

## CHURCH OF GOD (ARMAGH) TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees present their annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 including a Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date

### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Church of God (Armagh)

Newry Road

Armagh

Co Armagh

BT60 1EH

Charitable Trust registered in Northern Ireland (No. 103657)

### CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Charity Trustees (Overseers/Elders) who served during the year or who were trustees at the date of this report were:

Mr Lewis William Milligan

Mr David William Thompson

Mr William Orr Johnson

### BANKERS

First Trust Bank

Scotch Street

Dungannon

Co Tyrone

BT70 1AZ

## **CHURCH OF GOD (ARMAGH)**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (cont'd)**

#### **DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE**

The purposes of the Church of God Armagh are:

- a) The worship of God the Father in association with the Breaking of the Bread communion service.
- b) To 'continue steadfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and prayers' (Acts 2:42).
- c) To preach the gospel of God concerning his Son, Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19); to make disciples and to teach them His commands.
- d) To hold, as a body of divinely revealed truth, 'the whole counsel of God' (Act 20:27), otherwise known as 'the faith' (Jude 3), and to declare it to others.
- e) To meet regularly for prayer (Acts 2:42).
- f) To meet regularly to share the truths of Scripture so as to edify one another to spiritual growth (Acts 2:42).
- g) To promote awareness of the importance of the Word of God and of its relevance to human experience.
- h) In individual and corporate life to promote love to God and to our neighbour, including a variety of charitable purposes, consistent with the teachings of Jesus Christ (Matthew 5-7).

#### **STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT**

The Church of God (Armagh) is governed by a Constitution and is led and managed by four charity trustees, who are also known as Overseers or Elders. The charity is a member the worldwide Churches of God organisation known as 'The Churches of God in the Fellowship of the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ', which is currently represented on 5 continents and in 10 countries. Overseers/Elders from each 'district' meet every 18 months for an oversight conference.

#### **ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES**

The charity's aim is to preach and teach sound biblical doctrine to our members and adherents. We also preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those who have not yet made a decision to become born again Christians. We hold a weekly service which includes breaking of bread. We also organise a number of ministries with the aim of evangelism and fellowship and give a rounded approach to our work. We visit elderly people's homes monthly and carry out activities such as preaching, singing, and prayer. We also hold weekly prayer meetings and ad hoc bible teaching meetings from time to time.

## PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The direct benefit which flows from our purposes is the advancement of religion by providing teachings and gospel readings; reaching out to people from outside the Christian faith; providing teachings of the bible and nurturing those who confess it; promoting Christian values and service to the community for the benefit of society. These benefits can be demonstrated by the feedback and appreciative comments from many of those who attend and gain help and encouragement; the number of people who regularly attend services and participate in church life. The beneficiaries are the general public from the community in which we live and choose to participate in our activities and services. No harm can come from the purposes of the charity. There is no private benefit from our purposes.

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements of the Church of God (Armagh) in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting practice.

As the Church of God (Armagh) total income does not exceed £250,000, the Trustees have elected under Section 64(3) of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 208 to prepare a receipts and payment account and a statement of assets and liabilities.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Church of God (Armagh) transactions and disclose with responsible accuracy at any time its financial position. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church of God (Armagh) and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

  
Lewis William Milligan  
Trustee