

Millisle and Ballycopeland Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105206

Details

Known as	Millisle and Ballycopeland Presbyterian Church
Status	Received
Registered	2016-08-08
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

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Activities

Purposes: THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND, as a Reformed Church within the wider body of Christ is grounded in the Scriptures, and exists to love and honour God through faith in His Son and by the power of His Spirit, and to enable her members to play their part in fulfilling God's mission to our world

What the charity does: The advancement of religion

How the charity works: Religious activities

Who the charity helps: General public

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£121,155	£118,010	£0	2

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John H Flaherty		
Miss Mary Startin		
Miss Ruby Wilson		
Miss Valerie Bankhead		
Mr Andrew Cree		
Mr David Knocker		
Mr Eric Walton		
Mr Jack Kennedy		
Mr James Speers		
Mrs Audrey Crowther		
Mrs Deborah Harding		
Mrs Elsie Crawford		
Mrs Gillian Isabel Mcgimpsey		
Mrs Iris Cockcroft		
Mrs Jacqueline Anne Wallace		
Mrs Joy Mcquade		
Mrs Mary Elizabeth Lowry		
Mrs Mary Kennedy		
Mrs Michelle Anderson		
Mrs Patricia Eleanor Lightbody		
Mrs Sharon Jenkins		

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Accounts

**MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

Year ending 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment		
	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Receipts						
Donations and Legacies	2	71,521	8,735	0	80,256	79,022
Charitable activities	3	3,697	14,131	0	17,827	15,295
Other trading activities	4	320	0	0	320	4,920
Investment income	5	2,213	2,689	0	4,902	4,461
Other	6	2,181	15,667	0	17,849	7,053
		<u>79,932</u>	<u>41,223</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>121,155</u>	<u>110,751</u>
Sale of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loans received		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts		<u>79,932</u>	<u>41,223</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>121,155</u>	<u>110,751</u>
Payments						
Raising funds	7	569	1,673	0	2,242	609
Charitable activities	8	66,264	43,598	0	109,863	87,658
Investment costs		0	0	0	0	0
Other	9	2,678	3,227	0	5,905	3,044
		<u>69,512</u>	<u>48,498</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>118,010</u>	<u>91,311</u>
Purchase of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan repayments		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Payments		<u>69,512</u>	<u>48,498</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>118,010</u>	<u>91,311</u>
Net receipts/(payments)		10,421	-7,276	0	3,145	19,440
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement of funds		10,421	-7,276	0	3,145	19,440
Funds brought forward		68,856	98,602	0	167,458	148,018
Funds carried forward		<u>79,277</u>	<u>91,326</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>170,603</u>	<u>167,458</u>

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PREBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As of 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	68,856	98,602	0	167,458	148,018
Net movement in funds	10,421	-7,276	0	3,145	19,440
Bank and Cash at end of year	<u>79,277</u>	<u>91,326</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>170,603</u>	<u>167,458</u>
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				5,598	160,787
Bank Current Accounts				164,461	6,175
Cash in Hand				544	496
				<u>170,603</u>	<u>167,458</u>
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets - Note 10				0	0
> Church premises				0	0
> Fixtures, Fittings, Equipment				0	0
> Vehicles				0	0
Investments - Note 11				0	0
Gift aid receivable on donations				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Liabilities					
Loans				0	0
Other				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Funds				<u>170,603</u>	<u>167,458</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 16th April 2025 and signed on it's behalf by: -

Miss M Startin

Mr E Walton

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PREBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) Recorded giving	58,354	7,332	0	65,686	65,370
b) Loose collections	957	0	0	957	694
c) Donations and gifts	1,320	0	0	1,320	918
d) Gift aid	10,890	1,403	0	12,294	12,040
e) Legacies and bequests	0	0	0	0	0
	71,521	8,735	0	80,256	79,022

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) Income from charitable activities	0	3,750	0	3,750	2,386
b) Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
c) Fundraising events	3,697	670	0	4,367	3,499
d) Membership fees	0	0	0	0	0
e) Grants	0	0	0	0	440
Organisations income	0	9,711	0	9,711	8,971
	3,697	14,131	0	17,827	15,295

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) Letting of premises	320	0	0	320	4,920
b) Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	320	0	0	320	4,920

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) Deposit interest	2,213	2,689	0	4,902	4,461
b) General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
c) Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
d) Other investment income	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>2,213</u>	<u>2,689</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,902</u>	<u>4,461</u>

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) Insurance claims	0	0	0	0	0
b) Other income	2,181	15,667	0	17,849	7,053
	<u>2,181</u>	<u>15,667</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>17,849</u>	<u>7,053</u>

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) FWO envelopes	569	0	0	569	609
b) Fundraising events	0	1,673	0	1,673	0
	<u>569</u>	<u>1,673</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,242</u>	<u>609</u>

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
a) General Assembly Assessments	15,499	0	0	15,499	12,127
b) Presbytery Fees	521	0	0	521	497
c) Ministry and support staff costs	34,488	0	0	34,488	32,810
d) Congregational running expenses	15,336	23,390	0	38,726	25,883
e) Donations to Missions and charities	0	9,700	0	9,700	7,891
f) Governance costs	420	0	0	420	390
Organisation expenses	0	10,508	0	10,508	8,060
	<u>66,264</u>	<u>43,598</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>109,863</u>	<u>87,658</u>
	<u>2,678</u>	<u>3,227</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,905</u>	<u>3,044</u>

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Investment properties expenses	0	0	0	0	0

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the church premises situated at 17 Ballywalter Road, Millisle and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £3,511,747

11. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Property	0	0	0	0	0
Other investments	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
Unrestricted Funds						
FWO/General Fund	68,856	79,932	69,512	10,421		79,277
Restricted Funds						
Ballycopeland Graveyard Maintenance	619	0	630	-630		-11
Boys Brigade	392	0	0	0		392
Building Fund	39,077	11,546	18,718	-7,172		31,904
Christian Aid	0	1,035	1,035	0		0
Church Charity Fund	0	2,715	2,715	0		0
Disaster Fund	506	0	0	0		506
Flower Festival	6,660	7,656	1,673	5,983		12,642
Flower Fund	4	382	100	282		286
Interest on Simpson Gift	42,173	2,228	7,168	-4,941		37,232
Millisle Old School Fund	530	0	0	0		530
Moderators Appeal Fund	0	0	0	0		0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	0	0	0		0
Relief Fund	300	0	0	0		300
Religious Publications	-74	0	0	0		-74
United Appeal	0	5,150	5,150	0		0
World Development	0	800	800	0		0
Girls Brigade	3,552	4,899	4,169	730		4,282
Bowling Club	1,761	1,099	1,849	-750		1,011
Ignite Youth Group	78	0	0	0		78
Presbyterian Women	797	1,137	1,033	104		901
Tuesday Club	97	481	336	145		242
Catering Committee	1,952	2,095	3,122	-1,027		925
Sunday School	179	0	0	0		179
Total	98,602	41,223	48,498	-7,276	0	91,326
Endowment Funds						
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	167,458	121,155	118,010	3,145	0	170,603

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

Year ending 31 December 2023

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2023	Total 2022
Receipts	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds		
Donations and Legacies	2	70,847	8,175	0	79,022	80,206
Charitable activities	3	2,934	12,361	0	15,295	10,971
Other trading activities	4	4,920	0	0	4,920	780
Investment income	5	1,638	2,823	0	4,461	2,875
Other	6	5,166	1,887	0	7,053	5,321
		<u>85,505</u>	<u>25,246</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>110,751</u>	<u>100,153</u>
Sale of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loans received		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts		<u>85,505</u>	<u>25,246</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>110,751</u>	<u>100,153</u>
Payments						
Raising funds	7	609	0	0	609	609
Charitable activities	8	60,866	26,792	0	87,658	74,995
Investment costs		0	0	0	0	0
Other	9	1,384	1,660	0	3,044	1,965
		<u>62,859</u>	<u>28,452</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>91,311</u>	<u>77,569</u>
Purchase of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan repayments		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Payments		<u>62,859</u>	<u>28,452</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>91,311</u>	<u>77,569</u>
Net receipts/(payments)		22,646	-3,206	0	19,440	22,585
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement of funds		22,646	-3,206	0	19,440	22,585
Funds brought forward		47,026	100,991	0	148,018	125,433
Funds carried forward		<u>69,673</u>	<u>97,785</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>167,458</u>	<u>148,018</u>

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PREBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As of 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	47,026	100,991	0	148,018	125,433
Net movement in funds	22,646	-3,206	0	19,440	22,585
Bank and Cash at end of year	<u>69,673</u>	<u>97,785</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>167,458</u>	<u>148,018</u>
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				160,787	5,152
Bank Current Accounts				6,175	142,677
Cash in Hand				496	189
				<u>167,458</u>	<u>148,018</u>
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets - Note 10				0	0
> Church premises				0	0
> Fixtures, Fittings, Equipment				0	0
> Vehicles				0	0
Investments - Note 11				0	0
Gift aid receivable on donations				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Liabilities					
Loans				0	0
Other				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Funds				<u>167,458</u>	<u>148,018</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 17th April 2024 and signed on it's behalf by: -

Miss M Startin

Mr E Walton

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Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) Recorded giving	58,502	6,868	0	65,370.00	65,622
b) Loose collections	694	0	0	693.95	784
c) Donations and gifts	918	0	0	918.00	2,187
d) Gift aid	10,733	1,307	0	12,039.96	11,613
e) Legacies and bequests	0	0	0	0.00	0
	70,847	8,175	0	79,022	80,206

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) Income from charitable activities	0	2,386	0	2,386	4,244
b) Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
c) Fundraising events	2,934	565	0	3,499	3,055
d) Membership fees	0	0	0	0	0
e) Grants	0	440	0	440	0
Organisations income	0	8,971	0	8,971	3,673
	2,934	12,361	0	15,295	10,971

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) Letting of premises	4,920	0	0	4,920	780
b) Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	4,920	0	0	4,920	780

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) Deposit interest	1,638	2,823	0	4,461	2,875
b) General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
c) Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
d) Other investment income	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>1,638</u>	<u>2,823</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,461</u>	<u>2,875</u>

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) Insurance claims	0	0	0	0	0
b) Other income	5,166	1,887	0	7,053	5,321
	<u>5,166</u>	<u>1,887</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,053</u>	<u>5,321</u>

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) FWO envelopes	609	0	0	609	609
b) Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>609</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>609</u>

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
a) General Assembly Assessments	12,127	0	0	12,127	10,969
b) Presbytery Fees	497	0	0	497	794
c) Ministry and support staff costs	32,810	0	0	32,810	31,024
d) Congregational running expenses	15,042	10,841	0	25,883	17,829
e) Donations to Missions and charities	0	7,891	0	7,891	8,128
f) Governance costs	390	0	0	390	390
Organisation expenses	0	8,060	0	8,060	5,861
	<u>60,866</u>	<u>26,792</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>87,658</u>	<u>74,995</u>

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
Investment properties expenses	0	0	0	0	0

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the church premises situated at 17 Ballywalter Road, Millisle and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £3,178,050

11. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Property	0	0	0	0	0
Other investments	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
Unrestricted Funds						
FWO/General Fund	47,026	85,505	62,859	22,646	-817	68,856
Restricted Funds						
Ballycopeland Graveyard Maintenance	944	305	630	-325		619
Boys Brigade	0	392	0	392		392
Building Fund	42,312	5,390	8,625	-3,235		39,077
Christian Aid	0	1,237	1,237	0		0
Church Charity Fund	0	1,149	1,149	0		0
Disaster Fund	506	0	0	0		506
Flower Festival	7,249	0	590	-590		6,660
Flower Fund	104	0	100	-100		4
Interest on Simpson Gift	41,615	2,386	1,829	557		42,173
Millisle Old School Fund	530	0	0	0		530
Moderators Appeal Fund	0	0	0	0		0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	0	0	0		0
Relief Fund	300	0	0	0		300
Religious Publications	-74	288	288	0		-74
United Appeal	0	4,184	5,000	-817	817	0
World Development	0	505	505	0		0
Girls Brigade	3,322	3,685	3,454	231		3,552
Bowling Club	2,021	820	1,080	-260		1,761
Ignite Youth Group	78	0	0	0		78
Presbyterian Women	538	1,216	957	259		797
Tuesday Club	70	205	178	27		97
Catering Committee	903	2,744	1,695	1,049		1,952
Sunday School	179	0	0	0		179
Boys Brigade	395	0	395	-395		0
Total	100,991	24,506	27,712	-3,206	817	98,602
Endowment Funds						
	0	0	0	0		0
Total	148,018	110,011	90,571	19,440	0	167,458

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Annual report

TRUSTEES REPORT 2023

Members of the Kirk Session held meetings throughout 2023 to deliberate and make prayerful decisions on the spiritual aspects of the congregation.

God has also blessed us with an active Congregational Committee who deal with the day to day running of the needs of the congregation. This committee is divided into various sub-committees and any decisions taken are brought before the Kirk Session for approval before being implemented.

The members of the congregation are committed to one another under God and aim to encourage and welcome all families and individuals into our fellowship.

Over the year there were times of joy when new families joined our congregation and individuals joined our communicants role on confession of faith but also times of sadness when members of the congregation passed away, to the families of those who passed away we continue to offer prayerful and practical help.

Our various organisations continued to meet on a regular basis throughout the year and all those who lead them deserve a big thank you for all their dedication and commitment.

Our Sunday morning church services continue each week and have been well attended. We are blessed to have a church choir and organist who lead us in praising our Lord and Saviour.

We held special services throughout the year at Easter, Harvest and Christmas. We also celebrated The Lords Supper at different times over the year.

Reverend Flaherty is kept busy as he now looks after our congregation and 1st Donaghadee. He is also Clerk of the Ards Presbytery, and this adds a lot of extra work on top of the work that is involved with both his congregations.

It is an exciting time for our congregation as we have reached our 250th anniversary of serving God and bringing his word to members of the congregation and those who live in the surrounding area of Millisle.

We started the 250th celebrations with a congregational dinner in Harrisons of Greyabbey, it was a great evening with good fellowship and food. It was lovely to have Reverend Maurice Gault one of our past ministers join us for the evening along with his wife Helen.

Next we had an anniversary weekend at the end of September - We held our annual Harvest Service followed in the evening by a 250th anniversary thanksgiving service with special praise by the choir, followed by supper in the hall. The service was well attended and the sermon was preached by The Moderator of the General Assembly. Before the service the Moderator planted a tree to mark the occasion – the tree was planted beside the Amy Carmichael Garden at the top of the church lane.

Over the weekend we held an exhibition in the Amy Carmichael Room including photographs and details of all the ministers who have served our congregation since the beginning. It also had memorabilia and items from our organisations past and present and from members of the congregation.

A big thank you to all who worked very hard to make the anniversary dinner and weekend go so well.

The anniversary year continues into 2024 and the main event will be a Flower Festival to be held in May. Other events are being arranged and these will be announced and mentioned on our Facebook page when they are due to be held.

I thank all those who have given of their time and who have worked in any way in the congregation during 2023, their support is invaluable.

I pray that God will continue to bless our congregation as we strive to live out our Mission Statement “To bring glory to God through worship and by demonstrating the love of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Mary Startin – Clerk of Session

Millisle and Ballycopeland Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105206

Annual return

Millisle & Ballycopeland Presbyterian Church

Independent Examiners Report

For the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Charity Number CCNI105206

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Date: 17 April 2024

Millisle and Ballycopeland Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

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Accounts

**MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND**

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

Year ending 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2022	Total 2021
Receipts	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds		
Donations and Legacies	2	72,101	8,106	0	80,206	81,207
Charitable activities	3	3,055	7,917	0	10,971	3,715
Other trading activities	4	780	0	0	780	0
Investment income	5	267	2,608	0	2,875	2,069
Other	6	2,722	2,599	0	5,321	1,909
		<u>78,924</u>	<u>21,229</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,153</u>	<u>88,899</u>
Sale of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loans received		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Receipts		<u>78,924</u>	<u>21,229</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,153</u>	<u>88,899</u>
Payments						
Raising funds	7	609	0	0	609	565
Charitable activities	8	55,991	19,004	0	74,995	85,342
Investment costs		0	0	0	0	0
Other	9	1,245	720	0	1,965	0
		<u>57,844</u>	<u>19,724</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,569</u>	<u>85,907</u>
Purchase of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan repayments		0	0	0	0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Payments		<u>57,844</u>	<u>19,724</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,569</u>	<u>85,907</u>
Net receipts/(payments)		21,080	1,505	0	22,585	2,992
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement of funds		21,080	1,505	0	22,585	2,992
Funds brought forward		25,947	99,486	0	125,433	122,440
Funds carried forward		<u>47,026</u>	<u>100,991</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>148,018</u>	<u>125,433</u>

MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PREBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
As of 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Funds Reconciliation					
Bank and Cash at start of year	25,947	99,486	0	125,433	122,440
Net movement in funds	21,080	1,505	0	22,585	2,992
Bank and Cash at end of year	<u>47,026</u>	<u>100,991</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>148,018</u>	<u>125,433</u>
Bank & Cash Balances					
Bank Deposit Accounts				5,152	5,856
Bank Current Accounts				142,677	119,492
Cash in Hand				189	85
				<u>148,018</u>	<u>125,433</u>
Other Assets					
Fixed Assets - Note 10				0	0
> Church premises				0	0
> Fixtures, Fittings, Equipment				0	0
> Vehicles				0	0
Investments - Note 11				0	0
Gift aid receivable on donations				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Liabilities					
Loans				0	0
Other				0	0
				<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Funds				<u>148,018</u>	<u>125,433</u>

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 26th April 2023 and signed on it's behalf by: -

Miss M Startin

Mr E Walton

**MILLISLE & BALLYCOPELAND CONGREGATION OF THE PREBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

31 December 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the total income of the congregation is less than £250,000 the congregation have elected in accordance with the provisions in The Charities Accounts and Reports Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 to prepare its accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the congregation's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific congregational activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the congregation's general purposes. Designated funds are general funds set aside by the congregation for use in the future.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) Recorded giving	58,311	7,311	0	65,622.26	65,406
b) Loose collections	784	0	0	783.70	578
c) Donations and gifts	2,187	0	0	2,187.33	4,740
d) Gift aid	10,818	795	0	11,612.93	10,483
e) Legacies and bequests	0	0	0	0.00	0
	72,101	8,106	0	80,206	81,207

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) Income from charitable activities	0	4,244	0	4,244	1,155
b) Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
c) Fundraising events	3,055	0	0	3,055	0
d) Membership fees	0	0	0	0	0
e) Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Organisations income	0	3,673	0	3,673	2,559
	3,055	7,917	0	10,971	3,715

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) Letting of premises	780	0	0	780	0
b) Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	780	0	0	780	0

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) Deposit interest	267	2,608	0	2,875	2,069
b) General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
c) Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
d) Other investment income	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>267</u>	<u>2,608</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,875</u>	<u>2,069</u>

6. OTHER INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) Insurance claims	0	0	0	0	0
b) Other income	2,722	2,599	0	5,321	1,909
	<u>2,722</u>	<u>2,599</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,321</u>	<u>1,909</u>

7. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) FWO envelopes	609	0	0	609	565
b) Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>609</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>565</u>

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
a) General Assembly Assessments	10,969	0	0	10,969	15,245
b) Presbytery Fees	794	0	0	794	794
c) Ministry and support staff costs	31,024	0	0	31,024	44,186
d) Congregational running expenses	12,814	5,015	0	17,829	17,004
e) Donations to Missions and charities	0	8,128	0	8,128	5,792
f) Governance costs	390	0	0	390	360
Organisation expenses	0	5,861	0	5,861	1,961
	<u>55,991</u>	<u>19,004</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>74,995</u>	<u>85,342</u>

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Investment properties expenses	1,245	720	0	1,965	0
	<u>1,245</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,965</u>	<u>0</u>

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns the church premises situated at 17 Ballywalter Road, Millisle and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £3,178,050

11. INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Property	0	0	0	0	0
Other investments	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

12. FUND BALANCES

Fund	Balance at start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at end
Unrestricted Funds						
FWO/General Fund	25,947	78,924	57,844	21,080		47,026
Restricted Funds						
Ballycopeland Graveyard Maintenance	0	1,664	720	944		944
Building Fund	41,263	4,979	3,930	1,049		42,312
Christian Aid	0	500	500	0		0
Church Charity Fund	0	1,271	1,271	0		0
Disaster Fund	506	0	0	0		506
Flower Festival	7,249	0	0	0		7,249
Flower Fund	194	10	100	-90		104
Interest on Simpson Gift	39,825	2,535	745	1,790		41,615
Millisle Old School Fund	530	0	0	0		530
Moderators Appeal Fund	0	2,113	2,113	0		0
Presbyterian Children's Society	0	360	360	0		0
Relief Fund	300	0	0	0		300
Religious Publications	-74	240	240	0		-74
United Appeal	0	3,161	3,161	0		0
World Development	0	724	724	0		0
Girls Brigade	5,015	1,977	3,670	-1,693		3,322
Bowling Club	1,471	607	58	549		2,021
Ignite Youth Group	78	0	0	0		78
Presbyterian Women	1,386	294	1,142	-848		538
Tuesday Club	70	0	0	0		70
Catering Committee	1,083	796	976	-180		903
Sunday School	179	0	0	0		179
Boys Brigade	411	0	16	-16		395
Total	99,486	21,229	19,724	1,505	0	100,991
Endowment Funds						
	0	0	0	0		0
Total	125,433	100,153	77,569	22,585	0	148,018

Millisle and Ballycopeland Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

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Annual report

TRUSTEES REPORT – 2022

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT – To bring glory to God through worship and by demonstrating the love of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The members of the congregation are committed to one another under God and aim to encourage and welcome all families and individuals, no matter what their circumstances, into our fellowship.

2022 turned out to be a busy year for session members as we dealt with the various challenges relating to the spiritual aspects of the congregation and members are thanked for all their support both prayerful and practicable during the decisions that have been made.

We had three members of Kirk Session retire – Hubert Adams, William Brown and Ted Jenkins. Their experience and contributions to decisions made will be sorely missed and we wish them well and pray that God will richly bless their retirement. As a result of the retirements we had a vote for new elders and we were delighted to welcome six new members onto the session – Michelle Anderson, Elsie Crawford, Deborah Harding, Patricia Lightbody, Joy McQuade and Jacqueline Wallace and we look forward to their input into the spiritual running of the congregation.

Our congregation is divided into districts and each elder is allocated one. They are asked to visit each household in their district at least 3 times a year to deliver church literature etc. They are also the contact between families and church if our help is required.

A new congregational committee was also voted on during the year and we wish to thank those who agreed to serve. The committee is divided into sub committees which cover all aspects of the day to day running of the church as this makes decision making easier. However the members of the Kirk Session are ultimately responsible for all aspects of church work and the decisions that have to be taken.

We offer our sympathy and continued prayerful and practical support to those families in the congregation who suffered bereavements in 2022.

Our Pastoral Care team strive to visit those in the congregation who are housebound, feeling lonely or suffering emotionally after a bereavement or illness.

We hold our Sunday morning service each week with an evening service as announced. Our morning services are recorded and put on our church Facebook page each week so that we can reach those who are unable to attend church for whatever reason. Our morning service is well attended and numbers are increasing as folk who stopped attending during Covid are now attending again. If they come to church and are still feeling a little concerned about being among people there is one aisle in the church that has social distancing restrictions in place.

We had our annual services over the Easter period, Harvest services in September and Christmas all of which were well attended. Over the Christmas period we held a free lunch for the members of the congregation and people in the local community and surrounding area were invited to attend. The lunch was followed by a sing-in of carols and Christmas songs in the Church. Both events were well supported and a big thank you goes to all who organised the two events. It was a wonderful way to get the community together and to outreach to them.

To help raise funds we ran a New to You Sale. Members of the congregation and friends donated clothes, footwear, scarves, and jewellery. These items were sorted into condition and sizes and over a two-day period we ran the sale. It was a lot of hard work but a great success. Any left-over articles were boxed up and taken to one of the local charity outlets.

Christian Aid Week took place in May and due to the lack of folk willing to go door to door to collect we put the envelopes in the pews of the church and gave them to friends to return. The response was very encouraging for this worthwhile cause.

Our organisations – Sunday School, Bible Class, Manna (men's fellowship), Tuesday Club (senior citizens group), Girls' Brigade, Walking Group, Church Choir, Bible Reading Club, Bowling Club, MAD (Millisle and District) Crafters continued to meet and to all leaders who always give of their time to run them we say a big thank you on behalf of Kirk Session for your dedication and commitment and assure you of our prayerful and practical support. Kirk session members have a keen interest in the organisations and the reports received at meetings from those assigned to each organisation have been very encouraging as we aim to bring Gods message through them to our congregational members and those in the surrounding area.

Reverend Flaherty continues to be kept busy with his work in the congregation, the congregation of 1st Donaghadee and as Clerk to the Ards Presbytery. He has to conduct two Sunday morning services each week as well as dealing with all spiritual and some practical aspects of both churches. We as a congregation give him, Karen, Joshua and Stephen our prayerful and practical support always. His Clerk of the Ards Presbytery role is a busy one as he has to attend meetings each month and be available to deal with queries from other ministers in the Ards Presbytery.

Next year our church will be celebrating 250 years as a congregation so we have been making basic plans as to what celebrations we hope to put in place to praise and glorify God for his blessings on our congregation.

We pray Gods richest blessings on the congregation and pray that we can continue to outreach in any way possible to bring his love and his word to the local community and we praise and glorify God for watching and guiding us through another year.

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