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Revd Jack Dunion broadcasts his own online radio show every Sunday at 9am on Lomond Radio (formerly River Radio):
<https://lomondradio.co.uk/shows/rise-and-shine>

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



Manager - Purley Chase Centre

Are you a dynamic and visionary leader, passionate about community, well-being, and operational excellence? Do you thrive in an environment where your strategic thinking can directly impact a vibrant and growing centre?

Purley Chase Centre is a popular retreat and event venue set in beautiful grounds in North Warwickshire. We are a registered charity and part of the General Conference of the New Church. Our primary aim is to

foster a spiritual foundation for people in their lives. The spiritual ethos at Purley is universal in its outlook and welcomes people of all backgrounds and beliefs. We validate all faiths and welcome open dialogue between people of all religions and those with none at all.

We are currently seeking an inspiring and experienced Manager to lead our dedicated team and guide the Centre through its next phase of development.

This is a unique opportunity to shape the future of a place that truly makes a difference. If you possess outstanding leadership qualities, a strong business acumen, and a genuine commitment to our values, we invite you to explore this exciting role.

For a brief overview of our beliefs, please visit [Our Beliefs](#)

To find out further details please click here [Job Opportunities](#)

“Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it.”

Revd Becky Jarratt writes:

The Youth and Family Team put on a Family Weekend at a bunkhouse near Harrogate the first weekend in June. The theme was “Jacob’s Dream”, and we thought about various aspects of it. We were delighted to be able to tie in with the Festival of Angels by thinking of the angels that ascended and descended the stairway to heaven.

Late on Saturday morning, the older teens and adults were discussing various parts of the story, including this section:

Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it.” And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!” Genesis 28:16-17

We were thinking of how we can experience the awe in different places, not just in a church, and at that moment a wonderful red kite flew close to the windows of the building. It was as if the Lord was giving us a demonstration of this message!

This was not the only time we had this experience. On Sunday morning, we were in the upper room with the stained glass windows. Jenny and I had realised that neither of us had brought a physical Bible – we had both printed out readings that we wanted to use, and were happy to use phones to look things up – but we still felt something was lacking. As we were speaking to the group about it, the Lord provided again – the sun came out and the floor of the room was brightly lit with wonderful colours. It felt very much like the story of Jacob’s experience was being explained for our benefit.

I think all would say that we felt blessed by being together in such a special place, and we are grateful that the Lord provides for us, wherever we gather together. “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it.”

To read more about the weekend, and to see lots of photos, please visit the following blog pages on the New Church Camps website:

newchurchcamps.org.uk/saturday-at-harrogate-bunkhouse-family-weekend-2025-jacobs-ladder/

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Change of email address

The Chair of Conference Council now has a generic email address:
chair@generalconference.org.uk Please use this email address when you want to contact her.

Announcement from the Conference Council

It is with regret that the Conference Council announces that Ms. Charlotte Gilsenan resigned from her post as Bookings Manager for the Purley Chase Centre on 24th June 2025.

We thank her for her work with us and wish her well for her future endeavours.

Until a new person is appointed, please direct all enquiries to:

enquiries@purleychasecentre.org.uk

Scams

Paul Crone writes:

As IT manager, I'm regularly asked about scams.

The bad news: Scams aren't new and are constantly evolving. That's why it's impossible to formulate advice to avoid every pitfall and sometimes the recommendations themselves can be overwhelming!

The good news: Here are a few red flags to watch out for.

It is unexpected.

It demands urgent action.

It is not addressed to you by name or some of the details aren't correct.

Rely on your intuition and if you have even the slightest doubt - do nothing.



Which? magazine offers some plain English tips and support -
www.which.co.uk/consumer-rights/scams

Upcoming Events

27 th June-2 nd July	18+ Summer Camp – Kildwick Centre
Saturday 28 th June	NCYA AGM & Creative Afternoon
Saturday 28 th June	Kearsley Workshop – Death Bed Visions
Saturday 5 th July	Doctrine and Dialogue Training Day
22 nd -25 th July	Annual General Meeting - Hayes
27 th Jul-2 nd August	13 to 18 Summer Camp – Purley Chase
28 th – 31 st July	9 -13 Summer Camp – Wellspring House
30-31 st August	Dalton 200 th Anniversary
5 th – 7 th Sep	Swedenborg Weekend – Purley Chase
5 th – 7 th Sep	New Forest Family Bunkhouse Weekend
20 th Sep	Dream Workshop – Purley Chase
31 st Oct – 2 nd Nov	November Family Weekend – Purley Chase
17-18 th October	Leaders United
3 rd – 6 th Nov	Autumn Fellowship – Purley Chase

Full details www.generalconference.org.uk/new-church-events/