



East Berlin next year; he is presently lecturing in America. There are many loopholes, but I want to at least stay in touch. For future reference ... I don't think the actual meetings will be that great, since the various resource people are all Christians. I'll let you know if I learn anything! Mainly, this is a chance to greet Royers and Fern and my friend Beth from Nepal. Who knows, perhaps also to challenge some staid thinking.

Have gotten increasingly involved with the editors of the "Lancaster Independent Press", who put out a weekly paper which has its general mandate to provide an "alternative" to mainstream American publications. This means that it is sort of a hoggepodge of anti-war, anti-draft, anti-multinational, anti-government, anti-capitalism, anti-racism issues. I have not yet discerned a clear stand of what they are actually PRO, thus I am not taking them very seriously. However, they are fun to be with, and I did have to chuckle when in their food column they printed a good beanstew recipe and entitled it: "Marxist-Lentilist Soup". Did I already tell you that I'll be speaking and showing some slides at a coffee-house which they organise? They have also asked me to write some articles for them about South Africa, ANC, & ways to help. Any advice from you Phyl, as well as from our internationally (RSA & Lesotho) known journalist (that's YOU Suks), will be gratefully accepted!

Have you talked with Comrade Santho since his return from Nicaragua? If not, make a point of doing so. His letters are terribly interesting, I think he really got some insights there. We can all benefit.

Do you ever see my boxer friend? Oh my, when I think back to those very early days, I marvel that you had so much patience with me Phyl as I slowly sorted out my own motivations. You guided me out of that dangerous intertwining of ideology & emotions. Did I ever thank you? I guess I am particularly conscious of the importance of this clarity now that my only "emotional" support comes via an occasional letter from you, whereas my commitment to the cause must remain firm. So far so good. Amandla!

Hey but I was sad to hear of James' death. Please relay my condolences to Michael. Is he keeping well? Do I ever miss that bloody padre! Please feed him well ... Make him sleep more ... Get him to read more books ... Be kind to him when you hear that unique hollow ring in his usually convincing easy-going humour ... Be rude to him when a hint of arrogance peeps from under his habit ... Oh hell do I miss him!

I spoke with Liz on the phone last week: she is with her family, in Arizona, and seems to feel that it was the right thing for her to leave Lesotho when she did, although of course she still has emotions to deal with and culture shock to get through. In the new year she is moving to her brother's place in San Francisco and will probably continue her nursing studies. She sends greetings to you. I'm glad you ~~xx~~ still have contact with Lithabaneng people. Do Reimers ever show their faces? If yes, be careful.

Must close now. Don't ask me why in the world I always start my letters around 2 a.m. Daytime just passes me by somehow. Well, I greet you and wish you all the best.

LOVE,

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