



PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS (ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING) SUNDAY 16TH APRIL 2023

Weekly Church Activities

Sundays 10.30am:

Worship Service

(The 1st Sunday of each month is normally a Communion Service followed by a shared lunch)

Wednesdays 10.00am–11.30am

Prayer and Bible Study

We normally have a social activity each month

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Registered Charity № 1054371

Deal Pentecostal Church is in fellowship with Assemblies of God (GB)

Deal Pentecostal Church Accounts Year ending December 2022

	Receipts	2022	2021	2020	2019
	Gift Aid	£6,157	£4,292	£6,658	£5,473
	Gifts:	£9,790	£9,330	£11,302	£6,123
	Missions & Pastoral:	£9,726	£6,172	£7,623	£5,214
	Offerings:	£4,434	£7,199	£10,809	£13,650
	Property Income:	£65	£350	£3,802	£945
	Sundry Income	£19	£1,425	£0	£563
	Bank Interest:	£10	£1	£6	£11
A1	Total Receipts	£30,565	£28,770	£40,200	£31,979
	Payments	2022	2021	2020	2019
	AOG	£500	£446	£446	£446
	Equipment	£280	£1,613	£351	£51
	Housekeeping	£195	£863	£855	£1,126
	Minister's Expenses	£527	£674	£680	£1,435
	Missions	£6,918	£4,430	£7,156	£3,938
	Outreach & Pastoral	£676	£1,154	£606	£369
	Overheads	£332	£466	£296	£376
	Property Maintenance	£591	£576	£837	£6,912
	Property Utilities	£7,156	£6,453	£6,479	£7,066
	Ministers Salary and HMRC	£15,172	£14,796	£14,253	£13,911
	Stationary	£101	£203	£482	£139
	Sundry	£0	£0	£0	£0
A2	Total Payments	£32,448	£31,674	£32,442	£35,769
A1-A2	Net of Receipts/(Payments)	-£1,897	-£2,904	£7,757	-£3,790
A3	Cash funds last year end	£12,549	£15,453	£7,696	£11,486
A1-A2+A3	Cash funds this year end	£10,665	£12,549	£15,453	£7,696

	Cash Funds	2022	2021	2020	2019
	Current Account	£595	£758	£1,435	£1,140
	Deposit Account	£9,766	£11,486	£13,678	£5,944
	Ministry Aid Account	£305	£305	£240	£255
	Cash in hand	£0	£0	£100	£356
D1	Total Cash Funds	£10,665	£12,549	£15,453	£7,696

[An examination of these accounts has been carried out by Mrs M Farrett in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts. The procedure undertaken did not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently does not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.]

If you pay tax, please consider using Gift Aid to increase the Church's income.

Last year's Gift Aid income came to £6,157 (£4,369 from HMRC Registered Donations and £1,788 from Gift Aid Small Donations. This is extra money rebated by the Government out of your income tax that you have already paid.

Statement of Church Assets and Liabilities at year end to the nearest £

Assets retained for the Charity's own use <i>(Please note that the current value of these assets are estimated)</i>	Cost	Current value
Property		
Property at 69 Mill Hill, Deal - Church Building	£37,000	£325,000
Property at 69 Manor Road, Deal – Church Manse	£65,000	£375,000
Sub-total: Property assets		£675,000
Furnishing/equipment assets		
Appliances including heaters, cookers, freezers, light fittings, etc.	£5,800	£2,900
Decorations	£400	£200
Electronics including P.A. systems, tape-deck etc.	£15,000	£7,500
Furnishings including chairs, carpets, tables, curtains, etc.	£19,200	£9,600
Maintenance including ladders, scaffolding, tools, etc.	£760	£380
Kitchen equipment	£6,000	£3,000
Musical Instruments including guitars, Grand Piano, organ, etc.	£7,000	£4,000
Office Equipment including paper, cabinets, binders, computer, etc.	£8,000	£4,000
Manse furnishings etc.	£1,000	£500
Sub-total Furnishing/equipment assets	£63,160	£32,080
Total Assets		£707,080

Our Church's Charity Trust Objectives are:

- to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit;
- to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time think fit; and
- to advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Church Council from time to time may think fit.

Our strategy to implement these objectives is by providing

Weekly Services of Public Worship, Christian Training and Study
 Activities for all age groups including the elderly and the youth
 Special meetings for advancement of the Christian religion
 Pastoral care of the Church members, adherents and the wider community.

Our activities throughout the year have fulfilled these objectives through:

Church Activities. Hard copies of the Sunday sermons are distributed each week and digital copies are sent via email posted on the church website. Although this difficult year has been challenging for everyone, we have come through it exceptionally well and have been able to adapt to the new norms reasonably well. Our Guest Speakers this year included Dave Smethurst, Yan Hadley and Donald Lugg. We had our Church Christmas meal in December and gave out mugs imprinted with the Church details and a Bible verse. Our Church advertising was redesigned with the Notice Boards outside the Church and the Church Poster in Deal Post Office replaced. We also used the same design to produce publicity leaflets for the congregation to give out.

Social. The first Sunday of each month we have a shared lunch after the Service. We had some social activities this past year and also took part in the Christian Aid Quiz.

Mission. Our Church sponsored 4 children to attend the “*Fervent Academy*” school at Pastor Joy Bendoy's Church in Mandaue City, Cebu, Philippines. We also financially support Orphanages in Latvia and Ukraine each month through “*Smethurst Ministries*” and have made donations to support the orphans to leave Ukraine during the Russia's attack and invasion of the country.

Ministry. Paul and the Church both hold status with *Assemblies of God (GB)*. Paul is the *Clerk of Appeals* with *Assemblies of God (GB)*. This involves offering advice on procedural matters and adjudicating in disputes within *AoG*. He is also Treasurer for “*Verah Bassett Trust Fund*”—a local Christian Trust that makes small monetary grants to Pentecostal Churches in Kent. Paul was invited to speak at Primary Schools in Deal and Dover. Paul is also the Senior Chaplain with *South East Coast Ambulance NHS Trust* and oversees 18 Chaplains across the Trust in Kent, Sussex and Surrey. He attended a mental health course and also suicide prevention course run by SECAMB.

Our plans for the future include

- **Continued structured and inspirational Public Worship, Christian Training and Study.**
- **Planned activities for all age groups, including the elderly and the youth.**
- **Regular meetings for advancement of the Christian religion and inviting Speakers.**
- **The pastoral care of the Church members, adherents and the wider community, including practical help where needed, through both formal and informal activities.**
- **Repair and update the Church property and facilities.**

Reserves Policy

It is our policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) which equates to at least 3 months unrestricted payments (equivalent to £5,000) to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of **£10,665** more than matched this target.

Church Fire Risk Assessment

The Church building has 4 potential fire risk areas: *main hall, minor hall, ancillary rooms and kitchen.*

The identified fire hazards are: *gas fires in main hall & minor hall; wooden structure of ancillary rooms.*

The identified people potentially at significant risk are: *people unable to react quickly in main hall and minor hall; people isolated in ancillary rooms.*

We evaluated the risks as low due to the close proximity of fire exits and because vulnerable people are always supervised.

The existing Fire Arrangements are deemed to be adequate because:

The congregation is regularly reminded of the Fire Arrangements which are displayed on the notice-boards and also announced when appropriate; The emergency lighting and water fire-extinguisher in the main church hall is checked monthly; A Fire Blanket is stored in a prominent place in the kitchen.

The Church has Policies for:

Safeguarding, Complaints, Conflict of Interest, Risk Assessment, Behaviour, Photographs, Data Protection, Cyber Safety, Handling of DBS certificate information. These are reviewed annually, and copies of these Policies may be obtained from the Church Office.

Church Leadership: The Church Council (Management Trustees) are:

Paul Fermor, Margaret Fermor, Ray Teague and Jean Odon.

Church Membership

Membership of our Church is open to any Christian aged 16 years and over, who is Water-Baptized as a Believer, who actively supports our Vision & Values and who desires to serve and worship God within the context of our Statement of Fundamental Truths. All Members are expected to be Holy Spirit Baptized (or to be seeking such) and be living a life that is honouring to God. A list of Church Members and Attendees is available upon request.

Please note: We welcome and encourage the involvement and participation of all Church attendees in our services and activities.

Church Members

Church Membership is a public statement that our Church Family and our spiritual home is here at Deal Pentecostal Church—that this the place where we are spiritually fed and cared for, and where we are blessed and can be a blessing.

Church Membership comes with responsibilities and privileges which include taking an active part in the work and worship of the Church according to the person's ability and circumstances; relating into the Church's system of Pastoral Care; prayerfully contributing to the unity, encouragement and fellowship of the Church; showing a Scriptural regard for those in positions of leadership; being prepared to live by the accepted rules of Christian conduct. Members are expected to support the Church by regular attendance at services of worship, regular prayer and considered giving.

Becoming a Church Member

To become a Church Member please ask one of the Church Leaders. Before being accepted as a Church Member, each candidate should have been regularly attending our Church services for at least 6 months and be actively involved in our Church family and activities. They should also have been Water-Baptised as a Believer and have undergone a relevant study within our Church. Candidates are asked to publicly commit themselves to our Church Family (see below) after which they will be formally welcomed as Church Members.

Church Commitment

I desire to worship and serve God in the context of our Fundamental Truths and I actively support the Vision and Values of our Church. In so doing, I commit myself to God and to the other members of our Church, to do the following:

I will Protect the Unity of our Church

- ✓ By acting in love toward other members
- ✓ By speaking words of faith and encouragement to others
- ✓ By respecting both the authority of the Holy Spirit and of our God-appointed leaders

I will Serve the Ministry of our Church

- ✓ By using my God-given gifts and talents
- ✓ By being equipped to serve
- ✓ By developing a servant's heart

I will Share the Responsibility of our Church

- ✓ By being an active witness to God's grace
- ✓ By inviting the un-churched to attend
- ✓ By warmly welcoming those who visit

I will Support the Testimony of our Church

- ✓ By attending faithfully
- ✓ By living a godly life
- ✓ By giving regularly

We welcomed Judy Dudgeon as a Church Member this past year

We acknowledge all those who work to keep our Church running smoothly including those who assist us in our Worship with their musical giftings, serve refreshments and make all of us (including our visitors) feel so welcome, clean and care for the building and garden. We really do appreciate you!

**A big “THANK YOU” to everyone (members and adherents) for
working together with us in serving God here at
Deal Pentecostal Church.**