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communicate with him

directly. I get possession of
Leake Hall.

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Dear Mr. Rheinallt Jones,

I understand that the Leek Hall in Orlando Township will shortly once again be available for the Pathfinderers & Wayfarers. When I enquired of Mr. Nicholas, the Superintendent, the other day, as to the possibility of having the use of the Hall on one afternoon a week, I was told that I must write to you.

If it is available, I should be most grateful if I could have the use of the Hall on Wednesday afternoons from 2 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. If permission is granted, it would be used by the Pathfinders of the 1st Orlando Troop (S. Mary's Anglican school) and the Pathfinders of S. Joseph's Anglican school, where I am just starting a troop, as yet unregistered. It is the Boys of S. Joseph's school who are in most need of the hall, because their school is small & there is no room to play games in the diminutive courtyard; at present we have to play games in the street. Of course the Boys would always be in the charge of myself or a responsible warranted officer, so there should be no danger of damage being done to the property.

Yours truly

(Father) Claude Dennis C.R.

(S.M. First Orlando Troop)

Leake Hall

10th March, 1941.

Rev. Father Claude Lumiso, C.R.
Priory of Christ the King,
74, Meyer Street,
Sophiatown,
Johannesburg.

Dear Father Lumiso,

I have not yet heard when the Creche is vacating Leake Hall. When they do, may we discuss plans for the Hall? No Pathfinders had ever used it, so that I rather assumed they were fixed up on the adjacent farm and planned to fit the Hall for Domestic Badge work for Wayfarers. But if your Scouts need it, of course, we must share it. Could we meet and discuss plans on the spot as soon as it is free?

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT

EBJ/JR.

14.3.41

Dear Mr: Rhemiallt Jones.

Thanks you very much for your letter of the 10th re the Leake Hall. I shall be delighted to meet you & discuss the question when the Hall becomes free.

I think you have been slightly mis-informed about the position of the Pathfinderers in Orlando. We have nowhere adequate to meet & nowhere where we can establish a Head Quarters. The farm you refer to is two miles away across the veld & so ~~was~~ ^{is} only of use for camps. Furthermore we no longer have the use of the farm as it is being done up & converted into a residence. For the last two months we have been organising a Scouters Training Course in Orlando which meets on three day evenings. For want of a better place, we have to meet at the Municipal Boys Club, which is just an ordinary sized location house. Usually there are over 20; last night due to rain there were only 15, but it was almost impossible to instruct them in first aid in a room 15 feet by 10. So you see we are in desperate need of somewhere where we can meet with elbow room.

We have been making enquiries about the use of the Leake Hall through the Transvaal Pathfinders Scout's Council for several months, because we are very keen after Easter to establish a Central Orlando Rover Crew & start training them for National Service.

I am at Orlando each week on Saturday
Sunday, Wednesday & Thursday, so it should be fairly
easy to arrange to meet, and I know Miss Leek of Leekling
would be delighted to have you to a meal there.

Thanking you,

Remain yours sincerely

(Father) Claude Lunniss C.R.
(LUNNISS)
(P.S.M 1st Orlando Troop)

Leake Hall

19th March, 1941.

Father Claude Lunniss C.R.
Priory of Christ the King,
74, Meyer St.,
Sophiatown,
Johannesburg.

Dear Father Lunniss,

I have to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of the 14th instant re Leake Hall, addressed to Mrs. Rheinallt Jones. Mrs. Jones has asked me to inform you that she will communicate with you as soon as she gets possession of the Hall.

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Leake Hall

4, FLINT ROAD,
PARKWOOD,
JOHANNESBURG,
S. AFRICA

March 14, 1941.

Dear Mrs Rheinallt Jones.

Thank you for your letter of Feb. 26th.
I am very glad to hear Leake Hall is
going to be used for a Wayfarer Training
Centre & I should like to be present
for the opening of the classes.

A few weeks ago. Forest Town
Methodist Church gave me 4
food screens - for Leake Hall.
Mrs Bridgeman wanted them for
the Creeche - but now the Creeche
is moving on - I do hope they
do not take them away - as
I especially obtained them
for Leake Hall - & they really
want some cream color put
on them - I should think
they will be useful - for whoever
uses the Hall.

I think on the whole the Hall
has been made good use of
but I did think more use should
be made of it.

W. FLINT ROAD
BARRWOOD
JOHANNESBURG
S. AFRICA

With kind regards
Yours very sincerely
Bridget Keale

Ans.

Leake Hall

Pretoria Coloured and Native Missions.

From :
CANON S. P. WOODFIELD.

179, Proes Street,
Pretoria.

TELEPHONE : 352. 2-2063

19 MAR. 1941

My dear Bro. R. I.

At the meeting of the Parkside Scout Council held yesterday mention was made of increasing activities in Orlando & the need for some building in which these could be carried on. Obviously the Leake Hall is the place, but it was said that it was difficult to get it owing to a Crèche, Wayfarers, etc. using it so much.

Would it be possible for some arrangements to be made by which our people could get some regular use of the Hall? The interested people on our side are Capt. Barber & Fr. Lunniss C.R. who has just been

appointed as Dist. Commission for that district. If it is convenient to you could you arrange with them a suitable time & place for a meeting at which ways & means could be discussed? I should be very grateful for any help you can give us.

When am I going to see you here again? My spare room is longing to see you!

My love,
Yours ever
Pis.

-- THE OLD APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF AFRICA --

Ref.No.0.3/41.

39, Augusta Road,
Regents Park, Johannesburg,
18th. March 1941.

Mrs.J.D.Rheinallt Jones,
" Glandwr"
Fourth Avenue,
FLORIDA. Tvl.

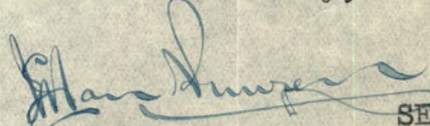
Dear Madam,

My Church Council desires to learn whether the Leake Hall, Orlando Township could be hired to our Native congregation for services to be held therein.

I shall be grateful if you can inform me if the Board of Trustees are prepared to let the hall and what the monthly rental would be. Furthermore whether they are perhaps prepared to sell the property to our church, and if so, at what price.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully,



SECRETARY.

THE OLD APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF AFRICA.

Leake Hall

March 25th, 1941.

The Secretary,
The Old Apostolic Church of Africa,
39 Augusta Road,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

The Leake Hall is vested in Trustees and is specially set aside for Juvenile work. When the Creche is moved away it will be used again for Pathfinder and Wayfarer activities and therefore will not be available for Church services. I am sorry therefore that we can be of no use to your congregation.

Yours faithfully,

PROVINCIAL SUPERINTENDENT

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The Old Apostolic Church of Africa
39 Augusta Rd.
Regents Park
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Yours
WJ

10. FLINT ROAD,
PARKWOOD,
JOHANNESBURG,
S. AFRICA.

May 18th 1941.

Dear Mr. Rheinalt Jones -

The Rev. K. M. Nkabinde of the Bantu Presbyterian Church of S. Africa. telephoned me the other day about having a Sunday service in Leake Hall. I on Friday last he came to see me in Orlando - I told me had approached you on the subject.

I see no reason why they cannot have the use of the Hall every Sunday for 6 mths - until their church is built. I hope the Ctee (which I understand is for use) will agree to this. I told him I would let him know when I heard the decision of the Ctee =

With kind regards

Yours sincerely
Bridget Leake.

26th May, 1941.

Mrs. E.O. Leake,
11 Flint Road,
Parkwood,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mrs. Leake,

I am actually writing from the Northern Transvaal where I shall be working for the next few weeks so I will ask my secretary to sign this for me to save delay.

I scarcely know what to reply about the Hall for Church Services. I have had five applications during the past months and, while the Hall was being used for chreche, I definitely refused them on doctor's instructions. I think it would be very hard on these people to let the Presbyterians have it before giving them a chance. I'm a Presbyterian myself and it would look very bad for me to do it.

However, before coming away, I talked the matter of the Hall over with the Anglican Pathfinders and as they are urgently in need of a place for their meetings, I agreed that, for May, June and July, they should use the Hall and see how far they did completely need the use of it. If they do, then I think Wayfarers should stand aside for it won't be easy for us to fit in the idea we had of domestic training along with the boys using the Hall for their activities. However, we agreed to talk over the whole plan at the beginning of August when they have tried out their need. We also agreed for the present that we would have it used for Sunday services because that brings in much difficulty about damage, cleaning, etc. However, Canon Woodfield is a Trustee just as much as I am. I only took over a certain amount of charge because Sir Reginald Blaubeinberg wasn't available at all and Canon Woodfield was in Pretoria and not very available. If he thinks that the Bantu Presbyterian Church should have it for Sunday Services, I shall raise no objections; though I'm puzzled as to why Mr. Nkabinde is setting opposition services to the Presbyterian Church of South African there.

I think, however, that if you consider the Hall should be used for Sunday services, the fairest way would be to put up a notice in the Municipal Office saying it is now available and asking for applications from those Churches which has expressed their desire to so use it. However, as

I'm away until the middle of June and even then only have odd nights in Johannesburg until the beginning of August I really oughtn't to enter into it and I'll send a copy of this letter to Canon Woodfield and ask him to communicate with you about it.

Miss Fearnhead and Miss Brown are both up here at the Valdezia Training Course and doing splendid work. I think it helps us all to get down to the country work sometimes. There seems so much more foundation to it then town work with the ever changing population.

If you ever go through to the Game Reserve this way, do look in at the Hospitals at Elim and Donald Fraser. They are doing such splendid work.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

pp. MRS. RHEINALLT JONES.

EBJ/FPN.

26th May, 1941.

Rev. Canon S.P. Woodfield,
179 Proes Street,
PRETORIA.

Dear Canon Woodfield,

Herewith copies of (a) letter from Mrs. Leake, (b) letter
in reply from me.

I'm quite willing to fall in with anything you decide and I
think we ought to consider Mrs. Leake's wishes - but I also don't think that
Mr. Nkrabinda should have gone to her behind us not that he really has first
claim. But personally, it would be a relief to me to have no say in it, for
Ministers of various denominations have sat on my doorstep at all sorts of
inconvenient hours and I've burnt more than one dinner over them!

Yours sincerely,

pp. MRS. REEINALLT JONES.

Enclosures:
Letters.

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see
Leake Hall

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179, Proes Street,
Pretoria.
31st. May 1941

Mrs. E.O. Leake,
11; Flint Road,
Parkwood,
Johannesburg.

Dear Mrs. Leake,

Mrs. Rheinallt Jones has sent to me copies of the correspondence she has had with you on the subject of the Leake Hall in Orlando, and she has asked me, as one of the Trustees, to reply to you direct as she is away from home.

I gather that the whole matter is to be gone into when Mrs. Rheinallt Jones returns to Johannesburg and so any arrangements made now would be of a temporary nature. I know that the Johannesburg Pathfinders (not merely the Anglican ones) are arranging to use the Hall on weekdays during the next three months, according to the arrangement made with Mrs. Jones.

With regard to the Sunday use of the Hall for services I have no personal objection to such a plan, but in view of the fact that so many denominations have asked for the use of the Hall it certainly seems more fair for all of them to be notified, by means of a notice in the Municipal office, that the Hall is available for such services, and for formal applications to be made. I know the Revd. Keith Nkabinde and am also aware of his highly persuasive powers but I think he should not profit over the other denominations on that account, and that his application should be considered together with the others.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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