NEWBURY CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA
REGISTERED CHARITY No 1168280

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees of Newbury Christadelphian Ecclesia ("The Charity") present their report and financial information for the year ended 31 December 2025.

SECTION A – REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Registered Charity number
11682820

Charity's principal address
243 Lower Way,
Thatcham
West Berkshire
RG19 3TP

Charity trustees
Benjamin David Cox - Treasurer and Administration Committee Member
Miriam Elisabeth White – Administration Committee Member
Stephen Beresford Robinson – Administration Committee Member / Secretary
Rodger Yuile – Administration Committee Member

Independent Examiner
Philip Lawrence

Bankers
Lloyds Bank plc
Newbury Building Society

SECTION B – STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Type of governing document	Constitution
How charity is constituted	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection method	Membership of the Newbury Ecclesia's Administration Committee – subject to election every two years

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SECTION C – OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Charity's objectives are to advance a Bible based Christian faith – to the glory of God and honour of Jesus Christ for the benefit of the Christadelphian community and members of the public, particularly in the Newbury area.

The Charity's main activities, undertaken for the public benefit, in pursuit of these objects are:

1 Holding meetings for worship, prayer and Bible teaching.
2 Preaching through personal engagement and by invitation to meetings.
3 Provision of Sunday School, a youth club and other occasional activities.
4 Periodic collection for charitable needs, including disaster relief.
5 Serving, to the extent feasible, attendees' pastoral and welfare needs.

The foregoing activities promote a fuller understanding of the human condition, relative to the eternal things of God, and serve members of the public with direction, balance and purpose in today's complex world.

In the exercise of their powers and duties in connection with the Charity's objectives, the trustees have reviewed and had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit as last updated in September 2013.

Activities in 2025

Newbury Christadelphian Ecclesia holds regular and ad hoc meetings both at the hall and online. On Sundays, we regularly hold two services in the hall. One is our regular Breaking of Bread meeting in which we remember the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. The other is our Bible Time, where we provide introductions to Bible topics mainly aimed at those visiting or in the early stages of learning about the Bible. These meetings are open to all and we have welcomed a number of visitors.

We also have a mid-week Bible discussion group that is a regular feature of our programme. The Ladies Tuesday Group meets at the hall once a month and online every week.

We regularly review our services to ensure they continue to meet the needs of our members and have, as a result, re-introduced a bi-lingual discussion group in Faris/ English. This takes place on zoom on a Thursday evening and covers a variety of topics - from books of the Bible to current affairs.

We continue to invest time and money ensuring our technical set-up works for both in-person and online services and have recently simplified the tech set-up to make it more plug and play and easier to manage.

Membership has remained stable over the year to December 2025. We transferred one member to Oxford halfway through the year and had no other departures or joiners. At the end of 2025, our membership numbered 98 people, of whom 36 are local, with the remaining members spread across the UK plus a hub of 5 meeting regularly in Belgium. Many members still join us on zoom from wherever they are in the UK or world.

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Preaching

Our regular Bible Time on Sundays is a cornerstone of our preaching activities and the programme has reflected this with a variety of topics aimed at different sections of our attendees including younger members, those unfamiliar with our beliefs and those well-versed in our beliefs but wanting some clarity on current affairs or support and time for prayer.

Invitations to our activities are mainly by word of mouth. Those that attend already are keen to bring new friends along. We have also had some people drop in from the local area thanks to our notice boards outside. From time to time, we produce paper/ email invitations for our members to hand out - such as to invite people to our Christmas service.

Preaching efforts have been more individual again this year, with fewer group classes. The work in Belgium is ongoing and several members have visited to support. A seminar series is imminent for some interested friends.

The website was due an update and the new look and content was nearly ready to go at the end of 2025 after lots of effort. This will go live in 2026 together with a regularly updated blog.

Youth

We are privileged to have the regular company of several children at our services and their full participation in our Sunday School programme. For the first half of the year, we ran two Seniors classes and one Juniors class. In September, we combined the two senior classes into one so we now run two classes, following the CSSU syllabus.

The Sunday School programme was shared with presidents to enable them to start the Memorial service with a Sunday School section if desired. A suggested relevant song or two was provided for them to use if they wanted.

We held the Sunday School Party in January, with the usual array of party games followed by food and entertainment. In July we held the Sunday School Outing, with an ecclesial trip to Calshot Activity centre for some fun on the ringos, followed by fish and chips on the beach and some games.

Also in July, we had the Sunday School Prize Giving at the hall instead of Bible Time one Sunday. Tim Webborn led a Praise session and the children were rewarded for their efforts over the year with some gifts.

The children have been able to join in with Thames Valley Youth Group over the course of the year. This meets every other week on either a Friday evening or Saturday afternoon with an activity and then a Bible session. Some of our older children attended the Junior CYC Camp in Corfe Castle in the summer and the reunion/ meet up event leading up to it. One of the children now also regularly attends Youth Weekends around the country.

Our older Sunday School children also benefited from regular Bible Times aimed at them, under the theme Straight Talking.

All of those involved in teaching our Youth are DBS checked and we have secure Safeguarding policies procedures in place.

Charitable Donations

We are pleased to support the work of NHS Berkshire Mental Health by regularly allowing them to use our hall for meetings although this has not happened often this year.

Any surplus from our Monthly Lunch Club is donated to a chosen charity. This year £89 was carried forward to donate to our 50-year celebration appeal for Christadelphian Meal a Day in 2026.

We supported a number of charities financially over the year. Amongst these were 8 Christadelphian charities which do a range of activities from Preaching to Financial Aid to projects in developing countries. Disaster relief funds were channelled through the Disasters Emergency Committee and the Christadelphian Samaritan Fund.

Pastoral and Welfare

The Pastoral Committee has reviewed the welfare of our members at every meeting, in the absence of a welfare committee being in operation in 2025. A new committee is being put in place for 2026.

We continue to support the Iranian refugee community with advice and practical help where necessary. Our prayers are still very much needed to give them strength to cope, especially as they are far away from families and the turmoil/worry which is in the Middle East constantly.

Once a month, we join together for a bring and share lunch at the hall, to which all are invited. Thursday Lunch club has been held regularly on the third Thursday of each month. This is a great way to reach out to people who may not attend other services.

We have seen many of our older members suffering with ill health this year. Other members continue to make themselves available to visit those who are not able to get out, and we are very thankful to those who can do this.

Every Sunday we have a welfare report giving us news and updates on our members and people we may know. This is followed by a welfare prayer and is an opportunity for anyone to ask for prayers they need. From time to time, we send cards to people to give them comfort or encouragement.

SECTION D – ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The church collects for external charities on a weekly basis. This year we were pleased to raise over £9700. The benefiting charities were:

- Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), which brings together 15 aid charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of crisis overseas.
- The Red Cross, supporting relief in disaster zones.
- The Christadelphian Bible Mission (CBM), which supports preaching worldwide and provides welfare to churches and individuals.
- The Christadelphian Auxiliary Lecturing Service (CALS), which supports preaching in the UK.
- The Christadelphian Benevolent Fund (CBF), which provides support for members of Christadelphian churches who are in need.
- Christadelphian Care Homes (CCH), which provides a network of care to those in need of residential, nursing, dementia or respite care.

- The Christadelphian Sunday School Union (CSSU), which provides teaching resources for children.
- Christadelphian Meal-a-Day, which provides worldwide 'down-to-earth' support for vulnerable children, the provision of clean water, agricultural skills, basic health care and education and a meal a day.
- The Christadelphian Samaritan Fund, which funds external charities supporting relief from natural disaster and war.
- The Shunem Home, which provides shelter, education and care for some of the most vulnerable in Hyderabad, India.
- Carelinks, which provides Bible education, welfare and poverty relief.

SECTION E – FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts are prepared on a cash basis, due to the size of the Charity.

The principal source of income continues to be voluntary member donations, including gift aided donations. The expenditure in the year has supported the Charity's objectives in respect of:

- Upkeep of the property, the objectives of which is to provide a suitable premises for the main activities of worship, study and fellowship, as well as making our hall and facilities available for use by external organisations.
- Charitable giving to external organizations, which include local charities.
- Pastoral welfare of members that need support.

The income for the year was slightly higher than in the previous year. Cash flow decreased due to less demand for respite care grants and their payment.
Net spending decreased on the previous year, with the level of Outreach activities and donations staying broadly similar and utilities expenditure decreasing. Other expenditure was in line with the previous year.

The Charity's reserve policy is to hold main reserves at the level of one year's operating budget, to provide some resilience against any unforeseen events.

SECTION F – DECLARATION

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Stephen B Robinson
Secretary
Date: 10 October 2026



Charity Name	No (if any)
Newbury Christadelphian Ecclesia	1168280

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2025	To	Period end date 31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	12,964	7,931	-	20,895	23,908
Tax reclaimed from Gift Aid	2,478	1,770	-	4,248	4,398
Interest on deposit account	205	-	-	205	255
Sales of mags, diaries and hymnbooks	69	-	-	69	12
Wayleave	11	-	-	11	11
Care grants received	-	2,301	-	2,301	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	15,728	12,002	-	27,730	28,584
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	15,728	12,002	-	27,730	28,584
A3 Payments					
Repairs and maintenance	1,050	-	-	1,050	765
Electricity and gas	1,053	-	-	1,053	1,432
Water and sewage	462	-	-	462	1,020
Insurance	1,139	-	-	1,139	1,318
Telephone and internet	328	-	-	328	334
Care grants distributed	-	2,301	-	2,301	-
Donations paid	660	9,701	-	10,361	11,266
General housekeeping	2,211	-	-	2,211	2,771
Outreach activities	3,364	-	-	3,364	4,164
Sub total	10,266	12,002	-	22,267	23,070
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	10,266	12,002	-	22,267	23,070
Net of receipts/(payments)	5,462	-	-	5,462	5,514
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,695	288	-	21,983	-
Cash funds this year end	27,157	288	-	27,445	5,514

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Newbury Building Society Deposit A/C	7,914	-	-
	Lloyds Bank Current A/C	19,243	288	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	27,157	288	-
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Ben Cox	22/10/2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Newbury Christadelphian Ecclesia

Report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended: 31 December 2025
Charity Name: Newbury Christadelphian Ecclesia
Registered Charity Number: 1168280

Responsibilities and basis of report
As trustees, you are responsible for preparing the accounts under the **Charities Act 2011**. The examination is conducted under section 145 of the Act, following applicable Charity Commission directions.

Independent examiner's statement
The examiner confirms completion of the examination and states that no material matters arose indicating that accounting records were not kept as required, that accounts failed to match records, or that they did not comply with the Charities (Reports and Accounts) Regulations 2008. No other concerns requiring attention for a proper understanding of the accounts were found.



Signed:

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