



Hooe Baptist Church Annual Report And Accounts

Year Ending 31st December 2013

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This is the Annual Report of the Church and charity known as Hooe Baptist Church for the year ending 31st December 2013. Hooe Baptist Church is a charity excepted from direct registration with the Charity Commission, but which operates according to its precepts and guidance and in accord with the requirements of UK Charity law.

Location

Hooe Baptist Church is situated in the village of Hooe, within the Plymstock district of Plymouth, Devon. It is a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, the South West Baptist Association and affiliated to The Evangelical Alliance. It is also a member of Churches Together in Plymouth.

Administrative Information

Pastor: Rev. Stuart Clarke

Church Address: 29 Hooe Road, Hooe, Plymouth, PL9 9QS

Church Secretary (and address for correspondence and bookings):

Mr D. Crawford, 166 Stanborough Road, Plymouth, PL9 8NX [Tel: 01752 407047]

Treasurer:

Mr G. Titley, 9 Beare Close, Hooe, PL9 9RT [Tel. 01752 484559]

Structure, Governance, Management

The structure, governance and management of the Church and charity are as laid out in the Constitution, with The Diaconate responsible for implementing decisions taken by members at the Church Family Meeting.

Members are elected to The Diaconate by nomination and then, in a secret ballot, by receiving the support of at least two thirds of the members present and voting at the Annual General Meeting. Those elected normally serve for 3 years. Serving members may stand for re-election for a second term, if nominated. It is normally expected that serving members would stand down for at least one year after serving two terms, but church members can ask the member to serve for further terms.

Members of The Diaconate serving for the year of this report are:

Pastor: Rev. S. Clarke

Elected members:

Mr D. Crawford	Secretary	(until AGM March 2015) (6 years' service)
Mr G. Titley	Treasurer	(until AGM March 2015) (9 years' service)
Mr R. Ashurst		(until AGM March 2015) (3 years' service)
Mr A. Boughton		(until AGM March 2015) (3 years' service)
Mrs J. Osmond		(until AGM March 2014) (12 years' service)
Mrs F. Scurr		(until AGM March 2015) (6 years' service)
Mr P. Scurr		(until AGM March 2015) (3 years' service)

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Purpose

The purpose of Hooe Baptist Church is to serve both the local and wider communities by:

- Explaining what the Christian faith is;
- Demonstrating its relevance today;
- Helping people to know Jesus;
- Encouraging spiritual and emotional growth in an atmosphere of friendship, love, support, understanding and prayer.

Mission and Objectives

Mission Statement: To make the power and love of Jesus known.

In pursuing its mission, the Church's objectives will be:-

- Corporate prayer and worship.
- Evangelism and social action at home and abroad.
- Nurture and pastoral care.
- Pursuing unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- Encouraging and equipping the congregation for Christian service.
- Relating to other local churches in whatever way may from time to time benefit one another.

Review of the year 2013

The year began with the welcome return to serving of the Pastor after his prolonged illness but has ended with the confirmation that he will retire on reaching retirement age in June 2014. This has meant that, for the members and regular adherents, there has been a lot of work conducted during the year to prepare for, and appoint, a Pastoral Selection Group (PSG). The PSG itself has then spent some considerable time preparing a Church Profile which is now being used during the Baptist settlement process in the search for a new Pastor. Prospective candidates have already been submitted and considered by The Diaconate and the PSG, but the process is quite drawn out and requires a great deal of prayer and patience! As part of this process preparations are also being made to prepare the Church for a period of time without a Pastor. A celebration event to say farewell and thank you to the Rev. Clarke and his wife June, is being organised for May 2014.

In addition to the annual reflections of the various groups and their activities provided in this report, the Pastor and members of the Church also continue to be involved in various Christian and secular activities within Hooe, Plymouth, and nationally, including but not limited to: school assemblies; school governorship; school pastors; street pastors; hosting a 12-hour monthly prayer day (which includes prayer walking the village); chairing the local community neighbourhood "Have Your Say" meetings; providing 'Welcome Packs' to the new housing development in the village and to any other 'sold' properties (in conjunction with St John's Anglican Church, Hooe); taking responsibility for the village community noticeboard; providing a quarterly newsletter "The Bridge" to homes in the area; hosting various events and Hunger lunches in support of the work of local and national charities and appeals; and serving as officers or volunteers within local, national and international charitable organisations.

The Church premises, and in particular the Community Hall (benefitting from the renovation work done in previous years which renewed the flooring and saw all the windows replaced), continues to be a much needed local resource and is used throughout the year as a venue for parties, special events,

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local and national elections, and for other community purposes (e.g.: an all-day awareness event on the proposed redevelopment of Hooe Barn; a rare, Grade II listed Elizabethan threshing barn). In addition to the weekly use by Church-based activity, the Hall is also regularly used by a local dance group and by a Plymouth City Council Early Play Scheme. During the year the church also hosted a Basic Food Health & Hygiene training day, which was attended by members working in the various groups and activities and a local publican.

The worshippers at Hooe Baptist Church genuinely believe in sharing all that God has provided and given them, both individually and corporately. 2013 has been a busy year with a lot of good work done in reaching out into the community and developing contacts and relationships with local people and groups, whilst maintaining faithful Christian biblical worship. During 2014 we would seek to develop those contacts further, provide events that engage with the community and grow deeper in love and understanding for each other. The big challenge will be the calling of a new pastor and adapting to a change in leadership focus and style.

Membership

There are currently 43 members of the church. During the year 2 members have moved away and none have been received into membership.

Financial Review

Total receipts for the year were £67,093.02 whilst payments totalled £74,208.80 and are as detailed in the financial statements within this report. The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £7,115.78. 17.3% of income was 'given to others' in support of local, national or international needs.

Assets available for the Church and charity to meet its mission and objectives include the freehold of the premises at 29 Hooe Road (Church and Community Hall) and at 1 Stefan Close (Manse) and these have an insured value of £692,684. A mortgage is outstanding on the manse to the value of £37,938.37 (as at the end of the year in review). The balances carried forward are £10,715.11 in undesignated funds and £12,251.72 in designated funds.

Reserves policy

In 2011 the Church Family Meeting adopted a financial reserves policy for the Church and charity. This set out an aim to achieve and maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately four months of payments (target amount: £23,000), to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The end of year undesignated funds balance of £10,715 does not meet that target.

Reports

Church Secretary

Pastor Stu and June are now only a few months away from his retirement in June and are preparing for their move to Swindon so they have been busy downsizing to a small home.

The process of looking for our next minister was set in place during the year with the appointment of a Pastoral Selection Group (PSG) chaired by Robert Ashurst. The group has already been busy each month considering a list of proposed candidates. We wish to thank Chris Wooding from SWBA for helping us determine the right way through the process. Please continue to pray for us as we seek God's choice with wisdom and discernment; also prayer for each candidate seeking a new Church. May we all achieve God's purpose for His Church in Hooe. The "Farewell Service" for Pastor Stu and June will be at Plymstock School on Saturday 17th May.

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As part of the PSG's remit of producing a church profile we had to examine and re-evaluate ourselves; what we do, how we do it? We have tried to engage the whole Church in this process through the year with Consultation Half Days. This will continue at the AGM in March 2014 where we will be posing five questions about the future challenges for the Church. This is all designed to help us build a future for our Church.

There are 43 Church Members at present on our membership roll, with a further 30 or so people regularly attending and demonstrating their commitment to the Church through helping in the service and during the week in church groups and activities. We have been blessed with several visitors during the year, some on holiday from Holland and others looking for places to move to within Hooe. Please pray for them.

The Church prayer life continues with its monthly prayer meetings on the first Friday in the month and, with thanks to Adrian Boughton and June Clarke, a monthly 12 hour prayer meeting, where prayers are said for our country, Plymouth and its churches, and the community here in Hooe. We are also mindful and thankful for the prayers offered by those who can't make the meetings or groups and who use the weekly prayer matters as a guidance tool.

Outreach continues with a monthly Messy Church, with a steady number of parents and children attending. They take part in crafts and activities, share a hot meal, and experience a short drama and listening to the 'Word' in the Church (more in Youth Work report below). Our Girls' Brigade Company and mums and toddlers group, 'HooeRays!', continue to meet each week. Please pray for Jean and her volunteer leaders as they continue meeting with the young girls from the community, and for Debs and Kerry as they talk to mums and grandmothers while the little ones play and enjoy themselves. (see also reports below).

We continue to support our missionaries Fineke Janssen (Bolivia), Caroline West (Cambodia) and Deb and Doug Benn (Uganda) through our giving and prayers. It was a pleasant experience listening to Deb and Doug when they visited us early in February whilst on home leave. Our new BMS missionaries, Andrew and Jenny Saunders (Nepal), are now settling in to the local community and finding where God has His place for them. Thanks to Dan Coulston who supplies us with up to date information about them to help our prayers where needed.

The monthly 'soup and cheese' Hunger Lunches also continue thanks to Anne Rogers. Each month our attention is focused on the plight of others less fortunate than ourselves, with our giving going to the support of that month's nominated charity.

Our property maintenance is constantly being reviewed and managed, as best we can. The next project will be the re-pointing of the driveway stone wall with lime mortar. Thanks to a generous donation, we have obtained a number of modern light fittings which would improve the Hall, vestry and Church lighting. All we will need to find is the installation cost!

Dave Crawford, Church Secretary

HooeRays!

Our parent and toddler group gives the church the opportunity to have regular and close contact with local families and at the same time provides a place for mums, dads, grandparents and child-minders to meet and chat (and the children to play and make new friends!).



The sessions include play, craft, singing and refreshments, and during this time the helpers are interacting with both children and grown-ups.

During the first half of the year we had around 10 to 12 children each week and despite six of these leaving us in the summer to start school, our numbers increased from September and we have had 15 to 17 children each week since then. Overall we have contact with around 15 local families.

We had our usual summer and Christmas parties, which were enjoyed by all. At the summer party we give all the children a party bag and for those leaving to go to school we give a certificate and a small soft toy. At Christmas each child is given a Christian Christmas book and a small present from Father Christmas.

Once again I would like to thank all those that make 'HooeRays!' possible, particularly Kerry Moore, Dave Crawford and Jon Clarke. Thank you also to all those who have supported 'HooeRays!' through prayer.

Deborah Reeves

Crèche

Since my last report we have been joined in the Church by two new families. These families have brought three children to the crèche which is great answer to prayer.

A thank you to the helpers who turn up each week to teach the little ones stories from the bible with colouring and sticking.

Jan Crawford

Youth work

This is the AGM report of the Youth and Community Worker in Hooe Baptist Church. First of all I bring blessings and thanks to the church of Hooe for its continuing mission to bring the Word of God to the local community. Over the last year we have experienced many highs and some lows, but all of our successes are to go to God who has orchestrated, led and divined his Spirit in all that we do. I have divided this report into the different areas I have been involved in.

Sunday Mornings

For most of the last year, we have been working from a series by Scripture Union called Substance. This coursework has allowed the leaders and the Young people to engage in conversations about The Bible, God and how Christianity fits into their lives nowadays. We have been helped by several members from the church and on the whole, there has been positive feedback with regards to the sessions. We have maintained uncertain numbers on Sunday Mornings due to people moving on, as well as being unable to attend due to personal reasons. However the Young People that have been able to attend have been really engaging and seem to understand where the series is taking them. We have in the past few weeks had a member from the Tuesday Night Girls Group attend which is a superb blessing. Please continue to encourage and pray for these young people.

Boys Club

During the last year we have managed to maintain and increase our numbers on Monday Nights. We now have young people from school years 6-8 who attend on a regular basis. We have also gained a new helper following John Hortop's decision to move. Our numbers are remain at an average of 12 young men per week. These numbers usually drop during the summer evenings, but pick up again

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during the autumn and winter nights. Many of these young men are now engaging in more than just boys group, for instance also attending Faith and Football. During the last year we have also seen a number of these young men attend on Sunday mornings at one time or another and we should be encouraged by this exploration.

Girls Group

Girls Group has been a success story throughout the last year, we have increased our numbers to around 30 girls on a regular basis over the 2 one hour sessions. Throughout the year we have been praying for helpers for this club especially in the second half of the last year. In January we received these new helpers and each and every one of them has been fantastic in what they are doing. Again the age groups for the girls are within school years 6-8; with year 8's meeting as a separate group. In the last few weeks we have once again had some new members attend, as well as some former members returning. We hope to have the local police come soon to talk these young ladies about safety on the streets and on the internet.

Faith and Football/Extra Time

During the last year the co-ordinator, John Hortop, moved away and I have taken on the responsibility of co-ordinating both these events. I have had two amazing teams working with me to provide both a good football session and a quality reading session at Prince Rock.

We continue to receive phenomenal numbers for the football sessions each Wednesday night at Plymstock School and have had some great presentations from each of the team talking and sharing with parents and children their faith and the reasons they do this voluntarily. We hope to have a professional footballer from Plymouth Argyle this coming season to discuss his faith in the professional football world.

In consultation with Prince Rock Primary School we have taken the decision to close The Extra Time reading scheme at Easter 2014. The major reason is that the numbers have slowly dwindled over the last two years, indicating that the scheme has reached 'its time'! Working with Christians from across Plymouth to provide this service has been a great pleasure and the work has experienced many highs, especially seeing pupils improve their basic skills. However the time is right to withdraw and I hope that God continues to work with children, parents and the teachers.

Messy Church

We continue to provide Messy Church for our local community and continue to receive good numbers. We finished our 'Jesus is...' series, and have been relying on God for ongoing subjects and ideas.

We continue to serve extraordinary numbers of meals to the local community who attend and it cannot be stressed enough how grateful we are for the help and commitment we have received during this past year, not only in the kitchen but across the building. This continues to be the biggest project I am involved in within the church. We have seen people talking and asking questions throughout which lead us to hope that we will see fruits from the labour and trust God is working away within this community. Please pray for the helpers and parents and children and other family members that they will truly know God in a real and sensational way.

Messy Chicken Trail

Once again we did an Easter 'chicken' trail (placing stuffed toys in local shops) and once again we received such warmth from the shopping centre. Numbers were around the same as year before. We again provided the Real Easter egg for the winners.

Messy Sheep Trail

With more shops involved this year we were expecting great things from the 2013 trail, however numbers participating were down from last year. The shops have continued to provide warmth to us for trying these things and expressed real interest in the message we were trying to share.

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Holiday Club

For the first time in a couple of years we tried a holiday club at the end of the summer. We did not receive amazing numbers but we did retain some good numbers throughout the week. We called the week Star Ship Discovery and provided crafts and games around the message of God. This was well received and we have learnt lessons going forward.

Preaching Commitments

Once again I have had the privilege and honour to be able to preach several times at Hooe and have enjoyed every bit of it. These sermons give me an opportunity to study my Bible even deeper in order to gain a fuller understanding of God's word.

Finally

As you can see there has been so much happening in the last year that God has been not only involved in but leading. I would like to take this opportunity to say that not all of my time is spent on the frontline having an absolute ball of a time. A lot of prayer and research goes into each event.

There have also been a lot of volunteers and helpers for every event/activity that we have done and I can only say THANK YOU to everyone at Hooe. Whether you have been on the frontline or behind the scenes praying, THANK YOU so much; you know who you are.

And on a sad note, I have to say that I have announced my resignation (with effect from 24th April 2014) from my post with Hooe Baptist Church. Over the last few years we have seen God working in so many ways and have so many good times to see ahead. I will continue to volunteer at Hooe when the duties of my new full-time job allow. May God bless each and every one of you, and may his Spirit move throughout Hooe and surrounding areas so that we may see an avalanche of people coming to know him. We continue to be a Church family in our community.

Jon Clarke, Youth Worker

1st Hooe Girls' Brigade Report

We knew that 2013 would be a very special and busy year for our company the GB movement was 120 years old and we were 60 years old.

Although we had a lot to plan and look forward to, our week to week activities went on as usual. Four of our Brigaders attended the district young leader training weekend, and we held our enrolment service. Our Christmas presentation was well attended and we supported Spurgeons charity. We were able to send them a donation of £650.

On a very cold and windy Saturday in January saw us up on the Hoe along with other companies from the district holding our balloons to launch 120 years of the GB movement this was followed by a service of dedication and very welcome hot refreshments.

In March on another very cold and windy Saturday the company met at the home of one of our leaders at Mount Batten for our own 60th balloon launch. Once the balloons were up and away we trooped back to the church for tea and cakes. It was great that so many parents and friends joined us at the start of our celebrations.

April saw the company off to Uffcolme to join in the regional celebrations. The girls had a great time taking part in all the different activities based on circus skills.

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In May we held a coffee morning and raised £200 for company funds. At the end of the month we held our annual camp at Heatree Adventure Centre, where girls and leaders had a great time.

After months of prayer and preparation, June 29th, our celebration day, arrived and what a day it turned out to be! The sun shone and an army of volunteers from parents and church friends turned up to transform the school hall and grounds. Flower arrangements, balloons and bunting went up. Bouncy castles and outside games went on in the grounds and the BBQ prepared. Special guests included Gary Streeter MP, GB National Director Ruth Gilson, and Jake Daykin Hooe School Headmaster along with leaders from Plymouth District. Pastor Stu had planned a great service during which the girls received their awards; past members were invited to share their memories and then a few words from our guests. The last song had been sung it was time for the fun to start with everyone having a great time eating, trying the games and a lot of groups reminiscing. It was a great day and one we will remember for a long time.

Before we finished for our summer break we did complete a sponsored prayer walk around Hooe, stopping to pray for the various sections that make up our community. This was to support the GB appeal 'Give a Girl' a chance appeal and we raised £160.

So a very special year has come to an end but nothing would have been achieved without the commitment and support of the team I'm privileged to lead so my sincere thanks to them all.

During our special service we gave thanks to God for all that had passed and asked His blessing on what is to come, and we put our trust in Him to lead us.

Jean M Osmond, Captain

'Friends' - Thursday morning

Our Numbers are about the same. One attendee Alan, who has been in hospital during the year, appreciated so much the care shown to him as we visited him in hospital and at home, that he couldn't wait to get back with us and play his game with Dave Redwood!

The pleasure we get from coming and sharing a cuppa with a cake, biscuit, toasted teacake or whatever, has proved to be a blessing to all who come. We are enjoying the gathering together for a chat and the friendship and the company does us good.

We play games and Table Tennis and Pool are among the favourites together with several card games like UNO, MY WORD and SCRABBLE – for which our own adjudicator Stella and her little machine keeps us in check. We have also been able to have our regular meals out at Christmas and in the summer.

I invite you to come along and share a cuppa with us anytime you will be very welcome, and I take this opportunity to thank all those who play any part in making this a success and pray God will continue to bless us as we serve by just being "Friends".

Anne Hughes

Alpha Course

During the summer we went door to door around the vicinity of the church, Hooe Rd, Yonder St, Amacre Drive, South Hill and the streets behind the Church, delivering leaflets explaining the Alpha

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course and giving an invitation to attend a future course. We spoke to a number of people on their door steps and had friendly and encouraging conversation.

At the time we were hopeful to receive some takers to attend a course, which we had planned to commence in September. We regret that this wasn't to be.

The positive side is that the church is seen as being pro-active in giving people the opportunity to investigate Christianity, and not afraid to stand up and be counted. Plus our time developed into a good prayer walk.

We appreciate that there are seasons which are more fruitful than others and are not put off by the lack of response last year. We are of the strong belief that the best results are through personal invitation. We would like to encourage members to Gossip the Gospel and where interest is shown, may be to suggest an Alpha Course to the interested party. We also understand that some of the fellowship may not have experienced an Alpha Course for themselves and may not feel right about recommending it to others. If that is you we could certainly arrange one in the hope that you will be more confident to invite family or friends to a future course.

Faith Scurr

House Group – Monday Evening (1 Westways)

We are missing our dear friend and sister in Christ, Carol, since her death in December. We remain in contact with her daughter Belinda whose son Thomas is now one and a bit.

Our numbers haven't been added too in the past year so we are down to 10 people, with an average of 8 people meeting regularly. During the year, alongside some studies based on the Sunday preach, we studied James and part of the book of Romans - which was challenging!

Yours in Christ Jesus, **Pete & Faith Scurr.**

House Group – Monday Evening (2 Catalina Villas)

Our house group is one of two that meets on Monday evenings, sometimes in Mount Batten and other times near Wembury. There are nine people that we regard as members of the group, but three of those have rarely been able to join us over the last year due to other commitments. As a result, a typical attendance would be six, but that leaves us vulnerable to the absence of individuals or couples. This means that we are not usually able to meet every week, instead meeting when we have a viable number. We enjoy good fellowship, mutual support and encouragement, praying for each other and the wider church, and Bible Study. Over the last year, we have been engaged in a study on "Becoming more like Jesus", which has challenged us on characteristics such as integrity, love and humility.

Robert Ashurst

House Group - Wednesday evening

We continue to meet at 22 Belle Vue Rise for most weeks. At other times we meet at 30 Belle Vue Rise. Our meetings are led by Brian and Anne Rogers. We have a small core membership of eight (plus one dog!). We therefore continue to suffer from having to cancel meetings if only 3 or 4 people can attend.

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In spite of these factors we continue to enjoy very positive, fruitful and practical bible study and prayer times. We have completed a series of bible studies looking at “Self-esteem” and we are currently working our way through a series on “Faith”. We have also held some social events during the year and organised several summer Sunday afternoon outdoor gatherings to which other members of the fellowship were invited.

The high point of our year was when our newest member committed their life to Christ. We have been both encouraged and challenged as we have watched their faith grow and flourish. The love and pastoral care within the group continues to be its strength, as expressed through prayer and practical action.

To re-state the closing comment from our 2012 report, “Even though we have enjoyed and benefitted greatly from our self-chosen course of studies, it is still the strong belief of this group that unity of purpose and spirit within our church family is best served by all house groups following a shared programme of study.”

Anne & Brian Rogers

House Group - Thursday Evening

As in previous years the Thursday House Group has continued to meet regularly at the home of Anne Hughes who hosts us wonderfully and provides glorious refreshments which are much appreciated!

The group consists of about 7 or 8 regular attendees with others coming when they can which can make the total over 10 people. It is a loving and caring group with a good spread of faith experience and knowledge shared in a warm and safe environment. Joys and sorrows with blessings and needs are brought in confidence within an atmosphere of love underpinned by prayer and standing on the word of God.

As you would expect the study of God’s word is enthusiastically undertaken and this year we have spent a great deal of time looking at two books. Firstly we studied the book of Ephesians which is a letter of enormous encouragement to God’s church and was written to strengthen believers in their Christian faith. We all gained a lot from this study which presented various pictures to us of God’s church such as it being the body, temple, mystery, new man, bride and soldier.

We then looked in depth at the book of Daniel which gives an historical account of the faithful Jews who lived in captivity and through them shows us how God is in control of heaven and earth, directing the forces of nature, the destiny of nations and the care of his people. It concludes with Daniel’s apocalyptic visions in Chapters 8-12 which gives a glimpse of God’s plan for the ages including a direct prediction of our Messiah Jesus Christ. This book was a great challenge to us as Daniel held fast to his faith in God at a time when he could have been in great despair. He had been deported to a foreign land along with thousands of his fellow countrymen and faced egocentric despot leaders as well as being surrounded by idolaters. Daniel did not give up or give in; he knew that despite his circumstances God was sovereign and working out his plan for nations and individuals. As we read Daniel we saw God at work despite the circumstances his people were in, and by that we found our own security in God’s sovereignty and we were all strengthened by that.

We are now starting a period of study on spiritual warfare utilising the armour of God, the gifts of the spirit and all the other aspects of our faith to take our stand against the works of the enemy at such a time as this. It should be interesting! Amen.

Adrian Boughton

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Minister: Rev. S. Clarke

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"To know God, to serve Him, and to make Jesus known to all".

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Annual Accounts

2013

Prepared by HBC Treasurer: Mr Graham Titley

Independent Examiner: Mr Aubrey Curtis, CFPA

Hooe Baptist Church is an exempted charity
under current UK Legislation.

HBC complies with all guidance and requirements of
The Charity Commission and The Charities Act 2011



REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER(S) TO THE Trustees of HOOE BAPTIST CHURCH on accounts for the year ended 31st December 2013 as set out in this report

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You have determined that the accounting requirements of section 132 of the Charities Act 2011 do not apply, and have instead applied the provisions of section 133 of the Act.

It is MY responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My Examination was carried out in accordance with the above mentioned Directions. My 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 opinion of the view given by the accounts.

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 Act: and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 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.

Signed:

Aubrey F. Curtis CPFA

Date:

17th March 2014

Aubrey F. Curtis CPFA

2 Beaufort House

Mariners Court

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2013 Summary of Accounts

Accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and guidance from The Charity Commission

Total Receipts 2013:	£67,093.02
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Total Payments 2013:	£74,208.80
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Assets at 31/12/13

Cash in hand (in bank accounts):	£22,966.33
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Insured value of property and chattels:	£692,684.00
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Liabilities at 31/12/13

Mortgage: 1 Stefan Close (Church Manse)	£37,938.37
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Hooe Baptist Church Receipts and Payments Account for 2013				
These accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis				
and accord with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011				
		£		£
Receipts: Undesignated:		2013	Note	2012
Giving		43,255.48		44,255.80
Donations		4,552.31		16,885.21
Income Tax Recovered on Undesignated Gifts		12,452.23	1	8,471.86
Other (incl. CAF Bank Interest)		19.08		43.08
Mission/Evangelism/Events		65.95	2	601.20
Receipts: Designated:				
For Other Causes		3,512.33	3	1,714.76
For Youth Work		2,400.00		2,400.00
For Mission/Evangelism/Events		0.00		0.00
Designated Donations		835.64		1,714.72
Other Designated Income		0.00		0.00
(Gift Aid on 2012 designated gifts (payment already made)		228.75)	*	0.00
TOTAL		£67,093.02		76,086.63
Payments:				
Ministry	Undesignated	28,016.91	4	31,076.22
	Designated	2,853.14		
Manse	Undesignated	2,261.70	5	24,341.56
	Designated	7,174.02		
Church Building and Equipment	Undesignated	1,902.63	6	
	Designated	4,078.65		
Administration	Undesignated	1,939.78	7	3,320.47
	Designated	2,425.18		
To Other Causes	Undesignated	815.00	3	11,724.25
	Designated	10,829.71		
For Mission/Evangelism/Events (excluding Youth Work)	Undesignated	1,468.55	8	2,471.56
	Designated	183.10		
Youth Work	Undesignated	271.29	9	11,276.94
	Designated	9,989.14		
TOTAL		£74,208.80		84,211.00
Surplus (deficit) for the year		-7,115.78		-8,124.37
Balance brought forward from previous year		30,082.11		38,206.48
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		£22,966.33		30,082.11

* line included to 'close' open item from last year's accounts. Not included in Total Income for the year

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Hooe Baptist Church Accounts for 2013 - Sub-Topic Income and Expenditure Notes						
Note	2013		2012	2013		2012
	Undesignated	Designated		Undesignated	Designated	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1	This is the amount of Income Tax recovered, on undesignated gifts to the Church, via both HMRC Gift Aid schemes.					
2	Mission; Evangelism; Events					
	Receipts: Messy Church	65.95	0.00			
		65.95	0.00			
3	Raised for Other Causes (incl. assigned gift aid)					
	Other causes	434.00	522.43			
	BMS World Mission	473.65	579.76			
	Avail Bolivia	983.00	306.50			
	Tread	103.03	125.07			
	Habitat for Humanity	112.50	0.00			
	Tearfund	172.24	122.25			
	Christian Aid	60.62	58.75			
	Mission Aviation Fellowship	0.00	0.00			
	Harvest Appeal (for BMS)	679.25	0.00			
	Christmas Appeal (Spurgeons)	494.04	0.00			
		0.00	3,512.33			1,714.76
	Paid to Other Causes (incl. assigned gift aid)					
	Home Mission	0.00	2,904.00			
	BMS World Mission	0.00	4,026.41			
	Avail Bolivia	0.00	1,197.50			
	Tread	103.03	125.07			
	Tearfund	172.24	122.25			
	Christian Aid	60.62	58.75			
	CRP Schools Project	0.00	360.00			
	Habitat for Humanity	112.50	100.00			
	Wycliffe Bible Translators	500.00	360.00			
	Mission Aviation Fellowship	0.00	110.00			
	Faith in Football	240.00	120.00			
	Plymouth Street Pastors	0.00	120.00			
	Other Causes & Gifts	75.00	1,293.41			
		815.00	10,829.71			11,724.25
4	Ministry					
	"Call" costs, incl Pension	26,946.80	2,193.14			28,668.80
	Ministry Expenses	785.11	660.00			1,865.88
	Pulpit Expenses	285.00	0.00			541.54
		28,016.91	2,853.14			31,076.22
5	Upkeep of Manse					
	Mortgage	0.00	5,400.00			5,400.00
	Repairs/Maintenance	1,221.68	0.00			2,920.81
	Council Tax	0.00	1,337.32			1,314.06
	Water Rates (Metered)	470.89	0.00			612.32
	Communications	569.13	436.70			820.80
		2,261.70	7,174.02			11,067.99
6	Upkeep of Church					
	Water Rates	552.47	0.00			521.45
	Electricity	390.87	3,240.00			2,280.00
	Repairs/Maintenance	840.40	320.15			5,401.11
	New Equipment/Fittings	118.89	518.50			5,071.01
		1,902.63	4,078.65			13,273.57
7	Administration					
	Insurances	0.00	1,989.20			1,764.54
	Subscriptions and Licences	295.20	435.98			668.15
	Stationery and Printing	757.13	0.00			793.07
	Other sundry items	887.45	0.00			94.71
		1,939.78	2,425.18			3,320.47
8	Mission; Evangelism; Events					
	Outreach, incl "The Bridge"	952.03	183.10			2,111.56
	To Hooe Youth Account	516.52	0.00			360.00
		1,468.55	183.10			2,471.56
9	Youth Work					
	Salary, Tax, Pension	0.00	9,989.14			9,839.80
	Training	0.00	0.00			75.00
	Expenses	137.83	0.00			1,316.33
	Sunday Teaching	133.46	0.00			45.81
		271.29	9,989.14			11,276.94
10	Sundry Debtors					
	Income not yet banked					0.00
	Gift Aid from HMRC					228.75
						228.75
11	Sundry Creditors					
	Cheques not yet cashed					0.00
	Payment to:					
		0.00	0.00			0.00
12	Non-Monetary Assets Held for Church's own use:					
	Hooe Baptist Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant trusts) of the assets listed below.					
	The legal title to these assets is held by the Church's custodian trustee, the Baptist Union Corporation.					
		Asset Value 2013			Asset Value 2012	
	Church Premises at 29 Hooe Rd, Plymouth					
	- Insured Value	351,405.00			346,216.00	
	Church Fittings & Equipment at 29 Hooe Rd, Plymouth					
	- Insured Value	60,000.00			52,607.00	
	Church Manse at 1 Stefan Close, Plymouth					
	- Insured Value	271,279.00			267,273.00	
	Church Manse - Contents at 1 Stefan Close, Plymouth				not previously insured	
	- Insured Value	10,000.00				
		£692,684.00			£666,096.00	

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2013			
	2013	Account Note	2012
<u>Assets</u>			
General Account	£22,966.33		£30,082.11
Made up of balances in following accounts:			
HSBC Community Account	6,446.26		£8,352.37
CAF Bank	16,520.07		£21,500.99
Sundry Debtors	0.00		£228.75
Held for Church's Own Use	£692,684.00	12	£666,096.00
<u>Liabilities</u>			
a) Sundry Creditors	0.00	11	£0.00
b) Borrowing	£37,938.37		£41,870.05
Made up of the following:			
Mortgage against 1 Stefan Close (projected final payment date: Feb 2022)	£37,938.37		£41,870.05

The accounts and statement of assets and liabilities set out in this report and relating to the year ending 31st December 2013 are a true and accurate record of the financial activity of the charity known as Hooe Baptist Church and have been approved by the managing committee of the charity (Deacons).

eSigned: *DC Titley* Date: 01st March 2013
Hooe Baptist Church Treasurer



Accounts Associated with Hooe Baptist Church

Hooe Youth Account			
A designated account, solely owned and operated by Hooe Baptist Church			
HSBC Account Balance at 31/12/12:		£530.36	
RECEIPTS			
	Youth	GB	Hooerays
Opening Balance:	£223.42	£216.92	£90.02
Receipts: Mar	£180.00	£180.00	£156.52
Receipts: Apr	£200.00		
Total:	£603.42	£396.92	£246.54
PAYMENTS			
Payments: Jan			£66.54
Payments: Jul			£75.00
Payments: Sept	£22.32	£7.17	£28.00
Payments: Oct	£66.03		
Payments: Dec			£63.33
Total:	£88.35	£7.17	£232.87
Balance CF to 2014	£515.07	£389.75	£13.67
HSBC Youth Account Balance at 31/12/13:		£918.49	

1st Hooe Girls' Brigade			
An activity of Hooe Baptist Church			
Accounts are kept by Mrs Jean Osmond, Company Captain, and are independently checked.			
This summary is provided as part of the financial accounting of Hooe Baptist Church's activities.			
The GB financial year is September to August.			
General Account			
Financial Activity Summary Report		2012-2013	
Total Receipts in 2012-2013:			
(Including £435.00 from Investment A/c)		£3,020.94	
Total Payments in 2012-2013:		£3,251.04	
Company balances at 31/08/13			
Lloyds Bank:	£1,020.89		
Investment A/c.	£0.00	(now closed)	
Held as cash:	£10.49		
Total 'cash' assets:	£1,031.38		
Camp Account			
Financial Activity Summary Report		2012-2013	
Total Receipts in 2012-2013:		£2,835.00	
Total Payments in 2012-2013:		£2,826.59	
Balance held at 31/08/13:	£8.41		

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Accounts Associated with Hooe Baptist Church

"Friends" Group

An activity of Hooe Baptist Church

Cash Accounts kept by Mr Dan Coulston on behalf of the group.

Accounting records examined and checked by Mr G Titley (HBC Treasurer) as the Independent Examiner for the group, on 12/01/2014

Financial Activity Summary Report

Cash Balance at 31/12/12 B/F:	94.98
Total Receipts in 2013:	429.18
Total Payments in 2013:	293.46
Cash Balance at 31/12/13 C/F:	£230.70

HooeRays: Mums and Toddlers Group

An activity of Hooe Baptist Church

Cash Accounts kept by Mrs Deb Reeves on behalf of the group.

Accounting records examined and checked by Mr G Titley (HBC Treasurer) as the Independent Examiner for the group, on 20/01/2014

Financial Activity Summary Report

Cash Balance at 31/12/12 B/F:	28.17
Total Receipts in 2013:	220.10
Total Payments in 2013:	234.06
Cash Balance at 31/12/13 C/F:	£14.21



2014 CHURCH GROUP CO-ORDINATORS & LEADERS

House Groups	Monday pm	Pete & Faith Scurr
	Monday pm	Robert Ashurst
	Wednesday pm	Anne & Brian Rogers
	Thursday pm	Adrian Boughton & Tim Relf
Worship	Music/Worship	Worship Group
	Worship & Preaching	Pete Scurr
	Monthly Evening Praise	<i>Postponed until further notice</i>
	PA System	Dan Coulston
Youth Work	Sunday Youth Groups	Jon Clarke
	Crèche	Jan Crawford
	Girl's Brigade	Jean Osmond
	HooeRays!	Deb Reeves
	Boys Group (Monday)	Jon Clarke
	Girls Group (Tuesday)	Jon & Gemma Clarke
Safeguarding Team	Designated Persons	Jean Osmond, Deb Reeves, Tim Relf
Outreach	Alpha Courses	Pete & Faith Scurr
	CTiP	Adrian Boughton
	Missionary Secretary	Dan Coulston
	Hunger Lunches	Anne Rogers
	'Friends'	Anne Hughes
	Messy Church	Jon & Gemma Clarke
	Church posters & Banners	Pastor Stu & TBA
Rotas	Communion	Pete & Faith Scurr
	Tea/Coffee Rota	Donna McCabe
	Flower Arranging	Anne Hughes
	Welcome Stewards	Sue Shelley
	Sunday Youth leaders	Jon Clarke & Deb Reeves
	Prayer & Meeting Dates	Dave Crawford
Church Fabric	Cleaning	Dave & Donna McCabe
	Health & Safety	Rob Moore
	Gardener	June Clarke & TBA
	Maintenance	Dave Crawford
	Domestic Supplies	Anne Rogers
	Church Hall bookings	Dave Crawford
Communication	Church Website	Adrian Boughton
	Monthly Notices	Dave McCabe
	'The Bridge' Publication	Pastor Stu & Graham Titley
	Weekly Prayer Matters	Pastor Stu & TBA
	12 hour of Prayer Meeting	Adrian Boughton & June Clarke
Community Links	"Have your Say" Chair	Pastor Stu & TBA
	TOCA Hooe Primary Academy	Graham Titley