Charity Number: 1207949

Community Baptist Church North Manchester

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Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

Year Ended 31st December 2025

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Community Baptist Church

Year Ended 31st December 2025

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Legal and Administrative Information

Reference
The organisation is called “Community Baptist Church” and is based in the Whitefield area of Bury in Manchester.

The Church was formally registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 22 April 2024, under the name Community Baptist Church North Manchester (CIO number: 1207949).

Registered Charity Number	1207949
Website	www.communitybaptistchurch.org.uk
Principal Address	30 Hillsborough Drive Unsworth Greater Manchester BL9 8LF

Church Leaders and Trustees
The following individuals served as Church leaders and trustees during the financial year:

	Rev Alan Fearnhead
	Irene Perrella
	Aimee Forsyth
	Catherine Fearnhead
	Mary Perrella
	Pastor Michael Wyatt Appointed in March 2025
Primary Bankers	The Co-operative Bank 1 Balloon Street Manchester M4 4BE
Independent Examiner	Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA Wyatt & Co Chartered Accountants 125 Main Street Garforth Leeds LS25 1AF

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Trustees' Annual Report

Objects of the Charity

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian message according to Biblical Baptist principles as set out in our Articles of Faith and to encourage others to join with us.

The Church undertakes the following activities:

- Regular public worship, prayer, preaching and teaching each Sunday
- A Sunday school for our children with age appropriate teaching
- A dedicated midweek service focused on prayer and Bible study
- Baptism, for all those who have made a commitment to make Jesus their Saviour
- The Lord's Supper (Communion), which is normally observed quarterly
- Evangelism through personal communications but also through our leaflet ministry in the local communities of Prestwich, Whitefield and the surrounding areas.
- Pastoral care for the congregation and wider community
- Regular events including guest speakers, Church lunches, ladies days, special services (Easter/Christmas etc)

Achievements and Performance

Through the work of the Church, the Christian faith has been communicated to many people. Both adults and our younger folks have benefited from the social aspect of being in Church and have been uplifted and challenged to see the truth of God through the Christian faith.

We have been blessed to have Pastor Wyatt join as our pastor following the retirement of Pastor Fearnhead and we held a retirement party / inauguration service on 9 March 2025 to formally welcome Pastor Wyatt as Pastor and Trustee of Community Baptist Church North Manchester and Cristy Wyatt as Sunday school lead. In terms of regular services, we have continued with our Sunday morning and Wednesday bible studies. However we have also introduced a Thursday evening bible study.

We also started bi-monthly men's breakfasts and ladies meetings to provide further opportunities to fellowship, share the gospel message and encourage one another with events being attended by old and new church members as well as other visitors, friends and family.

In November the congregation donated items and we compiled 15 shoeboxes of gifts and essential items which were sent to children less fortunate via Operation Christmas Child by the charity Samaritan's Purse. Christian literature and invites continue to go out to the local community, and many people have had the opportunity to hear more about the good news contained within the Bible and the gospel message. We continue to develop our website and Facebook page where more information can be gained about both the Church and the Christian faith.

Overseas missionaries have continued to be supported both financially and with prayer, and we continue to support the Baptist Bible College in Telford. We also held a missions month in September which included learning more about each of our missionaries, Pastor Williams from Honduras speaking and a missions luncheon, open to everyone who attends CBCNM.

We are blessed to be able to continue to meet at the premises on Elm Street but we continue to seek the purchase of our own premises so that we can expand our ministries for the public benefit. We made an offer on 2 premises this year, one at Blackford Bridge and an auction premises in Radcliffe however we were unfortunately unsuccessful and the trustees and church members continue to look for premises.

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Financial Review

For the period of 1 January 2025 to the end of the financial year 31 December 2025:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Total income	£116,748	£5,104	**£121,852**
Total expenditure	£21,304	£9,579	**£30,883**
Total funds on 31 December 2025	£340,518	£355	**£340,873**

Reserves Policy

The charity aims to hold a minimum of £15,000 (which is approximately 6 months of expenditure) as unrestricted cash, so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £340,518.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have taken into account the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our mission, purpose and objectives and in carrying out the Church activities. We have concluded that the Church operates in compliance with these guidelines.

Plans for the Future

To continue to minister and deliver the Christian message to the people of Prestwich and Whitefield and the more wider North Manchester area.

We pray that we may find a suitable building at a price that we can afford and we can maintain. This will enable us to expand our regular services and ministries and further the Christian faith in our local community. At some point down the line we may have the opportunity of purchasing a building which would be suitable for our regular services and activities, but also give us more operational flexibility moving forward to expand and develop our ministries.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature	
Full name	Michael David Wyatt
Position	Pastor
Date	02/09/2026

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Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Community Baptist Church ('the charity') for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity's financial statements 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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements do 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.

Nigel Wyatt

Nigel Wyatt BSC FCA
Independent Examiner
125 Main Street
Garforth
Leeds
LS25 1AF

Date: 03/09/2026

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Statement of Receipts and Payments

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	**£**	£
Receipts					
Donations and legacies		114,895	5,104	**119,999**	102,855
Investment income		1,853	-	**1,853**	1,715
Other income		-	-	**-**	-
Total Receipts	**2**	116,748	5,104	**121,852**	104,570
Payments					
Payments on charitable activities	**3, 10**	21,304	9,579	**30,883**	46,224
Total Payments		21,304	9,579	**30,883**	46,224
Net Receipts / (Payments)		95,444	(4,475)	**90,969**	58,346
Net Movement in Funds (Cash)					
Total funds (Cash) brought forward	**7**	249,518	386	**249,904**	191,558
Transfers		(4,444)	4,444	**-**	-
Total Funds (Cash) Carried Forward		**340,518**	**355**	**340,873**	249,904
Funds Represented By					
General (Unrestricted)		58,584	-	**58,584**	43,250
Designated funds		281,934	-	**281,934**	206,268
Restricted funds		-	355	**355**	386
		340,518	**355**	**340,873**	249,904

These financial statements were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf:

Name of leader: Micjael Wyatt

Signed on behalf of the trustees: M Wyatt

Date of approval: 02/09/2026

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As the accounts are prepared on a cash basis, there is no formal Balance Sheet or Statement of Financial Position. Instead, a statement of assets and liabilities is outlined giving an indication of the charity's assets at the year end.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Current Assets		
Cash at bank and petty cash	340,873	249,904
	340,873	249,904
Gift aid debtor	23,973	17,750
	23,973	17,750

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis when receipts and payments take place through the bank account or petty cash.

Assessment of Going Concern

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal, often known as a ‘special offering’ in the church.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources and the money has been paid.

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis when payments have been made through the bank account or by petty cash.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include the preparation and examination of the accounts, trustee meeting expenses, and legal advice relating to governance matters.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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2 Analysis of Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025 £**
Donations and Legacies			
Donations - Bible Baptist College	-	1,110	**1,110**
Donations - General	97,202	-	**97,202**
Donations - Missions	-	3,645	**3,645**
Gift aid	17,693	349	**18,042**
	114,895	5,104	**119,999**
Investment Income			
Bank interest	1,853	-	**1,853**
	1,853	-	**1,853**
Other Income			
Other	-	-	**-**
	-	-	**-**
Total Income	**116,748**	**5,104**	**121,852**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations and Legacies			
Donations - Bible Baptist College	-	767	767
Donations - General	99,583	-	99,583
Donations - Missions	-	2,505	2,505
Gift aid	-	-	-
	99,583	3,272	102,855
Investment Income			
Bank interest	1,715	-	1,715
	1,715	-	1,715
Other Income			
Other	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total Income	101,298	3,272	104,570

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3 Payments on Charitable Activities by Fund Type

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**
	£	£	**£**
Administration costs	3,262	-	**3,262**
Premises costs	5,342	-	**5,342**
Missionary donations	-	9,579	**9,579**
Staffing costs	12,506	-	**12,506**
Visiting speakers	194	-	**194**
	21,304	9,579	**30,883**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£
Administration costs	22,309	-	22,309
Premises costs	4,816	-	4,816
Missionary donations	-	9,559	9,559
Staffing costs	9,540	-	9,540
Visiting speakers	-	-	-
	36,665	9,559	46,224

4 Volunteers

The church benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money by its formal members and regular attendees. Please refer to the trustees' report for further details about volunteer contributions to the organisation.

5 Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for	**2025**	2024
	£	£
Independent examination and preparation of the financial statements	725	700

6 Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Self employed ministry support	12,506	9,540
	12,506	9,540

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7 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	1 Jan 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	31 Dec 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	43,250	116,082	(21,304)	(79,444)	**58,584**
	43,250	**116,082**	**(21,304)**	**(79,444)**	**58,584**
Designated					
Building and pastor fund	206,268	666	-	75,000	**281,934**
	206,268	**666**	**-**	**75,000**	**281,934**
Total Unrestricted	**249,518**	**116,748**	**(21,304)**	**(4,444)**	**340,518**
Restricted Funds					
Missions	-	3,938	(8,382)	4,444	-
Bible Baptist College	386	1,166	(1,197)	-	355
Total Restricted Funds	**386**	**5,104**	**(9,579)**	**4,444**	**355**
Total Funds	**249,904**	**121,852**	**(30,883)**	**-**	**340,873**

	1 Jan 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	31 Dec 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	36,796	99,583	(36,665)	(56,464)	43,250
	36,796	99,583	(36,665)	(56,464)	43,250
Designated					
Building and pastor fund	154,553	1,715	-	50,000	206,268
	154,553	1,715	-	50,000	206,268
Total Unrestricted	191,349	101,298	(36,665)	(6,464)	249,518
Restricted Funds					
Missions	-	2,505	(7,969)	5,464	-
Bible Baptist College	209	767	(1,590)	1,000	386
Total Restricted Funds	209	3,272	- 9,559	6,464	386
Total Funds	191,558	104,570	(46,224)	-	249,904

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Fund Transfers

2025

Building and pastor fund	£75,000 transfer to top up the funds held for the purchase of a future building and to fund a full time pastor.

2024

Building and pastor fund	£50,000 transfer to top up the funds held for the purchase of a future building and to fund a full time pastor.

Fund Descriptions

Designated Funds	**Restricted Funds**
Building and pastor fund	Funds set aside by the Church for the future purchase of a building and to fund a full time pastor.

Restricted Funds

Missions	Money donated for the purpose of mission
Bible Baptist College	Money donated for the purpose of the Bible Baptist College

8 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

During the year, two trustees were reimbursed a total of £2,088 (2024: £5,207) for out-of-pocket expenses incurred personally on behalf of the charity. These expenses related to the day-to-day running of the church, including donations made to missionaries overseas and general operational expenditure. All reimbursements were supported by receipts and were made in line with the charity's policies.

During the year, Stipend payments were made to one trustee, Michael Wyatt who joined the board of trustees in March 2025. The payments made to him while he was a member of the board of trustees were £10,756. These payments reflect his responsibilities within the Church, with Michael Wyatt undertaking pastoral and leadership duties, and in accordance with the charities governing documents. No trustee received any remuneration for their role as a trustee during the year.

Michael Wyatt is not employed by the charity and is responsible for filing his own tax returns independently. The stipends were approved by the other trustees and are accounted for as charitable expenditure in furtherance of the Church's purposes.

9 Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transition made during the year other than those disclosed in Note 8 (2024: None

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10 Detailed Payment Analysis

	2025	2024
	£	£
Administration costs		
Accountant / legal	1,582	21,111
Church resources	792	181
Communications	56	-
Equipment & consumables	381	397
General church expenses	141	86
IT	-	39
Insurance	310	197
Licences	-	97
Website	-	201
	3,262	**22,309**
Premises costs		
Rent and room hire	5,342	4,816
Utilities	-	-
	5,342	**4,816**
Missionary donations		
Donations (CBC missionaries)	8,382	7,969
Donations (non-CBC missionaries)	1,197	1,590
	9,579	**9,559**
Staffing costs		
Self employed stipend support	12,506	9,540
	12,506	**9,540**
Visiting speakers		
Visiting speakers - expenses	194	-
Visiting speakers - love offering	-	-
	194	**-**
Total Payments	**30,883**	**46,224**