

## **Clive Flavell, from FFWPU Wales, UK has passed away**

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Clive Flavell, from our Wales community, has passed away last week. Clive was ill recently and passed on Monday the 5th November at 8am. Condolences to his wife Ruby Flavell, and his two children from a previous marriage. Details of his Funeral or Seung Hwa ceremony will be announced soon.

Clive was born in Salisbury on the 26th July 1939 in the Army Barracks where his father was based and when he was two years old his family moved to Newport, South Wales. His religious influence came from his mother, who was Catholic and this prompted him to sing in his local Church choir opposite to where he lived.

He was a sensitive young man and this showed in his art work, something he was very good. At the age of 12, with an keen eye for detail, he made a beautiful drawing of the famous Tintern Abbey as he visualised it before it fell into ruin. Following high school he studied and worked as an Electrical Engineer and continued this work until he retired.

Clive has two children from his previous marriage. In 1975 he met Ruby and in 1978 they were married. Around that time they met the Unification Church and together attended various seminars: weekend, 7 days and 25 day in Livingstone House, Kent, later becoming involved in Home Church activities in Newport and Cardiff and participated in regular meetings throughout the week studying the Divine Principle and The Bible.

They received the Blessing in The New Yorker Hotel, New York in 1989. That same year, Clive was asked if he would like to work for Seilo and All Star (One of the Church Businesses at that time) in

London, where he stayed and worked until he and Ruby returned to Wales in 1992.

Together with Ruby, Clive frequently went witnessing door to door giving out many leaflets about the Church. He was very active in giving out Holy Wine in Cardiff and collecting signatures for various Church campaigns from people in the street and later, when Reverend Moon's autobiography was published took every opportunity to give the book and to share about Reverend Moon's life with others. Even in later years, while in hospital or the nursing home, Clive loved to share his experiences and details about the autobiography with others.



In 2004 he took part in the street march Peace Rally and Peace gathering at Independence Park, Jerusalem, Israel and was there as part of an International Peace movement staying for five days.

Clive was a strong man who went body building at least three times a week and many will remember his warm, firm handshake. Being very competitive he rarely allowed himself to be beaten in games such as tennis or table tennis but particularly in chess. He was passionate about mountain biking even after retiring and regularly cycled to the Brecon Beacons from Cardiff. In his twenties, he managed to ride from Newport to Colwyn Bay in the north in one day to visit an aunt and then cycled all the way back the next.

He was always very caring and considerate and especially will be remembered as a husband who faithfully and lovingly supported his wife in her various Church responsibilities particularly supporting her WFWP activities.

He was admitted to hospital in September a chest illness, and Clive passed away very peacefully in his sleep, on Monday the 5th November at 8am.