

Annual Report

1. TELFORD MADELEY CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES.
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2012

Reference and Administrative Details

3. Registered Charity No. 1066448
4. The registered address of the congregation is: Kingdom Hall, Queen St. Hills lane, Madeley, Telford.
5. On the date this report was approved, the congregation was administered by the following trustees:

Chairman: **Jonathon Pugh**

Secretary: **Andrew Everett**

Other Trustees: **Joseph Green, David Jones, David Laight and Michael Benting**

6. The Kingdom Hall in Queen St. Hills lane, Madeley, Telford, is held in trust for the congregation by the **Kingdom Hall Trust**.

Structure, Governance and Management

7. The congregation is an unincorporated association constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 16 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. 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 was the receipt of £133,000 from the Society for Kingdom Hall building. Noteworthy expenses were the cost of the new kingdom hall construction of the existing site of £262,711, the purchase of new c.c.t.v. equipment for £1104, Plants for Kingdom Hall garden £1144, and donations totalling £385 to the Society.
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 were roughly equal to 6 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 **5th June 2012** and signed on its behalf by:

14. Signed


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Chairman


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Secretary

**The Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Annual Receipts and Payments Account
For the Year Ended March 31, 2012**

Registered Charity Number: 1066448

HMRC Tax Reference: XN51206

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	2012	2011
	£	£
Receipts		
Voluntary sources		
Donations for local congregation expenses	4,654	4,211
Gift Aid reclaimed from HMRC	2,916	1,115
Congregation Gift Aid	7,785	5,686
Investment income		
Interest		
Other receipts		
	<u>15,354</u>	<u>11,012</u>
Receipts resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Loan received from Watch Tower		
Total Receipts	<u><u>15,354</u></u>	<u><u>11,012</u></u>
Payments		
Costs of charitable activities		
Donations to Watch Tower for Worldwide Work	385	455
Donations to Circuit/District/Congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses	715	60
Kingdom Hall operation and maintenance	5,068	1,831
Hire of coach for convention		1,369
Circuit overseer expenses	264	569
Transfer to Savings Account		40
	<u>6,432</u>	<u>4,324</u>
Payments resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Land purchased		-
Kingdom Hall Construction	16,000	
Loan repayments to Watch Tower		-
Total Payments	<u><u>22,432</u></u>	<u><u>4,324</u></u>
Net Receipt/(Payment) for the year	(7,078)	6,687
Total cash assets brought forward	12,916	6,230
Total cash assets carried forward	<u><u>5,838</u></u>	<u><u>12,917</u></u>
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Date:.....

Secretary for the Trustees of the Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

The Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Kingdom Hall Operating Committee
Annual Receipts and Payments Account
For the Year Ended March 31, 2012
Registered Charity Number: 1066448
HMRC Tax Reference: XN51206

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	2012	2011
	£	£
Receipts		
Voluntary sources		
Congregation Contributions		
Ironbridge	103,354	1,800
Madeley	20,950	33,580
Investment income		
Interest		
Other receipts		
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	124,304	35,380
Receipts resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Loan received from Watch Tower	133,000	-
Refund		46
Total Receipts	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	257,304	35,426
Payments		
Costs of charitable activities		
Kingdom Hall operation and maintenance	4,215	2,463
Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	2,190	-
Landscaping and Boundary Maintenance	3,123	-
Payments resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Land purchased	-	-
Kingdom Hall Construction	262,711	10,000
Loan repayments to Watch Tower	5,880	-
Total Payments	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	278,119	12,463
Net Receipt/(Payment) for the year	(20,815)	22,963
Total cash assets brought forward	<hr/>	<hr/>
	25,847	2,883
Total cash assets carried forward	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	5,032	25,847

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Secretary for the Trustees of the Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

**The Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Annual Receipts and Payments Account
For the Year Ended March 31, 2012**

Registered Charity Number: 1066448

HMRC Tax Reference: XN51206

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	2012	2011
	£	£
Receipts		
Voluntary sources		
Donations for local congregation expenses	4,654	4,211
Donations From Ironbridge	103,354	1,800
Gift Aid reclaimed from HMRC	2,916	1,115
Congregation Gift Aid	7,785	5,686
Investment income		
Interest		4
Other receipts		
Refund		46
	<u>118,708</u>	<u>12,861</u>
Receipts resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Loan received from Watch Tower	133,000	
Total Receipts	<u><u>251,708</u></u>	<u><u>12,861</u></u>
Payments		
Costs of charitable activities		
Donations to Watch Tower for Worldwide Work	385	455
Donations to Circuit/District/Congregations of Jehovahs Witness	715	60
Kingdom Hall operation and maintenance	7,456	2,494
Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	2,190	
Hire of coach for convention		1,369
Circuit overseer expenses	264	569
	<u>11,010</u>	<u>4,947</u>
Payments resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Land purchased		-
Kingdom Hall Construction	262,711	10,000
Loan repayments to Watch Tower	5,880	-
Total Payments	<u><u>279,601</u></u>	<u><u>14,947</u></u>
Net Receipt/(Payment) for the year	(27,893)	(2,086)
Total cash assets brought forward	<u>38,762</u>	<u>40,848</u>
Total cash assets carried forward	<u><u>10,870</u></u>	<u><u>38,762</u></u>

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Date:.....

Secretary for the Trustees of the Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

**The Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at March 31, 2012**

Registered Charity Number: 1066448
HMRC Tax Reference: XN51206

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	2012	2011
	£	£
Cash Assets		
Barclays bank account	5,838	12,916
Barclays bank Operating account	5,032	25,847
Total Cash Assets (should agree with Receipts and Payments Account)	<u>10,870</u>	<u>38,762</u>
Other Monetary Assets		
VAT refund from HMRC not yet received	57	-
Gift Aid claim not yet received	<u>1,946</u>	<u>-</u>
Investment Assets		
Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use		
Kingdom Hall (Footnote B)	278,126	41,400
Furniture and other contents (Footnote C)	<u>18,661</u>	<u>15,412</u>
Liabilities		
Loan (repayable to Watch Tower)	<u>127,120</u>	<u>-</u>

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Date:.....

Secretary for the Trustees of the Telford Madeley Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Footnotes

A - The loan is secured by the freehold place of worship.

The annual repayments amount to £10,080.00 interest free.

B - Kingdom Hall, Hills Lane Drive, Madeley Telford, Shropshire, TF7 4BY,

Shown at historic cost, Date of acquisition December 2012, Condition of property excellent.

C - Chairs, Furniture, Sound Equipment etc, Shown at Cost. Condition of contents excellent.



Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of

Charity Name

TELFORD, MADELEY CONGREGATION OF
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

On accounts for the year ended

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Charity no (if any)

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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 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*):

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed

S.P. Bennett

Date

27/12/12

Name

SAMANTHA PATRICIA BENNETT

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any)

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose

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