



Woodside Baptist Church
Spring Lane, London, SE25
Annual Report and Accounts
2020

(Charity Reg. No. 1130792)

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1. Statutory Information

Charity Name

Woodside Baptist Church

Registered Address

Spring Lane, London, SE25 4SP

Charity registration number

1130792

Trustees (during 2020)

Reverend Steve Calder (Senior Minister)
Robert Newson (Treasurer)
Angela Chatterjee (Secretary)
Ruth Newson (Mission Support)
Joanne Scarse (Youth and Children's Deacon)
Donovan Harvey (Property Deacon)

Trustees at report approval

Reverend Steve Calder (Senior Minister)
Robert Newson (Treasurer)
Neil Scarse (Secretary)
Ruth Newson (Mission Support)
Joanne Scarse (Youth and Children's Deacon)
Moses Kajubi (Property Deacon)

Property Trustees

London Baptist Property Board
235 Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2H 8EP

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc, 209 Lower Addiscombe Road, Croydon, CR0 6RB
Virgin Money plc, Jubilee House, Gosforth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE3 4PL

Independent Examiner

Mr Kevin Fisher

2. Structure, Governance & Management

a) **Charitable Object**

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian Faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

Governing Document

The church is governed by an Approved Governing Document which is a public document and the legal basis on which we function as a registered charity.

Vision Statement

God has called us to be a worshipping and praying community, committed to taking Christ into all the world, and seeking to encourage a response of committed discipleship.

Church Covenant

Depending day by day on the loving kindness of our Lord Jesus, we commit ourselves to building a community of love, accepting one another as He has accepted us, and putting the needs of others before our own. We will seek to express the unity of the Holy Spirit through being at peace with each other; to encourage one another in following Jesus; and to comfort and help one another in times of difficulty.

We will support and pray for the Pastor, leaders and officers of the Church. As we are able, and in co-operation with the church leaders, we will contribute to the life of the church in prayer; through regular participation in worship together; in offering ourselves in service; and in financial support for all aspects of the church's ministry.

Under the leading of the Holy Spirit, we will seek in word and deed to share the gospel with our families and others, through our own personal witness; by sharing in the outreach activities of the church; by the instruction of our children and young people; and in our support for mission here and overseas.

Doctrinal Statement

The following statements of belief express those doctrines which we believe to be supremely important.

1. The Divine Inspiration Authority and Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures as not only containing but being in themselves the Word of God and the need of the teaching of the Holy Spirit in order to gain a true and spiritual understanding of it.
2. The unity of the Godhead and the Divine Co-equality of the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit.

3. The utter depravity of human nature in consequence of the fall.
4. The true and proper Godhead of our Lord Jesus Christ. His real and perfect manhood. His work of atonement for sinners of mankind. His resurrection and ascension and His present priestly intercession for His people at the Right hand of the Father.
5. The justification of the sinner solely by faith through the atoning merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
6. The necessity of the Work of the Holy Spirit in Regeneration Conversion and Sanctification also in ministry and worship.
7. The immortality of the soul, the Resurrection of the body, the Judgement of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ with the eternal blessedness of the righteous and the eternal punishment of the wicked.
8. The Divine institution of the Christian Ministry and the obligation and perpetuity of the ordinances of Believers' Baptism (by immersion) and the Lord's Supper.

b) Organisational Structure

Charity Trustees

In accordance with the Constitution the Members appoint Trustees, who together with the Minister, Church Secretary and Treasurer (who are also appointed by the Members) are responsible for the day to day running of the church's work and witness, and the financial and legal aspects of the charity.

Church Membership

Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Constitution which requires them to be or to have been publicly baptised on the profession of faith in Jesus Christ. At the end of 2020 there were 85 members on the members list.

Relationships with other Organisations

The church is a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, the London Baptist Association, the Evangelical Alliance and Christians Together in South Norwood.

c) Safeguarding

Policies

The church recognises its responsibilities in safeguarding all children, young people and adults at risk, regardless of gender, ethnicity or ability. Any concerns raised are reported and investigated. The church practices safe recruitment by ensuring that all employees and volunteers are provided with appropriate training, support and supervision. DBS checks for all volunteers are reviewed regularly and kept up to date.

The Trustees produce and the Members approve a set of policies which are used in the day-to-day governance of the church. Policies provide guidance on matters such as Child Protection, Health & Safety, Fire Safety, Disability, and Equal Opportunities.

Risk Assessments

Risk Assessments have been produced, and are regularly reviewed, for matters of Finance, Health & Safety, and Youth & Children's work. Risk Assessments are also produced, where appropriate, for one-off events or activities.

d) Decision Making

Trustees

The trustees met eleven times during 2020.

Church Business Meetings / Special Church Business Meetings

The church meeting is an integral part of the way the church functions. Though the Constitution permits decisions to be made at Church meetings by appropriate majorities, the Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible.

During 2020 the church was only able to meet together for one church business meeting. The normal voting in of Deacons for the year 2021 was suspended due to no AGM being possible and those in post continued with their roles.

3. Objectives & Activities

Objectives

The main purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education, community service and other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

Activities

In order to achieve the principal objective which is set out above, the Church provides a variety of activities both to its membership and to the community generally. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord.

The main activities are normally:

- Sunday worship – at 11am
- Sunday Club – a place for children to learn more about Jesus Christ and the Christian faith through fun activities.
- Communion of the Lord's Supper – once per month, during the morning service,

- Home Groups – for the growth of faith and discipleship in the homes of some members and in the church lounge.
- Boys' & Girls' Brigades – meets on Monday evenings to provide children from the local community with a place to enjoy fun activities and to experience the love of Jesus Christ and learn more about Him.
- Parents' & Toddlers' Group – meets on Friday morning, providing a safe and fun environment for children and a place of relaxation and companionship for the parents.
- Monday Fellowship – meets once a month to provide the over 55s with a time of companionship, often accompanied by a guest speaker.
- N:GAGE Youth Club & Rooted: the youth club is open to all young people aged 12 to 17 who are resident in the homes around the church, and beyond. Rooted meets on Sunday mornings and is a place where young people can learn more about Jesus Christ, and the Christian faith and lifestyle.
- Drop-in café on Tuesdays – open to the local community for coffee, cake, and a chat.

Public Benefit Statement

When planning our activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our church and local community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the local area.
- Missionary and outreach work.
- Sunday Club, Boys' & Girls' Brigades & Youth Work.
- Use of buildings by community groups

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church buildings.

4. Achievements & Performance

During 2020 our activities were severely disrupted by the effects of the Corona virus (COVID-19) from late March onwards with the lockdowns that the UK Government put in place.

Public Worship & Teaching

Until the first lockdown in March shortly before Easter we continued with our regular Sunday worship services, and our five midweek home groups continued with their organised programmes. In our Sunday morning worship services we started monthly 3 or 4 sermon series on different topics from the Old and New Testaments giving an overview of the Bible.

When the Covid-19 restrictions came we were in the middle of one of these series and were unable to meet together. We were able to continue in a much reduced capacity by using the church's private Facebook account and latterly by Zoom with the leader and preacher operating from home, continuing monthly series.

When the lockdown restrictions were eased in the summer we were able to meet together socially distanced outside using our car park, but with the tightening of lockdown restrictions in the autumn the services were again restricted.

With the difficulty of meeting together we were unable to provide much signing for the deaf during the year, but we offered transcripts of the preaching on our website.

Looking ahead to 2021 we will be continuing with monthly series to get an overview of the Bible.

Local Mission & Community Outreach

With the Covid-19 lockdown all activities were forced to stop until such time as the restrictions were lifted. Then we intend to restart our Drop-in (Tuesdays), Parents & Toddlers Group (Fridays) and n:Gage Youth group (Fridays), along with our football team continuing.

We joined with the local Anglican church, St Luke's, in providing help to people during the lockdown period, providing services (such as collecting shopping) for local people unable to get out during the lockdown.

We continue to see God's direction for our mission strategy.

Support of missionaries

We have continued financial and prayer support to two missionary families now working in the UK.

Youth ministry

With the Covid-19 lockdown we were unable to replace our Youth Worker. The youth activities were also forced to stop and the youth were disappointed not to go to the "Dreaming The Impossible" event over the summer (which the organisers had to cancel).

As circumstances allow we will restart our Brigades and continue to run our Youth Group in partnership with "Play Place". We intend to recruit a replacement youth worker when finances allow it.

Pastoral Care

Our Pastoral Deacon stepped down and with the Covid-19 there has been a delay in finding a replacement. During the Covid-19 pandemic the church worked with various statutory and voluntary agencies to support local people who were in need during the period of lockdown.

Included in our range of care we normally:-

- visited those who are in hospital or were unwell,
- made regular visits to those who were unable to get to the church, usually because of old age,

- took folk to their clinics or to hospital,
- provided lifts to meetings for several elderly folk,
- helped old folk with shopping and ‘simple jobs’ in the house and garden,
- gave basic encouragement for the bereaved. (Note that the church has close links with the Woodside Bereavement Service who are able to provide ‘in-depth’ counselling),
- cared for those with learning difficulties during morning services,
- provided signing for the hearing impaired during morning services,
- sent a birthday card to each person who often attended our church (approx 250 cards),
- helped old folk with official forms,
- ensured that any urgent needs of folk were brought to the attention of the whole church for prayer.

The selfless commitment of all our volunteers was magnificent and was greatly appreciated.

Property maintenance

The Church is blessed with an extensive and useful set of buildings, on trust from the London Baptist Property Board. The main church building sits alongside two halls, several classrooms and a car park. In addition, the church has residential accommodation in the form of “The Manse”, “The Cottage” and “The Caretaker’s Flat” (formally used by the church caretaker).

In recent years the number of volunteers has decreased and the church has become increasingly reliant on external tradesman to perform repairs/installations, particularly those which involve electricity, gas or water.

Routine and statutory inspection of heaters, electrical appliances, fire extinguishers and similar equipment has been carried out and the necessary approvals/certificates obtained and filed.

5. Financial review

Financial Summary

The financial aspects of the church are the responsibility of the Trustees but they are managed on a day-to-day basis by the Treasurer, the Finance Committee (who are responsible for reviewing the finances and suggesting matters of policy to the trustees), the Gift Aid Secretary, the Offering Counting Team, and the Treasurers for the auxiliary departments (Parents & Toddlers, Boys Brigade, Girls Brigade, Young People’s Group, Sunday Club).

The financial results for the year are set out in the accompanying financial statements, prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis. The main funds maintained are the General Fund, Mission Support Fund, Property Fund, and the departmental funds (Parents & Toddlers, etc).

The vast majority of the church’s income is from donations given by the members and congregation. Other income is derived mainly from the rent for the Caretaker’s Flat and Cottage and also tax recovered on gift-aided donations.

The main areas of expenditure are employment costs (Pastor & Cleaner), property utilities, maintenance costs, charitable donations & grants, and mission (evangelism/outreach/ministry/training).

At the end of 2020 the General Fund had a balance of £28,087; the balance at the start of 2020 was £34,008. At the start of 2020 the church set a budget for the General Fund of £89,673, and the actual spend was £55,458. The weekly giving required to support the budget was £1,423 (after tax recoveries and other adjustments) and the actual weekly income received was £845.

When planning our activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

The Church expressed its part in the life of the wider church by making grants to national and international Christian organisations and societies with Christian aims and objectives compatible with the church's own charitable purpose. The largest grants were towards the support of the church's own missionaries who are supported through Operation Mobilisation and Ambassadors In Sport. In addition, significant donations were made to Open Doors, Woodside Bereavement Service, Croydon Churches Floating Shelter and West Croydon Refugee Centre.

2020 was a tough year with the Covid-19 lock down that started in March from which time the church was unable to meet. When the first lock down was lifted we were able to meet in a socially distanced way in our car park. Due to the lack of meetings there were very few collections made severely impacting our income and a number of church members set up standing orders;. The flat rental income provided the main income to the Property Fund.

With the lock down most activities had to stop and so only essential spending was made using an emergency budget. The main expenditure during 2020 was salaries (we were able to make use of the furlough scheme for our cleaner as our buildings not being used meant they were not needing cleaning) and property utilities. In paying our previous Youth Worker statutory maternity pay and reclaiming it we had an overpayment credit of £754 with HMRC which was further increased until the payments ceased in July; this was used to pay our subsequent liabilities until October.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have established a Reserves Policy which ensures a minimum balance of £11,370 in the General Fund. They are satisfied that the reserves are sufficient at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. An emergency budget for 2021 of only essential spending has been set to ensure a reserve of £24,000 at the end of the year. There are some designated funds which can be returned to the General Fund if necessary.

In addition a Property Reserve, £24,602 at the Balance Sheet date, has been previously created from surplus funds (of the General Fund) in anticipation of unexpected and significant property repairs and maintenance in the future.

Volunteers

The Church is heavily dependent on its membership and congregation working as volunteers in all aspects of the church's activities, many of which run with little or no impact on the church's expenditure, but nevertheless contribute substantially to the achievement of the church's objectives. No accounting for this time and effort has been included in the financial statements.

Funds held on behalf of other Organisations

None.

Pension Scheme Liability

The Church is an employer participating in the Baptist Pension Scheme (BPS) which is administered by the Baptist Pension Trust Ltd (the Pension Trustee; it is a separate legal entity and its assets are kept separate from all participating employers.

For service prior to 1 January 2012 benefits are provided through a Defined Benefit (DB) plan within the BPS. A formal value of the DB plan was performed at 31 December 2019 by a professionally qualified Actuary using the Projected Unit Method: the market value of the assets at the valuation was £298 million, but the valuation of the DB plan revealed a deficit of £18 million when comparing assets and liabilities (equivalent to a past service funding level of 94%). All participating employers are collectively responsible for funding the deficit. The next actuarial valuation of the DB Plan within the Scheme is due as at 31 December 2022.

The deficiency contributions are broadly based on 12% of Pensionable Income in March 2015. Between 1 July and 31 December 2020 the Trustee and the Council agreed a 50% reduction on all deficiency contributions payable. In addition the Baptist Union of Great Britain agreed to contribute a lump sum of £0.5m by 31 December 2020. The current Recovery Plan dated 30 September 2020 envisages deficiency contributions continuing until 30 June 2026.

The church has three members in the BPS DB plan one of which is receiving a pension. The church is making a monthly contribution of £303 which will increase in line with increases in Minimum Pensionable Income. The pension deficit liability shown in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities is calculated as the current rate per month multiplied by the number of months remaining in the Current Schedule of Contributions, amounting to £20,325 as at 31 December 2020. To buyout the Pension Scheme liabilities at 31 December 2020 the cost was approximately £66,900.

6. Plans for Future Periods

Looking ahead to 2021 we are planning to continue to provide a limited online service (via the church's private Facebook group and Zoom) to those unable to get to the building. In our services we will continue with our varied diet of teaching from both the Old and New Testaments in monthly series which will include topics such as "Speaking truth to power" (from the book of Daniel), "Easter questions" (during Lent) and a look of the Trinity ("Through Mary's Eyes").

We intend to meet together (on Sundays and as groups) as Government guidelines allow, whether in the Car Park or inside the building, following any social distancing, sanitisation and use of Personal Protective Equipment rules.

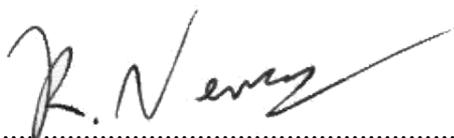
7. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

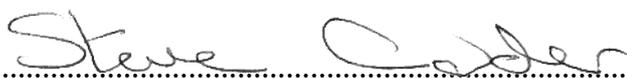
The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



..... Treasurer



..... Senior Minister

Signed: Mr Robert Newson (Treasurer)

Signed: Mr Steve Calder (Senior Minister)

Signed on Behalf of the Trustees

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8. Receipts and Payments Account

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Last</u>
		<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Year</u>
		£	£	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS							
Voluntary Income:	Offerings	12,666	-	198	-	12,864	28,426
	Donations	3,135	13,410	200	-	16,745	5,493
	Gift Aid	26,199	50	14,845	-	41,094	56,478
	Tax Recovered	8,802	104	3,423	-	12,329	17,800
Charitable Activities:	Fees & Contributions	-	1,212	601	-	1,813	7,604
	Other Income	-	-	49	-	49	769
Investment Income:	Rent Received	-	-	15,360	-	15,360	18,990
	Interest Received	244	-	-	-	244	370
Sub total		51,046	14,776	34,676	-	100,498	135,930
Asset and investment sales, etc		-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS		51,046	14,776	34,676	-	100,498	135,930
PAYMENTS							
Ministry:	Pastor Costs *	34,407	-	-	-	34,407	17,527
	(* including Er NI, Pension, Expenses)						
Mission:	Evangelism & Youth	134	-	318	-	452	21,837
	Donations and Grants	369	4,658	17,725	-	22,752	28,633
	Speakers	220	-	-	-	220	605
	Training	1,080	-	-	-	1,080	1,976
Establishment:	Lighting & Heating	2,303	1,285	-	-	3,588	4,201
	Council Tax & Water	3,211	260	2,083	-	5,554	4,538
	Insurance	3,645	-	-	-	3,645	3,570
	Refurbishment & Maintenance	-	-	14,714	-	14,714	29,033
	Equipment	94	-	-	-	94	1,639
	Publicity	31	-	-	-	31	138
	Cleaning & Caretaking	5,252	-	-	-	5,252	7,628
	Telephone & Internet	877	-	-	-	877	787
	Postage, Printing & Stationery	44	-	-	-	44	85
	Other Expenses	3,791	-	-	-	3,791	4,437
Sub total		55,458	6,203	34,840	-	96,501	126,634
Asset and investment purchases, etc		-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL PAYMENTS		55,458	6,203	34,840	-	96,501	126,634
NET OF RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)		(4,412)	8,573	(164)	-	3,997	9,297
Transfers between funds		(1,509)	(4,782)	6,291	-	-	-
Cash funds @ 31/12/2019		34,008	39,038	23,029	-	96,075	86,779
Cash funds @ 31/12/2020		28,087	42,829	29,155	-	100,071	96,076

9. Statement of Assets and Liabilities

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds				
Current Accounts	28,060	10,726	11,213	-
Deposit Accounts	-	32,103	17,746	-
Cash	27	-	196	-
Overpayment at HMRC	-	-	-	-
Total cash funds	28,087	42,829	29,155	-

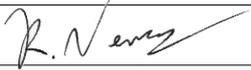
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>
	£	£	£	£
Other monetary assets				
Tax reclaims due	586	-	453	

	<u>Fund to which asset belongs</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Current</u>
		£	£
Investment assets	None		

	<u>Fund to which asset belongs</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Current</u>
		£	£
Assets retained for the charity's own use	Main church buildings	-	2,990,053

	<u>Fund to which liability belongs</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Current</u>
		£	£
Liabilities	Pension Deficit	-	20,325

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all trustees

Signature	Print name	Date of approval
	Robert Newson	28/10/2021

10. Notes to the Accounts

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

a) Summary of Movements by Fund

	<u>B/fwd</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>C/fwd</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	34,008	51,046	(55,458)	(1,509)	28,087
Designated Funds					
Property Reserve	24,602	0	0	0	24,602
Thankoffering	3,910	0	(3,910)	0	0
Roland Blackwell Funeral Donations	1,044	0	0	(1,044)	0
Christmas Offering/Postbox	594	154	(748)	0	0
AV/PA Equipment	8,500	0	0	(3,738)	4,762
Legacies	0	13,410	0	0	13,410
Church Running Costs	388	1,212	(1,545)	0	55
Total	39,038	14,776	(6,203)	(4,782)	42,829
Restricted Funds					
Property Fund	2,852	15,360	(16,797)	4,782	6,196
Missionary Fund	6,946	13,070	(13,700)	1,509	7,825
Sunday Club	1,073	889	(331)	0	1,631
Parents & Toddlers	2,455	126	(10)	0	2,571
Young Peoples Group	2,356	935	(180)	0	3,112
Brigades	3,767	732	(404)	0	4,095
WBS	0	625	(625)	0	0
Other	3,579	2,939	(2,794)	0	3,725
Total	23,028	34,676	(34,841)	6,291	29,155

b) Donations & Grants by Recipient

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Last</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Year</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
Mark & Emma Handley (OM)	0	0	7,700	7,700	7,600
Graham & Natasha Dancy (AIS)	0	0	5,000	5,000	4,900
Alajoki (OM)	0	0	1,040	1,040	2,340
David & Nanna Lukama (Glo)	0	0	1,000	1,000	3,600
Open Doors	0	0	973	973	1,500
Woodside Bereavement Service	0	0	625	625	1,236
Practical Fellowship	369	0	200	569	37
West Croydon Refugee Centre	0	374	31	405	314
Croydon Churches Floating Shelter	0	374	0	374	314
Other	0	0	300	300	507
Paul & Jean Dancy	0	0	300	300	363
Bahamas Relief	0	0	250	250	0
P Perry (WBT)	0	0	0	0	488
Joy For Children	0	0	0	0	41
Total	369	748	17,419	18,536	23,240

11. Independent Examiner's Report**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Woodside Baptist Church**

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 13 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date

29-10-2021
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