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1984/07/16

The Minister in Charge

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Re : Venue

Dear Sir

We hereby apply on behalf of the residents of Tumahole and their Civic Association for the use of your Church for meeting of residents.

We are not in a position to give definite dates at this stage. What we would like at this stage is a indication of availability of your premises for the said meetings. Once we receive an indication from your side we will periodically furnish you with the dates for your meetings.

It is our view that the issue of the residents meeting is a matter of absolute urgency. Particularly at a time when violence is escalating and arising out of the rent problem. We also believe that it is of particular interest to the Church because those affected are members of the Church. This is a view that can not be refuted. We must therefore facilitate the meeting by those who are suffering under unjust administrations. We must support those whose standards of living are under attack, those who are on the verge of complete starvation.

We think that this is one time when the Church must clearly show where it stands in relation to the suffering masses of its followers. It is important that the Church must show that it does not preach a "pie in the sky" but a Gospel concerned about the lives of those it is trying to convert.

This is the challenge facing the Church in Parys today. We must jump this hurdle, once we have done so in this area we can then say with saint Paul - "I have run a distance what remains is a crown of salvation".

We will be happy if your application will meet with your mercy.

Yours in Christ

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