

**Living Hope Christian Church
Linnaeus Street
Hull
HU3 2QA**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 519594

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31st March 2022**

7th December 2022

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives And Activities

Objectives and aims

The advancement of the Christian religion through the promotion of the Christian Gospel by proclamation, example and the relief of poverty or human suffering in the area of the neighbourhood of Kingston upon Hull, surrounding villages and places throughout the world.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Organisation :

Eldership : The oversight of the ministry is vested in the Pastor as leading Elder, with the co-operation of fellow Elders, who being answerable to God, seek to serve Him in their responsibility towards the fellowship. The Eldership as a whole shall be responsible for the spiritual leadership of the fellowship, including matters of discipline. An Elder may also fulfil other roles within the fellowship, including that of Deacon.

Leadership Team :

(Deacons) The administrative affairs of the fellowship will be undertaken by Deacons, comprising of the Pastor as Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer and at least one more member. The Deacons will be answerable to the Elders under God.

Membership: The membership shall be composed of those who are saved by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and who accept the fellowship's Declaration of Faith.

Trustee reference and administrative details

Registered Charity number- 519594

Principal address:

Pride Njeatih

43 Taylor Avenue

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Trustees

Paul Nash
Scott Wilson
Emmanuel Nwoke
Pride Njeatih

Independent Examiner

Isaac Jackett
15 Rylston Avenue
Coventry
CV6 2HD

Bank reference and administrative details

Lloyds TSB Bank plc
Business & Commercial Service Centre
8th Floor
6/7 Park Row
Leeds
LS1 1NX

PASTOR'S REPORT

In the past year it is with a deep sense of indebtedness and thankfulness to the grace of God that we as Living Hope Christian Church have continued as a local church.

It has been a year suitably described by the UK Prime Minister as 'unprecedented'. The year of the COVID-19 Global Pandemic.

Throughout this most challenging year under the Leadership of the Elders and Trustees we have faithfully sought to be obedient to the Word of God and the words of our civic leaders. The UK government for necessary reasons at the time imposed Public Health restrictions upon the public gathering of the Church. This commonly came known as 'Lockdown' During this extended period of Lockdown the church accommodated the use of technology and provided ministry of the word via the internet.

Regular Sunday services and midweek teachings were provided online. Opportunities for fellowship were facilitated by means of regular use of technology, Social Media platforms such as WhatsApp/Face-Book and Zoom.

Relief ministry subject to COVID regulations was maintained and a number of 'vulnerable' folks benefitted from this as well.

Like so many churches our financial giving was undoubtedly both impeded and impacted by people's own financial difficulties as well as the inability to give in person.

During this time the church greatly benefitted from the Government's furlough scheme which substantially subsidised the salaried staff of the church.

Despite the COVID Restrictions and in accordance with Biblical statutes and current UK legislation Living Hope Christian Church has publicly demonstrated that it has operated as a local Christian church and by God's grace will continue to do so.

Rev Jonathan Jolly
Pastor

Approved by order of the board of trustees/members on 7th December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Pride Njeatih- Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
Living Hope Christian Church**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Living Hope Christian Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Living Hope Christian Church for the year ended 31st March 2022.

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I can confirm that I have examined the charities accounts and I have found no material matters that have come to my attention during the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material aspect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts 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.

Isaac Jackett
15 Rylston Avenue
Coventry
CV6 2HD

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

		Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	2022 Total funds (£)	2021 Total funds (£)
Income and Endowments from					
Donations and Legacies	2	53,187.55	847.3	54,034.85	74,678.09
Other trading activities	3	765		765	45
Investment income	4	9,110		9,110	5,705
Total		53,187.55	847.3	54,034.85	74,678.09
Expenditure					
Raising funds		786.72		786.72	728
Charitable activities		69,105.71		69,105.71	63,448
Total		69,892.43		69,892.43	64,176
Net income/expenditure		-16,704.9		-15,857.58	10,503
Reconciliation of funds					
Total brought forward		39,686.53		39,686.53	28,949.38
Total carried forward		22,981.65		23,828.95	18,446.38

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Ref 1: INCOME/RECEIPTS

	Notes	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Total 2021/2022	Total 2020/2021
Donations & Offerings			18,342.52	18,342.52	14,376.5
Gift Aid			14,247	14,247	19,850
Tax Recovered			5,027	5,027	5,253
Harvest Gifts			956	956	0
Fund Raising Events			0	0	0
Rent Received			9,110	9,110	5,705
Hall Hire			765	765	45
Miscellaneous		847.3	4,740.03	5,587.33	29,448.59
Total		847.3	5,3187.55	5,4034.85	74,678.09

REF 2: EXPENDITURE/PAYMENTS

	Notes	Restricted Funds	General Funds	Total 2021/2022	Total 2020/2021
Missionary			2,693.99	2,693.99	704
Outreach			786.72	786.72	24.13
Salaries	6		3,2183.36	3,2183.36	3,1684.96
Tax & N/I			7032.26	7032.26	8973.34
Pension Payments			2,757.96	2,757.96	2,757.96
Visiting Speakers			0	0	120

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Young at Heart	74.99	74.99	0
Discovery Club	4.79	4.79	0
Hope in the Community	0	0	0
Travel Expenses	265.5	265.5	94.5
Light/Heat/Water	4,745.33	4,745.33	4,101.86
Equipment/R&R	2,491.11	2,491.11	2,825.81
Maintenance Costs	6,149.76	6,149.76	5,603.12
Licenses	981.47	981.47	667.26
Insurance	2,040.21	2,040.21	1,894.58
Hospitality	219.92	219.92	142.87
Sundry Expenses	1,721.67	1,721.67	1,296.58
Cleaning & Janitorial	494.75	494.75	457.14
Telephone	946.51	946.51	748.38
Accounts Fees	780	780	780
P & S	521.14	521.14	184.47
Bank Charges	0	0	0
I T Services	3,000.99	3,000.99	879.98
C A P	0	0	0
Total	69,892.43	69,892.43	63,940.94

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Cost

At 1st April 2021 and 31st March 2022

Freehold property (£)

168, 101

Net Book Value

At 31st March 2021

168, 101

At 31st March 2022

168, 101

The Charity has sole use for charitable purposes.

Assets:

Church Building:

Rebuild value:

£1,359,457

Market value assessment before construction:

£330,000

Contents:

£80,669

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on a cash basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES AS DETAILED IN REF 1 ABOVE

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Miscellaneous income(£)	765	45

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Rents received (£)	9, 110	5, 705

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2021 nor for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2021 nor for the year ended 31st March 2022.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Employees	2	2

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

End of Report