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DBC has actively pursued our objectives and aims throughout 2025. Christian worship took place on all 52 Sundays of the year. In addition to this we have been able to sustain a midweek evening prayer meeting / home group in church members homes. This is alongside the monthly morning prayer meeting held in the church building and a weekly home group hosted by one of our members. A Sunday school for children operates with a rota of teachers and a structured teaching programme. A Christian baptism was conducted in DBC on Easter Sunday when one of our young people was baptised. The church continues to hold a Boys Brigade and Girls Association on a Tuesday evening and has a regular attendance of 10 children. Several of our children were able to attend a Boys Brigade and Girls Association camp outside Ashbourne in August. During the months when the weather is suitable one church member offers residents' Christian books from a book table mainly placed in the town centre, and several people have taken books for themselves and for others. DBC is in a prominent location in the town, and the signage is changed regularly to promote the Christian faith to passing traffic. The church regularly uses the garden for outdoor activities, mainly with the children's work, and at different seasons of the Christian calendar builds models in the garden reflecting parts of the Christian story. DBC also maintains a social media presence on Facebook and through its website to keep people informed about what is happening in the church. Further afield, DBC helps advance the Christian faith nationally through its link with FIEC, and internationally by supporting mission partners in Southeast Asia and Africa with their literacy, pastoral and medical work. Locally the church contributes food regularly to Belper Food bank and supports the work of Derby City Mission. DBC has good links with other organisations in the local community and has opened its doors to a local Scout group to use the church on a regular basis during the past year. Other organisations that used the building in 2025 were a French class and the Women's Institute. As the church is there for people in all seasons of life, we have conducted funerals for local people who have died, and given support to their bereaved families and friends. This year we began to meet for coffee times in the community in places like the Weston Centre, and Ada Bellfield Centre in Belper to meet local people, especially senior citizens and gain an awareness of their needs, as well as to be able to share the Christian message as opportunity may arise. By the grace of God and the generosity of our members, our finances continue to cover the needs of the church and enable us to support not only our own ministries but contribute to the needs of others who are serving in the gospel. Considering our financial health we have been able to maintain the church building to an acceptable standard and to repair for use the pipe organ. The church prays regularly for the King, and his government, our local MP and for people in our community, and is there for anyone in the community needing prayer. 2025 has been a year of continued growth and change for DBC for which we give God glory and thanks. These changes reinforce to the trustees our need to keep our policies, procedures and codes under review in 2026. In addition, we aim to strengthen the leadership of the church and increase our number of trustees in 2026.

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Alex Collins

Pastor and Trustee of Duffield Baptist Church.

17/01/2025

List of Officers, Trustees and Deacons
Pastor Rev. Alexander David Collins
Secretary. Vacant
Treasurer Stephen Leslie Shepherd
Deacons / Trustees Alexander David Collins
Brian David Darby
Stephen Leslie Shepherd
Graham Charles Spencer
Peter Henry Woodward (Trustee only)
Keith Powney (Trustee only)
Charity number 1194982

DUFFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

31.12.24				31.12.25		
23,333.00		GIFT AIDED DONA	25,761.00			
9,990.01		OFFERINGS	14,794.12		46,263.37	£4,626.34
2,046.25		HMRC GIFT AID TA	5,708.25			
-37.75		BOYS BRIGADE &	94.58			
		SUSPENSE ACCOU	0.00			
100.55		CARNIVAL	141.95			
1,560.00	**36,992.06**	ROOM HIRE	1,140.00	**47,639.90**		
		LESS: EXPENSES				
		PASTOR'S SALARY	-26,332.80			
		DBC PENSION CON	-554.40			
-307.80		MILEAGE				
-360.00		PULPIT	-70.00			
-1,935.81		GAS AND ELECTRI	-1,467.55			
-464.53		PRINTING & STATI	-151.98			
-1,042.14		INSURANCE	-1,062.72			
-250.00		AFFILIATIONS	-250.00			
		SALARY BUREAU F	-729.25			
-1,700.00		MISSIONS	-4,440.00			-4,440.00
-71.00		POSTAGES				
-212.46		WATER	-246.01			
-746.27		REPAIRS & MAINTE	-9,695.26			
-20.00		BUS FARES				
-37.00		CONFERENCE FEE	-345.00			
-8,064.00		PASTORS EXPENS	-230.89			
-52.20		SIGNS				
-22.15		HOSPITALITY	-203.95			
-30.00		WEB SITE				
-71.40		BANK CHARGES	-72.00			
-339.05		SUBSCRIPTIONS	-704.82			
	-15,725.81			-46,556.63		
	21,266.25	**SURPLUS/DEFICIT**		1,083.27		
	7,983.09	**ACCUMMULATED FUND B/F**		29,249.34		
	29,249.34			**30,332.61**		

Contingent Liability on Giving:

10% of Tithes and Offerings	*4,626.34*		
Less: Paid to date	*-4,440.00*	***186.34***	**186.34**

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

31.12.24				31.12.25
1,100,000.00		**CAPITAL FUND**		1,100,000.00
29,249.34		**ACCUMMULATED FUNDS**		30,332.61
1,129,249.34				**1,130,332.61**
		Represented By		
-1,100,000.00		**LAND AND BUILDINGS**		-1,100,000.00
-29,249.34		**BALANCE WITH BANK**		-30,332.61
-1,129,249.34				**-1,130,332.61**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Duffield Baptist Church

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December, 2025, which are set out on the accompanying page(s).

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the Charities 1993 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) 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 section 44 (1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act and section 44(1)(b) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 9 of the 2006 Regulations have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed : _____

Name : Steve Adam

Address : 1 Sherroside Close, Allestree, Derby DE22 2HN

Date : 11th February, 2026