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<https://riverradio.uk/>

The link below now gives access to all backdated Rise & Shine programs:

<https://www.mixcloud.com/RevJack/>

Pray As You Go

Revd Helen Brown writes:

Dear Friends,

I have stepped forward into the role of Interim Spiritual Leader to take on the challenging task of the period of transition from the chaos, conflict and hurt of the past months towards the future which the Lord is providing for us.

I stand before you not knowing what the future

Bournemouth News

Lynda Pierpoint (now Lynda Habgood) has retired as Bournemouth Secretary to spend more time with her new husband. She remains a member of the Bournemouth Committee.

Revd Gillian Gordon has taken over as Secretary.

Rules Amendments

David Friend writes:

For the benefit of those member of Conference who have copies of the Rules of Conference in the loose-leaf folder, first issued early in the 2000s, copies of the latest amendments, agreed at the Conference AGM this year, are now ready for distribution.

If you would like to have a copy of "Amendment 12", and/or have any questions about this matter, please contact David Friend by post or email on:

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will bring and how we are called upon to serve the Lord's purpose in our world with all its challenges. This is the unknown. It can seem frightening, overwhelming but it can also be creative. In the book of Revelation, we find images of the destruction of what humans create from themselves but this leads to the possibility of a renewed intimate and deeper connection with the Lord. If we allow the Lord to lead us. In the words of Revelation 21:5:

*He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!'
Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'*

The one thing I do know with complete certainty is that the One person we can depend upon is the Lord. He knows what is needed in this moment and every moment of our lives individually and collectively. He has the power to create miracles.

I invite you to join me in focusing on prayer in these months ahead. For it is only when we make a commitment to turn to and seek the Lord that He can speak to us. Otherwise we have shut Him out because we are depending on our own resources and working to our own agenda.

I use the term 'prayer' very loosely. Prayer could be reflection on the Word, meditation, movement and even silence. It is any way of bringing us to listen to the Lord. In fact, in a harvest hymn I sang recently, it even mentions the growing of plants as a prayer. For in growing things we are in touch with the wonderful created world provided for us by the Lord to sustain our bodies but also, our wellbeing.

The Ministry team have created a facebook

group *Pray as you go* which anyone can view, but if you join you can also contribute (see details below). I will also post on E-read some of the content of *Pray as you go* for those who don't access facebook. I invite you to take this forward in a way that is meaningful for you.

I have some thoughts of my own, perhaps to look at the Lord's prayer in depth as this is the prayer that He taught us. Or maybe some people would like to write prayers that we could use either individually and/or collectively. How can we bring the Lord into our meetings?

I am in your hands. What direction do you want to take and would you like to contribute?

'Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.'

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Pray as you go

Welcome to *Pray as you go* which focuses on sharing prayers and supporting how we open up a space in our busyness to listen to God's guidance. Prayer is about *listening*. You can post prayers or record them on you mobile and upload them. There will be quotes from the mystic Emanuel Swedenborg and others to deepen our understanding of what prayer is.

Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' John 20:19

This is the link: www.facebook.com/groups/276157511029041