CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' annual report for the period 31 DECEMBER 2025

From: 1 JANUARY 2025 **To: 31 DECEMBER 2025**

Charity name: DEBRE KIDUSAN ABUNE AREGAWI TIGRAYAN ORTHODX TEWAHEDO CHURCH LEEDS (UK)

Charity registration number: 1198361

Objectives and activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the CIO Debre Kidusan Abune Aregawi Tigrayan Orthodx Tewahedo Church Leeds (UK) are to advance the Orthodox Tewahedo Christian faith in accordance with the doctrines, dogma and principles of the Orthodox Tewahedo Churches in Tigray and in such other parts of the world as the CIO may from time to time find it fit and fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the CIO.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	• The core activities of the church are centred around advancing the Orthodox Tewahedo Christian faith which takes place through teaching, preaching, prayer, and regular worship. • Provision of spiritual help and encouragement, especially but not exclusively to the Ethiopian and Eritrean people.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and are satisfied that the activities of the charity satisfy the requirement for public benefit and are consistent with the objects of the charity.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteers are essential for the operation and activities of the church and charity. It is difficult to quantify their contribution, but without their input the work of the charity would not be possible.
Other		

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	These are some the activities and achievements of the church during the reporting period: • Conducted regular worship meetings at church with excellent attendance • Organised Prayer and fasting sessions through the year • Organised conferences by inviting guest speakers to empower and share God's love and grace with the church and the wider community • Children Ministry – serves children according to their age groups • Organised Baptism services

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives		
Other		

Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	**Not applicable**
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	**Not applicable**
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	**Not applicable**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	**Tithes and Offerings** **Baptism Services** **Membership Contributions**
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example, trust deed, memorandum and articles of association etc	Para 1.25	**Constitution whose voting members are charity trustees**
How is the charity constituted? for example limited company, unincorporated association, CIO	Para 1.25	**Charitable Incorporated Organisation**
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	**Appointed by existing Trustees**

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and administrative details

Charity name	**DEBRE KIDUSAN ABUNE AREGAWI TIGRAYAN ORTHODX TEWAHEDO CHURCH LEEDS (UK)**
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	**1198361**
Charity's principal address	**Old Star Cinema** **Glenthorpe Crescent** **LEEDS** **LS9 7QP**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Areiya Selassie ASSEFA	Chairperson		
2	Ataklti Tquabo	Member	18 August 2025	
3	Yonas Abay	Member	24 March 2025	
4	Samuel Nayzgi	Member	24 March 2025	
5	Kbrom kidane	Member	24 March 2025	
6	ZELALEM TESHALE	Member	24 March 2025	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None

Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	Not applicable
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	Not applicable

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Not applicable

Other optional information

Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s)	Rev Areiya Selassie ASSEFA	ZELALEM TESHALE
Full name(s)	Rev Areiya Selassie ASSEFA	ZELALEM TESHALE
Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	Member
Date	26/10/2026	

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Receipts and payments accounts

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					
Tithes and Offerings	9,833	-	-	9,833	-
Baptism Services	1,050	-	-	1,050	-
Membership Contributions	10,940	-	-	10,940	-
Development Department income	1,160	-	-	1,160	-
Building project Funds	-	1,500	-	1,500	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
AR)	22,983	1,500	-	24,483	-
(see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	22,983	1,500	-	24,483	-
A3 Payments					
Church & Office Rent	6,073	-	-	6,073	-
Conference and Advertising	1,360	-	-	1,360	-
Costs of Charitable Activities	3,750	-	-	3,750	-
Management and administration	181	-	-	181	-
		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,364	-	-	11,364	-
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,364	-	-	11,364	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,619	1,500	-	13,119	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	17,038	64,826	-	81,864	-
Cash funds this year end	28,657	66,326	-	94,983	-

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	Main Bank Account	28,657	66,326	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,657	66,326	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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	Details	Fund to which liability	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Rev Areiya Silasie Asefa	26/10/2026
		Mr Zelalem Teshale	**26/10/2026**