

## **TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

### **1. Name of Charity as it appears on the Register:**

**CLADY WATER BAPTIST CHURCH**

### **2. Registered CCNI Number – 107385**

### **3. The Purpose of the Charity:**

The charity's purpose is "The Advancement of Religion", specifically the advancement of the Christian faith according to Biblical principles.

### **4. Trustee Appointments**

The Charity Trustees are the members of the Church Oversight Committee which consists of Pastor, Elders and Deacons.

All male members of the Church are eligible for election as a deacon and, unless disqualified by Statute, also to hold office as a trustee.

Elders are elected for life, unless they choose to retire or leave the Fellowship, while Pastors serve for the period of their pastorate.

The Church's Constitution requires a two thirds majority of those voting by ballot for the appointment of a Pastor.

Church members vote by ballot for these offices at a Church Business Meeting which is open to all church members and is publicly announced at the services on the previous two Sundays.

The names of the Charity Trustees on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 were Edward Bissett and Raymond Green. At the time of signing this report, they are Edward Bissett, Raymond Green, Ian Courtney and Ian Milliken.

5. This report relates to the financial year 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

6. **Our Charity's main activities** to further our purposes for the Public Benefit are as follows: -

We seek to proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ as outlined in the Scriptures.

The benefit which flows from our purpose is that through attending Sunday Services and Bible Study Meetings, the regular congregation and visitors will get to know God in a deeper, fuller and more personal way.

The benefits are evidenced through personal feedback to the Elders, from individuals who have come into a closer relationship with God through the Bible teaching and fellowship experienced.

In addition to our Sunday Services and Mid-Week Meetings as arranged, we have our Sunday School meetings throughout the school year.

We also have Fellowship Dinners after the main service at intervals through the year which are provided free of charge to all who attend. All these gatherings are open to the public with additional visitors attending, and a number have become regular attenders through the current year.

While the Covid Regulations and restrictions had caused the cancellation of all meetings it still has not been possible to have the previous range of meetings since.

Pastoral support and visitation for the sick and elderly continued throughout the year including regular visits to a local nursing home with a monthly Sunday service.

Periodically we have special speakers on a Sunday Morning, with a Missionary or other Christian worker, and donations are given to help other Christian works.

The Trustees gratefully acknowledge the voluntary assistance of many of the members of the congregation who freely give of their time and talents to support the worship and operations of the church.

### **7. Public Benefit Requirement**

All of our Trustees are aware of and have regard to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit Requirement throughout the year.

### **8. Charity's Financial Position** for the financial year ending on 31/12/2023

Total Income: £29,189  
Total Expenditure: £25,494

### **9. Payments to Trustees**

No Trustee received any payment for undertaking trustee duties. Payments to the Pastor relate to expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of pastor. Where Trustees have purchased items on behalf of the Charity these costs are usually reimbursed.

### **10. Custodian Trustees**

Premises owned by the Charity are held under trust by "Custodian Trustees" whose sole function is to hold the property assets of the Church. The Custodian Trustees are not named individuals, so do not serve in the Church.

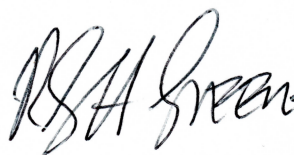
### **11. Action on Deficit Funds.**

There are no funds held by the Charity that are in deficit, so no action is required.

### **12. Signature of Trustees: -**



Ed Bissett



Raymond Green