| **Receipts** | | |
| Receipts from donors | | |
| Collections | 10,395 | 13,866 |
| Bank interest | 50 | 50 |
| Glenada Conference | 2,060 | 1,774 |
| Gift Aid | 2,320 | 2,968 |
| **Total income** | 14,825 | 18,658 |
| **Payments** | | |
| Room Hire | 4,416 | 4,602 |
| Ministerial Gift | 2,500 | 2,890 |
| Insurance | 402 | 390 |
| Subscriptions | 76 | 74 |
| Bank charges | 82 | 105 |
| Speakers fees | 2,961 | 2,677 |
| Sundry Expenses | 1,645 | 60 |
| Glenada Conference | 6,604 | 2,420 |
| Legal and Professional Fees | 120 | |
| Depreciation | 118 | 157 |
| **Total expenditure** | 18,924 | 13,375 |
| **Excess of income over expenditure** | **- 4,099** | **5,283** |

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

**Cash Funds**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Current Account | 45,952 | 49,933 |
| Fixed Assets | 520 | 638 |
| Debtors | | |
| Creditors | - 150 | - 150 |
| **Total Assets** | 46,322 | 50,421 |

**Notes: The financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments Basis.**

HOPE FELLOWSHIP NEWRY

**Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 'Hope Fellowship Newry' Trust.**
I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 January 2019, which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**
**Charity Trustees**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The Charity Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 and that an Independent examination is needed.

**Independent Examiner**
It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 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 charity 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. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true' and 'fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**
I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention or which give me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

To keep accounting records in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2008 Act; have been met;
Or:

To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Colm Quinn, BSSc, FCA, CTA, TEP, ACIArb**

**52 Monaghan Street**
**Newry**
**Co. Down BT35 6AA**

## 6. Aims and Objectives (01 February 2019 to 31 January 2020).

During the February 2019 to January 2020 period, Hope Fellowship Newry will continue to work to deliver on public benefit in respect of the advancement of the Christian Faith (religion) and education, as well as the relief of those in need due to ill-health and financial hardship. This will be supported by:

- When appropriate, running outreach evenings during the year with visiting outside speakers in order to minister to the needs of those within the Fellowship and to help meet the needs of the invited Speaker from outside of the Fellowship. This will include actively seeking opportunities to support believers in the area to come together and pray for the spread of the Kingdom in the locality, region and nation.
- Encouraging Fellowship members to develop their teaching and preaching skills through opportunities for them to join the preaching rota. When preparing their message, members are encouraged to access pre-prepared bible curriculum materials.
- Teaching on selected Bible Characters to deepen Fellowship members understanding of how God the Father worked in and through their lives. Opportunities will also be identified to share teachings from international preachers by DVD on a limited number of occasions, as well as a focus given to sharing the word from the books of the bible.
- Providing opportunities to young aspiring preachers, to preach during the year in order for them to develop their preaching skills and for the Fellowship to be enriched by their more youthful approach.
- Providing opportunities to young musicians, from outside of the Fellowship, to develop their worship leading skills by leading worship at the Fellowship from time to time and for the Fellowship to benefit from their fresh approaches to worship.
- Continuing to hold the Discipleship study group on Monday mornings to allow the Fellowship to become more effective in terms of the Discipleship movement within and outside of the Fellowship, as well as providing opportunities to benefit the public.
- Identifying opportunities to widen the Fellowship's World mission vision by inviting missionaries from Africa and other countries, to share the needs and challenges of the third world with members of the Fellowship and to see how the Fellowship can support their ministry through prayer and financial support.
- Organising another God Encounter Conference in June 2019. Speakers and those leading Worship during the conference will once again be a mix of home grown worship and teaching ministries from within the Fellowship, with support from invited speakers from outside of the Fellowship. The objective is to see those attending strengthened and equipped to be confident and effective in ministering to others during their Christian walk. The weekend will also incorporate fun teaching sessions for the children, supported by visiting speakers. The Fellowship will, where appropriate, support individuals to attend the conference.
- Continuing, as a priority, a regular prayer group to cover in prayer all the activities undertaken by the Fellowship and all the needs of the members, while at the same time providing an opportunity for members to compassionately focus on and pray for the Nation and the World.
- Actively looking for opportunities to donate where appropriate, to local charities and worthy causes, in keeping with the vision, purpose and objects of the Fellowship.