

# 08/31/21 INTL. COLLABORATION UPDATE

*(per our 8/31/21 Constant Contact email)*

On August 25th you received our email announcing the closing of our office at Eden Seminary (in St. Louis) along with additional information regarding bank transfers cutoff dates. Let us share with you the larger context for this news.

As you know, since February 2020, representatives of both the UUPCC and the International Council of Unitarians and Universalists (ICUU) have been meeting to discuss dissolution of our organizations to be followed by the creation of a new entity. While this is not a merger of the two groups, our progress reports have reflected a strong hope and desire that a new international organization will carry forward the missions and aspirations of both the UUPCC and ICUU.

This August, the PCC Board of Directors unanimously voted to dissolve no later than December 31, 2021. This decision is contingent on a dissolution vote by our members on October 1. We need a quorum in attendance for the vote so please mark October 1st on your calendars now.

This procedural vote to dissolve is in accordance with the requirements by the State of Washington where we are incorporated. Prior to the October 1 membership meeting, the Board will host two on-line conversations to provide more information and answer your questions. Watch your email for specific times of these Zoom conversations.

This process of dissolution has many legal steps that take months to complete. Meanwhile, partnerships continue, and administrative functions are ongoing. We are confident that new systems and support will be in place to address our important services by no later than January 1, 2022. For example, many will be assured to know we are completing details that will result in the UUA handling your partner money transfers. We ask that you bear with us as we work to make all these individual transition steps as smooth as possible.

The U/U International Collaboration Group (composed of UUPCC & ICUU reps) is eagerly looking forward to sharing its final report. Based on fifteen months of discussion and research that includes survey results and stakeholder conversations, the findings affirm the need, desire, and hope for an international Unitarian/Universalist Free Church organization to lead us into a liberating 21st century. A promising future awaits!

Take care, stay safe and we'll be in touch very soon.

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