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Dear Pat,

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Sorry if my last letter bugged you. Your letter back was good. I know already now, that the People's Temple isn't phoney, but I will show you and Becky that in time. The faith healing stuff bothers everyone at first; they have people in the church who were more skeptical than you are so I guess they are the kinds who have to "see it to believe it." Anyway, that's not the most important part of the church. Jim says that after death (or after the heart stops beating and breathing stops) the subconscious of the person still lingers and by making that man I told you about last time come back to life he transmits his spirit (or whatever) and says stuff like, "We love you, and care about you," I'm not sure what else, and the body functions come back along with consciousness. Normally anyone who came back to life after 12 minutes would have brain damage, but Jim has extraordinary power I guess. I certainly don't understand all of it. Anyway, people can't be brought back to life if their subconscious has gone somewhere else, but when people have been pronounced dead, many times their subconscious has still been lingering around their bodies. Well, I got off the subject. The most important part of the church is the humanitarianism. (People are always struck by the metaphysical part because it's so unusual and incomprehensible.) What the church is working towards is peace and brotherhood and justice for all. This can

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never exist under the Capitalistic rule. Capitalism
and Christianity are on practically opposite poles.

We believe in a type of Christian Socialism. Socia-
lism is probably the closest to the Christian
ethics of all political systems. So we are working

to have Socialism in this country (which I have
doubts that it could be done) and we are

worried that the time is right and ripe, that
fascism could easily occur. If Richard Nixon

is re-elected, I think our country will be
in serious trouble, worse than people had

ever dreamed. Well, time will tell on that
matter, I guess. This election is probably more

important than any other election in history.

The American people have a choice to going
in one direction or another. If McGovern is

elected, the country obviously won't get better
over night and lots of things McGovern would

do probably I might disagree with. But the
country would be in much better shape than

with Nixon. I don't have to convince you of that.

I don't want to sound paranoid. I think any
of my fears have a good basis. I think it's

just important that the American people not
be asleep and think everything is chipper

like all the Republican creeps at the con-
vention made it seem. Anyway as I said before,

time will tell what Nixon has up his sleeve.
There's a good chance that we aren't as well

off as we think we are. So much for that.

Your politics are probably very similar to
the dweches. I'll quit talking about the
Temple and tell you more when I finally

move up there. I wouldn't expect you and Boo-boo to come to Redwood Valley. I just thought that you and Boo-Boo would probably like the church very much if you could really take a good look at it.

I already have all of my doo-dads in my room packed. It's so empty and clean. We aren't even moving until October 16 but mom wanted me to pack already anyway. Today all my friends are going off to Berkeley. It's really weird. The people that I'm best friends with are going either to Berkeley or Davis. Only one is going to Sac State and two others down in L.A. somewhere. But I know at least ten people going to Berkeley. Santa Cruz just isn't with it anymore I guess although people I know have applied there. If they can't get in to Santa Cruz, Sonoma State is supposed to be the alternative. All the rejects from Santa Cruz go to Sonoma. Big news is that Chris Bauer (remember little Christ?) is going to Santa Cruz for his graduate studies. He only went to 10th grade in ~~high~~ school and then went to college and he's my age. I can't believe what typical college co-eds ~~are~~ some of my friends are. I hope I never turn out like them. I'm glad I won't ever be staying in some creepy dorm. All they have done so far is have keggers and everyone gets sick. What a bore. I couldn't believe that the only thing most new Davis freshmen would be talking about was "Where's the kegger?" And "Wow, we had

a really far out water fight," I thought they only did that in Chico. I guess that just shows that most college kids (freshmen but others too, like the frats) are a real bunch of jerks no matter where they are. Oh well.

Well, I'll close now. I have to take Eileen to the bus station to go to Berkeley because her parents can't take her. They made it really inconvenient at Berkeley so that instead of opening the dorms on Sunday they open Monday and families have a hard time getting away.

Love,
Ann

P.S. This letter can be for
Boo-Boo too.

Say hi to all the Sanitary House crew for me including the meter man. Be sure to tell me what's happening and all.