

## FELLOWSHIP OF INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCHES - NEWBUILDINGS

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Board of Trustees presents its report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Reference and Administration Information

Charity Name:	Fellowship of Independent Methodist Churches - Newbuildings
Charity Reference Number:	NIC 107139
Public Address:	97 Castlewarren Road Donemana Strabane Tyrone BT82 0NN
Trustees	Pastor J Campbell Mr R Barnett Mr J Hepburn Mr W Reid Mr D Snodgrass (Deceased 30/5/23)

#### Structure

Newbuildings Independent Methodist Church is a member of the Fellowship of Independent Methodist Churches and was formed in 1985. The charity was registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland on the 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

#### Objectives and Activities

The charitable purpose of Newbuildings Independent Methodist Church is to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the basis of faith as stated in Chapter Two of the Constitution of the Fellowship of Independent Methodist Churches.

#### Governing document

The Constitution of the Fellowship of Independent Methodist Churches dated 4<sup>th</sup> of February 2015 is the governing document of Newbuildings Independent Methodist Church.

#### Achievements, performance and public benefit

We hold two services of worship each Lord's Day along with a Bible Study and Prayer Meeting each week. We also hold a Sunday School and Youth Fellowship for primary and secondary school age children and young adults. We provide a structured programme of activities for primary school children in weekly Bible Clubs and summer Holiday Bible Clubs for children from within the church and within the local community. We seek to reach people outside of the Christian faith as well as nurturing those who profess it, through the preaching and teaching of the Word of God, as contained in the Bible, and through pastoral support and visits. We hold special meetings from time to time, to give a Christian perspective and for evangelistic purposes.

We hold missionary meetings and endeavour to support many numbers of missionaries and Missionary Societies both inside and outside our denomination, and both within Northern Ireland and abroad. This support is given through prayer, encouragement and financial aid.

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We distribute invitations to meetings and Christian literature to homes in the area of benefit and the surrounding area. We may also seek to support individuals who find themselves in need, either at home or abroad. We also provide a structured programme for teenagers and young people.

Public benefit statement

The trustees have had regard to the Commissions' public benefit requirement statutory guidance and considers that Newbuildings Independent Methodist Church meets the public benefit requirement, through the advancement of religion, by providing benefit to its members and the public by making known the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ and salvation through him.

Financial review

Newbuildings Independent Methodist Church has two funds, the General Fund and the Building Fund. The trustees report a financial position at the year end with available funds of £37,583.

Statement of trustee responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and statement of receipts and payments in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The laws applicable to charities in Northern Ireland with income less than £250,000, requires the trustees to prepare a statement of receipts and payments for each financial year.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

**Pastor J Campbell**

**Mr J Hepburn**

**Trustee**

**Trustee**

*Jonathan Campbell*

*John Hepburn*