

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Objects and activities of the charity

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.

- 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.
- Its members devote themselves to the teachings of the Scripture, to fellowship, breaking of bread, prayer, and evangelism.
- They commit, with the help of God, to witness to the saving and sustaining power of the Lord Jesus Christ and to work for the extension of His Kingdom.
- The principal charitable object of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the teachings of the Scripture, the Doctrinal Statement and Baptist principles.

The main activities undertaken in relation to those purposes during the year

The main activities undertaken in relation to these purposes are as follows:

- Holding regular services for public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching for all age groups, and 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 main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.

Adults

We aim to offer opportunities for discipleship to equip people to grow into devoted followers of Jesus:

- Various Small Groups for men & women- Throughout the year we offer a variety of small groups which allow you to focus in on a particular study or course for a short period of time. These have included bible studies, as well as social events and breakfasts.

Youth

We seek to provide a cycle of activities to help young people encounter the God of the Bible while coming alongside them dealing with issues they are confronting and drawing from our own life experience.

Kids

There are a range of activities for children aged 0 - 11 years in our Crèche, Sunday School, Children's meetings (Quest) Parents and Toddlers (Patch).

Community

We are engaged in a variety of activities to help live out God's love in our community: -

- PATCH - is a place for parents and carers to bring their children and have a time of fellowship while the kids play in a safe environment.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefits in managing the activities of the charity.

The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year

The Church continued to hold regular services for public worship and organised events that promoted fellowship amongst the members of the church and provided outreach opportunities with the wider community (as detailed above).

The difference the charity's performance during the year has made to the beneficiaries of the Charity and to wider society.

The Church continued to provide benefit to its members and the public by making known the Christian gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ through the advancement of the Christian faith.

Structure, governance, and management of the charity

The charity Name.

The legal name of the charity is Larne Baptist Church.

The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration

The charity is registered in Northern Ireland with the Charity Commission in Northern Ireland (CCNI) with charity number 108245. The charity is constituted as an unincorporated charity, established by a written constitution approved by the members, and endorsed by the Charity Commission in Northern Ireland (CCNI).

The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were as below: -

Simon Curry
Scott McClosky
Andrew Henry
Leslie J Morrow
Tim Bailie
Roy Warke
Bryan Hunter
Norman Gibson

LARNE BAPTIST CHURCH
Year ended 31 December 2023

Financial review

The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 December 2023

Income: £208,756

Expenses: £101,194

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

This report was approved by the trustees on 07/10/2024

Andrew Henry

Tim Bailie

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Treasurer/Trustee

Trustee/Secretary