The presence of two persons in the past five years from Southern Africa in the Third World Mission Program of the South Indiana Conference, together with the independence of Zimbabwe in 1980 and news of increased repression in South Africa and Namibia, have brought the reality of South Africa's apartheid system close to persons in South Indiana.

In 1981 SUMOSSA was initiated as a task force out of a conviction that the apartheid system is contrary to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and that Christians around the world must demonstrate the unity of the church in their rejection of apartheid. These persons in SUMOSSA are therefore committed to supporting South Africans and Namibians in their struggle to eliminate this unjust and evil system.

The focus of action in SUMOSSA in which persons are invited to become involved can be listed as follows:

1. Organizing direct assistance to meet the needs of people in Southern Africa.
   a. the Panti Project for Namibian refugees. (see over)
   b. funds for the National Youth Leadership Training Program in South Africa.


3. Organizing for U.S. institutional disassociation with S. Africa's apartheid system, e.g.:
   a. Corporate disinvestment in S.A.
   b. Campaign against bank loans to S.A.
   c. Support for international sports boycott.

4. Informing people in South Indiana about South Africa's apartheid system and providing up-to-date news on current issues, especially in relation to the role of the church.

SUMOSSA work sessions usually take place once in two/three months in Bloomington at the Conference Office. Action groups may meet additionally. Please complete the form below if you wish to receive mailings, attend work sessions and/or participate in an action group.

South-Indiana United Methodists and Others in Support of Southern Africans (SUMOSSA)

I am interested in becoming a member of SUMOSSA. Enclosed is my contribution of

$5.00; $10.00; other.

NAME
ADDRESS Zip Code
PHONE (AC) SIGNATURE
LOCAL CHURCH OR ORGANIZATION

I AM INTERESTED IN WORKING ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUES IN SUPPORT OF SOUTHERN AFRICANS (divestment, refugees, information, etc.)

Please send this form and your contribution to: Dr. Robert Fribley, Secretary SUMOSSA
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