

**THE BETHEL EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH,  
CLAPHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 DECEMBER 2019**

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INFORMATION PAGE

Registered charity number	1152630
Working name	The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church
Contact address	The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church Clapham Lancaster Lancashire LA2 8DZ
Trustees	J Ellershaw G J Coates T W Fawcett J E Townley A Whitaker Peter Close – Resigned 29/01/2019 A B Woodhouse
Elders	J E Townley Peter Close – Resigned 29/01/2019 A B Woodhouse T W Fawcett
Treasurer	Paul Close
Secretary	J E Townley
Independent Examiners	Bennett Kirkhope Smith Chartered Certified Accountants Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks Hey Road, Barrow, Clitheroe Lancashire BB7 9WB
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Leicester LE87 2AB

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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

**Structure, governance and management**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a church constitution dated 24 June 2013 and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The method of appointment of the charity members is set out in the Church Rules. At The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, the membership of the charity consists of the elders and deacons.

The managing trustees are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the charity including deciding on how funds of the charity are to be spent. The managing trustees must hold at least 4 meetings in each 12 month period.

Once a new managing trustee has been appointed they shall be provided with a copy of:

- the latest annual report and accounts of the church
- the constitution and church rules
- any other relevant documentation relating to the property of the church

The property owned by the charity is held in the names of all the trustees.

**Objectives and activities**

The charity has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The principal objectives are:

- the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Clapham, North Yorkshire and the surrounding area
- such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the managing trustees further the work of the charity

**Achievements and performance**

During the year the charity has held regular church services and has 31 members.

The charity continues to allow its facilities to be used free of charge for church members and the community. These include:

- fellowship meetings and Bible Studies every Tuesday
- monthly coffee meetings during the winter on Thursdays
- monthly fellowship meetings on a Thursday
- monthly senior citizens meetings on a Thursday
- mums and tots facilities every Friday (except school holidays)
- 6-9 year olds playgroup every 2 weeks on a Friday (except school holidays)
- 10+ children's "Encounter" group every 2 weeks
- an open day for visitors in May and a street fair in July raised funds for charities totalling £578
- a sportsreach event in August where children enjoyed learning football
- a visit by school children from Clapham and Austwick on three occasions at Easter, Summer Term and Christmas

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TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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- a free Christmas meal for retired people from the local community
- a Knit & Knatter group to use the Chapel every other Monday afternoon
- a family treasure hunt with £70 raised for St John's Hospice
- a gospel praise evening to raise funds for St John's Hospice totalling £60
- 6 coffee mornings have been organised which raised £624 and additional fund raising for charity

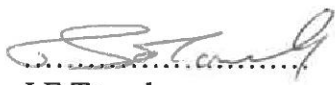
These are all held in the church hall and are a benefit to the community as a whole.

**Financial review**

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £37,158 and the net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £3,039.

Adding bank balances brought forward at the beginning of the year, the balance carried forward at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 on unrestricted funds totalled £27,290.

The present level of reserves is adequate to support the present activities of the charity however this shall be reviewed regularly by the managing trustees.

  
J E Townley

3-8-2020  
Date

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BETHEL  
EVANGELICAL AND INDEPENDENT CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church for the year ended 31 December 2019, which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: AM Smith FCCA CTA  
Address: Bennett Kirkhope Smith  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Registered Auditors  
Suites 5 & 6, The Printworks  
Hey Road,  
Barrow, Clitheroe  
Lancashire, BB7 9WB

Date:

27.10.2020

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Voluntary receipts	1	36,270	-	36,270	32,141
Other receipts	2	888	-	888	751
		37,158	-	37,158	32,892
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>37,158</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,158</b>	<b>32,892</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Costs of generating voluntary receipts	3	39,648	-	39,648	30,042
		39,648	-	39,648	30,042
Purchase of fixed assets		549	-	549	-
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>40,197</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40,197</b>	<b>30,042</b>
<b>Excess of (Payments over Receipts)</b>		<b>(3,039)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(3,039)</b>	<b>2,850</b>
<b>Receipts over Payments</b>					
<b>Bank account as at 1 January 2019</b>		<b>30,329</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,329</b>	<b>27,478</b>
<b>Bank account as at 31 December 2019</b>		<b>27,290</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,290</b>	<b>30,329</b>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
<b>MONETARY ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand	4	27,290	-	27,290	30,329
		27,290	-	27,290	30,329
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>					
Tax refunds		4,148	-	4,148	3,822
Prepayments		13	-	13	152
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Accruals		(1,846)	-	(1,846)	(3,360)
		29,605	-	29,605	30,943

The charity operates from property owned by the trustees of The Bethel Evangelical and Independent Church, Clapham, North Yorkshire, which includes fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment used for charitable objectives.

Approved by the PCC

J E Townley





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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

<b>1 VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Covenant gifts	14,870	15,640
Freewill offerings	486	390
Donations	6,273	5,560
Tax Refund	5,321	4,590
Gift Aid small donations scheme	7,643	4,734
Stewardship	1,677	1,227
	<u>36,270</u>	<u>32,141</u>
<b>2 OTHER RECEIPTS</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
House rent, rates, water and power	839	709
Bank interest	49	42
	<u>888</u>	<u>751</u>
<b>3 COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Travel expenses	4,160	3,394
Events	383	475
Water rates	153	150
Donations and gifts	27,291	19,577
Books and bibles	645	573
Fuel and light	2,372	2,762
Repairs and renewals	272	1,871
Church insurance	602	567
Sundry expenses	590	673
Accountancy fees	3,180	-
	<u>39,648</u>	<u>30,042</u>
<b>4 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Current account	2,991	5,214
Deposit account	24,097	25,047
Cash in hand	202	68
	<u>27,290</u>	<u>30,329</u>