



Trustee's annual report & financial statements

For the period ending 31st March 2025

Gateway Church Glasgow



Report and Financial Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2025

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Gateway Church Glasgow

(Formerly known as “Champion Life Church”: to the 23rd January 2017)

TRUSTEE’S ANNUAL REPORT

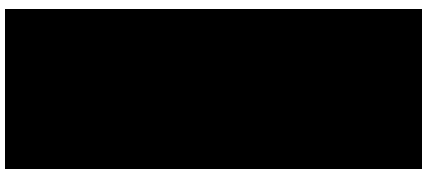
The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report for the financial year ending 31st March 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS



Charity Name : Gateway Church Glasgow
Charity Number (OSCR) : SC039354
Charity Number (HMRC) : CR61594
Principal Address : 231 Dalmarnock Road, Bridgeton, Glasgow G40 4NB Scotland
Constitutional form : Unincorporated Association
Constitutional form date : 1st March 2008
Accounting reference date : 31st March

Website : www.gatewaychurchglasgow.com

Charity Trustees



Bankers : Clydesdale Bank. 135 Alameda Street, Hamilton. ML3 0EX

Senior Staff member responsible for day-to-day management of the charity: 


The charity has income below £250,000, and as such is eligible to prepare its accounts on a “Receipts and Payments” Basis. The governing document does not require the charity to prepare fully accrued accounts and neither does it require an audit. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with SORP 2015 issued by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator in its role as a SORP making body, recognised by the Financial Reporting Council. The charity has had the accounts independently examined by Ann Baird, 6 Holmwood Grove, 11 Netherlee Place, Glasgow G44 3YL.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, MANAGEMENT

Governing document: The Trust is administered in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed. The Charity is registered with the “Office of Scottish Charity Regulator”.

Organisational structure and decision-making process: The Trustees are the managerial arm of the charity. They meet regularly and make decisions for and on behalf of the church. Major decisions of a managerial and financial nature are minuted.

How trustees are appointed and recruited: Appointment and removal is in accordance with the Trust Deed which requires that appointment is approved by unanimous agreement of the existing trustees and removal of any trustee by the unanimous agreement of the others.

Risk Management: It is considered by the Trustees that there is no foreseeable risk where the charity is exposed.

Affiliations and connections: The charity is affiliated with the “Assemblies of God, Great Britain”. (“Assemblies of God” is a company limited by guarantee (No. 2873415) registered in England, having its registered office at “Gf/F12 No. 1-2 The Cottages, Deva Centre, Manchester, England, M3 7BE” and is also a registered charity (No. 1032245)).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Purpose of the charity as set out in the governing document: The purpose of the charity is the advancement of religion; provision of assistance to those in need through age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage. The church building is located in the heart of the east end of Glasgow and is a central focal point for the local community.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes:

- ✓ continual weekly meetings; Sunday morning, Tuesday evening.
- ✓ children’s programme on Tuesday evening for children in the community from deprived homes.

Volunteers: The church would not be able to function without the help of volunteers in the areas of supervision of children, music, serving and cooking, teaching, maintenance & administration. The Trustees would like to thank all volunteers for their invaluable contribution to the life of the charity. The Trustees acknowledge that the public benefit would not be possible without these volunteers.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The 2024–2025 year has been one of meaningful progress and impact for Gateway Church Glasgow. As a growing congregation based in Springburn, Glasgow, we continue to see lives transformed through weekly worship, discipleship, community engagement, and outreach initiatives. The Trustees are grateful for the many ways the church has served both its members and the wider community.

Infrastructure and Facility Use

This year saw the completion of a new car park accommodating 20 vehicles, resolving long-standing parking challenges. A new industrial boiler was also installed in December to improve heating throughout the church building. The facility is now in active use seven days a week, supporting church services, small groups, youth and children’s ministries, community events, and outreach projects.

Outreach and Community Support

Gateway Church has been actively involved in practical outreach, including two significant food campaigns in partnership with the Celtic Charitable Foundation and the Islamic Relief Foundation. Over five tonnes of food were distributed to local schools and families in Glasgow’s East End, often within 24 hours of receipt.

The church hosted a “Back to School” day where 50 children received school bags, uniforms, and haircuts. At Christmas, the church distributed £3,200 in Asda vouchers to 16 families, and hosted its first Christmas Day lunch for around 40 guests who would otherwise have spent the day alone.

Discipleship and Regular Ministry

The church maintains a strong rhythm of discipleship and worship with activities throughout the week:

Monday: Junction Kids Club and Dinner Project

Tuesday: Prayer and Small Groups

Wednesday: Community Café

Thursday: Toddler Group

Sunday: Weekly Worship and Preaching

This year included four baptisms and a baby dedication. A Young Adults group (ages 18–30) also launched under the leadership of [REDACTED], adding momentum to our work with emerging generations.

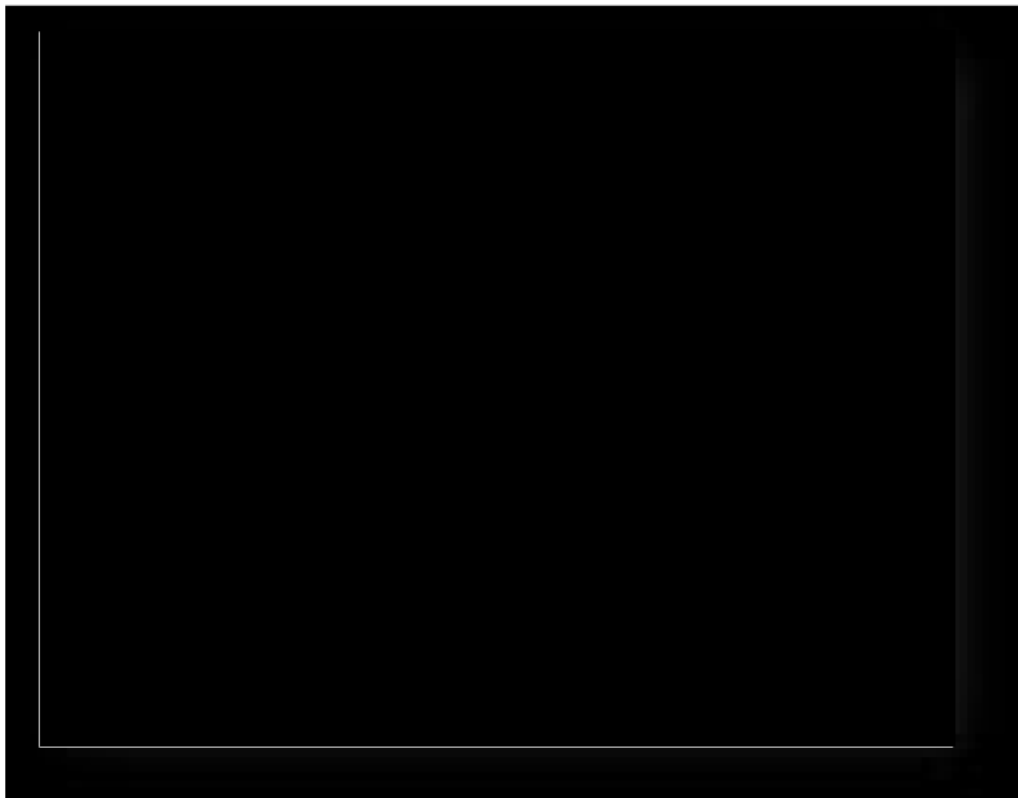
Events and National Engagement

Gateway members attended the [REDACTED] “God Loves You” event at the OVO Hydro. The church also launched its first children’s camp at Lendrickmuir, welcoming 60 children for a weekend of teaching and activities. Guest speakers and visiting ministries added further value, including the Watoto Children’s Choir and Apex Church’s [REDACTED].

Gateway also hosted leaders for a SEND event planning meeting and began a monthly rhythm of prayer and fasting for 2025, deepening our commitment to spiritual formation.

Leadership

Under the guidance of [REDACTED], Gateway Church continues to grow in strength and vision. Leadership development was emphasised through a leadership day at Westerwood Hotel with guest input from [REDACTED].



FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income Overview

Total income for the financial year was £186,181. While this represents a slight decrease from the previous year's income of £196,261, the Trustees recognise this as part of a natural fluctuation in charitable giving and timing of grants. The majority of the church's income continues to come from voluntary donations, both Gift Aid and non-Gift Aid, reflecting the faithful generosity of church members and friends.

Gift Aid donations amounted to £98,401, while non-Gift Aid donations were £30,998. A total of £24,974 was reclaimed from HMRC under the Gift Aid scheme, further enhancing the overall value of donations received. The church expresses sincere thanks to all donors, and especially to those who enable their contributions to be Gift Aided.

Designated donations totalled £21,822 and were directed towards specific ministry projects and outreach initiatives, in line with donor intentions. Grants received during the year amounted to £7,500, which included funding from the Celtic Football Club Foundation to support community-facing initiatives. Additional income was derived from interest on deposits (£1,585) and miscellaneous giving including missions income (£900).

The Trustees remain encouraged by the continued support from the church family and external partners, enabling Gateway Church Glasgow to maintain its ministry activities and invest in growth areas.

Expenditure Overview

Expenditure during the year totalled £222,202, compared to £180,890 in the previous year. This increase reflects planned and strategic spending in line with the church's vision for ministry development, building maintenance, and outreach engagement. Key areas of expenditure are as follows:

- Salaries and wages: £68,327 was expended on staff costs, covering pastoral, administrative and ministry-related personnel. The church continues to employ a team of individuals committed to the spiritual and operational development of the church community.
- Repairs and maintenance: The sum of £39,970 was invested into property upkeep and essential repairs, ensuring that the church facilities remain safe, welcoming, and functional for both congregational use and community outreach.
- Ministry and outreach: Over £30,000 was spent across various ministries including youth, children's work, women's ministry, and hospitality. These investments reflect the church's heart for community engagement and creating a nurturing environment for people of all ages.
- Missions giving: £21,481 was allocated to overseas and local mission partners. Gateway Church Glasgow remains committed to supporting missionaries and projects that align with the church's vision and values.
- Utilities and insurance: £19,483 was spent on regular operating costs including heating, electricity, water, and insurance coverage.
- Professional services: £3,400 covered legal, accounting, and consultancy costs to support governance and compliance activities.
- Software, subscriptions and communication: £7,880 was used to maintain digital infrastructure, licenses, online presence, and effective internal communications.

These figures reflect the church's continued investment into sustaining ministry quality, expanding outreach capacity, and fulfilling operational responsibilities.

Financial Position and Reserves

At the start of the financial year, Gateway Church Glasgow held total reserves of £82,330. At year-end, the charity held unrestricted funds of £46,309, with no restricted funds carried forward. The net deficit for the year was £36,021, primarily due to planned use of reserves for ministry expansion and one-time property expenditures.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity remains financially sound and continues to operate within its means. The church has no outstanding debts or significant liabilities, and all accounts have been managed in accordance with OSCR guidelines and good financial practice.

Besides reimbursements of expenses, all expenses were for the continuing operation of the church.

Analysis of movement in funds:

	Balance 1.4.2024	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement in funds	Transfers	Balance 31.3.2025
Unrestricted						
General fund	82,330	178,681	222,202		7,500	46,309
Restricted						
Cafe			7,500		(7,500)	-
			7,500			-
Total funds	82,330	186,181	222,202			46,309

The Examiner did not charge for her services.

There was no debt. There are no grant or loan applications.

The financial effect of significant events:

The Church continued to be generous and gave donations to the Arch Settlement in Glasgow; a charity for the homeless, Open Doors and missionaries.

Investment policy & objectives set: Should funds be available, the Trustees will seek financial advice.

Charity's policy on reserves: The Trustees ensure that the balance of the bank account does not fall below a balance of £1,000. This will ensure cash is available for any unforeseeable circumstances. The Trustees review the reserves policy each Trustees meeting.

Going Concern: As at the date of approval of this report, and the financial accounts, the Trustees have assessed that there is no uncertainty about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

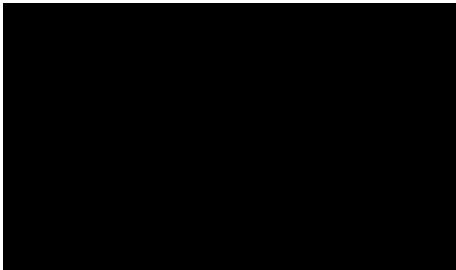
FUTURE PLANS

Plans for future periods: More ministry is planned throughout the year.

The Trustees believe that this report is a fair, balanced and an understandable review of the charity's structure, legal purposes, objectives and activities, financial performance & financial position.

The Trustees would like to thanks all those volunteers to help make it possible for Gateway Church Glasgow to function.

The Charity Trustees declare that they have approved the report above. Signed on behalf of the Charity Trustees.



Date : 11th November 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF "GATEWAY CHURCH GLASGOW"

Scottish Registered Charity SC039354

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 10 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

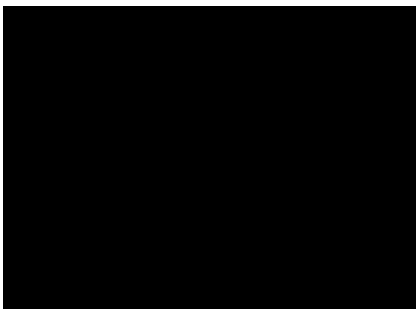
Independent Examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

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



Date: 24/11/2025

Gateway Church Glasgow
Statement of Financial Activities
12 months ending 31st March 2025
Scottish Registered Charity SC039354

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	2024 total funds	Further Details
	£	£	£	£	
Receipts from:					
Donations & Legacies	152,121	7,500	159,621	169,915	1
Charitable Activities					2
Other Trading Activities					
Investments	1,585		1,585	1,652	
Other	24,974		24,974	24,694	3
Total	178,681	7,500	186,181	196,261	
Payments on:					
Raising Funds					
Charitable Activities	222,202		222,202	180,890	4
Other					
Total	222,202		222,202	180,890	
Net Receipts/(Payments)	(43,521)	7,500	(36,021)	15,370	
Transfers between funds	7,500	(7,500)			
Reconciliation of funds					5
Total funds brought forward	82,330	-	82,330	66,960	
Total funds carried forward	46,309	-	46,309	66,960	

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st March 2025

	2025	2024	Note
	£	£	
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank – Main account	38,802	71,094	
Cash at bank – project account	7,507	11,235	
Total cash in hand	<u>46,309</u>	<u>82,330</u>	5
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	<u>46,309</u>	<u>82,330</u>	
LIABILITIES			
Loans greater than 1 year			
NET CURRENT ASSETS	46,309	82,330	
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	46,309	82,330	
NET ASSETS (Liabilities)	<u>46,309</u>	<u>82,330</u>	
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FUNDS			
Unrestricted	46,309	82,330	
Restricted			
TOTAL FUNDS	46,309	82,330	

Gateway Church Glasgow
 Scottish Registered Charity SC039354
Receipts & Payments (detailed)

Year ending 31st March 2025

	2025	2024
<u>Receipts</u>		
Designated Donations	21,822	4,380
Donations Received - Gift Aid	98,401	91,672
Donations Received -Non Gift Aid	30,998	38,175
Grants	7,500	22,000
Interest	1,585	1,652
Missions	900	13,687
Other Income		10
Tax Reclaimed	24,974	24,684
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Total Income	186,181	196,261
<u>Less: Payments</u>		
Advertising	99	
Charitable Contributions	3,100	100
Conferences	6,960	1,905
Donations & Gifts	7,550	7,280
Electricity Gas Water	15,298	16,616
Honorarium	5,755	4,055
Insurance	4,185	3,894
Kitchen Requisites	968	1,134
Licenses & Permits	779	954
Literature & Resources	253	268
Ministry Expenses - Children	12,687	4,780
Ministry Expenses - Women	400	30
Ministry Expenses – Youth	211	67
Missions - Overseas	21,481	18,233
Missions - Local		4,079
Office Supplies		18
Outreach Ministry & Hospitality incl Café	11,194	15,145
Outreach – Community Pastor	3,664	3,796
Printing & Stationary	249	350
Professional Services	3,400	6,486
Repairs & Maintenance	39,970	10,828
Repairs & Maintenance – Comm. Café		1,713
Salaries & Wages	68,327	62,909
Software	1,092	764
Sound equipment		703
Subscriptions & Memberships	4,959	4,090

Telephone & internet	1,829	1,763
Travel & Accommodation	7,794	5,782
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Total Payments	222,202	180,890
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Net Receipts (Payments)	(36,021)	15,370

Statement of Balances	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	2024
Cash & Bank balances at start of the year	82,330		82,330	66,960
Surplus/(deficit) shown	(36,021)	-	(36,021)	15,370
Cash & Bank balances at end of the year	46,309	-	46,309	82,330





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Our prayer is the motto of the city:

'Let Glasgow flourish by the preaching of His Word and the praising of His name'