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Dear Phyllis,

Greetings and all good wishes for  
Christmas and the New Year. Hope you are now  
much recovered from the injuries you received.

Please excuse me that I have not  
written to you during the whole of this  
year. Unfortunately writing is rather  
difficult **UKZN** **Gandhi** **Centre** **Documentation** present - as all fine  
work as reading, sewing, etc. I have been  
very shortsighted since childhood, but  
during this past year I have been  
aware of a marked deterioration in my  
sight, and I now find that I have  
cataracts on both eyes. I am now

waiting for the operation to remove the cataracts but there is a 6 month waiting list for such operations.

You will probably have heard that there are nearly 3 million people unemployed in this country. This of course gives rise to a number of problems, not the least an increase in racial tensions. Through the so-called race riots in several cities during the summer were largely people versus police clashes. Our immediate locality is very mixed in race, nationality & religion, but we co-exist peacefully. As an example, in this block of houses - no. 1, ~~and~~ an elderly widow who is French by birth, but has lived there for the past 50 years; no. 3 - us, Anglo-Ghanaian; no. 5 - previously Irish, now West Indian; no. 7 - Greek Cypriot,

no 9 - Indian; no 11 - 2 old ladies who are  
the only born & bred Londoners, but who inherit  
a Swiss-Italian surname: We have a fair  
number of Indians & Kenyan Asians hereabouts -  
I think Diwali is celebrated almost as much as  
Christmas. ~~The~~ Our children are growing up  
with an awareness of different cultures &  
that cannot be a bad thing.

The unemployment has also affected junior  
hospital doctors, a good long-term posts are very  
hard to come by. Therefore Kofi has spent  
the last year doing short locums in many  
different hospitals. A bit hazy & does  
financially but we managed.

Love from Grace & Kofi