

READERS' VIEWS Write to P O

'Agents' expound Nat nightmare

At first I thought that "Forward-Looking Afrikaner's" letter ("God prefers apartheid" — Readers' Views, Nov 11) as a weird/sick joke ... Then I realised that this mindless/forward-looking Afrikaner is serious!

This letter, together with the "Clanwilliam Exam" incident are tragic examples of just how far down the road to ruin apartheid has dragged this country.

That people like this person are free (?) to express their "Christian national"/hateful views, while true patriots like Beyers Naude, etc. are banned and silenced makes a mockery of (so-called) democracy and justice.

Being somewhat of a optimistic patriot (as opposed to those who are preparing to divide and destroy South Africa) I sincerely believe that the Botha administration is aware of the "monster" their predecessors created ... and that (somehow) they are

desperately trying (?) to do something about it.

But how can they do anything while their "agents" are allowed to encourage and expound the Verwoedean nightmare? These agents are

running amok ... and they are, however indirectly, aiding polarisation/hatred at doing nothing to solve anything!

David Mar

Berea

Bible doesn't like apartheid

I, a needy black, am prepared to bet "Forward-Looking Afrikaner" all the bullets in the South African Defence Force (value about R26-m) against him finding and quoting a verse in the Holy Book which illustrates unequivocally that the

Almighty is for apartheid.

Remember, Afrikaners are superior exploited races because they are in control "the means of production", not because they are white-pigmented

Soweto

Blacks can rule S Africa well

I wonder whether your reader Home Truths ("Whites' generosity gets no thanks" — Readers' Views, Nov 10) regards herself as reasonable?

About educational standards: does she think 100 percent of blacks are being sent to school with whites' money? Does she understand anything of the gap between the inferior education given the blacks and the superior education given the whites?

Why compare Zambians with black South

Africans? We have leaders who can handle South Africa with any minor disputes. Leaders who have attributes to rule settle Home Truths queries too!

I am not thinking the so-called bantustan leaders. Intelligent black leaders are in custody and detention.

Lastly, regard human beings — you can talk of generosity. Ta.

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White City

Unfair comment

Regarding the "Thumbs Down" which appeared in The Star on October 21, the price of bread rolls at Spar Four-Ways was increased to 45 cents per half dozen and 89 cents per dozen. At 89 cents per dozen the price is still one cent

below the ruling sale price. As such are very competitive prices. The increase was due to the 17% increase in price of cake flour

Alex Bai
Four-Ways.

Bible can't justify the Lesotho raid

ANY (white) South Africans sincerely believe that the rest of the world is picking on us, that everyone but us is on the "double standard".

Certainly your letters column often highlights the ruling/privileged classes' biased condition, especially your December 7 and 8 issues which produced a state of "born/fooled again" responses.

Those correspondents mostly quoted from a much translated and misinterpreted book, with statements such as "... Bible is the true message of God ..."

What I want to know, in plain, straight-forward print that is to say without clouding the "answers" in some way, is: well meaning Biblical quote ... is: Whose God? What Message? How do we explain to our children that this Christian(?) democracy(?) seemingly prefers force, violence and death to peace, life, sex and the naked body or mind? I refer particularly to the Maseru raid and the Neil Aggett verdict.

How do people reconcile the spirit of Christianity, as it is supposed to function according to politicians, teachers and born-again losers —

with those people who, because of their concern for the rights of the underprivileged, are treated worse than common criminals.

I'm not mocking, or putting Christianity or religion down as such ... some of this country's finest citizens are religious, good people, who are feared for their beliefs and persecuted accordingly, usually by politicians who trade under the very same banner. Confusion reigns.

For me, and millions of others, Christ has become like Father Christmas ... misused, abused and cheapened. Do we honestly expect the black majority and future generations of thinkers to believe in the paths of (self) righteousness and Christianity?

Why, if we aspire to be civilised as a nation, can't we understand others who may be different and that Heaven is what we make of it right down here on good old earth, and nowhere else!

In practice, Christianity has made itself a spectacle of the religious world — preaching spiritualism, devoted to materialism, and basically being intolerant ... just like Christmas. — SINCERE BELIEVER, Berea, Johannesburg.

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