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<https://lomondradio.co.uk/shows/rise-and-shine>

The link below allows you to catchup Rise & Shine programs:
www.mixcloud.com/RevJack/



Purley Chase Centre Wi-Fi

Installation of Wi-Fi throughout the Purley Chase Centre is now complete. Visitors, guests and staff can now enjoy a free, high speed, internet connection.

The 217th Annual Meeting of The General Conference of The New Church

Tuesday 23rd July – Friday 26th July 2024

Faithfulness.

"I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people." Psalm 116:14

The 217th Annual Meeting of The General Conference of the New Church will be held at the Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 1AU from Tuesday 23rd July to Friday 26th July 2024. We hope that you will join us and enjoy taking part.

- Tuesday afternoon 23rd July 2024 – Adults and All Age Groups
- Wednesday 24th July 2024 – Spiritual Day
- Thursday 25th July 2024 – Business Day
- Friday morning 26th July 2024 – Review Day

A full programme of activities each day will be sent out nearer the time.

We intend to live stream via Zoom, the Keynote speech, the Conference Service and the Business Day. If you wish to join the live stream then please email paul.crone@generalconference.org.uk no later than Thursday 18th July 2024.

You can find booking forms here –

www.generalconference.org.uk/agm

A Joint Statement from the Ministers of the General Conference of the New Church:

In response to feedback received from Conference members during our discussion groups at the 2023 Annual Meeting of Conference, members of the Committee of Ministers have met to discuss and share their considerations about whether or not same sex marriages could be offered by ministers of the New Church, according to the conscience of each minister. We also explored what our concerns may be if we did or did not agree to marry homosexuals. We realise that variety is a strength and not a weakness and recognise that the group holds a spectrum of opinions and therefore of emotions. Feelings were explored with respectful appreciation of the different ways in which individuals understand and express their thoughts.

We felt that the sharing of our varying thoughts and very mixed emotions brought understanding and a renewed desire to work productively together. While we realise that we will continue to have differences concerning the subject of homosexuality, we feel we have been able to maintain a bond of love and regard towards each other through honouring, respecting and valuing the way in which each of us processes doctrinal concerns. We will continue to work together in the Spirit of the Lord in our discussions on this challenging subject.

Bradford New Church

Shannon Fitzgerald writes:

BRADFORD NEW CHURCH

JANUARY 2024



PICNIC AND PLAY

Some families got together the following weekend to picnic and play in a local park. We shared food, played together then went to get a hot drink and walked around the pond whilst watching the ducks and birds.



GIFTS TO AND FROM GOD

Sunday 7th, Gwendolen's church service, started off still in the Christmas spirit as we learnt about the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh from the wise men.

After the service families stayed behind in the afternoon to participate in the Great Family Bake Off. Prizes were won for most creative, most tasty, best texture and best presentation. Some of us clearly had been gifted with great baking skills, whilst others possibly have gifts in other areas instead!



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Sunday 21st we heard in Jonathan's church service the story Jesus told about the prodigal son. The children went up to Sunday School and discussed jealousy, forgiveness and what it means to be truly sorry for our actions.