

FORUM TO DISCUSS THE END CONSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN IN THE EASTERN CAPE.

21 MARCH 1985

THE HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AGENDA

- 7.30 p.m. Welcome - The Revd. George Irvine.
Introduction by the Chair.
Organisations present.
- 8.00 p.m. Short play - PEAC Cultural Roadshow.
- 8.15 p.m. Laurie Nathan - National Organiser of the End Conscription Campaign.
The Reasons for the Campaign
The History of the Campaign
Present Activities of the E.C.C. nationally
Questions to Mr Nathan.
- 8.45 p.m. Discussion of the following questions:
 1. Is there a need for this campaign in the Eastern Cape?
 2. What form should it take? What ideas are there for action to be taken?
 3. What structure should be established to co-ordinate the campaign, if it is felt to be viable?
- 9.45 p.m. Declaration to End Conscription.
- 10.00 p.m. Tea

MINUTES OF E.C.C. MEETING HELD ON 12/2/86.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Workshop: 22 nd February 1986 at 2.00 p.m. at 27 Delft Raod, Vergelegen, Port Elizabeth.

Next general meeting: 5th March 1986 at 7.30 p.m. at St. John's Methodist Church Hall, 36 Havelock Street, Central.

Philip appears before Board of Objection on 26/02/86 - our prayers and support will be with you all the way.

1) Meeting opened 7.45 p.m.

2) Apologies: Carolyn

3) Introduction and welcome.

4) Letter from the Board of Management from the Hill Presbyterian Church was read as well as an accompanying letter from Rev. Orr. All expressed appreciation and noted the courageous stand taken by him. A letter will be forwarded to him to express our sincere thanks.

5) Report back from National Conference:

The Conference consisted of workshops clarifying E.C.C. aims and objectives our place within Apartheid society, culture programmes, SADF destabilization in other countries - it's consequences and repercussions. Specific issues include:

a) 4 Campaigns were outlined for 1986.

i) "Work for a just peace" campaign - 2/4/86 till 30/4/86. Campaign must be educational, gain publicity, involve active work, the central idea is Peace with Justice. Sublogan "Construction not Conscription". Different regions must decide.

on campaigns most suited to own region and concomittant with own resources.

Campaigns must be co-ordinated nationally, must be publicly identifiable i.e. with stickers and t-shirts etc. which will be manufactured for sale.

National statement endorsed by prominent supporters to be draw up. Possible survey for alternative survey was well recieved.

ii) Major July call-up: to be nationally co-ordinated. Must maintain high public profile. Each year, 2ce a year +/- 15,000 men are called up. Coherent campaigns must be organised to reach soldiers and families

iii) December '86 - January '87 Cultural Festival: Provisionall to be held in Cape Town. Approximately 2 weeks of cultural activities to include plays, music, films, art exhibitions. Mass meetings to be held throughout. Possibly Cape Town symphony orchestra to be included. Possible recruitment of artists from abroad in a way which will not undermine cultural boycott.

Cadets-out campaign: to be discussed in more detail later. Possibly to include Peace Camps.

B) Elections: National office to be in Cape Town.



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Dear Friend

You are invited to an

ACTION PLANNING WORKSHOP

in preparation for the ECC'S National

WORK FOR A JUST PEACE CAMPAIGN

in April.

This campaign will demonstrate how young South Africans can work constructively in the community - as an alternative to carrying a gun as a national serviceman, and being regarded with fear and anger by the majority of South Africans.

The success of this campaign depends on Your ACTIVE participation!

ACTION PLANNING WORKSHOP:

DATE: SATURDAY 22 FEBRUARY

TIME: 2 PM - 5 PM

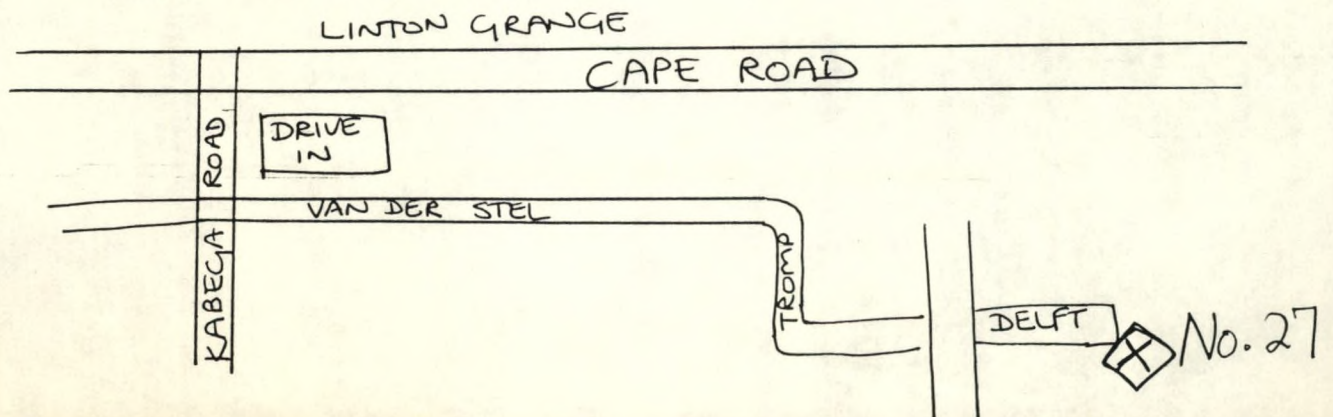
PLACE: 27 DELFT ROAD (SEE MAP)

Bring swimming costume

The workshop will be followed by a supper/braai - so bring along whatever you would like to eat and drink.

NB- If you can't make the workshop, please contact ECC to find out what is happening - before the next general meeting.

Thanks - See you there.





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ECUMENICAL SERVICE FOR A JUST PEACE

Welcome	Fr. F.Martin
Opening Prayers	Bishop B. Evans
Hymn No. 48 - St Francis' Prayer	Parish Prayer Book Page 110
Reading from Isiaih Chapter 58	
"The lack of justice in our land and troops being no solution"	Rev. Matiwane
Reading of the ECC Declaration	All
Hymn No. 40 "He sent me to give the good news to the poor"	Parish Prayer Book Page 96
Reading from Romans Chapter 8	
"Hope and our responsibilities"	Rev. G. Irvine
Hymn - "Once to every man and nation"	P.T.O.
Closing prayers and Blessing	Fr. R. Abdo
Nkosi Sikelel'iAfrika	

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Nkosi sikelel'i Afrika		God Bless Africa
Maluphakam' uphondo lwayo		Let the voice of the people be heard
Yiva lemithandazo yethu		Hear our prayers
Nkosi sikelela		God bless our generation
Thina lusapho lwayo	(x2)	
Woza Moya		Come Spirit
Sikelela Nkosi sikelela	(x2)	God bless our nation
Woza Moya Oyingcwele		Come Spirit, the Holy Spirit
Nkosi sikelela		
Thina lusapho lwayo		
Morena Boluka		God bless our nation
Sechaba sa heso		
Ophidi sedintwa le matcwele ho	(x2)	Banish war and upheaval
O se Boluka	(x2)	O God bless it, bless it
Sechaba sa heso		
Sechaba sa Afrika		Our nation
Makube njalo	(x2)	Let it be so
Kude kube nguna phakade	(x2)	Forever

Once to every man and nation

Once to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side ;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
Offering each the bloom or blight-
And the choice goes by forever
'Twixt that darkness and that light.

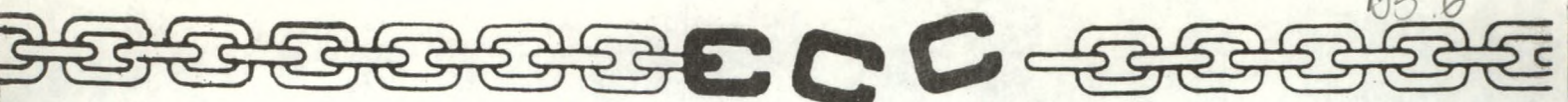
Then to side with truth is noble,
When we share her wretched crust,
Ere her cause bring fame and profit,
And 'tis prosperous to be just;
Then it is the brave man chooses,
While the coward stands aside,
Till the multitude make virtue
Of the faith they had denied.

By the light of burning martyrs,
Christ, Thy bleeding feet we track
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
With the Cross that turns not back.
New occasions teach new duties;
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
They must upward still and onward
Who would keep abreast of truth.

Though the cause of evil prosper,
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
And upon the throne be wrong-
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above His own.



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PEACE FAST - EVENING SUPPORT PROGRAMME

BETWEEN 5.30 p.m. AND 7.00 p.m. EVERY DAY THERE WILL BE AN INTERESTING PEACE AND AWARENESS PROGRAMME IN THE INSTRUCTION ROOM AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHEDRAL, WHITES ROAD. EVERYONE IS WELCOME - BRING YOUR FRIENDS. ADMISSION FREE.

WEDNESDAY 25: PUBLIC DEBATE - 8 p.m. CITY HALL
KEN OWEN vs JANET CHERRY : IS THE ECC CALL FOR TROOPS OUT OF THE TOWNSHIPS JUSTIFIED?

THURSDAY 26 : DISCUSSION ON THE MEDIA

FRIDAY 27 : MUSIC - SINGING WITH RECORDER AND GUITAR

SATURDAY 28 : TO BE ANNOUNCED

SUNDAY 29 : TO BE ANNOUNCED

PEACE VIDEO FESTIVAL (MONDAY - SATURDAY)

MONDAY 30: GALLIPOLI (ANTI-WAR FILM ABOUT YOUNG AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS IN WORLD WAR 1)

TUESDAY 1: MISSING (REPRESSION IN CHILE)

WEDNESDAY 2: "Z" (GREEK FILM ABOUT THE RISE OF MILITARY DICTATORSHIP)

THURSDAY 3 : PRISONER WITHOUT A NAME, CELL WITHOUT A NUMBER (REPRESSION IN LATIN AMERICA - JACOB TIMMERMAN)

FRIDAY 4 : COMING HOME (AFTERMATH OF THE VIETNAM WAR)

SATURDAY 5: TESTAMENT (EFFECTS OF NUCLEAR WAR)

MASS 24-HOUR FAST FOR PEACE

SUNDAY 6 : 7 P.M. PEACE VIGIL - START OF 24 HOUR FAST

MONDAY 7 : 7 P.M. ECUMENICAL SERVICE - ST AUGUSTINE'S
8 P.M. PEACE SUPPER - BREAKING OF FAST

PLEASE SUPPORT THESE EVENTS - THEY PROVIDE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT

WHY WE WANT PEACE WITH JUSTICE.

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