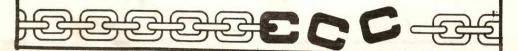
# WORKING FOR A JUST PEACE



'Some people say that if you want peace you must prepare for war.

We believe that if we want peace, we must work for justice.

Laurie Nathan National Organiser End Conscription Campaign



# Vusi's story . . .



'I live with my mother, two brothers and two sisters. I am 11 year old. I go to Lkage Lower Primary. My favourite subjects are English and Arithmetic. I like my teacher because she does not punish us too much.

One day in June I was walking home from school. Then I saw a soldier. He walked straight towards me. "Kom, kom", he said to me. I asked him what he wanted. He said I threw stones and burnt some buses. I told him I did not do any of these things. He made me go with him to a Hippo.

They took me to the Wynberg Police Station. The police wanted me to say that I was throwing stones in the township. I told them I did nothing. They said they would hit me until I told the truth.

They started to hit me with pipes and with fists. They kicked me with their big boots. They kicked me all over. They only stopped when my tooth came out."

Vusi's story is one of many. He spent 57 days in jail. He was luckier than many others. The youth are the future of our country. Why are the youth suffering so much?



# What is the End Conscription Campaign?

#### **ECC**

\* opposes the use of troops and especially conscript troops in the townships.

\* believes conscripts should have the right to choose

whether or not to serve in the SADF.

\* believe conscientious objection should be recognised in Law.

\* believes an alternative non-military service should be open to all.

# **Working for a Just Peace**

In April of this year thousands of volunteers throughout South Africa will set to work on constructive communitybased projects.

Some will be helping in child care centres, some will be repainting houses for the aged and others will be assisting communities that have recently been resettled. We will be demonstrating that national service can have more than one meaning. We believe in constructive community service that crosses racial barriers, building bridges for a better future.



TOO MANY YOUNG PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA ARE SUFFERING
MILITARY FORCE WILL NOT END SUFFERING
LET'S HAVE CONSTRUCTION NOT CONSCRIPTION

### Did you know?

- \* In 1984 more money was spent on demolishing houses than on building them.
- \* In 1984 more money was spent on defence per day than on housing for the whole year.
- \* R13 million is spent daily on war in South Africa.
- \* R13 million can build a hospital.
- \* In 1976, PW Botha said 'Our education system must train people for war.'

## What can I do?

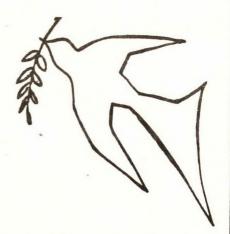


You can

- \* attend or help run a holiday programme in Western.
- \* build a park for mentally handicapped children.
- \* come to a picnic on 27 April at Zoo Lake.
- \* show this pamphlet to your friends.
- \* talk to your parents.
- \* come to a public meeting. Pho

Phone Dana: 648-3720

We are young. We are strong. We can build the South Africa we want to live in. Our dream — a non-racial-democratic — South Africa where apartheid is a memory and peace is based upon justice and equality for all. A place for all young people to live, work and build together.



WE CAN BUILD PEACE TOGETHER AND HAVE FUN



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