

CHRISTIAN BOOK AND COFFEE SHOP

# NEW CREATION NEWS

## June 2018

**Registered Charity Number: 1063294**

***“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;  
in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”***

*Proverbs 3 verses 5 and 6 (NIV)*

As you know, New Creation, a registered charity and under the Lord’s guidance, is run on your behalf, supporting churches and individual Christians to spread the Gospel. Last October we wrote to you with an **Urgent Message from the Trustees** about the situation facing us at present.

Since that letter we have had some very generous donations and many encouraging words from customers. Thank you for all your love, gifts and prayers - we are greatly uplifted by them all. As we promised to keep you updated on the financial situation in New Creation we are writing to you again as our June Newsletter.

- The donations before Christmas enabled us to end the year positively but, sadly, the footfall in the shop has not increased and our takings for the first four months of 2018 are down on last year.
- We realize that we cannot run a business at a loss. That is not honouring to our Lord.
- Without the Lord’s leading and guiding there is no point in putting forward our ideas. We have relied on our faithful God for over 30 years.
- New Creation was founded on prayer and it is still the most important part of the work that is done here. Thank you for praying for and with us for so long.
- In the shop every morning begins with prayer and there is a longer prayer time on Wednesdays between 9 and 10 o’clock. We would love you to come and join in.

Just recently we have been praying about an opportunity to move to Market Walk. We were told the cost of fitting out would be over £30,000. Unfortunately all the wonderful donations we have had would not cover the initial set-up fee or the rent in advance and other expenses. To move we would need, as well as financial help, younger volunteers to provide ‘people power’. We are considering what our next step should be:

*Should we try to move, have a new or different vision, or should New Creation continue as it is? If the latter, how do we change our existing premises, how do we improve takings, how do we increase footfall?*

**We are open to input from anyone who would like to become involved with New Creation, maybe with new ideas and a new vision for the charity. We need help and advice from you, the communities and people we represent.**

We are very aware that many of us - staff, trustees and volunteers - are getting older and will soon be thinking about stepping down, so new blood is vital if a move, or anything else, is going to get off the ground. Like Moses, we have to find new people to take New Creation into ‘the Promised Land’. Please help us.

If you would like to talk with one of us, have someone come to talk to your church or group, or volunteer in any way please get in touch. If the Lord is prompting you about any aspect of New Creation and/or a possible change please speak to us, or write, or e-mail to

[shop@newcreationtiverton.org.uk](mailto:shop@newcreationtiverton.org.uk)

**We are open to all your ideas about how the original vision or a new one could move forward.**

Thank you for reading this letter.

With every blessing,

Maureen Rendell, Holly Haig, Bruce Govett, Cliff Bailey, Rikky Apps (Trustees);