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TOTTENHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2025

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Report of Financial Activities
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TOTTENHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
The Report of the Trustees
For the year ended 31 December 2025

The Trustees present their report of the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

THE CHURCH AND ITS NAME

The Church means members of the charitable unincorporated association governed by this constitution and known as **Tottenham Baptist Church [alias The Chapel, High Road, Tottenham] Constitution** which is being referred to henceforth as 'the Church'.

Names of trustees in the period

1. The Rev Harrison Daniel Otieno [PhD] - Trustees Chairperson – Senior Minister – Leader of Charity
2. Miss Olatomirin Kolade [PhD] – Secretary – Deacon –
3. Mrs Ivy Legore – Trustee
4. Mrs Hannah Kajue - Trustee
5. Rose Bombali Longange – Trustee
6. Mr Jean-Claude Longange [MSc] - Trustee

PURPOSE

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

BELIEFS

As a Member of the Baptist Union the Church subscribes to the **Union's Declaration of Principle**:

"That our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, is the sole and absolute authority in all matters pertaining to faith and practice, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures, and that each church has liberty, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to interpret and administer His laws.

That Christian Baptism is the immersion in water into the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost, of those who have professed repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ who 'died for our sins according to the Scriptures; was buried and rose again on the third day'.

That it is the duty of every disciple to bear personal witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to take part in the evangelisation of the world."

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

In fulfilling its **Purpose**, the Church will engage in a range of **Activities** either on its own, or with others. The range of activities will vary from time to time, with the activities being initiated, expanded, or closed, as appropriate.

The Activities may include but are not restricted to:

- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching
- baptism, as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle.
- the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month.
- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.
- the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people.
- nurture and growth of Christian disciples.
- education and training for Christian and community service.
- giving and encouraging pastoral care.
- supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad.
- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians

Notwithstanding the appointment of persons to accept responsibility for any of these Activities; all individuals, organisations, groups, and committees operating within the life of the Church, and their leaders, shall be accountable to the **Charity Trustees** and through specific directions of the **Church Members' Meeting**.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE/PUBLIC BENEFIT

During 2025, the activities of the charity have remained heavily impacted by the outbreak of Covid-19. Five years on we are still feeling the financial impact left behind by depleted congregations.

Despite the financial constraints, the Charity Tottenham Baptist Church was able to engage in most of the activities listed above. The church had teams engaged into evangelism both around the church on every Tuesday and another team going to the local area for evangelism during the Turning Mission Week in London in September 2025.

The charity was able to run its Girls Brigade's program every Thursday term time. It was also able to run its Mums and Dads Toddler [Tots & Tinies] program every Friday in the morning during term time. It also initiated a Young People meeting every Friday of the Week term time.

The church – the Charity – Tottenham Baptist Church being housed in a Grade B listed building; has opened its doors to Heritage visits and site seeing. Keeping the building in pristine condition has been one of the most difficult activities. While we are beginning to sees congregation growth, this growth has not yet translated into increased financial contributions from the church members. The church /the charity is still able to function because of the generous contributions of its members as it will be seen from the accounts below. We as the trustees are pleased to note much of what the charity was set for has been achieved even in these times of high financial constraints.

The Chairperson and Leader of the trustees and of the charity.

The Rev, Dr Otieno, Harrison, Daniel

TOTTENHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2025

Financial Review

Transactions and Financial Position

The financial accounts are set out on pages 7 to 8. The financial statements have been prepared implementing the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued by the Charity Commission for England and Wales (effective Apri2005) and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005). The Trustees consider the financial position of the charity during the year has been satisfactory.

The Statement of Financial Activities show gross resources for the year of a revenue nature of £66,273. A shortfall of £18,851 from the previous year's figure of £85,125. Total expenditure was £73,744, a slight increase from the previous year's figure of £72,410.

The Church recorded a Net deficit for the year of £ 7,471.

Principal funding sources

The charity relies on offerings, tithes, and various donations from the members as identified in the accounts, whose support is greatly valued.

Major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems to mitigate those risks

Financial
The charity is open to the usual financial risks of any organisation, and the charity has introduced controls to minimise these risks, such as two signatures being required for payments from the bank account, an appointed deacon/pastor of the church is required to authorise payments for purchases, and also the accounts are regularly explained to members of the charity and are open for member's inspection at any time.

Children and Vulnerable adults
Work with children and vulnerable adults are open to risks. The policy is that visitation, counselling and any work involving children and vulnerable adults are done by trained persons who work in pairs. New volunteers to the children ministry are recruited on the basis of Baptist Union's policy for the recruitment of volunteers for children's ministry which are in line with Government policy.

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Report on the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Statement of Directors' and Trustees Responsibilities

Charity Law requires the Board to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements, the Board is required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, 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 presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity which is sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. 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.

The trustees are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the auditors in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on .....09/.07/2026.....

Signed:……..... , ...*Harrison Daniel Otieno*.....

Name: ....Rev. Dr. Harrison Daniel Otieno.

Chairperson and Leader of the Trustees of the Charity.

Tottenham Baptist Church

Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Report to the trustees of Tottenham Baptist Church on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 as set out on pages 8 to 13.

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 the year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993(the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:-

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the Act.
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement
My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 the 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 accounts.

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 1993 Act; and
  . to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the account 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:- …*E. M. Quarshie*…….. ..... Date:- …12/07/2026…...….....

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	31/12/2024	31/12/2025
INCOMING FUNDS:	**£**	**£**
Envelopes	24,507	22,583
Gifts/Communion/cash	4,372	2,176
Bank interest received		
Covenant Gift-Aid	15,334	-
Income from operations	**44,213**	**24,759**
Refunds	-	-
Rental income [flats]	40,912	41,514
TOTAL INCOMING FUNDS	**85,125**	**66,273**
EXPENDITURE [out-goings]		
Rates	13,836	10,945
Building repairs/maintenance	3,042	4,852
Stationery	1,347	1,010
Wages & Pensions	28,975	37,061
Equipment purchase	1,048	1,330
Building Insurance	7,114	7,303
Music & Media	795	1,608
Accountancy fees	500	600
Sundry expenses	815	633

Donations [missions & welfare]	625	750
Honorarium	650	550
Subscriptions	605	830
loan repayment	5,786	-
Telephone & internet	1,116	1,166
Pastoral expenses	5,018	5,106
Training	1138	-
TOTAL OUT-GOINGS	**72,410**	**73,744**
NET SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)	**12,715**	**(7,471)**

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Rev Dr. Harrison Daniel Otieno

Trustee

On 09/07/2026

Notes to the accounts
For the year ended 31 December 2025

Accounting policies

Accounts preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities (FRSSE), and all other applicable accounting standards, effective June 2002, as modified by the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, effective October 2000, adapted to meet the needs of unincorporated organisations.

Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared using the cash accounting basis.

Incoming resources are accounted for as received and expenditure as spent.

Incoming Resources

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Investment Income

Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

1. **Salaries & wages**	**2024** **£**	**2025** **£**
Gross Salaries and wages	33,993	37,061

Number of full time employees or full time equivalents	1

There were no other employees with emoluments in excess of £60,000 per annum.
No other trustees received any remuneration in the year ended 31December 2025.