Chorley Evangelical Free Church

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 3 1 st December 2025

The trustees present their report along with the financial statement and Independent Examiners report for the year ended 31 December 2024

1.The name of the charity is Chorley Evangelical Free Church.

2.The address of the charity is Saint Georges Street, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2AA.

3.The charity is governed by a constitution adapted by the church members on the 4th December 2019 and recorded with the Charity commissioners.

4.The Charity Registration Number is 1187480

5.The objects of the Charity are:

To advance the Christian faith primarily but not exclusively in Lancashire and surrounding area, in accordance with the doctrinal basis.

To further such charitable purposes as the trustees may from time to time decide.

6 The Trustees are appointed by the church as stipulated in the constitution. The current trustees are:

Pastor Mark Bassett

Mr Bernard Gooderham

Mr Olu Odusanya

Mr David Palmer

Mr Simeon Raby

Mr Ephraim Thomas.

7.The trustees receive no remuneration with the exception of Pastor Mark Bassett which is permitted for his employment as Church Pastor.

8.All the trustees are Involved in the day to day running of the charity using their different skills.

9.The Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts has been carried out by Paul Harrison, ACMA 70, Hamilton Road Garswood, Ashton-in- Makerfield, Wigan, WN4 OSU.

10.The charities bankers are NatWest, 46 Market Street, Chorley.

1 1 Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The Charities Commission requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that show a true and fair state of the charities financial position which we have sort to do, presenting figures clearly so our members can see how the charity is placed financially.

12. Review of the Year.

We have sort to maintain our weekly programme of Worship services at 10.30am (during this service we have a Sunday school for Children) and 6.30pm on Sunday, with a Bible study and Prayer meeting

on Wednesday evening. A toddler group is run on a Thursday morning at 10.00am. Once a month we hold a Tuesday Lunch. Games evenings are held from time to time to introduce new people to the Church. A small number of Asylum seekers attend and we are trying to help with language translation where possible. All these activities are open to all to attend. During the summer school holiday, we held a Holiday Bible Club for children of primary school age. On the last weekend in September, we held our Harvest Thanksgiving Services and many people brought gifts of flowers to decorate the building and food manly tinned and dry food which was distributed after the weekend to families in need with the balance being donated to the Chorley Food Bank,

13. Insurance Policy

Our policies haye been reviewed during the year.

14. Safeguarding

All our Trustees and Volunteers are subject to clearance through the Disclosure and Barring using the agency of Thirtyone:Eight.

15.Investment Policy.

The trustees have power to make investments in line with the agreed constitution; at the present time a small part of our funds is invested in a savings account, which is available at short notice if needed for the day to day running of the charity.

16.Voluntary Support.

The trustees are very appreciative of the generous support of the church members in terms of help both with their time and financially without which the charity could not function as it does.

Signed by on behalf of the Trustees of Chorley Evangelical Free Church.

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Statement of Financial Activities

January - December 2025

	Total	
	Jan - Dec 2025	Jan - Dec 2024 (PY)
INCOME		
Bank Interest	574.96	218.04
Carols and Mince Pies	15.00	97.00
Donations	2,810.00	2,805.00
Gift Aid General	11,805.13	5,081.30
In memory of Olwen Jackson	60.00	0.00
Loan repayment	3,000.00	1,000.00
Manse - Income	7,766.40	6,601.00
Missionary	540.00	1,081.00
Offerings	38,042.12	47,521.04
Total Income	**64,613.61**	**64,404.38**
TOTAL	**64,613.61**	**64,404.38**
EXPENDITURES		
Accomodation	0.00	156.96
Bank Charges	0.00	60.07
Batteries	63.14	62.32
Boiler Service	626.88	729.37
Books and bible	604.23	589.72
Catering/Cleaning	700.94	1,247.94
Church Leaflet	552.34	0.00
Church Repairs*	880.79	1,783.37
Copyright Licence	196.00	189.00
Derian House	97.00	62.50
DishWasher	0.00	539.09
Electric	1,107.54	1,370.07
EN & ET Holiday Guide	67.00	63.00
Gas	1,529.95	2,601.05
Gift to Ulverston	0.00	500.00
Holiday Club	232.73	394.87
Insurance	2,251.47	2,350.48
Internet	314.28	304.50
Kitchen,Sinks & cupboard	0.00	1,350.68
Lancs Fellowship Subs	40.00	20.00
Loan paid	0.00	5,000.00
Manse - Insurance	464.41	438.11
Memorial service	60.00	0.00
Missionary - exp	0.00	0.00
Blythswood Care	331.00	0.00
Caring for Life	1,000.00	1,000.00
Hetton Chapel	0.00	200.00
Lapson - Malawi	2,231.00	2,376.00
Open air Mission	0.00	150.00
SASRA	150.00	0.00

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	**Chorley Evangelical Free Church**		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1187480
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of 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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	[signature]	**Date:**	17/07/2026
Name:			
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	CIMA		
Address:	70 Hamilton Road, Garswood, Ashton-in-Makerfield, WN4 0SU		