



Lisnagleer Baptist Church
Trustees Report
Year ended 31 December 2023

Lisnagleer Baptist Church
Notes to the accounts
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their report and Receipts and Payment account for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Objectives and activities

Lisnagleer Baptist Church (“the Church”) acknowledges the headship of Jesus Christ over his Church and exists to glorify the triune God by maintaining and promoting his worship both individually and corporately.

The principal charitable object of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the teaching of scripture, understood in its historical and evangelical sense, the Doctrinal Statement and Baptist principles. Its members devote themselves to the teaching of scripture, to fellowship, breaking of bread, prayer and evangelism.

The activities carried out by the Church include:

- holding regular services for public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching for all age groups;
- providing pastoral care to the members of the church through visitation and prayer;
- organising meetings and events that promote our charitable purpose;
- participating in the life of the local community;
- supporting other Christian organisations and charities through volunteering, financial gifts and prayer.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the church should undertake.

Achievements and performance

The Church meets the public benefit requirement by providing benefit to its members and the general public by making known the Christian gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of the Christian faith.

In addition to the regular church services, Lisnagleer Baptist Church put on the following activities during 2023:

1. A weekly Good News Club for children, from the area, for 6 months of the year;
2. An annual Holiday Bible Club for four evenings during the summer;
3. A weekly informal Bible Study called Firm Foundations in which various Bible subjects or books were studied;
4. A biannual ladies coffee morning with a special speaker taking part;
5. A praise night led by a guest song leader;
6. A church barbeque in the summer as a time of fun and fellowship for the church family and friends;
7. Quarterly open-air services in the centre of Coalisland as an outreach in this local town
8. Regular door to door visitation and tract distribution in the local area, as well as calendar distribution toward the end of the year, along with an invite to the annual carol service held in the church building;
9. A special week of Bible teaching with a guest speaker sharing on a relevant subject
10. Regular assemblies in Donaghmore Primary School.

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Financial Review

The church recorded a net surplus for the year of £17,894 (2022: £3,519).

Closing unrestricted reserves at 31 December 2023 were £47,448 (2022: £30,071).

Closing restricted reserves at 31 December 2023 were £3,379 (2022: £2,862). This represents funds held under the Development Fund.

There are no funds held by the Church that are materially in deficit.

Structure, Governance and Management:

Lisnagleer Baptist Church is an unincorporated entity operating under a constitution last updated in May 2021.

Registered Charity Number: 108112

Principal Address: 10 Thornhill Road, Lisnagleer, Pomeroy, Dungannon, BT703LJ

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Pastor David Burke

Mr Malcolm Spence

Mr Ted Givan (until his death May 2024)

Mr Desmond Dobson

Mr Patrick Crozier

The Trustees' Report was approved by the Board of Trustees

Trustee: Mr P Crozier

Dated: 28.10.24