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**Rise and Shine Radio Show**

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/




## Gordon Stanford Kuphal 1938-2026

The details of Gordon's funeral on Monday 9th November are as follows: There will be a family Committal Service at 10.15am at Weeley Crematorium led by the Celebrant, Mrs Rita Russell, followed by a Thanksgiving Service at the United Church, Chapel Road, Brightlingsea, Colchester, CO7 0HB, beginning at 12 noon, led by the Minister, Revd Luke Smith, and Revd Bruce Jarvis. Everyone will be most welcome. Please wear bright colours, no black,

and family flowers only. You may wish to make a donation in lieu of flowers to one of Gordon's favourite charities AMREF https://amref.org

Please visit: https://gordonkuphal.muchloved.com where you can leave messages, photos and make a donation to AMREF in memory of Gordon.

AMREF Health Africa started life in 1957 as the Flying Doctors of East Africa. They partner with communities in thirty-five countries to sustainably strengthen health systems and improve access to life-saving care. Their vision is of a world where high quality healthcare is accessible and affordable to all.

Anyone needing further information should contact Rita Russell, who will be happy to answer any queries. 13A Merrivale Avenue, Bournemouth BH6 3JP; 07443 615243; ritarussell101@gmail.com

Gordon has long been a distinguished member of the General Conference of the New Church, a former Secretary of Conference, an Honorary Life Member, a lay Worship Leader, and much more besides. An appreciation of his life will be published in E-News in due course.

Streaming details for the committal service for Gordon Kuphal at 10:15 am on Monday 9th November, at Weeley Crematorium, run by John J Smith Funeral Service, are as below:

Website
https://watch.obitus.com

Username lika3306
Password 442994

Obitus will never ask viewers for payment to watch a Live Stream or service recording.



## Vacancy: Bradford Hub Operational Worker

**Shannon Fitzgerald writes:**

**20 hours per week | £13–£15 per hour | Bradford**

We have an exciting opportunity for someone to join the team at **Bradford Hub** and help support the continued development of our growing community project.

Bradford Hub provides a wide range of activities and services, bringing people together through practical support, wellbeing activities, family programmes, volunteering and opportunities to explore community and spirituality in a welcoming and inclusive environment.

We are looking for a **friendly, organised and proactive Operational Worker** to work alongside our Outreach Coordinator and help with the day-to-day running and longer-term development of the Hub.

The role will include supporting volunteers, helping coordinate activities, undertaking administration and project monitoring, supporting fundraising and grant applications, and helping develop the systems needed to make the Hub sustainable for the future.

We are particularly interested in hearing from people with experience in a **community, voluntary, charity or customer-facing environment** who enjoy working with people from a wide range of backgrounds.

**Hours:** 20 hours per week
**Salary:** £13–£15 per hour
**Contract:** Initially 12 months
**Location:** Bradford

Some flexibility, including occasional evening and weekend work, will be required. The successful applicant will also be required to complete a DBS check and safeguarding training.

Please submit an expression of interest and your CV, at outreach@generalconference.org.uk by Thursday 4th November 2026.

We would also be grateful if you could **share this vacancy with anyone you think may be interested**.

## Upcoming Events

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| 30th October | November Family Weekend - Purley Chase |
| 14th November | Voyage of Discovery - Wellspring House |
| 12th December | Angels – Discovering the gifts they bring - Wellspring House |
| 19-21st February | 18 plus Weekend – Purley Chase |
| 19-21st March | The Still Centre - Purley Chase |
| 14-16th May | Dancing the Tree of Life |
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| Full details | www.generalconference.org.uk/new-church-events |