

Reverend Rowe's Office
408 South Hecker Street,
Fitzgerald, Georgia,
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Mrs. Kenneth Montgomery
Board Member,
Institute for Cultural Development

Dear Lucy;

We were all so happy that you could find time to come to Fitzgerald to help us in our drive here for the mainstream of human dignity. I think the walls of segregation were moved back and integration became more of a reality to everyone, because of the workshop's effect.

You know, one always has afterthoughts when cleaning up after a workshop. In reflection, one asks himself "Now what did we do--er what didn't we do." And this leads one to a realization of what is needed the most in the community, of all the suggestions discussed. We are very much in need of a building--a freedom building. This building would not be used to house freedom workers, but as a place for meetings of various natures. As was pointed up in the workshop discussions, the community needs more communications and co-operation, more discussions and information services. A freedom house would serve ~~these functions~~, providing a forum for our organizational planning and discussion of local problems. Now that land has been given to us, all that remains is to begin the planning for this much-needed project.

Since you have been here--and seen the situation at first-hand, we hope you will share the feelings we have about the need for the freedom house. Will you help us to raise the money to do this building? We have a little money to add to the general fund, to finance this "dream of ours."

Thank you ~~for~~ any and all assistance given. And again, we want you to know how much your presence at the Workshop added to its success.

Gratefully,

Rev. F. R. Rowe
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