

## Annual Report

1. CHARITY: COLWYN BAY CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2010

### **Reference and Administrative Details**

3. Registered Charity No. 1066058
4. The registered address of the congregation is The Kingdom Hall, 7 Beach Road, Old Colwyn, Conwy LL29 1PH
5. On the date this report was approved the congregation was administered by the following Trustees:  
  
Chairman: Michael Carrington  
Secretary: Michael Taylerson  
Other Trustees: Stefan Morgan, Rodney Woods, Peter Watts, Raymond Hodgson and Alan Rowbotham.

6. The Kingdom Hall in Beach Road, Old Colwyn, is held in trust for the Congregation by the Kingdom Hall Trust.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

7. The Congregation is an unincorporated association now constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 29 May 1997 ('the Constitution'). The congregation is affiliated with Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain (the Society).

New Trustees are selected by the existing trustees from among congregation members, and are duly appointed pursuant to the Constitution.

The affairs of the congregation are managed by the trustees who as members of the charity work closely together and meetings are called whenever required, but at least three times a year. All major decisions are made by formal resolutions at meetings of congregation members as provided for in the Constitution.

The trustees and other persons engaged in the activities of the congregation have done so on a voluntary unpaid basis.

### **Objectives, Activities and Public Benefit**

8. The Constitution restricts the operation of the Congregation and the use of its assets to religious purposes. It defines the objects of the congregation as 'the practice and advancement of Christianity founded on the Holy Bible including the preaching of the good news of God's Kingdom by Jesus Christ within the Congregation area and the holding of meetings for public Christian worship.' For this purpose the congregation undertakes the following activities: Holding and arranging meetings for public religious worship; Teaching of the Bible and the gospel of Christ at these public meetings; Teaching and preaching the gospel to the public within the congregation area; Distribution of Bibles and other religious literature to the public in the congregation area.

These meetings are provided, and ministry engaged in, without charge to adherents or the general public. Both provide opportunities for fellowship along with the praise and worship of God. They serve to advance religious education among both Christians and the wider public by providing training in reading, teaching, and applying the Bible. Further, through the teaching of principles of Christian living, which include respect for secular authority, persons, and property, and the maintenance of personal morality and family values, individuals are aided to change their lives in harmony with such principles. This affords those who follow the teachings of Jesus an improved moral climate, better marital, employer-employee, and social relationships, and greater happiness and contentment.

The trustees confirm that they have taken into consideration Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in exercising their powers or duties.

### **Achievements, Performance and Financial Review**

9. The congregation is primarily funded by voluntary donations made by congregation members and others, supplemented by bank interest (and income from property). Throughout the year such funds have been used to provide facilities for the holding of regular weekly meetings for worship and Bible study. Donations have been made by congregation members towards the cost of circuit assemblies and other conventions held in the year. Funds have also been donated to the Society (and to other duly constituted congregations) to assist them in carrying out their related religious purposes.
10. Of particular significance in the financial affairs of the Congregation during the year was the following: -
- a) The donation of £120.00 approved by congregation resolutions to the International Bible Students Association for the World Wide Work.
  - b) The legacy of £20,000.00.
11. The charity has a consistent income base, through donations from congregation members, some of which is by tax-effective means. Based on this income, we can plan confidently with relatively small reserves. The policy on reserves is to ensure that we have free reserves on hand, not designated for specific purposes or otherwise committed, equivalent to not less than 3 months working expenditure. At the year-end, the free reserves roughly equal to 12 months working expenditure.
12. These funds are held to finance the future activities of the congregation. There are no funds held subject to restrictions on their use, or set aside for a particular purpose.
13. Approved by the Trustees of the charity on 5 May 2010 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

  
Secretary

## The Colwyn Bay Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Inland Revenue Tax Reference No: XN34218 Registered Charity No: 1066058

### ANNUAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT: YEAR TO MARCH 31st 2010

Previous  
Year

#### RECEIPTS:

(Voluntary Sources)

Congregation Contributions	£	£7,226.46		£ 7,449.71
Tax Repayment	£	£958.41		£ 1,225.67
Congregation Deeds of Covenant	£	£0.00		£ 0.00
Congregation Gift Aid	£	£3,408.00		£ 3,408.00
Legacies	£	£20,000.00		£ 0.00
Sub-total:		£ 31,592.87		£ 16,083.38

(Income from Assets)

Interests from Investments	£	£622.50		£ 1,054.96
Rents from Property	£	£0.00		£ 0.00
Sub-total:		£ 622.50		£ 1,054.96

(Misc Receipts)

Proceeds from sales of assets	£	0.00		£ 0.00
Loans received	£	0.00		£ 0.00
Other (Coaches, Hotels, Carpark, Refurb)	£	457.50		£ 1,600.00
Sub-total:		£ 457.50		£ 1,600.00

**Total Receipts:**

£32,672.87      £ 17,738.34

#### PAYMENTS

(Direct Charitable Expenditure)

Donation to IBSA/WT Society (Associated Registered Charities)	£	120.00		£ 120.00
Other Donations (e.g. Pioneer Ministers School, Circuit Fund)	£	2,714.90		£ 1,779.45

(Other Expenditure)

Kingdom Hall Operation and Maintenance	£	4,063.97		£ 6,146.98
Circuit and Visiting Minister Expenses	£	302.00		£ 1,000.00

(Payments for Investment and Other Assets)

Long term investments (tied up for a year)	£	0.00		£ 0.00
Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	£	779.48		£ 897.41
Purchase of Land/Buildings in Connection with place of Worship	£	0.00		£ 0.00

(Misc Payments)

Loan repayment to the Society re Kingdom Hall Building	£	0.00		£ 0.00
Other (Coaches, Hotels, Carpark, Refurb)	£	1,560.00		£ 1,200.00

**Total Payments:**

£ 9,540.35      £ 10,244.34

Net receipts(expenses) for the year

£ £23,132.52      £ 1,493.80

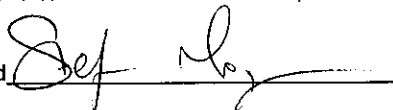
Bank and cash balances at April 1, 2009

£ 8,576.70      April 1, 2008      £ 1,111.00

Bank and cash balances at March 31, 2010

£ 31,709.22      March 31, 2009      £ 3,857.67

Signed



Date 28/01/11

Secretary for the trustees of the Colwyn Bay Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses