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<https://riverradio.uk/>

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

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

Mr Michael Hindley

News has come in that Michael Hindley passed into the spiritual world on 22nd November. Michael was a distinguished servant of the General Conference over several decades, first as a member of the Council in the 1970s, and then from 1987, eventually becoming Chairman. In 2003 he became Chief Executive of the General Conference, before returning to the Council as a Trustee in 2011. It was only when his health gave way that he retired from the Council in 2018. We salute his outstanding contribution, and rejoice with

the angels at his arrival in the spiritual world. We think, too, of Michael's loved ones who will miss him so much. The Lord bless you, Michael.

Advent Calendar Link

Gemma McLean reports:

As it's now December 1st, please find below a link to our online digital advent calendar:

generalconference.org.uk/advent

You can view this on your phone, tablet or computer. Perhaps you could bookmark the page for easy daily access?



Conference Council News

Muriel Morgan reports:

The Council met twice on zoom during November. There are a number of urgent matters the Council is dealing with, several of them involving personnel. It's not possible to resolve them all very quickly but we are doing our best to ensure that the essential business of Conference is being managed as effectively as possible.

Purley Chase.

The current Chair of the Management Team, Grant Brackley, is retiring at the end of December, and we hope to announce a successor for this very important post in the near future. We are grateful for Grant's work over several years. Alison Southcombe's death has left Purley without a Programme Director. This, too, is a very important post, but an early solution is unlikely. We are working with the Ministers Committee to make

interim arrangements to ensure that events with a spiritual content continue to be part of Purley's programme.

Broadfield Memorial Benevolent Fund.

This fund is managed by a team of three, appointed by the Council. Mrs Erica Cunningham resigned as Secretary-Treasurer of the Fund, and the Council is pleased to announce that Mr Nick Skinner has agreed to take on this role. Nick was a longstanding treasurer of Brightlingsea New Church, and had a working background in finance. Mr Rob Taylor succeeds Mrs Judith Wilson as the Council's representative on the Team. Mrs Liz Regan continues to be a member.

Sale of Barlavington Way property

The Council shared ownership of a house with Mr Howard Turner, who has now moved into a care home. Two offers were received, and the Council accepted the higher. The sale is now in the hands of Conference's solicitors. We wish Howard all the very best in his new home, and thank Mr Phillip Brooks, Conference's manager of Church properties in the south of the UK, for a speedy resolution.

Conference Yearbook

The Council is issuing an addendum to the current yearbook explaining the circumstances in which Members of Conference were appointed to form a new Council to manage Conference's affairs until the next Annual Meeting.

Company Accountant

Mrs Sally Field, who has been Conference's Company Accountant for ten years, will be leaving her employment around the middle of January. The Council is currently making temporary arrangements to cover the work pending a permanent appointment. We thank Sally for her work, and send her best wishes for the future.