Report of the Elder and Deacons – East Dulwich Tabernacle Baptist Church

The elder and deacons here provide their report and the audited financial statements for East Dulwich Tabernacle ("The Tabernacle") for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Administration, Structure and Governance

The Tabernacle is an Independent Particular Baptist Church, founded in 1877, now established by its legal constitution of June 2015 and a registered charity since November 2016 (Charity Number 1170385). The Elder and Deacons are elected by the Church and are responsible for its leadership.
Elder: Mr D Cadapen (Minister)
Deacons: Mr S Boghurst (Treasurer)
Mr P Cane (Secretary)
Mr D South

Objectives and Activities

The objective of the Tabernacle is the advancement of the Christian faith, the nurture of God's professing people and the benefit of the public through religious and moral education, and pastoral care, of children and young people.
The Tabernacle has a membership of 20 adults, and Sunday morning services consist of approximately 80-90 people including children. The Church consists of a diverse congregation with many different backgrounds.
An evangelical Sunday School takes place weekly, which comprises of both children of members and those unattached to the Church, with parental consent. Local children are collected and taken home, using three Church minibuses. Those who attend on Sundays also take part in a Friday youth club, where they engage in activities and games which precede a talk, following a termly topic. Special outings and parties are arranged throughout the year for the different age groups.

Achievements and Performance

In 2025, the church continued to see a good number of visitors and new faces attending services and settling with us. Additionally, our online presence continues to grow, with 490 subscribers to our YouTube channel. The church was involved in the production of 'The Divine Book' online documentary in collaboration with Pastor Jason Pallister of Providence Chapel Chichester. This documentary, narrated by our Pastor - Darren Cadapen - focuses on the Inspiration of Scripture and has over 14,000 views on YouTube.

In the summer we arranged day trips for our Sunday School students. We took our Juniors to Box Hill in Surrey, while our older Bible Class and College Class students enjoyed a day at Dulwich Scout Hut with games, activities and a barbecue, followed by a Gospel presentation. We continued our summer street-evangelism campaign at locations such as East Dulwich Station, Forest Hill, Camberwell, Sydenham and, for the first time, Queens Road, Peckham. We have seen visitors in church as a direct result of this outreach.

We held two fellowship outings - Swanley Park in May and Battersea Park in August - as well as a number of Seniors Fellowship lunches throughout the year which have been very well attended. We have strengthened our relationship with The Elms Care Home on Barry Road. Several of their residents are now regularly attending services. Towards the end of the year, we added Mrs Beatrice Kaunda as a member of the church at East Dulwich. The church continues to be involved with the work of the Trinitarian Bible Society. Pastor Cadapen joined the General Committee in May and continued to give Bible presentations in schools around London, including a school local to East Dulwich, St John's and St Clement's Primary School on Adys Road. Financially, notable expenditures include £500 to Ghana for benevolent care, £2,500 to Metropolitan Tabernacle for oversea pastors, £2500 to TBS for Ethiopian Scripture projects, and £2,500 for TBS GLA. At the church we spent £8,500 on a new church path, funded by designated gifts.

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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					
Internal Giving	72,111	2,591	-	74,701	63,099
Outside Giving	895	3,380	-	4,275	33,440
Interest	197	5,021	-	5,219	5,711
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	22,073	4,531	-	26,604	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	95,277	15,523	-	110,800	102,250
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	95,277	15,523	-	110,800	102,250
A3 Payments					
Ministry	45,535	-	-	45,535	41,042
Utilities	4,307	-	-	4,307	4,387
Church Renovation	8,628	-	-	8,628	9,423
Equipment Purchases	309	-	-	309	239
Vehicles	7,859	-	-	7,859	7,711
General Expenses	4,230	2	-	4,231	4,483
Children's Ministry	2,199	-	-	2,199	2,510
Children's Camp	600			600	4,228
Special Projects	-	-	-	-	2,500
Mission	8,275	-	-	8,275	3,790
Sub total	81,940	2	-	81,942	80,313
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	81,940	2	-	81,942	80,313
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,337	15,521	-	28,858	21,937
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10,752	284,143	-	294,895	272,959
Cash funds this year end	24,089	299,664	-	323,753	294,895

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	Current A/c	5,366	-	-
	Deposit A/c	18,723	299,664	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	24,089	299,664	-

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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)
Minibus (no.3) Notional value		-	300
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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
S Boghurst	S BOGHURST	23/09/2026

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees/ Members of East Dulwich Tabernacle Baptist Church on the accounts for the year ended 2025

Charity Number: 1170385

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of East Dulwich Tabernacle Baptist Church for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of East Dulwich Tabernacle Baptist Church ("the Trust"), 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 Trust'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 gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; 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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