

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland · Charity number 105294

Details

Status Received

Registered 2016-08-09

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	£77,368	£84,373	£0	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr David Weir		
Mr Raymond Stephen Cummins		
Mr Wesley Mccreedy		
Mrs Georgina Chestnutt		
Rev Glen Jordan		

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Accounts

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH IN IRELAND**

**Statement of Financial Activity (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	55433	1843	0	57276	59807
Charitable activities	3	0	0	0	0	0
Other trading activities	4	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	5	3784	0	0	3784	1785
Other	6	0	372	0	372	0
Organisations		0	15936	0	15936	16570
		59217	18151	0	77368	78162
Sale of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Loans Received		0	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts		59217	18151	0	77368	78162
Payments						
Raising funds	7	300	0	0	300	280
Charitable activities	8	57114	14302	0	71416	148355
Other	9	0	282	0	282	0
Organisations		0	12375	0	12375	12224
		57414	26959	0	84373	160859
Purchase of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan Repayments		0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments		57414	26959	0	84373	160859
Net receipts / (payments)		1803	-8808	0	-7005	-82697
Transfers between funds		-8850	8850	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		-7047	42	0	-7005	-82697
Funds brought forward		167048	9448	0	176496	259193
Funds carried forward	12	160001	9490	0	169491	176496

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

As at 31 December 2024

Assets & Liabilities		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
Funds Reconciliation		£	£	£	£	£
Bank and Cash at start of year		167048	9448	0	176496	259193
Net movement in funds		-7047	42	0	-7005	-82697
Bank and Cash at end of year		160001	9490	0	169491	176496
Bank & Cash Balances						
Bank Deposit Accounts					135000	85000
Bank Current + Business Reserve Accs					25101	82048
Cash in Hand					105	115
Bank Current A/C's - Organisations					8889	8993
Cash in Hand - Organisations					396	340
					169491	176496
Other Assets						
Fixed Assets (using insurance values)						
Church Premises					1661168	1608101
Manse Premises					371896	360015
Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment (included above)					0	0
Vehicles	None				0	0
Investments	None				0	0
Gift Aid receivable on donations					8660	8830
					2211215	2153442
Liabilities						
Loans					0	0
Other					0	0
					0	0

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 6th MARCH 2025 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] WESLEY MCCREEDY

[Name] RAYMOND CUMMINS

[Date] 06 March 2025

[Date] 06 March 2025

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

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

2. Donations & Legacies	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded givings	41403	1843	0	43246	44782
Loose collections	3787	0	0	3787	3430
Donations and gifts	1615	0	0	1615	2892
Gift Aid	8628	0	0	8628	8703
Legacies and bequest	0	0	0	0	0
	55433	1843	0	57276	59807

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2024

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

3. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	0	0	0	0	0
Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

4. Other Trading Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises	0	0	0	0	0
Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

5. Investment Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Interest - Ulster Bank	849	0	0	849	1785
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
Interest Progressive Building Society	2935	0	0	2935	0
	3784	0	0	3784	1785

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2024

6. OTHER INCOME

6. Other Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Flower Fund	0	60	0	60	0
Publications	0	312	0	312	0
	0	372	0	372	0

7. RAISING FUNDS

7. Raising Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	300	0	0	300	280
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	300	0	0	300	280

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

8. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	10820	0	0	10820	10787
Presbytery fees	562	0	0	562	456
Ministry and support staff costs	36765	0	0	36765	34979
Congregational running expenses	8485	7225	0	15710	15247
Church Heating Project	0	0	0	0	77529
Donations to Missions and charities	0	7077	0	7077	9357
Governance costs	482	0	0	482	0
	57114	14302	0	71416	148355

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2024

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

9. Other Expenditure	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Flower Fund	0	70	0	70	0
Publications	0	212	0	212	0
	0	282	0	282	0

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns:

- the Church premises situated at 132-140 Ballygomartin Road, BELFAST BT13 3NA and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £1,661,168
- a Manse at 14 Lyndhurst View Avenue, BELFAST BT13 3XB (for the minister) and associated fixtures, fittings and equipment: these have an insurance value of £371,896

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

11. Investments	2024	2023
	£	£
General Investment Fund	0	0
Property	0	0
Other investments	0	0
	0	0

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2024

12. FUND BALANCES

12. Fund Balances	Balance at Start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at End
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	167048	59217	57414	1803	-8850	160001
	167048	59217	57414	1803	-8850	160001
Restricted Funds						
Maintenance of Property	0	0	7225	-7225	7225	0
United Appeal	0	1473	4791	-3318	3318	0
Other Missions & Charities Fund	0	370	2286	-1916	1916	0
Wider World/Herald Publications	0	312	212	100	0	100
Flower Fund	115	60	70	-10	0	105
Organisations	9333	15936	12375	3561	-3609	9285
TOTAL FUNDS	9448	18151	26959	-8808	8850	9490
Endowment Funds						
None	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FUNDS	176496	77368	84373	-7005	0	169491
	Valuation at Start			Revaluation Increase		
General Investment Fund	0			0		
	0			0		

	Valuation at Start	Revaluation Increase	Valuation at End
General Investment Fund	0	0	0
	0	0	0

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CHURCH IN IRELAND**

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BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	56770	3037	0	59807	59027
Charitable activities	3	0	0	0	0	0
Other trading activities	4	0	0	0	0	1200
Investment Income	5	1785	0	0	1785	182
Other	6	0	0	0	0	0
Organisations		0	16570	0	16570	11312
		58555	19607	0	78162	71721
Sale of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of fixed assets -Lecture Hall		0	0	0	0	190000
Loans Received		0	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts		58555	19607	0	78162	261721
Payments						
Raising funds	7	280	0	0	280	280
Charitable activities	8	137806	10549	0	148355	68236
Investment costs		0	0	0	0	0
Other	9	0	0	0	0	0
Organisations		0	12224	0	12224	9061
		138086	22773	0	160859	77577
Purchase of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan Repayments		0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments		138086	22773	0	160859	77577
Net receipts / (payments)		-79531	-3166	0	-82697	184144
Transfers between funds		-4507	4507	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		-84038	1341	0	-82697	184144
Funds brought forward		251086	8107	0	259193	75049
Funds carried forward	12	167048	9448	0	176496	259193

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

As at 31 December 2023

Assets & Liabilities		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Funds Reconciliation		£	£	£	£	£
Bank and Cash at start of year		251086	8107	0	259193	75049
Net movement in funds		-84038	1341	0	-82697	184144
Bank and Cash at end of year		167048	9448	0	176496	259193
Bank & Cash Balances						
Bank Deposit Accounts					85000	0
Bank Current Accounts					82048	251086
Cash in Hand					115	135
Bank Current A/C's - Organisations					8993	7577
Cash in Hand - Organisations					340	395
					176496	259193
Other Assets						
Fixed Assets (using insurance values)						
Church Premises					1608101	1528613
Manse Premises					360015	342220
Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment (included above)						
Vehicles	None				0	0
Investments	None				0	0
Gift Aid receivable on donations					8830	8835
					2153442	2138861
Liabilities						
Loans					0	0
Other					0	0
					0	0

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 17th March 2024 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] WESLEY MCCREEDY

[Name] RAYMOND CUMMINS

[Date] 17th MARCH 2024

[Date] 17th MARCH 2024

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

31 December 2023

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

2. Donations & Legacies	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded givings	42962	1820	0	44782	41930
Loose collections	3430	0	0	3430	3158
Donations and gifts	1675	1217	0	2892	5991
Gift Aid	8703	0	0	8703	7948
Legacies and bequest	0	0	0	0	0
	56770	3037	0	59807	59027

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2023

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

3. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	0	0	0	0	0
Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
HMRC - Covid Furlough scheme	0	0	0	0	0
Grants - UM Trust	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

4. Other Trading Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises	0	0	0	0	1200
Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	1200

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

5. Investment Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	1785	0	0	1785	182
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
Other investment income	0	0	0	0	0
	1785	0	0	1785	182

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2023

6. OTHER INCOME

6. Other Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

7. RAISING FUNDS

7. Raising Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	280	0	0	280	280
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	280	0	0	280	280

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

8. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	10787	0	0	10787	8914
Presbytery fees	456	0	0	456	536
Ministry and support staff costs	34979	0	0	34979	25308
Congregational running expenses	14055	1192	0	15247	25829
Church Heating Project	77529	0	0	77529	0
Donations to Missions and charities	0	9357	0	9357	7649
Governance costs	0	0	0	0	0
	137806	10549	0	148355	68236

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2023

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

9. Other Expenditure	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment Properties Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns:

- the Church premises situated at 132-140 Ballygomartin Road, BELFAST BT13 3NA and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £1,608,101
- a Manse at 14 Lyndhurst View Avenue, BELFAST BT13 3XB (for the minister) and associated fixtures, fittings and equipment: these have an insurance value of £360,015

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

11. Investments	2023	2022
	£	£
General Investment Fund	0	0
Property	0	0
Other investments	0	0
	0	0

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)

31 December 2023

12. FUND BALANCES

12. Fund Balances	Balance at Start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at End
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	66075	58555	138086	-79531	180504	167048
Proceeds from sale of Hall	185011	0	0	0	-185011	0
	251086	58555	138086	-79531	-4507	167048
Restricted Funds						
United Appeal	0	1820	4891	-3071	3071	0
Other Missions & Charities Fund	0	590	4466	-3876	3876	0
Wider World/Herald	0	132	132	0	0	0
Coach Tour	0	430	975	-545	545	0
Flower Fund	135	65	85	-20	0	115
Organisations	7972	16570	12224	4346	-2985	9333
TOTAL FUNDS	8107	19607	22773	-3166	4507	9448
Endowment Funds						
None	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FUNDS	259193	78162	160859	-82697	0	176496

	Valuation at Start	Revaluation Increase	Valuation at End
General Investment Fund	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Annual report

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN IRELAND**

**Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were

Glen Jordan
Raymond Cummins
Wesley McCreedy

Georgina Chestnutt
David Weir

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister
Clerk of Session
Treasurer

Rev Glen Jordan
Raymond Cummins
Wesley McCreedy

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Mr R Eakin
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BANKERS

Ulster Bank Limited
185-189 Shankill Road
BELFAST BT13 1FH

SOLICITORS

Holmes & Moffitt Solicitors
289 Shankill Road, BELFAST BT13 1FT

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance, the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Ballygomartin congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the North Belfast Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administration and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE






The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Ballygomartin congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. 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.

The congregations mission purpose is to:

Worship Jesus – Growing in His love, Going in His name

The congregation continues to live out its mission purpose as a family of God's people by:

-  Having mission as a priority in our prayer life
-  Continuing to develop fellowship within the congregation
-  Encouraging day-to-day witness by members of the congregation
-  Creating opportunities for contact with people from the neighbourhood
-  Co-operating and partnering with Glencairn City Mission

- **Having Mission as a priority in our prayer life:** we have a sincere concern for those who do not yet know Jesus as Saviour. Set congregational prayer times are Sunday 11am and at the Wednesday Midweek meeting. We have a school prayer team which visits the 4 Primary Schools in our district on Wednesday at 10am (during the school year) and a group of church members who pray in the Prayer Circle.

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

- **Continuing to develop fellowship within the congregation:** a warm fellowship where friendship and acceptance are experienced is essential. We want to be attractive to those who are feeling lonely and isolated and to those who have little or no experience of a loving and supportive community.
- **Encouraging day-to-day witness by members of the congregation:** every believer is encouraged that their contribution is crucial to the mission of God. Through our ordinary lives and interaction with people, the Lord uses the lives of every believer to His glory.
- **Creating opportunities for contact with people from the neighbourhood:** For example: bus trips during the year, social events, use of the premises by other organisations and entities, school prayer groups, Christmas Carol services with 3 local Primary Schools.
- **Co-operating and partnering with Glencairn City Mission:** we have a combined service with Glencairn City Mission each year at Harvest, as well as a combined the Sunday School summer trip. We hope to continue to work together, to co-operate on issues of common concern and enjoy joint activities where appropriate.

We want to be sensitive and ready to respond to new opportunities for mission; to be flexible to drop some approaches and add others as the Lord leads. In fact, we **expect** change in response to the leading of the Spirit of God.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The congregation meets for worship every Sunday and visitors welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper was observed on alternate months during the year and all those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation holds regular bible study and prayer meetings and has a wide range of organisations including:

- SHinE (Children's Church) and Sunday School
- Spark and Blaze
- Girls Brigade, Boys Brigade
- School Prayer Team & Prayer Circle
- Praise Band and Singers
- Presbyterian Women
- Ladies Fellowship
- Kintsugi Hope
- Supper Club

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11:30am. The midweek Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as regular services, we gave thanks for faithful service and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2023 there were 56 communicant members and 111 families connected with the congregation. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 45.

Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age were contacted by phone or with home visits on a regular basis by the elders and minister. This also included visits to Care Homes and Hospital visitation.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

Mission and outreach

During the year £9,357 has been donated to external missions and charities by the church and its organisations.

The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to do mission and outreach on a denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assist with the running costs of Union Theological College, the Church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also contributes to the denominations Moderator Appeal, Presbyterian Children's Society and other special appeals. Organisations within the church make donations to other charitable groups.

Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister (Convenor) and one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders is nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

Organisations

There follows a brief summary of the organisations in Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian Women (PW) – The PW meets on the second Thursday of each month from October through to April and at present has 14 members attending on a regular basis. In 2023 we had a variety of speakers. Our opening speaker, David Weir, one of our church elders spoke on the subject of this year's motto - 'Being transformed'. Subsequent talks were on a range of topics including: how women are seen in different cultures, the measure of faith and interpretation of the psalms through emotion. 2023 continued to be much more informative in terms of the world we live in today.

42nd Ballygomartin Girls' Brigade – The Girls' Brigade company has a current membership of 110, consisting of 90 girls and 20 leaders. We meet each Monday night from September to the end of April. Our average attendance per week is approximately 95.

We have a wide range of activities for the girls which vary from week to week but include Bible Class, games, dance, crafts, cookery and badge work. We have also had some fun planting bulbs, a fire pit and s'mores night and a trip to the cinema, to name a few. Each week our Brigaders run a tuck shop with funds going to our chosen charity of the year.

As well as our weekly activities we like to have different events for the girls. In January we had a praise night for the company with our church Praise Band, which was a great night with the girls engaging in lots of singing. In April we were delighted to have our first display and prize giving since COVID. The girls looked fantastic in their costumes and put on amazing performances.

We re-opened in September 2023 with a fun night having a play bus and inflatables. In October we had our Autumn parties with Jump, Jiggle and Jive for the younger girls, a trip to Mauds for some ice-cream for the Juniors and pumpkin painting/carving and pizza for the older girls. A few of the leaders attended the District line-dancing and supper night which was great fun. Our annual enrolment took place in November with the girls taking part in the service with singing, reading and mime. At Christmas we had our parties with a snow globe, disco and face painting and a visit from 'Princess Bella'. The Juniors and Seniors had a Crazy Clay workshop and the Brigaders enjoyed some Christmas treats and a chat.

It has been great year of fun and fellowship together.

53rd Boys Brigade – The Boy's Brigade meet each Friday evening. There are 10 boys aged from 4-18 years and 3 Officers. The main objective is to tell boys about the Lord Jesus Christ and we have a bible class each meeting night. Other activities on a Friday night include drill, games, badge work and handcrafts.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

Supper Club – There were 2 events run by the Supper Club in 2023: a Scottish Night in January and a Christmas Praise Night (with an early taste of turkey, ham and stuffing in the Christmas Bap supper!) both run in conjunction with the Praise Band. There are generally between 40-60 attendees at each function and they are popular with church and non-church attendees alike. The funds raised after expenses at the various events were passed on to a charity caring for people in Northern Ireland with Motor Neurone Disease and Street Beat – a local group working with teenagers and young people in our area.

Praise Band and Singers – Worship is led each Sunday by either the Praise Band, or the Praise Band and some guest singers from the congregation. We began a new 'Praise Unleashed' initiative every few weeks when the morning service had a strong emphasis on praise and congregational participation. The Praise Band is made up of twelve members: four singers and five musicians on lead guitar, bass guitar, drums and keyboard, one member on the sound desk and two others who manage the audiovisual presentation. During 2023, the band generally met on two evenings each month for practice sessions and led the musical worship at the morning service every Sunday. The Praise Band also contributed to events in the Supper Club and Girls Brigade

A group of singers (between 6 and 11 members of the congregation) join together with the Praise Band for singing every couple of months. They practice for special occasions such as Harvest, Christmas and Easter but also for Supper Club Praise Nights. All the singers are young at heart with a zest for music and praise and enjoy meeting for practice but also to have fun and friendship with one another.

SHinE – In 2023 SHinE had nine children aged 3-11 attending each week. They were taught by a team of seven leaders who work on a rota basis. Our programme ran on a Sunday morning from January to December excluding the summer months of July and August. Our activities each week were based on a story from the Bible followed by a short chat to encourage life application. Afterwards, there were practical activities which were relevant to the story: crafts, memory verses, puzzles and worksheets. We also enjoyed singing and playing games. In June, at a morning worship service, the boys and girls were each presented with a gift in the form of a book from the church. In October they contributed to the church Harvest display by making some lovely scarecrows. We ended 2023 by hearing the Christmas Story and making Christmas crafts for our friends and family.

SPARK/BLAZE - In 2023 we launched our new children's clubs, SPARK and BLAZE. They took place on two Tuesday nights of each month. A team of around 16 people were involved in the organisation and running of the clubs. At SPARK, we had an average of 15 boys and girls aged from 4 to 10 years old. Our hour-long programme consisted of games, crafts, Bible stories and singing. Each child was also given a snack. At Christmas we had a puppet show and all the children received a gift.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

BLAZE was attended by 5 young people aged 11 and 12. We provided a relaxed programme which included bowls, Drum Fit, crafts and board games. The young people enjoyed pizza and sweet treats and the opportunity to chat and get to know each other. We ended each evening with a short epilogue.

Sunday School – Sunday School meets each Sunday afternoon from September to the end of April. There were twenty-five children on the roll book in 2023 and the five teachers have all completed their Duty to Care course and have taken their refresher course from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Sunday meeting lasts for an hour during which time the younger children have the opportunity to sing, take part in drama, listen to Bible stories and complete art work. The older children have Bible Study where they can discuss aspects of faith. They come together in December to perform in the annual nativity play and for Children’s Day earlier in the year when the children take the service. The Sunday School reaches out with the message of God’s love and the children from the Sunday School normally participate in Church family services throughout the year.

Sunday School is under the supervision of the Superintendent, Sunday School teachers and Kirk Session.

Ladies Fellowship Group - Ladies Fellowship meets every Monday afternoon in Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church, from 2 – 4pm. The group welcomes all women from the congregation and the surrounding area. We meet over tea and coffee, with the aim of encouraging each other in our individual walk with God. Some ladies come for the company of their sisters in Christ, while an added dimension for others, is participating in learning a new craft skill, or developing a skill they already possess. *Tea/coffee, chat, craic and craft are the order of the day!*

The ladies are involved in making knitted/crocheted hats and scarves, which have been donated to a local charity, who provide support for homeless people. Another local charity which we support is “Flourish and Bloom Pregnancy and Wellbeing”. For this charity, we crochet/knit baby blankets, cardigans and hats; and also provide items such as nappies, baby vests, sleepsuits etc and items to help the mums to-be. This charity helps teenage mums, single mums or any mum in distress.

Jewellery making and calligraphy is also being taught within the group. The women are sharing their skills with each other, and there is a great sense of achievement. Monday afternoon is a wonderful opportunity for the ladies to support and encourage each other in their faith; to develop friendships and new skills, with the added bonus of supporting our nominated charitable organisations.

Kintsugi Hope – This is a new initiative in the church as Ballygomartin Presbyterian has become the first Presbyterian Church in Ireland, to partner with the Christian Mental Health Charity, Kintsugi Hope. This enables us to run Kintsugi Hope Well-being Groups, both in the church and the wider community; which are for people of faith, no faith or other faiths.

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)

Everyone is aware that life is tough, more so for some than others, but there will be occasions in all our lives, when mental health will suffer. Most people will accept that we have a measure of physical, emotional and spiritual health, on a continuum from good - to very poor. Yet few understand that this applies to mental health too. At some point on life's journey, we may develop mental illnesses. The stigma associated with mental illness and some Christians attitude to it, prevent many from seeking the help they so desperately need. Mental illness is "no respecter of persons."

As a partner we have been able to avail of Kintsugi Hope's excellent training and all the materials it provides, to run a 12-week Well-Being programme in our groups. The programme includes discussion topics such as: anxiety, depression, shame and guilt, loss and disappointment, anger, self-acceptance. This is not a counselling service or therapy, neither are we there to 'fix' anyone.

A safe and supported space is provided in which people can: talk in confidence, within their peer group so that all may grow and flourish; access information and simple techniques to help; show ourselves some self-care and self-compassion, thus enabling us to have better mental health; know how to seek help earlier rather than later.

Two groups of women have been peer mentored within a faith and a non-faith setting. It has been amazing to watch as the women grow in confidence, bond with each other, developing lasting friendships. Being able to discuss their triumphs and struggles knowing that, "what is said in the room, stays in the room" - it is a beautiful thing to watch as these women blossom.

Coffee Morning – This is normally held on Tuesday mornings and is open to everyone for coffee, scones and chat.

Volunteers - The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally, the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 93 families contributing during the year [92 in previous year, 2022] donating a total of £42,962 (£40,049 in previous year, 2022).

Total income of the congregation (including organisations income) during the year was £78,162 in 2023, compared to £71,721 in the previous year. Total expenditure increased from £72,588 in 2022 to £160,859 in 2023.

The difference in expenditure between 2022 and 2023 is mainly attributed to major plans of work in the church buildings: a central heating replacement project and asbestos survey and remediation.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregations total income does not exceed £250,000 (as defined by CCNI ARR03), the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 208 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 17th March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Name RAYMOND CUMMINS

Date 17th MARCH 2024

Name GEORGINA CHESTNUTT

Date 17th MARCH 2024

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Annual return

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

**Independent Examiner Report
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

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

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.

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.

Name: ... Roy Eakin
Relevant professional qualification or body: ... Retired Bank Official
Address: ... 18 Farm Lodge Road, Greenisland
... Carrickfergus, Co Antrim BT38 8XH
Date: ... 22nd February 2024

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Accounts

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH IN IRELAND**

**Statement of Financial Activity (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY (Receipts and Payments Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	2	53933	5094	0	59027	52393
Charitable activities	3	0	0	0	0	0
Other trading activities	4	1200	0	0	1200	7200
Investment Income	5	182	0	0	182	6
Other	6	0	0	0	0	0
Organisations		0	11312	0	11312	6180
		55315	16406	0	71721	65779
Sale of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Sale of fixed assets -Lecture Hall		190000	0	0	190000	0
Loans Received		0	0	0	0	0
Total Receipts		245315	16406	0	261721	65779
Payments						
Raising funds	7	280	0	0	280	310
Charitable activities	8	58810	9426	0	68236	29473
Investment costs		0	0	0	0	0
Other	9	0	0	0	0	0
Organisations		0	9061	0	9061	3530
		59090	18487	0	77577	33313
Purchase of Investments		0	0	0	0	0
Purchase of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Loan Repayments		0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments		59090	18487	0	77577	33313
Net receipts / (payments)		186225	-2081	0	184144	32466
Transfers between funds		-3567	3567	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		182658	1486	0	184144	32466
Funds brought forward		68428	6621	0	75049	42583
Funds carried forward	12	251086	8107	0	259193	75049

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2022

Assets & Liabilities		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Funds Reconciliation		£	£	£	£	£
Bank and Cash at start of year		68428	6621	0	75049	42583
Net movement in funds		182658	1486	0	184144	32466
Bank and Cash at end of year		251086	8107	0	259193	75049
Bank & Cash Balances						
Bank Deposit Accounts					0	0
Bank Current Accounts					251086	68428
Cash in Hand					135	150
Bank Current A/C's - Organisations					7577	6338
Cash in Hand - Organisations					395	133
					259193	75049
Other Assets						
Fixed Assets (using insurance values)						
Church Premises					1528613	1361187
Hall Premises sold Dec 2022					0	466954
Manse Premises					342220	304737
Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment (included above)						
Vehicles	None					
Investments	None					
Gift Aid receivable on donations					8835	7898
					2138861	2215825
Liabilities						
Loans					0	0
Other					0	0
					0	0

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 29th January 2023 and signed on its behalf by

[Name] WESLEY MCCREEDY

[Name] RAYMOND CUMMINS

[Date] 29.1.2023

[Date] 29.1.2023

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

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

2. Donations & Legacies	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Recorded givings	40049	1881	0	41930	40115
Loose collections	3158	0	0	3158	1321
Donations and gifts	2778	3213	0	5991	2501
Gift Aid	7948	0	0	7948	8456
Legacies and bequest	0	0	0	0	0
	53933	5094	0	59027	52393

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2022

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

3. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Income from charitable activities	0	0	0	0	0
Fees from weddings and funerals	0	0	0	0	0
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
HMRC - Covid Furlough scheme	0	0	0	0	0
Grants - UM Trust	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

4. Other Trading Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Letting of premises	1200	0	0	1200	7200
Trading income	0	0	0	0	0
	1200	0	0	1200	7200

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

5. Investment Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Deposit interest	182	0	0	182	6
General Investment Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Rents investment properties	0	0	0	0	0
Other investment income	0	0	0	0	0
	182	0	0	182	6

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2022

6. OTHER INCOME

6. Other Income	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

7. RAISING FUNDS

7. Raising Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
FWO envelopes	280	0	0	280	310
Fundraising events	0	0	0	0	0
	280	0	0	280	310

8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

8. Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
General Assembly Assessments	8914	0	0	8914	5532
Presbytery fees	536	0	0	536	536
Ministry and support staff costs	25308	0	0	25308	8827
Congregational running expenses	24052	1777	0	25829	8254
Donations to Missions and charities	0	7649	0	7649	6324
Governance costs	0	0	0	0	0
	58810	9426	0	68236	29473

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)**

31 December 2022

9. OTHER EXPENDITURE

9. Other Expenditure	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment Properties Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

10. FIXED ASSETS

The congregation owns:

- the Church premises situated at 132-140 Ballygomartin Road, BELFAST BT13 3NA and the associated fixtures, fittings, plant and machinery. These have an insurance value of £1,361,187
- a Manse at 14 Lyndhurst View Avenue, BELFAST BT13 3XB (for the minister) and associated fixtures, fittings and equipment: these have an insurance value of £304,737

11. INVESTMENTS

The congregation has the following investments. Amounts are shown at market valuation.

11. Investments	2022	2021
	£	£
General Investment Fund	0	0
Property	0	0
Other investments	0	0
	0	0

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (cont'd)
31 December 2022

12. FUND BALANCES

12. Fund Balances	Balance at Start	Receipts	Payments	Surplus / (Deficit)	Transfer	Balance at End
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	68428	55315	54101	1214	-3567	66075
Proceeds from sale of Hall	0	190000	4989	185011	0	185011
	68428	245315	59090	186225	-3567	251086
Restricted Funds						
United Appeal	0	1881	4836	-2955	2955	0
Other Missions & Charities Fund	0	3063	4425	-1362	1362	0
Wider World	0	60	60	0	0	0
Flower Fund	150	90	105	-15	0	135
Organisations	6471	11312	9061	2251	-750	7972
TOTAL FUNDS	6621	16406	18487	-2081	3567	8107
Endowment Funds						
None	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FUNDS	75049	261721	77577	184144	0	259193

	Valuation at Start	Revaluation Increase	Valuation at End
General Investment Fund	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Annual report

**BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN IRELAND**

**Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were

Glen Jordan	Ronald Waddell
Raymond Cummins	Georgina Chestnutt
Wesley McCreedy	David Weir

PRINCIPAL OFFICE BEARERS

Minister	Rev Glen Jordan
Clerk of Session	Raymond Cummins
Treasurer	Wesley McCreedy

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SOLICITORS

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STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kirk Session

The charity trustees of the congregation are the members of its Kirk Session. Under the congregation's governing document, The Code, the book of the constitution and government of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Kirk Session seeks to watch over and promote the spiritual interest of the congregation and of persons not connected with any congregation who are within its bounds. It ensures pastoral care is in place in the congregation and seeks to further the contribution of the Church to Christian witness and service in the local community. The Kirk Session has delegated to its Congregational Committee the temporal affairs of the congregation including administering all funds and property belonging to the congregation. Members of the Kirk Session are ex-officio members of the Congregational Committee.

The Kirk Session consists of the ordained minister and the ruling elders of the congregations. All members are entitled to propose, speak and exercise equal votes at meetings, except that the Moderator, the ministers in active duty in the congregation, has no deliberative but only a casting vote.

Stated meetings of the Kirk session are held at least twice in each year or as appropriate.

To be chosen for the office of the eldership in the congregation a person must be a voting member and a regular attendant on its ordinances. The selection of those proposed to be called to the office can be either by the congregation or by the Kirk Session. Members are elected if they obtain two-thirds of those who vote.

Presbytery

Under the Presbyterian Church in Ireland form of governance, the corporate oversight of a congregation is the responsibility of a Presbytery which superintends generally the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Ballygomartin congregation of the Presbyterian Church has been assigned to the North Belfast Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The membership of the Presbytery consists mainly of the active ministers of congregations assigned to it by the General Assembly, ministers who have retired from active duty and an elder appointed by the Kirk Session of the congregation.

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The General Assembly

The General Assembly is the supreme court of the Church, representing in one body the whole Church and acting as its supreme legislative, administration and judicial authority, in dealing with all matters brought before it. The General Assembly is normally constituted during the first week in June for worship and to conduct its business. At the end of business it is dissolved. The membership of the General Assembly consists mainly of the active ministers of each congregation, retired ministers and a representative elder appointed by the Kirk Session of each congregation.

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE






The charitable purpose of the congregation is the advancement of religion.

Ballygomartin congregation of the Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. 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.

The congregations mission purpose is to:

Worship Jesus – Growing in His love, Going in His name

The congregation continues to live out its mission purpose as a family of God's people by:

-  Having mission as a priority in our prayer life
-  Continuing to develop fellowship within the congregation
-  Encouraging day-to-day witness by members of the congregation
-  Creating opportunities for contact with people from the neighbourhood
-  Co-operating and partnering with Glencairn City Mission

- **Having Mission as a priority in our prayer life:** we have a sincere concern for those who do not yet know Jesus as Saviour. Set congregational prayer times are Sunday 11am and Wednesday 7.30pm. We have a prayer team which visits the 4 Primary Schools in our district on Wednesday at 10am (during the school year) and a group of church members who pray in the Prayer Hub/Prayer Circle.

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- **Continuing to develop fellowship within the congregation:** a warm fellowship where friendship and acceptance are experienced is essential. We want to be attractive to those who are feeling lonely and isolated and to those who have little or no experience of a loving and supportive community.
- **Encouraging day-to-day witness by members of the congregation:** every believer is encouraged that their contribution is crucial to the mission of God. Through our ordinary lives and interaction with people, the Lord uses the lives of every believer to His glory.
- **Creating opportunities for contact with people from the neighbourhood:** For example: bus trips during the year, social events, use of the premises by other organisations and entities, school prayer groups. Services of blessing for children are offered for those who prefer not to take baptismal vows.
- **Co-operating and partnering with Glencairn City Mission:** we have combined services with Glencairn City Mission each year, including Harvest. Some years, we also join with the Mission and St Andrews Church of Ireland for a Carol Service. We hope to continue to work together, to co-operate on issues of common concern and enjoy joint activities where appropriate.

We want to be sensitive and ready to respond to new opportunities for mission; to be flexible to drop some approaches and add others as the Lord leads. In fact, we **expect** change in response to the leading of the Spirit of God.

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ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

During 2022, activities across the church gradually began to return to a more regular programme following the COVID pandemic: some organisations found they had an increased attendance and membership on re-opening (for example, Girls' Brigade) while others had a significant downturn in numbers and decided not to re-open (for example, the Bowling Club). A new Minister was installed in April 2022. The congregation returned to regular weekly Sunday morning worship, with visitors welcome to join. The Sacrament of the Lords Supper was observed on alternate months. As the year progressed, the congregation was able to move from using individual pre-packaged communion meals to the normal serving of bread and wine. All those who have been baptised and who have made a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are admitted to the Lord's Supper. The congregation has a wide range of organisations including:

- Sunday School & Children's Church
- Girls Brigade, Boys Brigade
- School Prayer Team & Prayer Circle
- Singers and Praise Band
- Presbyterian Women
- Women's Fellowship
- Supper Club
- Coffee Morning

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Worship and prayer

The congregation normally meets for worship each Sunday at 11:30am. Subsequent to COVID, the monthly evening meeting at 7pm - 'Lighthouse' has not yet resumed, but we hope this will start again during 2023. Lighthouse is an informal Sunday evening worship time for people from our church and the community.

The midweek Bible Study provides an opportunity for members to meet together for fellowship, to study the scriptures and for a time of prayer.

As well as regular services, we gave thanks for faithful service and sought to comfort those who had been bereaved during the year.

At 31 December 2022 there were 59 communicant members and 111 families connected with the congregation. The average weekly attendance at morning worship was 55.

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Pastoral care

Members of the congregation who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age were contacted by phone or with home visits on a regular basis by the elders and minister. This also included visits to Care Homes and Hospital visitation.

Mission and outreach

During the year £8,494 has been donated to external missions and charities by the church and its organisations.

The congregation supports the United Appeal for Mission which is a central fund of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. This fund enables congregations to support the wider mission of the denomination and to do mission and outreach on a denominational basis beyond what the congregation could do on its own. The United Appeal Fund provides financial support for mission personnel at home and overseas, assists congregations with the deployment of locally based staff, enables church planting, provides grant support for the upkeep of church premises, assist with the running costs of Union Theological College, the Church's training college for ministry students, and financially supports congregations in the areas of worship, discipleship, global mission, outreach, leadership and pastoral care.

The congregation also contributes to the denominations annual Moderator Appeal (for relief in Ukraine in 2022), Sunday School project and any other special appeals.

Presbytery

The congregation was represented at the regular meetings of Presbytery by our minister (Convenor) and one of the elders. This provides an important link between the congregations and the wider structures of the church.

General Assembly

The minister and one of our elders is nominated to attend the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland held in Assembly Buildings, Belfast, in June.

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Organisations

There follows a brief summary of the organisations in Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian Women (PW) – PW meets on the second Thursday of each month from October through to April and has 14 members attending at present. Each month we enjoy different speakers and visitors who provide us with a view of their work at home and abroad. In 2022 we had talks on topics such as Haven Foodbank, Revivals from the Past and the PW vision. We are looking forward to 2023 to have a new year with a full programme unrestricted by health restrictions and welcoming new members.

42nd Ballygomartin Girls' Brigade – The Girls' Brigade company has a current membership of 127, consisting of 105 girls and 22 leaders. We meet each Monday night from September to the end of April. Our average attendance per week is 112. Activities vary from week to week but include Bible Class, games, dance, crafts, cookery and badge work.

We were unable to have our annual display in April due to ongoing COVID restrictions but the girls did perform dances and a finale which were posted online on our Facebook page.

Some of the Explorers and Juniors entered a competition to design a new GBNI logo with a number of girls obtaining a highly commended place. More recently our Explorers have also entered a GBNI competition to create a building from a cereal box as part of a competition with Habitat for Humanity.

As well as badge work activities throughout the session, we have other fun events throughout the year. In April we finished the 2021/22 session with a drum circle for the older girls. We re-opened in September 2022 with a fun night and inflatables. In October we had a puppet show for the younger sections, bracelet making for Juniors and a night out at crazy golf for the older girls. At Christmas we enjoyed a children's entertainer and Santa visit for our younger girls, while the older girls had a cupcake bath bomb workshop.

The Brigader section restarted the tuck shop in order to raise funds for room partitions.

Our annual enrolment took place in November where the girls all took part, singing and reading.

Praise Band and Singers – Worship is led each Sunday by either the Praise Band, or the Praise Band and some guest singers from the congregation.

The Praise Band is made up of eleven members: four singers and four musicians on lead guitar, bass guitar, drums and keyboard, one member on the sound desk and two others who manage the audiovisual presentation. During 2022, the band generally met on two evenings each month for practice sessions and led the musical worship at the morning service every Sunday.

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A group of singers (between 6 and 11 members of the congregation) join together with the Praise Band for singing every couple of months. They practice for special occasions such as Harvest, Christmas and Easter but also for Supper Club Praise Nights. All the singers are young at heart with a zest for music and praise and enjoy meeting for practice but also to have fun and friendship with one another.

Children's Church – In 2022 Children's Church had six to eight children aged 3-13 attending each week. They were taught by a team of seven leaders who work on a rota basis. Our programme ran on a Sunday morning from January to December excluding the summer months of July and August. Our activities each week were based on a story from the Bible followed by a short chat to encourage life application. Afterwards, there were practical activities which were relevant to the story: crafts, memory verses, puzzles and worksheets. As a result of the relaxation of Covid restrictions, we were able to introduce more interactive games and singing. In June, at a morning worship service, the children were able to help lead the congregation in a new worship song. At this service, they were each presented with a gift in the form of a book from the church. In October they contributed to the church Harvest display by making a beautiful poster. We ended 2022 by thinking about the Christmas Story and making Christmas crafts for our friends and family.

Supper Club – There were 4 events run by the Supper Club in 2022: a St Patrick's Night in March in conjunction with the Praise Band, a Platinum Jubilee Party, a Johnny Cash Cowboy Supper Club night and a Christmas Soup & Sandwich lunch – giving everyone a welcome taste of turkey, ham and stuffing sandwiches. There are generally between 40-60 attendees at each function and they are popular with church and non-church attendees alike. The funds raised after expenses at the various events were passed on to Springhill Primary School for a White Board Project, to Shankill Road Foodbank and the NI Hospice.

53rd Boys Brigade – The Boy's Brigade meet each Friday evening. There are 14 boys aged from 4-18 years and 3 Officers. The main objective is to tell boys about the Lord Jesus Christ and we have a bible class each meeting night. Other activities on a Friday night include drill, games, badge work and handcrafts.

Sunday School – Sunday School meets each Sunday afternoon from September to the end of April. There were thirty-one children on the roll book in 2022 and the five teachers have all completed their Duty to Care course and are waiting for a date for the refresher course from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. The Sunday meeting lasts for an hour during which time the younger children have the opportunity to sing, take part in drama, listen to Bible stories and complete art work. The older children have Bible Study where they can discuss aspects of faith. The Sunday School reaches out with the message of God's love and the children from the Sunday School normally participate in Church family services throughout the year.

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As 2021 ended and 2022 began with COVID restrictions eased, the Sunday School returned to its normal schedule of weekly meetings and met in person going forward. This year we were unable to produce our Children's Day service in the Spring but our annual Nativity was performed in Church on the Sunday before Christmas.

Sunday School is under the supervision of the Superintendent, Sunday School teachers and Kirk Session.

Coffee Morning – This is normally held on Tuesday mornings and is open to everyone for coffee, scones and chat. The Coffee Morning gathering has not yet resumed after its closure due to Covid.

Ladies Fellowship - In early October 2022, a new Ladies Fellowship meeting began, every Monday afternoon in Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church, from 2 – 4pm.

The group welcomes all women from the congregation and the surrounding area. We meet over tea and coffee, with the aim of encouraging each other in our individual walk with God. Some ladies come for the company of their sisters in Christ, while an added dimension for others, is participating in learning a new craft skill, or developing a skill they already possess.

Tea/coffee, chat, craic and craft are the order of the day!

In the short period since the group began, the ladies have already knitted/crocheted hats, scarves and gloves, which have been donated to a local charity, who provide support for homeless people. Some ladies are busy creating squares which will eventually be made into blankets. Jewellery making and calligraphy is also being taught within the group. The women are sharing their skills with each other, and there is a great sense of achievement.

Monday afternoon is a wonderful opportunity for the ladies to support and encourage each other in their faith; to develop friendships and new skills, with the added bonus of supporting various charitable organisations.

Volunteers - The Trustees wish to acknowledge their deep appreciation of those who give freely of their time by serving on committees and helping with organisations and other church activities.

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PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of religion.

The direct benefits which flow from the purposes of the Church include the gaining of an understanding in Christian beliefs as set out in the Bible and in the Church's subordinate standards (the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Shorter and Larger Catechisms) leading to spiritual and moral development and opportunities for response to Bible teaching. In turn, this framework leads to practical expressions of Christian beliefs and standards in the local community such as through the care of those in need (including the sick, disabled and bereaved).

Generally, the above benefits are delivered locally by congregations and their members, or are facilitated through presbyteries or are organised and delivered centrally. Local delivery is facilitated by central resources in almost all cases. Public access is made known through the use of noticeboards, printed material, press advertisement, websites, and social media or in other ways.

The benefits are demonstrated through regular evaluation of the services and informal and ad-hoc feedback from members, their families, and members of the public.

The purpose does not lead to harm. The only private benefit flowing from our purpose is related to Ministers, Missionaries, Deaconesses, Irish Mission workers and Lay Agents who receive benefits as a result of their holding office or employment. However, this is incidental and necessary in order to further our charitable purpose. There are no other private benefits. The beneficiaries of this purpose are members, their families, other individuals that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in direct and indirect contact with, the community in which pastoral services are provided and other communities throughout Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, and worldwide which benefit from our engagement with and support for both Christian and other secular organisations, charities and individual members of the public.

The Kirk Session has had regard to the Charity Commissions Public benefit requirement statutory guidance.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The congregation's main source of income is members' contributions through the Weekly Freewill Offering. There were 92 families contributing during the year [95 in previous year, 2021] donating a total of £40,049 (£38,058 in previous year, 2021).

Total income of the congregation (including organisations income) during the year was £71,721 in 2022, compared to £65,779 in the previous year. Total expenditure increased from £33,313 in 2021 to £72,588 in 2022. However, due to the sale of the church Lecture Hall, there was an additional income to the congregation of £185,011 (after fees).

The difference in income and expenditure between 2021 and 2022 is mainly attributed to: the installation of a full-time minister in April 2022 (and subsequent associated costs) and return to normal church life and programmes after the COVID pandemic.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements of the congregation in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the congregations total income does not exceed £250,000 (as defined by CCNI ARR03), the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the congregation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the congregation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Kirk Session at a meeting on 29 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Name RAYMOND CUMMINS

Name GEORGINA CHESTNUTT

Date 29.1.2023

Date 29 - 1 - 2023

Ballygomartin Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Northern Ireland - Charity number 105294

Annual return

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**Independent Examiner Report
for the year ended 31 December 2022**

Registered Charity in Northern Ireland (NIC105294)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BALLYGOMARTIN CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN IRELAND

For the attention: Kirk Session, Ballygomartin Presbyterian Church

I confirm that I have reviewed the church accounting records of BALLYGOMARTIN Presbyterian Church for the year ended 31st December 2022. I have examined the charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions of the Charities Commission for Northern Ireland.

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

1. The 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. There is no further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters listed 1 to 4 above. I have found no exceptions or matters that require drawing to your attention.

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DATE: 29/01/2023