

## SIP INTERNATIONAL BULLETIN

### AN ACTION-ORIENTED PRAYER OUTREACH OF VILLA KA NOGODI MA

"Ye shall receive power, after the Holy Ghost is come upon you., and therefore go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature to be ye witness unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea Samaria and utmost part of the earth. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days; I will put my laws into their mind and write them in their hearts; and I will be to them a God and they shall be to me a people. And having made peace through the blood of his cross by him to reconcile all things unto himself. And you that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works yet now hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblamable. Blessed are the peace makers for they shall be called the children of God. For ye are children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. There is neither Jew nor Greek for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. They shall beat their Swords into Ploughshare and their spears into pruning hooks: Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation neither shall they learn war any more. Because now therefore ye are no more strangers N^and foreigners but fellow citizens ^ with the saints and of the!

- ' Household of God. \*

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WORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES INTERNATIONAL

AN OUTREACH OF VILLA KA NOGODIMA

A REGIONAL RETREAT AND SEMINAR CENTRE

9 September 1992

Dear Brother In Christ,

DECEMBER 14, 1992 PRINCE OF PEACE DAY FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

This is a communication which informs you in advance of time about a special event which we always celebrate each year in honour of our Lord Jesus Christ who is the author peace.

We plan to have this event on the 14th of December 1992. An invitation will be sent to you in due course.

We hope to be graced by eminent leaders in Government, Church and the business community.

This year's theme is A NATION IS ONE FAMILY UNDER GOD

We are certain that after this occasion leadership will be supernaturally imparted with:

- a) Special gifts of wisdom and might to deal with the difficult issues facing their countries.
- b) Personal and National confidence will be generated.
- c) Efforts to build the economy will be enhanced.

More information about this annual event is contained in the enclosed pamphlet.

Yours in His Service,

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## WORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES INTERNATIONAL

### AN OUTREACH OF VILLA KA NOGODIMA A REGIONAL RETREAT AND SEMINAR CENTRE

#### COMMEMORATION OF DECEMBER 14TH THE PRINCE OF PEACE DAY FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

#### WHAT THIS COMMEMORATION IS ABOUT

This get together by Christians of every denomination, government, business and community leaders on this special day is an effort to highlight the fact that true peace can only come about through Jesus Christ the Prince of Peace. He imparts wisdom and sound leadership when the Christian body intercedes for those in authority. It is a time of giving of thanks with leadership in Government, Church and business.

#### Background to the December 14th Event

It was after the International Community had spent over 35 years trying to solve numerous World crisis among them the problem of decolonization and self-determination of the peoples of Southern Africa that a decision was taken to seek a direct Divine supernatural intervention of His Majesty the King of Kings in the World Peace process. Each year thousands upon thousands of lives were subjected to bloodshed and many lives were lost in the efforts of seeking liberty and democracy for the Southern Africa Region. To many people it became clear that this problem was defying solution.

The then Ambassador of Swaziland to the UN's Christian experience convinced him that what was needed to break the impasse was a divine intervention of the Prince of Peace. Reasoning had failed. A superior power capable of influencing the collective will of people to effect change and reconciliation was needed. As an effort to confront that tragic situation in the region of Southern Africa, a prayer luncheon was then organised on December 14th, 1983 in the United Nations Delegates Dining Hall. It was attended by the Secretary General of the United Nations, the President of the General Assembly, the chairman of the Security Council, Ambassadors from all geographic regions and the Liberation movements. The church leadership ministered in prayer. The following prayer was made by Rev. Clinton Utterbach of Redeeming Life Christian Centre in New York:

"Therefore I exhort First of All  
That supplications prayers,

Intercessions and giving of  
thanks be made for all men for  
Kings and for all those who are

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in authority that we may lead a  
quiet and peaceful life in all  
godliness and reverence.

For this is good and acceptable  
in the sight of God Our Saviour  
Who desires that all men to be saved  
And to come to the knowledge of  
the truth

For there is one God and one  
mediator between God and Men and  
the Man Christ Jesus"

The Church in South Africa was represented by Pastor Ray MacCaulley who flew all the way from South Africa. Today he is one of the churchman who plays an active conciliatory role in new South Africa's peace development process.

Development in the World and the Region since that Historic  
December 14, 1983.

For many years the body of Christ was more involved in  
intercessory prayers through out the World and in Southern Africa  
in particular, with the following dramatic results:

Eastern bloc countries experienced dramatic changes.  
The Church had been interceding for decades.

1984 Southern Africa Church man Bishop Tutu awarded a  
Nobel Peace Prize.

1989 Namibia received its independence her first  
Foreign Minister had participated in the December 14  
Prince of Peace Lunch.

1990 South Africa democratic process announced.

Rustenburg Church Conference was a scene of dramatic  
reconciliation between the black and white people of  
South Africa.

President De Klerk appointed a group of churchmen as  
his advisors on constitutional development.

President Mugabe's policy of National Reconciliation  
became a reality.

Peace realized in Angola.

Peace initiatives are in progress in Mozambique.

Zambia went through a peaceful transition. Churches  
in Zambia were opened for 24 hours during the election

month.

The Prince of Peace Day for Southern Africa

December 14th is a date to be always remembered. The body of Christ in the Region and the people of Southern Africa must be



told and must know that on that date the international community sought the God of Heaven for the solution of the problems of the region.

The road is not easy. The Church should continue to intercede for the leadership of the region so that God may grant them wisdom to solve the difficulties facing them. The Somalia, Sudan and Ethiopia tragedy, the drought situation in Southern Africa are problems that must be brought before the Lord. The people of God must pray to the father of mankind to unite His family. Practical life saving assistance should be intensified to save disaster areas of Somalia, Ethiopia and drought stricken Southern Africa.

What is the Swords Into Ploughshares International and What are its Objectives

The SIP International is not a mass church movement which recruit members to join. It is a rather low keyed non-denominational outreach. It consists of a group of seven dedicated men of God from different denominations. They intercede for leadership and encourage the body of Christ to be involved in various events that uphold the name of the Prince of Peace. Its formation was inspired by the UN Prayer luncheon of 1983. It could be seen as a follow-up catalytic peace task force with the following objectives:

- 1) To build bridges of peace, friendships and fellowship among a divided peoples and nations on the basis of Christian principles and values;
- 2) To promote, in the name of the Prince of Peace Jesus, peace and reconciliation among peoples and nations;
- 3) To facilitate peace, friendship and fellowship by organising activities and international events that are consistent with the principles of the Prince of Peace.
- 4) To undertake Christian oriented human resource development programmes;
- 5) To cultivate Christian principles and virtues in the business community;
- 6) To cultivate an enabling environment conducive to the promotion of the quality of life more in particular to those who find themselves in economic disadvantaged situations and those whose family life has been disrupted and continue to suffer violence and terror because of

internal or external politically inspired destabilisation campaigns.

7) To prepare a divided peoples and Nations for the second coming of the Peace of Peace to establish His government.