

Hi! P.S. July 1978  
How did you make it thru  
the oil embargo?

Well is over watching a Snoopy Cartoon Show on the video-tape, so I'll grab some time to write you another note. Sounds like you've been contacted by some folks that have left and who are trying to cause us trouble. Tim Stoen has really turned out to be outrageous. He used to dream up crazy schemes, violent, etc. and because Jim wouldn't go along with them, he left. He and a few other people are causing all the furor. I'm sure you've heard some of the wild lies about us. Stoen has become so friendless the church has decided to sue him for 50 million dollars. Instead of my going there a long trip over and visit and find out for yourself? You can come in by boat or plane from the capital able to speak up against the creeps that are saying all these things.

By the way - the State Department

And all the officials here know of the lies and are in complete support of us.

Anyway - the kids are doing great. I've got my whole class individualized in Reading, Song, Arts & Math. They just go from one activity to another from 8:30 - 11:30 without even a recess because they are so excited about being able

to read and do math now. Some of the ~~best~~ activities are active games & puzzles and perceptual-motor stuff as well as phonics, crossword puzzles, logic games, listening skill games & all kinds of stuff. We still need a couple of copies of each ~~set~~ of worksheets that go with each book (1-23) in the Sullivan Programmed Reading series and would LIKE to get a set of the accompanying story books someday. I think they run about \$3.00 a book. Linda or Germaine could run off a couple copies of each worksheet easily. We use plastic sheets & wax-lead markers to preserve materials. Also - didn't you say that Germaine could copy filmstrips? We would like the set of Sullivan Filmstrips too if she could copy them - and anything else you guys could scrounge up. The different shops we have, have been coming up with some wild brainstorms. They figured out a clothes dryer whose heat source is from the outside stove we use for cooking. They also built a horse cart from scratch. We're making soap now and selling it around the region. We also have a brick factory that will allow us another building material besides lumber.

Oh - we had a new baby girl last week that makes 13 so far - just a healthy as can be. Our nursery is super-different areas for different aged babies with the stimulation toys and sounds and textures that each needs. All our kids are so healthy - they spend so much time outside - it's great. We are planning a new pre-school building with every feature you'd ever want. Seats to climb up for doll corners & cubbies to crawl into and a library corner with pillows - shelves all over for Science centers, aquariums, moveable partitions, areas for water play, a sand-table - and on and on - it's like a dream come true. I can't wait til it's completed. They've got a top-notch program now - but the building will allow for even more improvement. We've been visited by the top officials in pre-school education and they raved about our set up that's in our temporary building!

Our anteater is about 4-5 ft long now and still a baby and growing. It was raised on a bottle & we weren't sure it would ever eat ants - but it finally got old enough & eats them fine now!

We just got 2 baby Macaws that are so ugly - they are cute - Also an owl out of a tree we cut down. Write soon - love,  
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