COME AND SEE MINISTRIES

Registered Charity Number 1169051

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

(Receipts and Payments basis)

For the year ended 31 December 2025

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity name	Come and See Ministries
Charity registration number	1169051
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Trustees who served during the year:

- Pastor Roseline Anyanwu
- Mrs Benerdette Adebayo
- Mr Izuwa John Anyanwu
- Mrs Alaneme Elizabeth Ogugua
- Mrs Elizabeth Joseph
- Mr Patrick Obiegbunam

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 December 2025
Registered Charity Number: 1169051

1. Our Purpose and the Year in Review

Throughout 2025, Come and See Ministries continued to advance the Christian faith while putting that faith into action through practical care, community support, pastoral ministry and overseas mission work. The Trustees believe that the work of Come and See Ministries should be seen not only in church services, prayer and teaching, but also in the way the Ministry responds when individuals and families are experiencing hardship, illness, bereavement, isolation or other difficulties.

During the year, Come and See Ministries supported people through its community food bank, direct help with food and essential household items, monthly evangelism, pastoral care, sickness and bereavement support, activities for children and young people, an inclusive family retreat and international charitable missions. Much of this work was delivered by volunteers who freely gave their time to serve others.

The Trustees have sought to use the charity's resources responsibly while remaining responsive to genuine needs. The Ministry's aim is to provide support with dignity, compassion and Christian love, while ensuring that its activities remain sustainable.

2. Community Food Bank and Support for Families

Throughout 2025, Come and See Ministries continued to use its community food bank as a practical way of reaching individuals and families experiencing financial hardship. The Trustees recognise that behind every request for food is a person or family facing a real difficulty, and the Ministry has sought to respond sensitively and without judgement.

The food bank provided food and everyday essentials to people who needed support. Where the Ministry became aware of a family facing particular financial pressure, Come and See Ministries also provided additional groceries and necessary household items where resources allowed.

The Trustees remained conscious of continuing cost-of-living pressures. This meant balancing the increasing need for support with the charity's available finances, while seeking to ensure that people experiencing genuine hardship were not overlooked.

3. Evangelism, Worship and Christian Ministry

Monthly Evangelism and Community Outreach

Come and See Ministries continued its monthly evangelism and community outreach throughout the year. Members and volunteers went into the community to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, speak with people, offer prayer and encouragement, and invite individuals to participate in church and community activities.

For Come and See Ministries, evangelism is not limited to inviting people to a church service. It is also about meeting people where they are, listening, encouraging them and demonstrating Christian faith through both words and practical care.

Worship, Bible Teaching and Prayer

Regular worship services, Bible teaching and prayer continued to form the spiritual foundation of Come and See Ministries. These activities provided opportunities for Christian discipleship, fellowship, spiritual development and encouragement for people of different ages and backgrounds.

4. Pastoral Care and Practical Support

Open-Door Pastoral Support

Come and See Ministries maintained an open-door approach to pastoral care. Senior pastors and pastoral leaders remained available to speak with people, pray with them and provide encouragement and guidance during difficult periods.

This support was particularly important for individuals who were struggling emotionally, experiencing family difficulties or simply needed someone trusted to speak with. The Ministry sought to ensure that people within the church community knew they did not have to face difficult circumstances alone.

Bereavement Support

The Ministry continued to support individuals and families experiencing bereavement. Support included prayer, regular contact, companionship and practical pastoral care. The aim was to remain present beyond the immediate period of loss and to provide ongoing encouragement where needed.

Supporting People Who Are Unwell

Come and See Ministries has volunteers and pastoral leaders who visit and remain in contact with people who are unwell. These visits provide companionship, prayer and encouragement and help people who may be unable to attend church remain connected to the wider church family.

Supporting Families Following the Birth of a Child

The Ministry also celebrates and supports families following the birth of a baby. Where appropriate, families are visited and practical items such as nappies and baby essentials are provided. The Trustees regard these simple acts of support as an important part of caring for families at significant moments in their lives.

5. Children, Young People and Families

Come and See Ministries continued to invest in children and young people during the year. The Trustees want young people to develop spiritually while also growing in confidence, recognising their potential and making positive choices about their education, relationships and future.

The Ministry seeks to provide young people with positive role models and trusted adults whom they can approach for support. Emotional wellbeing is also taken seriously, with young people encouraged to speak openly when they are struggling and to seek appropriate help rather than carry difficulties alone.

Family and community activities, including Christmas activities, also created opportunities for different generations to spend time together, build relationships and reduce isolation.

6. Family Retreat at High Leigh Conference Centre

One of the significant activities undertaken by Come and See Ministries during 2025 was the family retreat at High Leigh Conference Centre in Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire.

For Come and See Ministries, the retreat is not simply an annual church event. It is an opportunity to invest in families, children and young people and to provide a period of rest, Christian fellowship, worship, teaching, prayer and recreation away from normal day-to-day pressures.

Making the Retreat Accessible

Accessibility was an important part of the Trustees' planning. The Trustees did not want financial circumstances to prevent people from taking part. Children and young people attended free of charge. Pensioners and people who were not working were also supported to attend without charge.

The Trustees considered the expected costs and budget for the retreat during the year and sought to balance the desire to make the retreat inclusive with responsible management of the charity's finances.

For some individuals and families, the retreat offered an opportunity to enjoy time away and take part in activities that they may otherwise have found difficult to afford. It also created space for families to spend meaningful time together away from their usual responsibilities.

Empowering Young People

A particular focus of the retreat was investing in young people. Empowerment sessions encouraged them to aim high, recognise their abilities, develop confidence and think positively about their education, aspirations and future.

The retreat also created opportunities for age-appropriate conversations around mental health and emotional wellbeing. Young people were encouraged to talk about pressures they may face and to understand that asking for help is important. They were reminded that trusted adults, pastoral leaders and appropriate professionals are available when additional support is needed.

Impact of the Retreat

The retreat brought children, young people, adults and older members of the community together in one environment. This helped strengthen relationships across generations and created opportunities for people to encourage and support one another.

The Trustees believe the retreat contributed positively to family wellbeing, spiritual development, confidence among young people and reduced social isolation. Feedback and lessons from the retreat will continue to inform future family activities organised by Come and See Ministries.

7. International Mission and Overseas Charitable Work

International mission work remains an important part of the charitable activities of Come and See Ministries. The Ministry believes that Christian mission should be demonstrated both in words and in action. Its overseas work therefore combines evangelism, prayer and Christian teaching with practical assistance to people experiencing poverty, disadvantage and hardship.

November Medical Mission in Nigeria

In November 2025, Come and See Ministries undertook a medical mission in Nigeria. The purpose of the outreach was to provide practical medical assistance within communities where some people may face difficulty accessing or affording healthcare.

In preparation for the mission, Come and See Ministries purchased medicines, medical supplies and medical equipment needed for the outreach. The medical element of the mission involved appropriate healthcare professionals, with the Ministry supporting the practical resources required to deliver the outreach.

The mission enabled Come and See Ministries to combine healthcare support with Christian outreach, prayer and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Trustees regard this combination of practical care and spiritual support as central to the Ministry's approach to mission.

Feeding and Supporting People Experiencing Poverty

As part of its international outreach, Come and See Ministries also provided food and practical assistance to people experiencing homelessness, poverty and severe hardship. Providing food allowed the Ministry to respond to immediate human needs while engaging with individuals and communities in a compassionate and respectful way.

Educational Support in Sierra Leone

Come and See Ministries continued to provide financial support towards school fees for orphaned and vulnerable children in Sierra Leone. The Trustees recognise that a lack of financial resources can prevent vulnerable children from accessing education and believe that educational support can have a lasting effect on a child's opportunities and future.

International Christian Outreach

Alongside humanitarian activities, the Ministry's overseas mission work continued to advance the Christian faith through evangelism, prayer, Christian teaching and sharing the Gospel. Come and See Ministries seeks to demonstrate Christian compassion in a way that addresses both spiritual and practical needs.

8. Volunteers, Employees and Trustees

Volunteers

Come and See Ministries had approximately 20 volunteers supporting its activities during 2025. Their contribution was central to the charity's ability to carry out its work.

Volunteers supported the community food bank, monthly evangelism, children's and young people's activities, pastoral support, sickness visits, bereavement support, worship and church activities, community events and the family retreat.

The Trustees are grateful for the time, commitment and care given by volunteers. Their contribution allows Come and See Ministries to reach more people and deliver a broader range of charitable activities than would otherwise be possible.

Employees

Come and See Ministries had no paid employees during the year. The charity's activities were delivered through the contribution of Trustees, church leaders and volunteers.

Trustee Remuneration

No Trustee received remuneration for acting as a Trustee during the year. All Trustees carried out their governance and oversight responsibilities on a voluntary and unpaid basis.

9. Public Benefit and the Difference Made

The Trustees have considered the public benefit arising from the activities of Come and See Ministries. The charity's work during 2025 reached people in different circumstances and at different stages of life.

Within the United Kingdom, Come and See Ministries provided food and essentials to people experiencing hardship, pastoral support to individuals and families, bereavement care, visits to people who were unwell, practical support following the birth of a child, Christian worship and teaching, monthly community evangelism, youth development and inclusive family activities.

The family retreat extended this public benefit by enabling children, young people, pensioners and people who were not working to participate without the cost becoming an automatic barrier. Young people were encouraged to develop confidence, aspiration and awareness of emotional wellbeing.

Internationally, Come and See Ministries supported vulnerable children's education, provided medicines, medical supplies and equipment for medical outreach, provided food and practical assistance to people experiencing poverty and homelessness, and advanced the Christian faith through evangelism, prayer and teaching.

The Trustees believe that the strength of Come and See Ministries lies in combining Christian ministry with practical care: responding to immediate needs while also building relationships, encouraging individuals and strengthening families and communities.

10. Challenges During the Year

The Trustees continued to see the effect of financial pressures on individuals and families. Rising everyday costs increased the importance of the food bank and requests for practical assistance.

The Trustees therefore had to balance compassion and responsiveness with responsible stewardship of the charity's finances. Not every need can be predicted in advance, and the Ministry needs to retain sufficient flexibility to respond when genuine hardship or urgent circumstances arise.

The emotional wellbeing of individuals and young people also remained important. This reinforced the value of accessible pastoral support, positive relationships, youth empowerment and creating safe opportunities for people to talk.

11. Financial Review

Come and See Ministries' balance includes **£221,462** retained in restricted funds account as part of the building funds for the church as agreed by the trustees. The bank balance on 31st December 2025 was **£411,723** (2024: £386,946). Funds are closely monitored by the trustees.

12. Reserves Policy

The Trustees of Come and See Ministries recognise their responsibility to manage the charity's finances carefully while ensuring that charitable funds are actively used to further the Ministry's objectives and support the people and communities it serves.

The Trustees have adopted a policy of seeking to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to approximately three months of normal unrestricted operating expenditure, where the charity's financial position allows.

The purpose of maintaining this level of reserves is to provide Come and See Ministries with reasonable financial protection against unexpected costs, fluctuations in income and unforeseen circumstances, and to help ensure that core charitable activities can continue if income is temporarily reduced.

In setting this policy, the Trustees have considered the nature of the Ministry's work. Come and See Ministries regularly responds to needs that cannot always be predicted in advance, including support for families experiencing hardship, food and essential items, pastoral needs and other urgent charitable circumstances.

The Trustees do not intend to accumulate funds unnecessarily. The charity remains committed to using its resources to further its charitable purposes and make a meaningful difference to its beneficiaries. The level of reserves will therefore be reviewed periodically in light of income, normal operating expenditure, planned activities and future commitments.

13. Restricted Funds

Come and See Ministries held no restricted funds during the year ended 31 December 2025.

14. Looking Ahead

Come and See Ministries intends to continue developing its charitable work in a way that remains responsive, compassionate and financially sustainable.

The Trustees expect the Ministry's priorities to continue to include the community food bank and hardship support, monthly evangelism, pastoral and bereavement care, visiting people who are unwell, supporting families, investing in children and young people and providing inclusive family and community activities.

The Trustees will use the experience gained from the High Leigh family retreat when planning future retreats and will continue to consider how activities can remain accessible to people who may otherwise be excluded because of cost.

Lessons from the Nigeria medical mission will also inform future international outreach. Subject to available resources, Come and See Ministries intends to continue supporting education for vulnerable children, humanitarian assistance, medical outreach and Christian mission work overseas.

The Trustees remain committed to ensuring that Come and See Ministries continues to be a place where Christian faith is expressed through worship, teaching, prayer, evangelism, compassion and practical support for people in need.

15. Other Matters

The Trustees are not aware of any additional significant matters requiring specific narrative reporting beyond the activities, governance and financial matters set out in this report and the accompanying annual accounts.

Independent Examiner's Report

For the year ended 31 December 2025

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of Come and See Ministries, Barnet.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Vera Ladega
Clarion Business Solutions Ltd
Accountants

Date: 18 September 2026

Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts						
Donations (offerings/tithes)	3	34,877	–	–	34,877	34,877
Building funds	3	–	33,350	–	33,350	45,820
Activities for generating funds		–	–	–	–	–
Bank and deposit interest		–	–	–	–	–
Sub-total		**34,877**	**33,350**	**–**	**68,227**	**80,697**
Grants		–	–	–	–	–
Other receipts / Gift Aid	2	–	–	–	–	–
Total receipts		**34,877**	**33,350**	**–**	**68,227**	**80,697**
Payments						
Costs of generating funds	4	17,789	–	–	17,789	17,801
Charitable activities	5	24,410	–	–	24,410	10,949
Governance costs	6	1,250	–	–	1,250	1,300
Total payments		**43,449**	**–**	**–**	**43,449**	**30,049**
Excess of receipts over payments for the year before transfers		**(8,572)**	**33,350**	**–**	**24,778**	**52,428**
Transfers		–	–	–	–	–
Excess of receipts over payments for the year		**(8,572)**	**33,350**	**–**	**24,778**	**52,428**

Statement of Balances

As at 31 December 2025

Bank and deposit balances

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	2025 £
Bank and deposit balances brought forward	198,833	188,112	–	386,945
Movement in year: excess of receipts over payments for the year	(8,572)	33,350	–	24,778
Bank and deposit balances carried forward	**190,261**	**221,462**	**–**	**411,723**

Assets retained for the charity's use

	2025 £
Musical instruments	4,337
Computer and equipment	–
Total	**4,337**

Liabilities

	2025 £
Provisions for liabilities	–
Total	**–**

Approval

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 18 September 2026.

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Come and See Ministries:

Signature: 

Roseline Anyanwu - Trustee

Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2025

1. Trustee remuneration and related party transactions

No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year.

No trustee or person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

2. Movements in funds

	At 1 Jan 2025 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	At 31 Dec 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General tithes and offerings	198,833	34,876	43,449	–	190,260
Gift Aid	–	–	–	–	–
Bank interest	–	–	–	–	–
Total unrestricted funds	**198,833**	**34,876**	**43,449**	**–**	**190,260**
Restricted funds					
Church Building Fund	187,790	33,350	–	–	221,140
Bank interest	322	–	–	–	322
Income from sale of asset	–	–	–	–	–
Total restricted funds	**188,112**	**33,350**	**–**	**–**	**221,462**
Total funds	**386,945**	**68,226**	**43,449**	**–**	**411,723**

Purposes of restricted funds

Church Building Fund: a fund to assist with the cost of purchasing a new property for the church.

3. Analysis of donations

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	2025 £
General offerings and tithes	34,877	–	–	34,877
Building funds	–	33,350	–	33,350
Tax recovered on Gift Aid donations	–	–	–	–
Total	**34,877**	**33,350**	**–**	**68,227**

4. Analysis of payments – costs of generating funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	2025 £
Mission's services	9,726	–	–	9,726
Total	**9,726**	**–**	**–**	**9,726**

5. Charitable activities and projects

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	2025 £
Ministries and mission	14,684	–	–	14,684
Church hall rent	7,832	–	–	7,832
Voluntary stipend	660	–	–	660
Minister’s expenses	–	–	–	–
Street feeding project	–	–	–	–
Pulpit supply	–	–	–	–
Staffing costs	–	–	–	–
Repairs and maintenance	–	–	–	–
Insurance	–	–	–	–
Equipment	4,337	–	–	4,337
Church office expenses	4,960	–	–	4,960
Organ, music and media	–	–	–	–
Printing, stationery and postage	–	–	–	–
Total	**32,473**	**–**	**–**	**32,473**

6. Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	2025 £
Accounting fees	1,000	–	–	1,000
Independent examiner fees	250	–	–	250
Total	**1,250**	**–**	**–**	**1,250**

7. Donations to third parties

	2025 £
Support and offering to other churches	–