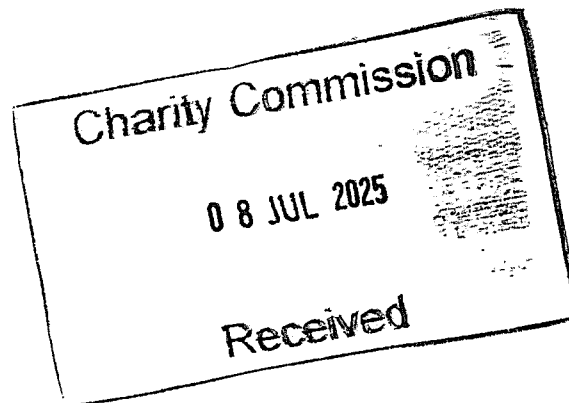


**FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2024**



AUKER RHODES PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LLP
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors
YEADON

FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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CHARITY INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER : 1004057

GOVERNING INSTRUMENT : Trust Deed dated 14th June 1991
and supplemental deed of 30th September 2000

TRUSTEES : Keith Fawcett Craven (Pastor)
Avril Victoria Craven (Pastor)
Alistair Fawcett Craven
Valerie Wallace
Barbara Edmondson
Patricia Calvert

SECRETARIES : Avril Craven/ Alistair Craven

TREASURERS : Avril Craven/ Patricia Calvert

TRUST OBJECTIVES : The advancement of the Christian Faith

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS : Orchard Court
Lord Lane
Haworth
Keighley
West Yorkshire
BD22 8QP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER : R. J. Kenyon FCA
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FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2024.

OBJECTIVES, ORGANISATION AND ACTIVITIES

The Fern Christian Fellowship was constituted by a declaration of trust dated the 14 June 1991 and supplemental deed of 30 September 2000, and is a registered Charity numbered 1004057.

The principal address of the Charity is Orchard Court, Lord Lane, Haworth, Keighley, West Yorkshire, BD22 8QP.

The objectives of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian Faith, the relief of persons in need, hardship, sickness or distress and the provision of a Bible school.

The trustees have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees who served during the year were:-

Name
Keith Fawcett Craven (Pastor)
Avril Victoria Craven (Pastor)
Alistair Fawcett Craven
Valerie Wallace
Barbara Edmondson
Patricia Calvert

AGENTS AND ADVISERS

The Independent Examiner is Mr. R. J. Kenyon FCA, of Auker Rhodes Professional Services LLP, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors of Yeadon.

The bank account of the Charity is maintained at Barclays, Keighley.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

REVIEW OF PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

This last year has been very challenging health wise for Avril and me, because of a heart condition I was somewhat limited. I have recently however undergone triple heart bypass surgery. Avril also had two operations.

We have continued to minister throughout this time, excepting these last five weeks for Keith.

We were very happy to arrange a believers baptism service in September 2023 in the river Worth which was followed by refreshments at church. Four people were baptised.

We held our yearly advance at Thornleigh, Grange over Sands in April, where Jonathan Edwards was ministering. Avril was miraculously healed in one of our meetings there, and many of us were touched by God.

We hold a weekly prayer meeting at Orchard Court.

We are happy to report that church attendance has grown a little.

We continue to support the work in Kenya. Barbara ministered three months in Kenya at the beginning of the year.

Several of our members are able to preach, lead and minister in our own weekly services as well at other churches in and around the area.

We also have some ladies meetings which raise funds for the Kenya ministry.

Delphia Jeffery, one of our long time members has regrettably had to move to a care home. We have regularly visited her there.

The services continue to be lively, engaging and inspiring with the gifts of the Holy Spirit being evident in operation.

Everyone is made very welcome.

We make daily bible reading notes available to people.

We are thankful to God for such a dedicated and loving congregation.

Our vision is to reach out with the Christian gospel, save the lost, heal the sick and to encourage every member to reach their full potential as a Christian.

People really appreciate the presence of God in the meetings, we are so grateful to God for this.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFAIRS

Full details of the financial transactions are contained in the attached accounts and the total receipts for the period were £37,037 (2023 - £35,635) and after deducting payments of £34,987 (2023 - £35,310) the net incoming resources were £2,050 as compared with net incoming resources of £324 in 2023.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

.....*K. J. Craven*.....
Keith Fawcett Craven (Pastor)

31/1/2025

FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

STATEMENT OF CHARITY TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) for charities issued by the Charity Commission and the Charities Act 2011.

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE CHURCH COMMITTEE OF
FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the Accounts be reached.

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NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Total Funds Year ended 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary Income	2	37,037	-	37,037	35,635
		<u>37,037</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,037</u>	<u>35,635</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	3	24,643	-	24,643	24,339
Grants paid	4	7,732	-	7,732	6,265
		<u>32,375</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,375</u>	<u>30,604</u>
Governance Costs Administration	5	2,613	-	2,613	4,707
		<u>2,613</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,613</u>	<u>4,707</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>34,987</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,987</u>	<u>35,310</u>
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING)					
RESOURCES		2,050	-	2,050	324
Net transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		2,050	-	2,050	324
Balances at 1 September 2023		13,370	-	13,370	13,046
Balances at 31 August 2024		<u>15,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,420</u>	<u>13,370</u>

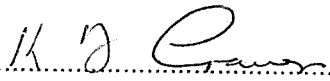
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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 31 August 2024 £	Restricted Funds 31 August 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Deposit		1,000	-	1,000	-
Cash at bank and in hand		14,420	-	14,420	13,370
NET ASSETS	7	<u>15,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,420</u>	<u>13,370</u>
RESERVES					
Brought forward		13,370	-	13,370	13,046
Net outgoing resources		2,050	-	2,050	324
Balances carried forward	7	<u>15,420</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,420</u>	<u>13,370</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

30/11/2025



Keith Fawcett Craven (Pastor) Trustee

FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following are the more important Accounting Policies adopted by the Charity:

a) BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued October 2019 and with the Charities Act 2011.

b) FUND ACCOUNTING

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

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

c) INCOMING RESOURCES

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the monies are received.

d) RESOURCES EXPENDED

All expenditure are accounted for on a payments basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME	Unrestricted Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Restricted Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Total Funds Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Total Funds Year ended 2023 £
Tithes & Offerings	30,466	-	30,466	28,669
Gift Aid	6,401	-	6,401	6,919
Bank interest	170	-	170	47
	37,037	-	37,037	35,635

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Pastors and other leaders	22,079	-	22,079	21,996
Rent and donations for use of meeting halls and heating	2,460	-	2,460	2,271
Refreshment, flowers and outreach	104	-	104	72
	<u>24,643</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,643</u>	<u>24,339</u>
4. GRANTS PAID	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
CCLI	181	-	181	169
Vision Ministries	1,720	-	1,720	2,400
Donation: Euro Vision	200	-	200	-
To Individuals for their support to FERN	-	-	-	400
Donation: Christian Concern	300	-	300	300
Donation: V Wallace Ministry	150	-	150	120
Donation: Premier org	300	-	300	200
Donation: Philip Ministry	150	-	150	250
Donation: Bimala Ministry	-	-	-	50
Donation: Aaron	400	-	400	100
Donation: Jonathan, Ministry	600	-	600	400
Donation: Crawford K	450	-	450	330
Donation: Homeless pastors	100	-	100	-
Donation: Stephen Chaudry Ministry	400	-	400	100
Donation: Tane Miller	-	-	-	100
Donation: Alister Fawcett - Love Gift	500	-	500	500
Donation: Lees Met hire hall for tea	65	-	65	-
Donation: Joseph storehouse Isreal Ministry	200	-	200	200
Donation: Baby life	-	-	-	500
Donation: Prophetic Vision	100	-	100	-
Donation: ELO Vision	100	-	100	-
Donation: Elizabeth USA Ministry	100	-	100	-
Donation: Trevor Helen Hospitality (accommodation) (432	-	432	-
Donation: Jonathan Hospitality (accommodation) Grange	432	-	432	-
Donation: Jonathan, Ministry Grange	400	-	400	-
Donation: Open doors	100	-	100	-
Donation: Lees Methodist Jonathan	-	-	-	36
Donation: Paul & Elaine (Thornleigh)	232	-	232	-
Donation: Flowers Delphia Day	10	-	10	-
Donation: Flowers Tracy	20	-	20	-
Donation: Le Ministry	90	-	90	-
Ian Ball	-	-	-	30
CUF Israel	-	-	-	80
	<u>7,732</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,732</u>	<u>6,265</u>
5. ADMINISTRATION	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 2023 £
Insurance	1,461	-	1,461	330
Subscription	19	-	19	19
Sundries	341	-	341	277
Accountancy	612	-	612	564
Clicksend - Text message	-	-	-	-
Thomas (Audio part)	179	-	179	-
Grange Hospitality	-	-	-	915
Music Equipment	-	-	-	2,602
	<u>2,613</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,613</u>	<u>4,707</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

6. STAFF COSTS

	Year ended 31 August 2024 £	Year ended 31 August 2023 £
Remuneration	<u>22,079</u>	<u>21,996</u>

No staff members were paid more than £50,000.

The average number of staff members, calculated on a full-time equivalent basis, analysed by function was:

	Year ended 31 August 2024 No.	Year ended 31 August 2023 No.
Management and administration of the charity	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

7. FUND ANALYSIS

	31 August 2023 £	Income Gifts £	Interest £	Expenditure £	31 August 2024 £
General fund	(5,328)	27,015	170	23,342	(1,485)
Designated fund: External Ministries Fund (Below)	18,698	9,852	-	11,645	16,905
	<u>13,370</u>	<u>36,867</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>34,987</u>	<u>15,420</u>

External Ministries Fund

A designated fund has been set up as External Ministries Fund, for the purpose of supporting various ministries in the UK and overseas, and for paying visiting ministers for their ministry at FERN. Certain donors have elected to place their giving into this fund and in the year to 31st August 2024 there has been received £9,852 and expended £11,645

Analysis of net assets between funds

	General Fund £	Designated Fund £	Total £
Building Society: No. 1 Account	13,587		13,587
No. 2 Account		833	833
Cash	-		-
	<u>13,587</u>	<u>833</u>	<u>14,420</u>

8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

Keith Fawcett Craven and Avril Victoria Craven received fees of £22,079 during the year (2023 - £21,996).

9. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Church was controlled by the Trustees throughout the current and previous year.

FERN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Year ended 31 August 2024		Year ended 31 August 2023	
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Tithes, Offerings and donations	30,466		28,669	
Gift Aid Recoverable	6,401		6,919	
Bank interest received	170		47	
		37,037		35,635
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Pastors - Pastoral Ministry	22,079		21,996	
New Life paper - Subscription	19		19	
Howarth Methodist & Lees Methodist-Rent	2,340		2,181	
Refreshment, flowers and outreach	104		72	
Sundries	341		277	
Accountant's fee	612		564	
Insurance	1,461		330	
Donation: Lees Methodist Jonathan	-		36	
Donation: Vision Ministeries	1,720		2,400	
Donation: Lees Met hire hall for tea	65		-	
Donation: Aaron	400		100	
Donation: Jonathan, Ministry	600		400	
Donation: Christian concern	300		300	
Donation: V Wallace Ministry	150		120	
Donation: Crawford K	450		330	
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Donation: Stephen chaudry Ministry	400		100	
Donation: Tane Miller	-		100	
Donation: Alister Fawcett - Love Gift	500		500	
Donation: J&A Edwards (Preacher)	-		400	
Donation: Premier org	300		200	
Donation: Philip Ministry	150		250	
Donation: Barbara, Ministry	120		90	
Donation: Bimala Ministry	-		50	
Donation: Joseph storehouse Isreal Ministry	200		200	
Donation:Baby life	-		500	
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Donation:ELO Vision	100		-	
Donation:Elizabeth USA Ministry	100		-	
Donation:Trevor Helen Hospitality (accomodation) Grange	432		-	
Donation:Jonathan Hospitality (accomodation) Grange	432		-	
Donation:Jonathan, Ministry Grange	400		-	
Donation:Open doors	100		-	
Donation:Paul & Elaine (Thomleigh)	232		-	
Donation:Flowers Delphia Day	10		-	
Donation:Flowers Tracy	20		-	
Donation:Le Ministry	90		-	
Gear4music - 1 x Bose TBSmatch digital mixer	-		827	
Gear4music - Bose L1 Pro16 system 1250 W Black	-		1,452	
Gear4music - 1 x Shure BLX88-K3E Dual Wireless receiver	-		323	
Thomas (Audio part)	179		-	
Ian Ball	-		30	
CUF Israel	-		80	
		34,987		35,310
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		2,050		325
Funds Balance at 1 September 2023		13,370		13,046
Funds Balance at 31 August 2024		15,420		13,370