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Trustees' report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 December 2009

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Legal and administrative information

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Report of the trustees (incorporating the directors' report)
for the year ended 31 December 2009

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009. The trustees, who are also directors of Northwest Church for the purposes of company law and who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

Structure, governance, management and public benefit statement

Constitution of Northwest Church

Northwest Church has complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission (i.e. public benefit statement). Northwest Church was incorporated as a charitable Company, limited by guarantee, with no share capital on 19th January 2004. The church is run in accordance with the memorandum and articles of association laid out at that time.

Objectives and activities

Principal activity and charitable objects

The principal activity of the charity is to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in London Borough of Barnet and in such other parts of the UK or the world, as the trustees of the charity may from time to time think fit and to fulfill such other purposes, which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the charity.

To relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship, or who are aged or sick and to relieve distress caused thereby in the said location and in such other parts of the UK or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit and in other ways to serve and benefit the local community where there is need.

To advance education in accordance with Christian principles by such means as the trustees may consider appropriate, including by means of establishing and operating any educational establishment or establishments in the said location and in such other parts of the UK or world as the trustees from time to time think fit.

Achievements and performance

The 2009 financial year was a successful year for Northwest Church with many different areas of church life growing. Our key public meeting on Sunday morning continued to grow and flourish. In 2008 our average attendance at our Sunday morning service over the whole year was 106. In 2009 our average attendance grew to 135. Our highest Sunday attendance was 210 people at our 5 year celebration.

The church continued to have a significant impact within the local community through the running of Alpha courses, mums and toddler groups, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and the ongoing project of community involvement within the Grahame Park Estate in Colindale and the Bell Vue Estate in Hendon. Both areas are of high social deprivation.

On the Grahame Park Estate, Northwest ran a community outreach week, midweek groups for adults, community fun days and open mic events for young people. During the Christmas season we also partnered with other local churches and distributed 800 Christmas hampers to residents of the Grahame Park Estate, Bell Vue Estate and Dollis Valley Estate in Barnet.

Our youth club for 11 to 18 year olds, held in Northwest Centre, has continued to thrive. We continued to see links with other local churches grow. We hosted a weekly meeting for local church ministers, helped to lead a monthly meeting for local Christians and took part in an annual Easter walk through Edgware. Within the church we continued to train people to take on responsibility for initiating projects that will benefit the local community. In September 2009 the church took on a part time graphic designer who produced high quality publicity and stationery for the church. We also took on two part time volunteer workers, one an administrator and the other a financial administrator. This has done a great deal to ensure the smooth organisation and financial administration of the church.

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for the year ended 31 December 2009

Financial review

The overall budget for 2009 was set at £142,000 in order to fund continued growth and outreach projects into the local community and at the end of the year our total income (excluding investment income) was £149,168 and our spending was £141,772. Our sole source of income for the church was donations from church members (and the Gift Aid that was reclaimed from this giving).

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Northwest Church for the purpose of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law 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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company 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 UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board



D Hanton
Secretary

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees on the unaudited financial statements of Northwest Church.

I report on the accounts of Northwest Church for the year ended 31 December 2009 set out on pages 2 to 12

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act), as amended by section 28 of the Charities Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 43(3)(a) of the Act, as amended, to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended, 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 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.

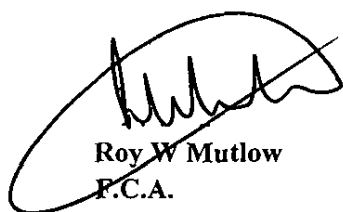
Independent examiner's statement

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

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met, or

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



Roy W Mutlow
F.C.A.

Independent examiner

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating the income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 December 2009

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	2009 Total £	2008 Total £
Incoming resources				
Incoming resources from generating funds				
Voluntary income	2	149,168	149,168	125,656
Investment income	3	4	4	30
Total incoming resources		<u>149,172</u>	<u>149,172</u>	<u>125,686</u>
Resources expended				
Charitable activities	4	138,772	138,772	134,361
Governance costs	5	3,000	3,000	3,000
Total resources expended		<u>141,772</u>	<u>141,772</u>	<u>137,361</u>
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year /				
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		7,400	7,400	(11,675)
Total funds brought forward		3,795	3,795	15,470
Total funds carried forward		<u>11,195</u>	<u>11,195</u>	<u>3,795</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements

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Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2009

	Notes	£	2009 £	£	2008 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		2,804		3,208
Current assets					
Debtors	11	2,084		5,847	
Cash at bank and in hand		10,629		(219)	
		<u>12,713</u>		<u>5,628</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(4,322)</u>		<u>(5,041)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>8,391</u>		<u>587</u>
Net assets			<u>11,195</u>		<u>3,795</u>
Funds	13				
Unrestricted income funds			<u>11,195</u>		<u>3,795</u>
Total funds			<u>11,195</u>		<u>3,795</u>

The Balance Sheet continues on the following page

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Balance sheet (continued)

**Trustees statements required by the Companies Act 2006
for the year ended 31 December 2009**

In approving these financial statements as trustees of the company we hereby confirm

(a) that for the year stated above the company was entitled to the exemption conferred by section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ,

(b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the company pursuant to section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 December 2009

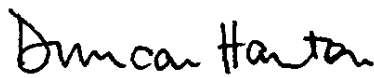
(c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for

(1) ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006, and

(2) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395, and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

The financial statements were approved by the board on 6 August 2010 and signed on its behalf by



D Hanton
Director

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2009

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and the preceding year.

1.1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.3. Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes including the charity's shop.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% net book value

1.5. Defined contribution pension schemes

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the charity during the year.

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Notes to financial statements
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2. Voluntary income

	2009	2008
	Total	Total
	£	£
Donations	122,973	106,035
Tax reclaimed under gift aid	26,195	19,621
	<u>149,168</u>	<u>125,656</u>

3. Investment income

	2009	2008
	Total	Total
	£	£
Income from investments	<u>4</u>	<u>30</u>

4. Costs of charitable activities

	2009	2008
	Total	Total
	£	£
Grants and giving	9,614	5,038
Staff costs - gross	59,809	58,253
Staff costs - employer's NIC	5,614	5,709
Staff costs - pensions	6,514	6,514
Venue costs	3,957	2,315
Rent payable	35,195	33,956
Ministry and outreach activities	9,102	10,774
Equipment and repairs	703	2,922
Travelling	1,458	1,601
Bank interest and charges	61	8
Office overheads	5,063	5,108
General expenses	748	1,094
Depreciation	934	1,069
	<u>138,772</u>	<u>134,361</u>

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5. Governance costs

	2009 Total £	2008 Total £
Accountancy fees	3,000	3,000
	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>

6. Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year

	2009 £	2008 £
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources is stated after charging Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets	934	1,069
	<u>934</u>	<u>1,069</u>

7. Employees

	2009 £	2008 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries	59,809	58,253
Social security costs	5,614	5,709
Pension costs	6,514	6,514
	<u>71,937</u>	<u>70,476</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 (2008 None)

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees (including the trustees) during the year, calculated on the basis of full time equivalents, was as follows

	2009 Number	2008 Number
	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

8. Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the company and was as follows

	2009 £	2008 £
Pension charge	<u>6,514</u>	<u>6,514</u>

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9. Taxation

The charity's activities fall within the exemptions afforded by the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, there is no taxation charge in these accounts.

10. Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 January 2009	7,206	7,206
Additions	530	530
At 31 December 2009	<u>7,736</u>	<u>7,736</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2009	3,998	3,998
Charge for the year	934	934
At 31 December 2009	<u>4,932</u>	<u>4,932</u>
Net book values		
At 31 December 2009	<u>2,804</u>	<u>2,804</u>
At 31 December 2008	<u>3,208</u>	<u>3,208</u>

11. Debtors	2009 £	2008 £
Other debtors	<u>2,084</u>	<u>5,847</u>

12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2009 £	2008 £
Other taxes and social security	1,684	1,509
Accruals and deferred income	2,638	3,532
	<u>4,322</u>	<u>5,041</u>

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13. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Total funds £
Fund balances at 31 December 2009 as represented by		
Tangible fixed assets	2,804	2,804
Current assets	12,713	12,713
Current liabilities	(4,322)	(4,322)
	<u>11,195</u>	<u>11,195</u>

14. Unrestricted funds

	At 1/1/09 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	At 31/12/09 £
General reserves	<u>3,795</u>	<u>149,172</u>	<u>(141,772)</u>	<u>11,195</u>

Purposes of unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are used to further the work and objectives of the church

15. Company limited by guarantee

Northwest Church is a company limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have a share capital