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Faith in Later Life November Update

Dear Roger,

There are a few pieces of very exciting news for you this month - read on!

Recent Events

It has been such a privilege and joy seeing a little of the work that God is doing through you in your local churches and contexts at recent Faith in Later Life events.

You tell us that Faith in Later Life training has 'spurred you on', 'linked me with other like-minded people', 'kept me focused', 'kept me informed' and gives a collective voice to championing seniors. We hear from across the church that it is hard to find volunteers, and that previously regular ministries are reshaping. This is a time to learn from one another and encourage each other. We are working on how to set up regional groups. Some of you who met in our breakout rooms at the conference have already got this started. Wonderful. We will be sending out more bitesize resources over the coming weeks.

Spring Harvest Harrogate

Spring Harvest in Harrogate have asked Faith in Later Life to deliver a whole stream on older people at their conference next year. This is a new thing, and

we're really excited about having a space where we can bring together as many Church Champions as possible together with partner organisations and experts for some great inspiration and focus. We would love it if you could join us during April 9-13, 2022. You can find out more on the website here and even use a discount exclusively available to Church Champions via [this link](#). (If you're not signed up as a Church Champion, why not do it now? No cost or commitment, just extra access and support. More details [here!](#)).

Events and training

We are also really looking forward to working with Keswick for Faith in the Second Half in May next year. And before that we have some great training sessions planned for Church Champions, on areas like moving from a solo to a team ministry, and how to tell people about Jesus outside the church building. Do tell anyone you know to sign up. Email us, or use the form and tick box on our [website](#). More details at the bottom of this email.

Chief Executive news

Finally, and most importantly, thank you for your prayers for a successor to Carl Knightly in leading Faith in Later Life. It has been my immense privilege to be able to serve in the interim. After a recruitment process which was quicker than expected we have a new Chief Executive!

Jamie Hill joins Faith in Later Life from Christian book distributor Kingsway CLC trust, where he was Executive Director. Previous roles include Executive Director of Missions for the Message Trust, and six years with the Bible Society. He has led teams of many sizes, and is passionate about evangelism, collaboration and cross-generational ministry. Jamie is a worship leader and part of Ramp Church in Manchester, where he lives with his family. I'll be excited to introduce our new appointment at the Church Champion training sessions on Thursday 11th November - another reason to join us then! We are grateful for the way God has worked and very much looking forward to the coming months. This news will become public tomorrow, but we wanted to let you all know first!

Every blessing,

Laura Treneer
Interim CEO

"The resources and contacts from Faith in Later Life have been invaluable in enabling me to take on and develop my role as an older generation worker in my church. I don't think I could have got as far as I have without it"

- Faith in Later Life Church Champion

Support

Everything we do is underpinned by prayer, and we rely on giving to support our work.

Please continue to pray, and consider supporting what we do (details below).

We are praying particularly this month, for:

- churches who are planning their Christmas events and outreach, for these to be a great blessing and opportunity for older people in their communities
- for Faith in Later Life's network of Church Champions to grow, so that we can develop regional groups and better support one another in our empowering and reaching out to older people
- for us all to know the love and power of Jesus Christ as we serve him, including the team at Faith in Later Life

Thank you.

How can we pray for you?

Do let us know how we can pray for your ministry among seniors in your church and community, and your stories of where God is at work.

Christmas Postcards Now Available

We're thrilled to be able to offer Christmas postcards again this year, on a donation basis. Thank you for your feedback, which has helped us plan for this. Just email us and let us know how many you want, and you can use [this page](#) to donate for them on our website.

Are you in a position to give financially to the ministry of Faith in Later Life?

Our resources and training are free, and will continue to be - but as a charity we do need to raise a certain amount to cover our costs. If you are able to donate, as we head towards Christmas, or if you think your church may be interested in supporting us, feel free to do so [here](#). There is also an option to set up regular giving, which we'd love you to consider. Let us know if you or your church would like any more more info to consider this.

Professor Keith Brown publications

You can now order printed copies of Professor Keith Brown's books directly from CPO. The links are here:

[Loneliness guidance](#)

[Support and Value of Older People guidance](#)

Dates for your diary

November Church Champions training session

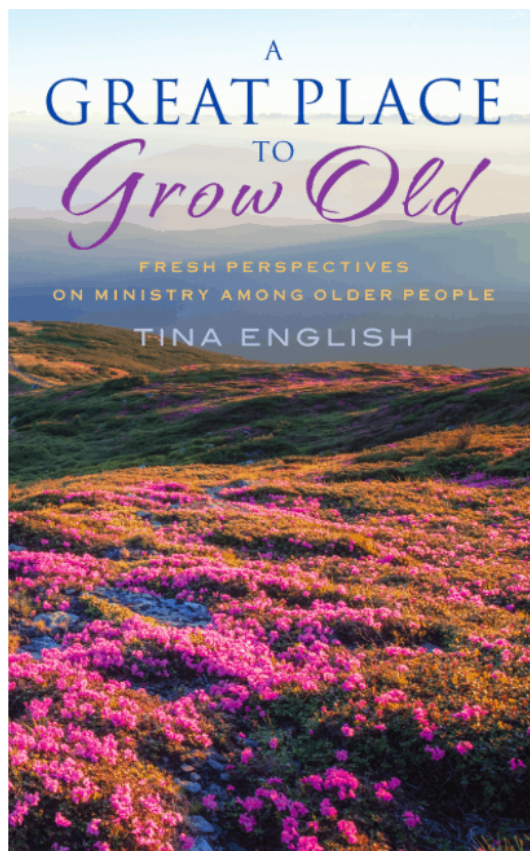
Tina English, author of [A Great Place to Grow Old](#), will be talking to us at our next session on Thursday 11th November, 10am/1.30pm. Feel free to sign up now by responding to this email.

Effective Christian Responses to Loneliness Webinars

Our friends at Linking Lives are running a series of free online seminars on a Christian response to loneliness from November-March. More info at: <https://linkinglives.uk/effective-christian-responses-to-loneliness-webinars/>

Advance notice

- December training session, 7th December, Christmas ideas and prayer, plus Pippa Cramer speaking on 'Moving from solo ministry to a team ministry'.
- January training session, 13th January, 'How do we talk to about Jesus with older people?' with training from London City Mission.
- Keswick Faith in the Second Half Conference, 10th - 12th May 2022. [Book now!](#)
- Spring Harvest Harrogate, 9th - 13th April 2022. Faith in Later Life will be contributing to the event, and running a stream on later life. Book now for early bird fill tickets [here](#). Day tickets will become available soon.



Resource of the Month

[A Great Place to Grow Old - Tina English](#)

This book covers a huge amount of ground on ministry to seniors in the community and through church, with stacks of advice and resources for any Christian with a heart for older people. We're thrilled that author Tina English, founder of Embracing Age, will be speaking at our Church Champions Training Event on 11th November.



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