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16 October 1980

Peacemaker Seminar Applicants

Dear friends:

It has been heartening to watch the applications for the Seminar arrive. If all the applicants could actually attend, we would have persons from eight African countries who represent widely varying life situations. Every participant becomes a key resource person. We do pray God will work to bring us all together but above all we pray for peace (shalom) in the countries you represent.

The purpose of this letter is to let you know about the following:

1. Make sure that all your travel documents are <u>in order in good time</u>. A Church Board met here last weekend and about one-third of the delegates could not attend because some papers were not in order. Avoid disappointment - your own and ours!

2. Enclosed find information from Professor James Moulder to use as a guide for preparation of your case study. Work on this in good time as well. Write legibly or type if possible. Bring it with you.

3. Not all the information is in from the instructors, but I do want to give you the probable topics of the presentations from each.

- a. Bonganjalo Goba
 - 1) Existing structures of South Africa
 - 2) The role of the Church
 - 3) Peacemaking and Liberation Theology
- b. William Keeney
 - 1) The Christian Basis for Peacemaking (Biblical and historical)
 - 2) Methodologies for Conflict Resolution
- c) James Moulder
 - 1) Violence
 - 2) Conscientious Objection
 - 3) Pacifism and the Theory of a just war

4. If you know of persons interested in attending the Seminar who have not applied, encourage them to do this immediately. We are close to capacity now, although some are indefinite. We likely can accept 5 to 10 more applications.

Sincerely in Christ,

Darrel M. Hostetler, Warden-Thokoza Church Centre

Enclosure.



7/2 Church Centre Swaziland Phone - 42805

TO: All Peacemaker Seminar Participants

12 November 1980 DATE:

FROM:

Darrel Hostetler

RE: Final Seminar Plans

This will likely be my final letter to all of you. The course is fully booked. The present enrollment includes two from Mozambique, five from Zimbabwe, two from Namibia, one from Lesotho, six from Botswana, twenty-two from South Africa (twelve from Natal, four from the Cape, five from Transvaal, one from Transkei), one from Kenya. and five from Swaziland.

We are hopeful to see all of you on the 3rd January, 1981. The 12 applications (as of 11 November) we could not accept makes us think already of possibilities for January, 1982.

Enclosed you will find a list of those attending the Seminar from your area, suggestions about travel plans in many cases, and a statement of our financial understanding. If we do not hear from you, we will assume these to be correct.

A few more notes:

- 1. Include the cholera vaccination along with getting your papers in order. It is a must if you are driving from the Eastern Transvaal. Do it at least six days before you plan to travel.
- We will furnish bedding but expect you to bring towels and personal toilet articles. 2.
- 3. Singing will play a part in our time together, so if you play guitar or other appropriate instruments, bring them along.
- 4. Mbabane can be cool even in summer. A jersey might feel good.
- 5. If you expect to be picked up at the Matsapha Airport, please give us date, time, and flight number.
- Bring paper, writing equipment, your completed case study, umbrella if you like,... 6.
- We will assume you will arrive after lunch and before registration on the 3rd. If 7. you plan to arrive earlier and require meals or lodging, please inform us.
- 8. To reach the Centre, travel east on Walker Street from the only robot, cross the Polinjane River, turn left immediately after the police station, and continue straight past the football pitches and four houses on the left to the Thokoza sign - also on the left.
- 9. If for any reason you are not able to attend, inform us right away by phone if possible.

I will get this information off to you even

It was good to talk to you last evening.

though I am trying to call you again.

10. Pray, anticipate, love, ...

. Smcenely Dave

Dear Peter:

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PEACEMAKER SEMINAR

THOKOZA CHURCH CENTRE 3-16 January, 1981

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Another person with Rev. Moseki

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LESOTHO

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MOZAMBIQUE

Luis Manuel Chinene, c/o Christian Council Felix Khosa, c/o Christian Council

NAMIBIA

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Very Rev. Jonathan Siyachitema, Box 2442, Bulawayo - Phone 62435

SWAZILAND

Otto Deutsch, University College, Private Bag, Kwaluseni

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TRANSVAAL PARTICIPANTS

Travel orrangements:

Rev. Moseki plans to drive. I would suggest he soon inform the others of the time and meeting place. If his response is delayed, phone his at 39-5955, Extension 76. Sis leaving Swagiland, following the Seminar, may be delayed. In this case, we would need to arrange transport for the others by public transport or car, if evailable.

Financial arrangements:

Baldwin Moseki Companion

We assume that we will have no financial obligation for your costs.

CASE STUDY MATERIALS

The aim of the seminar is to learn how to be peacemakers and how to apply Biblical principles in one's attempts to bring peace to troubled situations in Southern Africa. The seminar programme therefore allows time for Bible study, theological reflection, and lectures which draw on secular insights about why conflict arises and how peace can be made.

But these are not the only resources which will be available at the seminar. In addition, each of us has a very important set of resources on which the seminar ought to draw; namely, our own experience of trying to be peacemakers. Un-fortunately, we are not always as aware as we might be about what we can contribute to others from our experience and from our study. And so the best way to prepare for the seminar and to contribute to the case studies in peacemaking is to begin to reflect on what we can share with the other participants in the seminar. The following questionnaire has been designed to stimulate such reflection. Please invest some time in answering the questions. This will help you to focus on what you can contribute to the seminar. And it will help those of us who are planning the programme - especially the case study sessions - to know a bit more about what each of the participants is able to contribute to the search for a desper understanding of how God can use us to make peace.

Shalom!

James Moulder

- Please note: These questions have been designed to stimulate and to help your reflection on what you already know about peacemaking. They are not a straightjacket but a guide. If you wish to use them to structure your reply, then please do so. But if you wish to share your experience in some other way, then please feel completely free to do so.
- A. What are the two most helpful books, pamphlets or papers which you have read on violence and conflict and on how to make peace?
 - 1. Why did you find this material helpful?
 - What troubled situations in Southern Africa can be understood with the help of what you have read?
 - 3. Have you ever tried to apply the insights you gained from this material?
 - 4. What did you learn from trying to apply these insights?
- 8. What is the most sustained project for peace and for social change in which you have been involved, either as an individual or as a member of a group?
 - 1. What was the project?
 - 2. How did you prepare yourself and the other participants?
 - 3. How successful was it?
 - 4. Why did it succeed or fail?
 - 5. What do you think other peacemakers can learn from what you did?

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C. Which troubled situation near where you live causes you the most concern and makes you wish you knew how to bring peace and justice to the people involved?

- 1. What have you already done to understand the situation?
- 2. What makes it difficult for you to be able to respond creatively to the situation?
- 3. What do you hope the Peacemaker Seminar will be able to help you do about this situation?

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