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My Dear Phyll,

Many many thanks for your letters - all of it together with the birthday wishes. We are all well here just extremely busy. The builders are in the house and so are the painters - have been for the last month and I am sick and tired of a dirty house. This has caused lots of frustration however we have not forgotten you.

A.J. has built all the diningroom furniture himself and also a most beautiful nook for the kitchen he has become extremely good with his hands and so has Simon. Simon tells me that he is busy on a painting he feels that his drawings are not good enough to send to you.

Michelle is doing quite well at school but she grows and grows. She really takes after your side of the family. Simon gets taller but remains thin because of the energy he uses.

We had Dev and Urs here for breakfast with the long week-end - a very subdued Urs but the same old Dev. They tell us that Ma is not so well and can hardly get along. Vassie goes into hospital for a very extensive op at the beginning of the school holidays.

Our baby is due on or around the 25/1/81 its a girl. The test was o.k. but my back kills me. I seem to be tiring very easily but then I am on my feet for long hours. I go onto half days beginning of November and work until the 19th December if I can manage. There is so much to do and I don't have the energy to do it. I have been told to take things real easy.

Ronnie and Eileen will be with us Xmas and then on the way back will be spending some time with you. We were hoping to do the same but this will have to wait for Easter. Write and tell me if there will be a Doctor available we really want to come. We thought that I could fly to Bloem with the baby and A.J. meet me there and continue on to Maseru. Write and tell me what you think of the arrangement. Our main concern is medical at this stage.

Have not heard from sister Reg for some time, but Ben has written to A.J.

Please let me know if your friend in Stellenbosch is home again as we will be making a trip out that way very soon. You should have received your Grassroots by now. I have nor seen a copy of Muslim News for ages. I am so happy you coressponded with Sister Veronica of ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ David is getting married shortly but only on a Sunday. Dot and I have a lunch date coming up.

Give my best love to Suks, tell her she looks just like Synthie on the Photograph.

*Love  
Jean - Best Love  
Simon Thanks you for the picture  
se love BooBo*