

Box 1024

Albany

Dec. 8

Dearest Faith,

I arrived home (we are staying with Bo and Goldie) after taking Dennis to CB's office and bringing some ^{cartons of} clothes which have been sitting in the office for weeks to a church for distribution-- and shortly thereafter the mailman arrived with a wonderful carton of good good things--12 beautiful beautiful books! So I have just spent the last 2 hours reading and feeling them and smiling. They are so beautiful Faith. And they are the first books that the nursery school has.

It is so good to be here I just feel good and calm. ^{Jacksons} This is such a great place to live. I had never been here before (Jacksons ~~thas~~ is). Goldie has been away for about 5 weeks in S.C. visiting her mother who has been very sick--a sprained leg--and just got back into town last Thursday. There are ⁸ eight dogs who live here too--seven when we first came but a little tiny peewee Piglet dog joined the gang a few weeks ago. They all run and leap at the car when everyou drive in licking and slurping. ⁴ And I can tell now Faith that I wont get tired and feel that I have to get out--Carol said Im not camping out anymore.

Carol is glad that we're here--Dennis is able to take alot of the pressure off of CB--^{and} ~~Dennis~~ has insisted that they get away-- and they did go to Atlanta the weekend after we arrived, and we stayed with the kids--WOW they are great kids esp. Clennon and Peggy is such a lovely little girl and I mean little girl in every way--naive and feminine all the way thru. Carol also said he has invited her to go the movies and they went--for the first time in 9 years, she said. Hes more relaxed. Dennis loves him.

I wont even speak about SNCC here because it will just make you all depressed like it does me. I stay away from the office. Corupted, pitiful are the only words. Cordel can't account for \$1400 and Bo said hes been supplying the junkies with needed funds. Don arrived in town about a week ago and will leave as soon as his car is fixed. He gave a gre:t talk in mass meeting a week ago about Africa but has just had enough of the field. Wants to go to law school next year--maybe you already know this if you saw or talked with him in NYC. Yesterday there was a city election - 2 republicans decided to run against the Dem. elected in the primary. Noone did a ~~gog~~damned thg - vote both Negro and white was very small. We naturally supported the the Democrats--

Gable and Barker. Barker lost. Its crazy there was some shady stuff that went on downtown--and noone will do anythg because the power structure is behind the Rep. Goldie called Barker last night--got his wife on the phone. She is a 7th Day Adventist and kept talking about God's will. Goldie put Dennis on the phone at one point--a legal ques. came up. and talked gods will stuff to him. He told her perhaps someone was ~~knitting~~ ^{messing} with God's will and she got all upset. A small sad mass meeting last night. Rev Grant--pitiful Tom Rev. Grant--got up and wouldn't get down for an hour and a half--taked about keeping neat and clean (and white) and working H A R D even if you mopped and swept all day in a white mans house--cause the white man will see that you're working hard and will give you more money and promote you to a better position--yessir thats right-- and therewere all kinds of Amen, Ain't it the truth, etc. Then he showed the congregation all his credit cards--yes Faith--and read them all off--and went into a grotesque story about an experience he'd had in A Pure Oil Station--attendent wouldn't accept the card-it had expired- and told Grant he didn't want no more d a m n niggers in his station again. Point of the story-- Rev. Grant has had a Pure Oil Credit card for 15 years.

Enuf. of the awful. Aside from the above thgs are good. Nur. sch. idea has caught on well--enthusiasm is high. Carol has been great. The house we have belongs to PaPa King and is on the 800 block of Odum. A great house and only 2 blks from Holly Homes. Present tenants should be out by beginn Jan. and then the repairs to complete and then we can begin at last.

Goldie is enthus. about the "Albany Community Library"--I am really sorry that the two can't be housed together. I like her. But Goldie will need about 6 rooms minimum for the lib. If only a donation for a building would arrise out of the river like Oniroku. I hope we can find a place for the lib. because Im afraid that Goldie's enthus. will die. Books come in all the time--but they are stagnant all over now at Slters office SNCC and the Movement Off. It will be a fine thg. when it gets started. Goldie had excellent ideas.

Mrs. Christian is good but in bad health and the doctors cant tell her what it is. She has pains. Shes still working at the Pecan factory nights. And is in the process of getting a divorce. It ~~xxxx~~ makes me sad. Jo is good and so is Dere Jameszina and Lores. Haven't seen too much of them. She was very happy when I gave her your love.--Sho nuf.

I must get these Damn Newsletters off If Im to get any money to run this on. Its great about the Norman Fund, No?

When we get a
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Then come + VISIT us,
we will move to
bed, a stove and refrigerator.
OK? - over Christmas!

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Loads and loads of love, FAITH,

Wendy + Dennis