REYNARD WAY CHURCH
NORTHAMPTON

Charity Reference number:1207627

2025 Annual Report

“The LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob. Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God.” So reads Psalm 87 verses 2-3. It speaks of the LORD’s delight in His people when they meet together. Meeting together has also been a blessing to many of us this year, as we have again enjoyed times of worship and been richly nourished from the food of the word, preached and taught.

Once again we have had the privilege of hearing sermons from different parts of the Bible: from Romans, Numbers and Jude; and about worship, sovereignty and Elisha. Pastor Paul Milner also preached once, the first time for five years.

On a quite different not, two trends are observable: ageing has affected our older members especially, with mental and physical limitations encroaching more and more; but also babies keep appearing! So, we have both a thriving Bible study group for mums with their children; and increasing needs and pressures on those who care for the older generation--and those who care are often ‘old’ themselves.

We have continued visiting two care homes monthly, with profit, we trust, for residents and appreciation from the staff. Two more homes would also like us to lead worship regularly. We sang carols at both of these, but regular commitment this year has been beyond our capacity.

Although we reduced our special needs events to two this year (just Easter and Christmas, leaving out Harvest), there has been opportunity to visit special needs facilities over Christmas, and bring the Christmas message and join in singing carols. This contact with people with special needs is important; and we continue to try and make our services accessible to all.

Regular work amongst children and young people continues with a variably-sized Sunday School; a healthy mid-week after school club and a re-launched evening group for teenagers. Two annual events have drawn in many 5-11 year-olds: the Bible Exhibition, an inter-active presentation of Bible truth, when 430 adults and children from three local primary academies and some home-schooled children, enjoyed Bible characters acting in costume, followed by some quiz questions and food-tasting; and the Holiday Club at the end of August, when children came each morning and heard about “Ultimate Superhero”.

As well as local care homes and schools, we were able to contribute monthly to a local Food Bank. We are also connected to other churches in the county, supporting and being supported by them in prayer, providing preaching and some oversight.

Other events not yet mentioned: Weekly: Craft and Chat on Mondays, Community Groups, ‘Know Your Bible’ and other Bible study occasions, creche on Sundays, Tots’ Time on Wednesdays, various prayer times; and, twice weekly, the building is used by NHS drop-in clinics.

Fortnightly: Coram Deo (for students and others), Firm Foundations (Biblical doctrines taught)

Monthly: Coffee Morning on Thursdays; Men’s Breakfast on Saturdays.

Occasional: Inspire ladies meetings, Ladies’ Meal in November, Missionary meetings, Joint Prayer Meetings (with other churches), meals at church.

We supported the Open Air Mission. Our Evangelist is one of their Associates. Evangelism is an important aspect of the work of the church—we cannot keep to ourselves the good news which is intended for everybody. We invite those local to the church building to ‘come on in’ to hear this news. We preach it in the town centre. We pray, as taught in the Lord’s prayer, “Your kingdom come”.

Beyond the county, some of us attended the East Midlands Churches Day in June; and we were represented at the FIEC Leaders’ Conference in November.

Beyond these shores we support Grace Baptist Mission workers in Madeira and a European Mission Fellowship worker in Romania, to where we also sent Christmas gifts in shoe-boxes. We were also able to send a substantial on-off gift to help those affected by a serious storm an flooding in Jamaica.

Fourteen new people have become members this year, bringing the total to 85. The morning congregation is considerably larger than this.

We record all this with gratitude to our gracious Lord God.

GW December 2025

REYNARD WAY EVANGELICAL CHURCH: Registered Charity No. 1207627
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

2025 has been a challenging year for many members, but we also have a faithful God who has provided for more than our financial needs. Thank you to all who have switched to on-line giving.

Our General Fund this year has received £ 155,458.14 and we spent £ 152,963.27 [Excess Income of £ 2,494.87]

The General Fund current balance is £ 76,302.00 [This includes our Reserve Funds of £23,761.91]
Our Restricted Fund balance is £ 41,855.28 [This includes Ministry Training fund of £37,498.26 and Boiler replacement Fund of £4,000: and Defibrilator Fund £357.02]

Our Mission Gifts this year amounted to £ 15,229.88 just short of 10% of our income

GENERAL FUND RECEIPT & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS	**Notes**	**2025**		**2024**	
Offerings and Donations					
Gift Aided		£103,753.14		£100,838.73	
Ordinary		£20,145.00		£23,178.40	
Donations		£12.45		£75.00	
Preaching fees received		£1,194.00		£1,456.00	
Use of Church premises		£1,905.00		£2,640.00	
Mission Gifts		£0.00		£215.00	
Income Tax Recovered		£27,292.33		£42,620.31	
Interest		£1,156.22	**£155,458.14**	£1,227.07	**£172,250.51**
TOTAL RECEIPTS			**£155,458.14**		**£172,250.51**
PAYMENTS					
Church General					
Administration	**2**	£4,790.79		£2,808.86	
Bible Exhibition		£210.27		£1,019.60	
Book of the Month/Library		£176.57			
Evangelistic Events		£1,078.39			
Equipment		£766.47			
Miscellaneous	**4**	£626.61		£2,026.99	
Ministry Books		£240.48		£505.27	
Mission Gifts	**1**	£15,229.88		£17,136.75	
Pollard travel expenses repaid		£94.00		£56.00	
Publicity & Outreach	**3**	£145.98		£1,829.49	
Safeguarding/Training		£893.06			
Streaming expenses		£677.26		£631.22	
Visiting Speakers		£770.00		£445.00	
Youth, S/School, Wed Club		£198.65	**£25,898.41**	£228.21	**£26,687.39**
Church Building					
Electricity, Water & Gas		£5,432.97		£3,933.60	
Maintenance & Insurance		£3,062.73		£5,162.39	
Refurbishment		£1,845.22	**£10,340.92**	£11,641.22	**£20,737.21**
Associate Pastor					
Salary and Employers NI		£33,968.06		£31,816.78	
Expenses		£626.60		£827.49	
Pension		£1,382.33	**£35,976.99**	£1,272.72	**£33,916.99**
Pastor					
Salary and Employers NI		£21,661.72		£19,108.66	
Ministerial Expenses		£564.20		£390.11	
Pension		£887.92	**£23,113.84**	£772.68	**£20,271.45**
Evangelist					
Salary and Employers NI		£37,034.13		£32,104.30	
Expenses		£312.00		£347.97	
Pension		£1,510.06	**£38,856.19**	£1,283.52	**£33,735.79**
Ladies' Worker					
Salary and Employers NI		£13,646.84		£13,738.70	
Expenses		£312.00		£312.00	
Pension		£561.60	**£14,520.44**	£561.60	**£14,612.30**
Workplace Pension Scheme			**£4,256.48**		**£2,917.88**
TOTAL PAYMENTS			**£152,963.27**		**£152,879.01**
NET RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR			**£2,494.87**		**£19,371.50**
FUND BALANCE AT 01 JANUARY 2025			**£76,302.00**		**£56,930.50**
FUND BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2025			**£78,796.87**		**£76,302.00**

REYNARD WAY EVANGELICAL CHURCH RESTRICTED FUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31.12.2025

RESTRICTED FUNDS RECEIPT & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT	2025		2024	
FUND BALANCE AT 01 JANUARY 2025	£33,577.52		£31,357.02	
	Paid in	Paid out	Paid in	Paid out
Ministry Training Fund donations	£12,000.00	£3,722.24	£4,990.50	£2,800.00
Mission Gifts	£900.00	£900.00		
General donation			£30.00	£30.00
Mandritsara 'Poor Fund donations			£782.58	£782.58
Holiday Bible Club			£210.00	£180.00
FUND BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2025	£41,855.28		£33,577.52	

REYNARD WAY EVANGELICAL CHURCH
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

Petty Cash	£29.78		
Lloyds Bank Account	£6,657.58	General Fund	£78,796.87
Lloyds Bank Reserve Account	£3.99	Restricted Fund	£41,855.28
Lloyds Bank 95-day Reserve Account	£23,757.92		
NatWest Current Account	£9,263.36		
Plus cheques not yet credited	£140.00		
Less Items not yet debited	£62.53		
NatWest Deposit Account	£38,714.12		
NatWest Restricted Account	£42,147.93		
	£120,652.15		£120,652.15

NOTES:-

1. Mission Gifts during this financial year

Birmingham City Mission	£250.00
E.M.F.	£4,500.00
East Midlands Church's Day	£100.00
Grace Baptist Mission	£4,500.00
Hardingstone Church Plant	£129.88
M.A.F.	£1,100.00
Open Air Mission	£4,600.00
Torch Trust	£50.00
	£15,229.88

2. Administration

CCLI (Copyright subscriptions)	£340.00	Licences
Cobley Desborough	£318.00	Independent Examination
F.I.E.C.	£2,973.60	Subscription
F.I.E.C. Leader Conference	£339.26	
Moneysoft	£108.00	Payroll program
Employment Consultant	£365.00	
Thirty-one Eight	£199.50	
123 Reg	£147.43	
	£4,790.79	

3. Publicity & Outreach

Publicity & Outreach	£145.98
	£145.98

4. Miscellaneous Expenditure

Paper & Toner	£123.82
Wireless Licence	£56.00
Piano tuning/repair	£45.00
Housekeeping	£160.09
Janitorial supplies	£241.70
	£626.61

TRUSTEE REIMBURSEMENT

Philip Lewis	£40.00
Allan Huxtable	£1,342.45
Paul Milner	£150.00

Accounts prepared by Eric Lightfoot, Church Treasurer

Independent Examination by Cobley Desborough, Artisans House, 7 Queensbridge, Northampton, NN4 7BF

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE REYNARD WAY EVANGELICAL CHUCH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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14th April 2026