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It gives me great pleasure (but is, of course, tinged with sadness) to announce that the Implicit Religion Conferences, once held in Denton, will be continuing for the next two years.

They will be held in Sarum College in Salisbury in both 2016 and 2017, dates (below). Accommodation can be provided for up to 30 people and we have space for 17 or 18 papers. The cost will be £155 per person and includes a bedroom and all meals. Should you wish to attend either or indeed both, please contact Francis to make the booking (no deposit required at this stage) at either the email address above or at [Fstewartre1@aol.com](mailto:Fstewartre1@aol.com)

The dates are:

20 – 22 May 2016

19 – 21 May 2017

The format will remain much the same as Edward had created, with papers being distributed beforehand (this will be organised by Francis) and presenters speaking to their papers for 5 or 10 minutes and then a conversation about the ideas. However, there will be some changes made on the basis of decisions taken at Denton 2015. This will centre largely on the creation of an 'Edward Bailey lecture' which will be a 45-minute talk on the Friday night followed by discussion. I am delighted to announce that Professor Grace Davie has agreed to give the inaugural 'Edward Bailey lecture' for 2016.

In addition to the continuation of the conference, and indeed linked with it, a new website will also be created. This will serve the purpose of providing up to date information about the conference, and fulfil the role Edward had for many years of seeking out new voices and ideas. It will be a multi-platform website that will include new blogs throughout the year, updates about the conference and, with the agreement of some of the speakers, video uploads of some of the talks at the conference (the discussion will not be taped or included). There will also be a memorial section for Edward, which people can add to as they wish.

There will be an embedded link in it to the already existing websites so that there is a unity of the different aspects of Implicit Religion, and the entire website will be optimised for Google.

Should there be any questions, concerns or suggestions that you have about the conference or the website do please get in touch using the contact details provided.

Best,

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