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**SUPPORT THE SOUTH AFRICAN HUNGER STRIKERS**

Political detainees throughout South Africa are on hunger strike.

Thousands of South Africans have been and are being held under state of emergency rules and other state security laws - without access to family, friends or lawyers. The spreading hunger strike is another manifestation of the growing resistance to the apartheid regime as South Africa moves deeper into its war of independence.

The hunger strike began this past week at Pollsmoor Prison outside Cape Town and at Victor Verster Prison at Paarl, a town in the Cape Province. There are reports of other hunger strikers at a prison at Oudtshoorn, also in Cape Province.

The strikers are demanding the lifting of emergency regulations and the release of political detainees as well as access to lawyers.

Friends and families are staging fasts in solidarity at a number of churches in the Cape Town area. One is the Buitenkant Street Methodist church across from Caledon Square police station. Church bells are being tolled.

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