

Oxford, 26 Feb. '97

Dearest Phyl,

Thank you for your letter in January - I had promised myself that I would always reply to you within a month, but I've failed, sorry! Glad the photos were good. Good news about Fio - I do hope it's true! I have an old friend, an Italian (another!) who lives in Kenya and he told me in March last year that his mother was dying of cancer, so when I wrote at Christmas, I presumed she might well be dead so I was careful what I wrote. He replied to tell me "she's fighting back and is fine at the moment!"

Life goes on the same for me - I've had a bit of paid work that has taken up some time. I carry on looking for the ideal job, include having applied for a job-share in a job with "Friends" (Old Quakers) on a network against violence. Could be interesting.

They showed "Cry Freedom" on the telly recently - I've never seen it before so watched with interest, but was disappointed in the self-aggrandisement of Woods' escape from RSA, relative to the story of the black freedom fight. It was more like an adventure story than a political documentary. Do you remember that Simon... (worked for the GRE Mohair project) went to the British High Commissioner in Masera after Woods had been flown out to London and asked if his black refugee friends could benefit from the same generosity of welcome!! The High Commission was embarrassed but refused the proposal! Surprise, surprise.

Brenda is flat on her back in a hospital in Germany, 5 1/2 months pregnant, hoping the baby will stay in long enough to survive. She's very cheery and talking optimistically but it must be worrying.

I put an ad. in the Guardian to find a man!! 7 replies and I've met one - nice man, good start, but it's a strange burner, somewhat artificial! Hope all is well with you - have you got your pension yet - if not, pluck up your rights and insist!! Hope to hear from you soon, love, Sarah

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