

Letter from The Way Inn

Hello everyone,

We value your support here at The Way Inn.

Over the past few years, we have struggled to keep our heads above water, but God has been good to us in many ways, including volunteers, staff and support.

Today, we find ourselves in a very difficult position of keeping a charity buoyant. One that was started out of a study group, who sent a letter to one of the churches to see if they could help. Since then every church here in Berkhamsted and the surrounding villages has been included and helped us achieve 29 years in business. Next year in July will be a celebration of 30 years in business and a time to give thanks once again for God's hand on everything that has happened to us in Berkhamsted high street. Then we can still support others and be encouraged ourselves. We need your support in various ways.

Over the years of being a Ministry in the High Street, we have been able to help those folk who walk in off the street for a chat, filling out forms, food bank, counselling, even a cuppa and a chat, and many other situations. Some difficult, some much easier to solve. Today we need you to hold us up in Prayer everyday, we need your support in new youth to help with a paid Saturday job, we need staff who will be gifted in sales, we need pledges of money to support the survival of this charity, which can be gift aided. We need help with expertise in finance, workers on the shop floor and with a vision for the future.

All profits of the shop have always been given out to people who need it, and care and support for our community. But lately we haven't been able to support even the most vulnerable. That's why we are asking for your help.

Our vision has always been to help those in need of a listening ear, support in a friendly shop, and the vision to bring the message of Christ to everyone who walks through our door. I don't mean to thrust in their face hell and damnation, but to bless each person as they enter through music heard, a happy face and good faithful and essential products that will be seen through any shopping experience. Something that we all want as we enter a happy, clean and well directed sales shop floor.

Christmas is coming and it will be the boost we need for a busy and happy time of the year. It's my favourite time and am very conscious that I could have Christmas on the shelves all year round! But I know it's not for everyone. Practically we need help in the shop, by dedicated staff that have set hours. This will make the shop run smoothly and the stock priced and put out and away, ready for others to display when the time is ready.

There will be an interview day put aside so that we can evaluate the situation. This will be given to the applicants when they request an application form. I can send this by email, or you can call into the shop to collect.

Can YOU help us achieve this? Can YOU give us your expertise? Can YOU afford to gift aid a small amount of money each month for us to achieve this for your community and church supplies?

I would really like to hear from you if you can help in any way. We need to build God's kingdom here on earth for everyone to enjoy.

God bless all you do for the mission of our church, and I look forward to hearing from YOU.

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