

“A New Reality”  
Revolutionary and Scientific

My name is Mwalimu Siri Shakur and growing up in the inner city of Los Angeles, I was taught criminal survival skills that landed me in prison. Once behind the walls, like other unconscious New Afrikans my eyes were open to a new reality.

There were Elders who had been incarcerated for a long time who had come from the same inner city where criminal activity had happened daily, but had transformed their mind, and taught me about our Afrikan history and the prison struggle, and with this, I also learned about a revolutionary way of life.

This also taught me what I had been suffering from. Someone whose awareness, and conscious to the identification with the conditions and interests of one’s specific economic class in relation to the productive system in a capitalist society would call this “colonial psychosis”.

Colonial psychosis is the psychological ramifications of the colonial experience which manifest itself in colonial subjects as inferiority complexes, which produces self-hatred, and an identification of the colonial power as the height of socio-political aspiration (whether consciously or unconsciously).

We who come from the inner city are in fact, colonized subjects as we are trapped in ghettos and barrios, which causes us to survive with an inferior mindset. Our economy is usually drug selling, burglary, robbery, or other forms of criminal behavioral that will eventually lead us to prison where we learn this new reality.

This new reality is a revolutionary transformation of one’s social, cultural, economic, political and ideological way one relates to others. You learn how to eradicate backwards, unprogressive or incompatible ideas or activities, while proving what’s correct or what works. You learn how to eliminate all that you were taught in a capitalist society that exploited you and labeled you underclass subjects.

Once awakened, the ideological expression of global revolutionary scientific socialism in service to the oppressed underclass can begin, but the first stage is to educate the masses to what their true purpose is. We New Afrikans call this revolutionary internationalism, which is the ideological vanguard of global liberation and source of theoretical development in coordinating disparate national revolutions.

The immediate aim of revolutionary internationalism is the transformation of underclass and nationally oppressed people into powerful liberation movements focused on the overthrow of colonialism, imperialism, and neo-colonialism, with the ultimate end being the seizure of world political and economic power by the globally oppressed underclass of all racial groups. This transformation is scientific and the result of studying and applying theory to practice.

This application existed in Afrika with our ancestors long before they reached these shores, and we conscious New Afrikans will continue to educate until we transform these prison slave kamps, and turn them into schools of liberation. It is our service to the people.

In struggle,

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