

17th November 2015

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear colleagues,

It is now 7 years since the first businesses were listed on UKTC with the vision of becoming a practical, Chamber of Commerce-type expression for ICCC in the UK, and then outward to include any Christian owners of businesses across the whole UK who shared the Kingdom vision.

We have now 26 Subscriber Businesses, including 8 who are not ICCC members. After reflection and discussion over the last year the UK Board of ICCC in consultation with myself recently concluded that this business model is not working in current times. So, the decision has been reached to suspend trading by UKTC at the end of this calendar year. As most subscriptions run until 31st December, and are paid as part of ICCC Sub's, that date has been chosen for closure. The few non-ICCC Subscribers who paid during 2015 will have the balance of their Sub's refunded.

The trading activities of UKTC were ring-fenced within the accounts of ICCC UK and we are currently in discussion with The Charity Commission for the funds that remain to be used by ICCC UK to further our mission in the workplace.

The Board of ICCC still believe that there will be a need to develop practical services, related to helping businesses to thrive and to trade under the dynamic loving rule of the Lord Jesus Christ. Various options are being reviewed and new services may be initiated in the UK, such as a wider circulation of Update which in due course may become a part of the MyICCC platform for all ICCC members.

There have been many lessons learned along the UKTC journey which will contribute to the next step. My sincere thanks to all who have taken part in the adventure

It has been a good adventure, and I have greatly enjoyed it. A big thank you to all those of you who have kindly prayed for other businesses and their owners, opened up your own business prayer needs and other information, made helpful suggestions, and put up with occasional glitches and errors. There has been a vast amount of encouraging comment along the way, and I am very grateful to all of those who have taken any kind of active part in the UKTC adventure. Thank you all!

"Normal service will continue until closure" and please watch this space for news as to how we will move forward in our adventure with our Master. We live to serve our King.

If you have any questions, do contact me on 01275 - 872 618, or m: 077 66 11 0718, any time before 9 pm, or e-mail me at <u>t.simpson@uk.iccc.net</u>

God bless you as you gratefully follow and eagerly seek to delight our Master, Jesus, Lord of the Marketplace!

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