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Subject: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [wmarkwilson](#) on Fri, 14 Aug 2009 11:44:17 GMT

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This is a repost message I just dropped on an older thread here... just wanted to catch everyone's attention with this important message...

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Firstly, I have spent considerable time ascertaining whether or not Kim was first of "okay" and secondly, what he's been up to and how that may have affected the newsgroup. After hundreds of emails outgoing and incoming, a clear picture has emerged. Unfortunately, I cannot share the \*entire\* picture.

I have learned that Kim has some decent caring loving friends all around the planet who love and care about him. A few of them are now my friends, too.

Without divulging too much personal info, Kim made some decisions regarding his health around 10 months ago which went against the advice of doctors and friends and eventually his employer.

Kim became increasingly despondent toward and isolated from most (but not all) of his friends over the last year and eventually just up and left AU for continental Europe for a musical walk-about of sorts. I've established that only one or two folks have had contact with him since he left AU about 3 months ago. So he is still alive and is working through some rather serious health issues. The best contact between Kim and any one person is less frequent than once every 3 to 4 weeks and is mostly minimal.

Kim left his gig with the radio station some time ago on not-so-good terms. At this point in time, only one person knows where he is and will not say where he is exactly, or what his plans are. This person did, however, say that she has communicated our concern collect to Kim as his friends. I made sure to let EVERYONE know that WE were all concerned for him first... everything else be damned.

My belief is that Kim simply has far too much troubling his mind right now to bother with any NG. Based on what I have learned (but cannot share here) I do NOT believe that the old NG will EVER be back up and running. I'd love nothing more than to be proven wrong but that is my increasingly instinctual and logical conclusion for whatever it is worth to you guys.

I say we move on to another host. Appears to be some desire and willingness to do that.

I'll repost this as a new topic herein.

Regards,  
Mark Wilson

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Subject: Re: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [kerryg](#) on Fri, 14 Aug 2009 17:53:59 GMT

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Just moving this comment to the new thread - Mark, thank you SO much for posting that. Kim's safety and happiness are the prime concern.

As far as I'm concerned he went far and above the call of duty keeping the NG together for so long and helping make these forums possible; he'll never "owe an explanation" for simply choosing to move on. He already did his duty, and far beyond, these many years.

My best wishes for a full recovery are with him, as well as my hopes we'll see him again in the fullness of time.

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Subject: Re: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [Sarahtonin](#) on Sat, 15 Aug 2009 07:32:04 GMT

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Wow, I've been so out of touch for so long, but you just answered one of my main questions. I hope Kim is OK and that he knows we're here for him.

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Subject: Re: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [mikeaudet](#) on Sat, 15 Aug 2009 16:30:59 GMT

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I spoke with Kim on the phone onece, and he is the nicest guy in the world. I'm so sorry to hear that he's having such a rough time. If there is ever anything I can do to help him, I'm there.

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Subject: Re: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [studiodog](#) on Mon, 17 Aug 2009 16:20:47 GMT

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Wow, keep us informed and let Kim know we are thinking of him. If there is anything we can do let me know... thanks.

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Subject: Re: IMPORTANT NOTICE: THE OLD NG IS \*\*\*NOT\*\*\* COMING BACK

Posted by [rick](#) on Wed, 19 Aug 2009 10:47:54 GMT

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thanks mark for you hard work and i understand the need to honor and protect kims privacy. and so, all i can add are my best wishes to kim and fast solution/resolution to whatever are his problems.

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