

Manna International Church
(A not -for - profit unincorporated Organisation)

Report of the Trustees

and

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Organisation Information

Trustees:

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Accountants: Gabriel & Associates

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024.

The trustees presents their report with the financial statements of the organisation for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statements of Recommended Practice(SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities(revised 2005)" in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the organisation.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Church is an unincorporated association, governed by a constitution.

TRUSTEES

The trustees during the year under review are as listed on page 3. Members are elected at the start of the annual year (AGM) by process of nominations and election by the showing of hands.

The trustees board meets quarterly to consider the business of the Charity, draft policies and review health and safety. Meetings are also used to review any relevant changes in legislation and social policy that will have direct or indirect impact on the work of the charity.

Trustees are indemnified against any losses by the use of a combined insurance premium that covers full contents, public liability and trustees insurance. The premium is reviewed annually to ensure value for money and appropriate safeguards of the assets held in trust.

OBJECTIVES, ORGANISATION AND ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the Church, as set out in the constitution are as follows:

- a) Promotion of social education to young people within the local community using information and positive messages including workshops, group exercises, creative and dramatic arts within Churches, Schools and local community projects.
- b) The promotion of the Christian Faith through the provision of educational materials, teaching and training of all peoples and groups, the organisation of seminars and conferences aimed at personal awareness, developing self esteem and inner strength through a deeper understanding of the Christian faith.
- c) The provision of counselling and other forms of social, emotional and spiritual support necessary to ensure the development of the whole person who will in turn make an effective positive contribution to their community.
- d) The relief of poverty.
- e) To offer a safe, friendly and neutral environment in Newham, where children of separated families can spend time with one or both parents and sometimes other family members.

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The Church engages in the following activities in order to further these objectives.

- a) Regular monthly meetings.
- b) Educational workshops.
- c) Children Church
- d) Fundraising events within the local community
- e) Support groups for local men, women and young adults.
- f) Weekly bible teaching and prayer meetings
- g) Monthly special prayer mornings

All our events are run and managed by committed volunteers from the local community. The volunteers are of mixed group both in terms of age and gender.

The selfless service and positive contributions of the volunteers is acknowledged and greatly appreciated by the trustees.

RELATED AND CO-OPERATING CHARITIES

The Church does not have any related charities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE DURING THE YEAR

Foodbank - The use of our Food Bank (Newham Foodbank) has continued to be a food source to local communities and members of the church. We are still Emergency Centre recognised and supported by the Trussell Foundation.

The Food Bank is currently only open on a Sunday however on average, the centre fed Bank, however this has not impacted on the availability of food for the community. four families per week, as the demand has increased so has the amount of food donations received. There has also been an increase in the members of the Church using the Food Manna continues to work with local providers. This past year, Newham FoodBank Beckton have been a great contributor to the Food Bank.

Over the past few years, the Church has experienced a surge then a drop off in the number of families seeking food and other support form the food bank.

In 2022 the total attendees were 66 with total food weighed and distributed in Kg 838.7 kg This was the COVID year.

2023 total attendees 35 - total food weighed and distributed in Kg 398 kg, this dropped by half but on the other hand we received a total of £600 from Newham Foodbank Beckton In 2024 so far, we have supported a total of 101 attendees, food weighed and distributed 717.45 kg, looks like the demand for food was on the rise again for 2024, We also received

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£600 from Beckton Foodbank.

The following figures are measured and tracked by keeping a weekly log of attendees who come into WGMI and weighing all food that is distributed.

Boxes of Hope - During the year under review, the charity was able to send 20 boxes of Hope through Samaritans Purse. We sent 3 boxes for 2–4-year-olds, 2 girls and one boy. We sent 9 boxes for 5–9-year-olds, 5 boys and 4 girls and we sent 8 boxes for 10–13-year-olds. 4 boys and 4 girls. This year the boxes went to Togo, West Africa. This was again made possible by the Children's Ministry within the Church, members rose to the challenge and collected a large range of boxes that were appropriately filled with mostly educational items and some sweets, If we had allowed the children, it would have been nothing but sweets!

Church Services - The Sunday services, Bible studies and Prayer meetings have continued to grow, and we have been able to study a wide range of subjects and themes. The Men's Support Group has grown mainly online, with group members sending educational, inspirational and motivational material within the virtual group. The group also held some in-person joint discussions with the women's ministry looking at marriage, relationships, divorce and healthy patterns when dating. Naturally these led to some very lively debates, and interesting views being aired. It was good fun and was widely attended by a cross section of visitors and the local community.

Educational Workshops - The Church continues to run a series of educational workshops related to bible themes, as well as workshops that promote the family, marriage and Christian values, these workshops are for participants within the local communities, and they were extremely well attended with positive feedback from members.

Overseas work – we were able to send two volunteers to the Philippines to support a small Church with their community Development programmes in an area called Dipolog, these relationships and networks have continued to grow and forge strong partnerships based very much on our shared values and our church's commitment to be of support wherever we can. The volunteers participated in public meetings and outreach, feeding programmes for children living in remote parts of the country, visited schools and collaborated with the Mayor of the area in their community development programmes. The held meetings with the local police talking about civic duties, moral responsibilities and Christian values.

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RESERVE POLICY

Given the size of the Church in terms of attendance, members of trustee consider that the Church is not in the position to maintain a huge deposit but to hold amount sufficient to pay day to day expenses. In view of this, whatever income the Church generates is applied towards running cost and ensure that this level can be sustained for at least three months without income. The charity main source of income continues to be from the generous donations given by its members. The Church does not generate enough funds yet to support the appointment of a full or part -time staff. but we very much look forward to achieving that aim in the near future.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Committee plan to continue to develop the Food bank program and make it accessible to increased number of vulnerable people within the London Borough of Newham Every effort will be made to continue to support the charitable project in the Philippines through clothes collection in the UK in accordance with observed needs in that country

Newham has continued to progress it's social housing building programme; we have seen a marked transformation of the high street with the departure of West Ham Football club which is now housing developments or fast-food shops. The area has become congested for parking on Sundays, but this increase of housing tenants is an increased opportunity to spread the Christian message and to share our faith in the local community. At least 50% of our membership are drawn from outside the borough, which means there is scope to reach out to local residents about our presence and showcase the activities available to their children and the whole family.

We have written to the local council about the possibility of grant funding to develop a 'warm space' programme for the elderly at least 2 days per week and at the same time develop a café space for residents to make greater use of the building during the week which is largely underutilised. We await a response but will continue to discuss the possibility and hope to complete a scoping exercise to determine the feasibility of the idea We are also thinking about starting a breakfast club for children as well as an after-school club, early discussions have taken place with two local schools and we will need volunteers with suitable knowledge and expertise in this area to take the idea forward, however this is very much part of our ambition to make a greater impact on our community. So, lots of exciting things to look forward to in the coming year.

We have also seen an increased attendance to our Sunday services, this is very positive and we are working hard to further improve the way we engage with the general public when they do join us in our services,.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024.

Charity law 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 its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005)" and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue operating.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE

YEAR ENDED 31 March 2024.

I report on the financial statements of the Church for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the Church's trustees you are responsible for the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Church and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met, or

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

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31-Mar 2024 Total fund	31-Mar 2023 Total fund
Incoming Resources					
Donations		77,086		77,086	61,317
Total incoming Resources		77,086		77,086	61,317
Resources expended					
Cost of activities in furtherance of the Church's objects		92,383		92,383	85,317
Management and admin		7,364		7,364	2,200
Total resources expended		99,747		99,747	87,517
Surplus/(deficit) on ordinary activities before funds transfers		-22,661		-22,661	-26,200
Fund Transfer					
Balance brought forward		43,121		43,121	69,321
Fund Balance as at 31 March 2024		20,460		20,460	43,121

The church has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the period as set out above. All of the activities of the Church are classed as continuing.

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Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2024.

	31-Mar 2024	31-Mar 2023
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Bank Balance	20,460	43,121
Legal fee overpaid	4,302	
Creditors- Accrual	-600	0
Loan	0	0
NET ASSETS	24,162	43,121
 REPRESENTED BY:		
Unrestricted funds	24,162	43,121
TOTAL FUNDS	24,162	43,121

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

Name CORDELIA JOSEPHSignature Trustee

Name.....SignatureTrustee

Date 31-01-2025

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared:

- under the historical cost convention
in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP Accounting and Reporting by Charities (revised 2005)", and applicable accounting standards.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are general funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Church and which have not been designated for other 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 Church for particular purposes.

The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the Church is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on receipts and payment basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Management and administration costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Church and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements

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	31-Mar 2024	31-Mar 2023
Cost of activities in furtherance of the Church Objects		
Rent	52,483	42,500
Water/General rate	445	621
Electricity	5,163	3,195
Telephone	2,992	2,081
Building Insurance	5,669	936
Events	2,930	2,150
Cleaning	2,780	3,569
Donations	700	500
Hospitality	3,550	2,312
Honorarium	0	5,450
Equipments	1,706	14,283
Publicity	0	1,356
Music	2,571	2,070
Printing	9,777	369
Other cost	0	181
Repairs and maintenance	1,617	3,744
	92,383	85,317
 Management and Admin		
Meeting	0	1200
Accountancy	600	1000
Computer expenses	635	
Training	1827	
Legal fee	4302	0
	7364	2200

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Income/Receipts

Tithes and Offerings	77,086
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Expenditure

Accountancy fee	600
Rent	52,483
Water rate	445
Electricity	5,163
Telephone	2,992
Building Insurance	5,669
Events	2,930
Meetings	0
Stationery/General Exp	2,571
Travel	9,777
Cleaning	2,780
Donations	700
Hospitality	3,550
Honorarium	0
Equipments	1,706
Other costs	0
Publicity	0
Repairs & maintenance	1,617
Bank charges	0
Legal fees	4,302
Computer expenses	635
Training	1,827

	<u>99,747</u>
Surplus/(Deficits)	<u>-22,661</u>