

# RED FLAG



## MOBILIZE THE MASSES FOR COMMUNISM

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May Day, Los Angeles, USA

### RED SALUTE FROM KASHMIRI WORKER IN MALAYSIA

Comrades, in Kashmir, I was a member of the large left-oriented Jammu and Kashmir Student Federation.

After that I was attracted to nationalism, which led to thinking about socialism. However, I realised that communism is the only way.

Today you can see that in Kashmir many people are attracted to communism.

Look at the world. The whole world is dependent on the wage slaves. Without us, as you can see, everything is coming to a halt.

Now we see that the 1997 crisis, the 2007-8 crisis, gave rise to the huge crisis of today. Because now the crisis is globalized. The US is seriously weakened. China is rising but it is also seriously affected by the crisis.

So, when coronavirus came, it intensified the already existing crisis.

The biggest crisis in the world is that of oil. There is no place to keep the oil.

Marxism and dialectical materialism teach us to understand the crisis from scientific point of view. It is the science of future. It gives us the tools of fighting,

As Lenin said, now the society has only two paths: either death and destruction, or Communism.

If we want to go forward, save the working class, we must fight for communism. Communism is the only thing working class is aspiring to.

Only communism can create life on this planet. Capitalism has destroyed the land, rivers, and environment. Communism will revive the nature and make it into nurturing environment.

Today, more than any time before, we must fight this sick and dying capitalist system. We can and we will destroy capitalism. We will build communism.

### VIRTUAL MAY DAY RALLY BREAKS NATIONAL BORDERS, BUILDS INTERNATIONAL FIGHT FOR COMMUNISM

AROUND THE WORLD, May 3—"I will be a loyal member of the party and I will do anything to advance the fight for communism," said a new comrade in Malaysia who has decided to join our International Communist Workers' Party.

A comrade in South Africa said: "It was inspiring, especially breaking international borders, a true reflection of internationalism and our interconnectedness."

Comrades from many parts of the world were inspired by our virtual rally commemorating May Day, the international working-class day. Seventy devices were connected and many were watched by two or more people.

This year, due to the pandemic and the mandatory quarantines that different governments have implemented, the usual marches could not be carried out. We organized the virtual rally several weeks in advance so that people who had not used the meeting program knew how to do it on the day of the conference.

Young comrades stepped forward. This is a concrete advance in the world-historical task of developing a new generation of party leadership committed to the line and practice of building an international party.

Comrades in South Africa, the US, Mexico,

Spain, El Salvador and Puerto Rico read greetings and reports. Comrades in the US read greetings from Malaysia and India. We shared poems, songs, and videos. Comrades spoke over the open mic to relay spontaneous greetings.

It was not without mistakes — as expected when we are learning new ways to communicate. Many of us have had to adapt to new technologies, but it is part of our growth and enriching our relationships.

We saw comrades we hadn't seen in decades, and for others it was the first time that they were in an ICWP activity. This was the case with a bus driver in Los Angeles. "I Take Away One Idea. The Unity of the Working Class," she texted. "In 20 minutes, I saw the 2015 memories [from South Africa, El Salvador}, a poem [Everything or Nothing, All of Us or None] & Transit Workers."

A worker in El Salvador said: "It was a success, since it was one more experience of meeting more members, the comrades of Puerto Rico and many more members. We can see that the party is spreading worldwide and that encourages me to continue in the work of building the party."

Another comrade from South Africa wrote, "I think we can build some close relationships with

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**MOST OF THE REPORTS AND GREETINGS IN THIS SPECIAL EDITION WERE PRESENTED AT THE ICWP VIRTUAL MAY DAY RALLY: FROM SOUTH AFRICA, MEXICO, EL SALVADOR, US, SPAIN, INDIA AND PUERTO RICO**



## Los Angeles Comrade:

### LONG LIVE THE WORKING MASSES! LONG LIVE COMMUNISM!

The coronavirus and the capitalist crisis have put our Party to the test. These are historic events. The masses worldwide have been shaken and pulled away from their daily lives.

This process is full of experiences, dangers and opportunities. Of anger, panic, uncertainty, solidarity, and the need for action by the masses.

Capitalism is showing its true nature: murderer, exploiter, fascist and war-maker.

Millions wonder what to do. This gives us the opportunity and responsibility to fight for our alternative: a communist revolution, building a new society, based on meeting the needs of our vast international working class.

Internationally we have responded on different levels. But in general terms I believe that we have made progress, we have taken bold steps to consolidate our Party.

Actions in India, in South Africa, in the maquilas of El Salvador, in Los Angeles, and in other places give us confidence that we are advancing and will continue to advance.

The new tactics of producing and distributing Red Flag have been an advance, but this has also shown some weaknesses that as a Party we must resolve. We need more and new comrades in the Red Flag editorial collective.

The practice of collectives everywhere we are has helped advance our line and give leadership to the entire Party. We rely on the masses, and that practice is forging us as true communists.

These collectives do not function under "or-

ders," but rather through commitment: because they see the need to act. Like any other process, commitment has limits and contradictions. Part of our struggle is to understand and develop this process. This is how our Party works and this is how communism will work.

We have not reached the limits. We can do much, much more. Each collective must review its plan of work and struggle to do better. We have a great opportunity to grow, politically and massively. We must consciously develop new leaders in all areas who help move this communist process forward.

Capitalism's attacks will continue, and be more and more criminal. Inter-imperialist rivalry is creating and will create a harder life for our class. The capitalists have recovered from crises, wars, pandemics, etc. Capitalism will not die on its own.

We must be clear that the only solution is communist revolution. It's building communist society, without bosses, without borders, without racism, without sexism, without exploitation or imperialist wars.

We will build a new society where social and production relations will be for the benefit of the free workers, women and men. That is the communist society that we need and deserve so much.

Comrades and friends, the best thing we can do with our lives is to dedicate them to the complete liberation of our class, the working masses.

Today you have an opportunity to say, "I join you, comrades." And we ask the comrades to take one or two more steps in their commitment to the communist struggle.

This won't be an American Imperialist Century. It won't be a Chinese Imperialist Century. It won't be the century of any imperialist. It will be the international communist working-class century!

History is on our side. With a massive International Communist Workers' Party mobilizing the world's masses for communism and nothing less, our victory is inevitable. We will build a communist world!



May Day in Athens, Greece:  
"Capitalism Is the Deadliest Virus"

## India:

### PARTY COLLECTIVES GROW IN THE FACE OF FASCIST REPRESSION

From the food distribution centers of Delhi to the garment workers in Bengaluru and autoworkers in Chennai: ICWP members, coworkers, friends and neighbors bring a heartfelt message of solidarity! In our unstoppable march to abolish wage slavery and replace it with communist society to fulfill needs of the international working class, we are advancing every day.

On May Day of 2020, our collectives in three areas met to strengthen our resolve to build our

party. We sang the popular communist song 'Hum Dekhenge' ('We Shall See') in different languages. The song gives a revolutionary message. It says that we will see that our tormenters will disappear from the face of earth as hungry masses destroy everything to do with oppression. We also sang 'the International' and exchanged greetings of solidarity with our comrades in Bangladesh, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

We could not organize big mass events due to the lockdown, but we did recruit some new youth and workers to our party. Since the nationwide lockdown was imposed, we have recruited at least two dozen new comrades to the party.

In the face of capitalist catastrophe, we are learning to live communist lives. The comrades who are involved in distributing food to the migrants take considerable risk as physical dis-

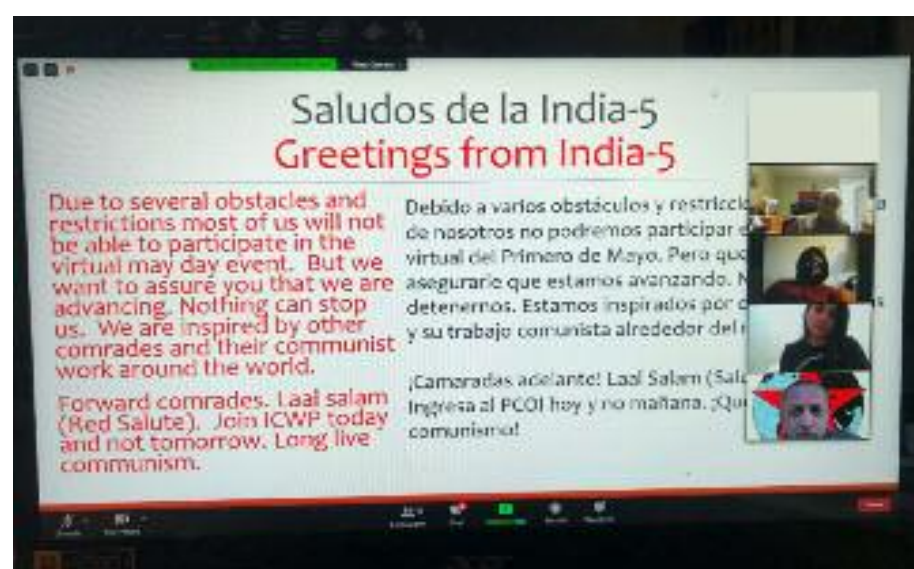
tancing is impossible. The comrades work long hours and they feed the masses before they get to eat themselves. We rely on the masses to donate food and money to feed those in need.

We are openly advocating communism as the only alternative to end the murderous capitalist system of profit. We take every opportunity in our discussions and distribution to talk about communism at the same time we are careful, as fascist repression is severe.

The fascist BJP and its paramilitary forces that are in power blamed Muslims and Chinese for the spread of Covid-19. Capitalist bosses are using anti-Muslim communalism to attack all the workers, especially Dalits.

Due to obstacles and restrictions, most of us will not be able to participate in the virtual May Day event. But we want to assure you that we are advancing. Nothing can stop us. We are inspired by other comrades and their communist work around the world.

Forward comrades! Laal salam (Red Salute). Join ICWP today and not tomorrow. Long live communism!



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comrades in other parts of the world which in turn will help us share our different experiences and our struggles and ultimately advance our organization's struggle. This conference was very

helpful."

This is a test and a rehearsal for future meetings, conferences, and study groups. Our party has to open deeper discussions about our line and

about the obstacles that we are having in our areas. The party can grow through meetings through this platform.

We have a communist world to win.



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## EL SALVADOR: COMMUNIST SOLIDARITY IN PRACTICE

Today the International Communist Workers' Party is commemorating May Day, a very important day for the entire working class.

Today we are not in the streets, but we will return even stronger. The capitalist system, with its impulsive and challenging tools, encourages us to fight for a communist world, organized collectively in this crisis due to the pandemic.

We thank all the comrades who showed solidarity with the comrades from the factories here. On March 19, the factory owners decided to suspend work contracts until further notice and declared that there would be no wages.

So the Party organized to make a bag of food for each member who is affected by this pandemic and this system. They all received with joy what had been brought for them. We explained that all this was thanks to an international collective group that showed us the practice of communism.

An older comrade said: "I have not received any help from the government, nor from the city halls and today since I am unemployed, I need these provisions since in my family we are all unemployed." The answer is clear from seeing how the system is incompetent in this situation. It is urgent that we mobilize to end all these miseries that we are living through today.

### Factory Worker: Celebrating May Day

I have been a comrade of the International Communist Workers' Party since 2015. I was invited to join the central committee in 2016. It has been a pleasure to be part of the work we do as a party. Our work here is always recruiting more workers to the party. We have carried out cell meetings, family meetings on different beaches, and distributing Red Flag hand to hand.

This year, as a consequence of COVID19, we were forced to change the way our party works because the rulers have implemented new measures. The government ordered the closure of the maquilas and our bosses have canceled our contracts without pay. We've seen hundreds of families affected.

It is here where the party's work begins, explaining to the friends who are not yet organized in the party that this is the moment when we should all unite to end the politicians and the bosses, who only steal the value of our labor.

Only by being united we will achieve this: a different world where there are no class differences and we work collectively based on producing for need.

I also take this opportunity to thank you. As part of the practice of the party you have given us your help to be able to buy food to share with us, the workers of the maquilas.

This day, which is the day of the working class, we have always marched in the main streets of the capital, wearing party T-shirts, carrying flags and banners, distributing the Red Flag massively, then going together as a family to share snacks. Now it is different. We are celebrating the 134th anniversary of our Chicago martyrs from here in our houses.

LONG LIVE MAY DAY! LONG LIVE THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING CLASS!

LONG LIVE ICWP! LONG LIVE COMMUNISM!



**"Hunger Revolution" in Tripoli, Lebanon , April 27-29: Workers and youth defy security forces, burn banks, march on politicians' residences.**

## LOS ANGELES TRANSIT WORKERS ADAPT, GROW AND CELEBRATE MAY DAY

The energy of our study group is growing exponentially. But due to the current pandemic crisis, our group sessions have stopped for now.

The group was organizing weekly focus groups at work with fellow mechanics. We also collectively organized, prior to the pandemic, a gathering at a member's home which also included our immediate family members. About sixteen people enjoyed a family-style meal, introductions of members, and thoughts of the direction of the Party by active members.

The experience was a success and all the energy involved was worth it. It shows new members and possible members that we have something in common. We all want the well-being of all the people of the world. We are all part of the working class. We all share the same struggles, such as, discrimination of race, religion, gender and all other forms of discrimination that are driven by profits.

Now that the times are changing, members are experiencing various things that are affecting the traditional ways of communication of our study group. It has forced us to communicate via phone, text, email, or other forms of electronic social communication systems. Numerous members have agreed to be part of a moral support system and express their thoughts of the current situation of the Pandemic via electronic communications. It has maintained the flame of energy burning that our study group has worked very hard to start.

A group of transportation workers in Los Angeles (MTA) gathered on Friday, May 1st to celebrate May Day and struggle with new workers to win them to fight for a communist world. Several workers spoke eloquently about the history of workers' struggles worldwide.

Workers who read *Red Flag* promised to continue participating in Party study groups. I was

fortunate to be briefly involved with the work study group on May Day. I was included via home phone and another member communicated via phone text to send his greetings from home as well.

The quality of the collective efforts given by every member in this study group has been an example to others in the workplace and has convinced some. We share our thoughts of current events too little and too vaguely. We are educating ourselves with tools and knowledge to better understand the worldwide crisis of Capitalism prior and during this time of Pandemic.

These continued collective efforts to strive for Communist Society have been a phenomenal experience for many. One member mentioned that this is only one of the realities that we will face. It's in the Party's best interest to adapt quickly to continue the Party's growth.

## US HOSPITAL COMRADE: "MY CO-WORKERS HATE CAPITALISM"

If I asked my hospital co-workers and my friends to raise their hands if they have lost confidence in capitalism, almost everyone would. Healthcare workers account for more than 11% of U.S. Covid-19 infections. Even those friends and co-workers who don't know that much about capitalism would raise their hands. I suspect this is the situation around the world.

Me too! I had illusions about what my retirement would be. Those illusions are now all smashed. Bankruptcy seems to be in my future. My options are similar to those of my co-workers. And most importantly, capitalist healthcare

is killing masses of workers. That is why healthcare workers are protesting across the country and around the world.

I had thought for a long time that all these little groups of leftists would never amount to much—let alone gather the forces needed to make a communist revolution. I'm changing my mind as are members of my family.

This hatred of capitalism is a good sign, but it is not enough to create a communist revolution.

Some say communism has never succeeded. First off, capitalism clearly isn't succeeding. It's killing us!

Secondly, no country has ever had communism. The communist movement has always fought for socialism. Socialism is not communism lite, as many think. It is capitalism with all the hallmarks of this deadly system: wages, money, production for profit. The profit-based healthcare system in the U.S. is a prime example.

Our job now is to turn these small groups into bigger collectives that can mobilize masses for communism throughout the world. I am circulating *Red Flag* to a small group. Discussing these politics with some more.

Nice to see this virtual rally so international!!!



## MAY DAY 2020: A COMMUNIST WORLD TO WIN

Welcome to the International Communist Workers' Party 2020 May Day virtual rally. Our comrades live in South Africa, Canada, El Salvador, United States, India, Pakistan, Spain, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Malaysia and other places. We need workers all over the world to unite and join us to mobilize the masses to win a communist system.

Global pandemics, poverty, racism, sexism, xenophobia, police brutality, imperialist war – all created by capitalism – are among the reasons we need a communist revolution.

The deadly and brutal reaction of governments all over the world to the Covid 19 pandemic is to separate our working class into “essential” or “nonessential” groups. Force “essential” workers

to continue to work for profits and paychecks in unsafe environments where they are at high risk to catch or spread the virus. Force “nonessential” workers to figure out how to make it with no funds or maybe some can continue to make bosses' profits from their home.

We fight for a communist system where we eliminate money and produce for the need of masses. We would work together collectively all over the world, sharing our technology and resources to ensure safe treatments to fight the virus and to ensure appropriate care for all of the working class. Profits would play no factor in determining the worth of our health for all workers.

The global pandemic, in addition to numerous capitalist crises, is why ICWP needs to mobilize masses now more aggressively than ever. We have to fight.

This May Day virtual rally is to strengthen our fight and grow a communist party that will win the communist world we need. Let's begin now!



May Day, Los Angeles, USA

### SOUTH AFRICA: HASTENING THE FALL OF CAPITALISM

Under the cloud of the pandemic, capitalism slows for everyone to see, and the strength of the working class is also there for everyone to see.

Because of the lockdown everyone is sitting at home, so businesses are losing money. That demonstrates the fragilities of the capitalist system which we can exploit as an organization and also as a working class

And it is important for us to reflect not only about the horrors of capitalism but also what have we done to hasten the fall of capitalism.

Here we had three targets that I want to report on.

We proposed to revive the collective in Zwide. We managed to reach that goal. Comrade X has been actively distributing *Red Flag* in the high school. He has made concrete plans of organizing the troop in high school but because of the lockdown, he can't be actively studying with them. As soon as the lockdown is lifted, we'll start the study of dialectics together with troop of those students. With these young people, it is encouraging. Capitalist ideas have not fully taken root so they will be easy to root out so that we can

instill our communist line.

In Motherwell, for quite a while not a thing was happening. But it is the third-biggest township and it is imperative that we have work there. We've managed to engage with comrade Z and also with his father who is an industrial worker. He promised to start actively distributing *Red Flag* and also our pamphlet in their workplaces as soon as they open. And Comrade Z is actively distributing *Red Flag* amongst his friends and amongst the communities.

The response has been overwhelming coming

from Zwide, and coming from Motherwell. Based on these two developments, the party has grown in South Africa, from one to three collectives.

Now the main task is for us to consolidate this work. Other comrades can learn from these experiences, just as we have learned from other comrades' experiences.

The only place where the work has been slow is in Rustenburg because of the distance and the problems in terms of them receiving the material in time, so that we can struggle with them and encourage them to distribute it.

There should be someone there to assist in the work and try to accelerate it. Then we'll be able to open other fronts in other provinces.

Our main task is to mobilize the masses for communism in the whole country, not just in Port Elizabeth. Now it is about time for us to take this next step, to seize on the opportunities that are created by the virus. The virus is a bad thing, but it has given us the opportunity to recruit workers who are disgruntled with the bosses into our cause.



Nigerian workers in Johannesburg, South Africa demand the food parcels that had been promised during the 21-day COVID-19 lockdown.

### South Africa:

### COMMUNIST PHILOSOPHY HELPS US UNDERSTAND CHANGE

One of the most important things that dialectics teaches us is how to understand the process of change. Our main goal is to mobilize the masses to change the world, to bring about a communist society through a communist revolution. It is to change the capitalist exploitative wage system. Understanding change, then, is imperative. Dialectical materialism helps us to bring about the change we want.

I joined the party during its 5th anniversary conference in South Africa. What was key for me was the struggle we had on dialectical materialism. When I heard about the party and about communism I largely agreed with the idea. What I lacked was confidence. I was skeptical because I believed that “you cannot end capitalism.”

Dialectical materialism teaches us about the contradictions in processes. *A contradiction is the unity and struggle of opposite things or processes which are connected, but which interfere with each other and cause change.* Through learning and understanding dialectics, I gained confidence that ICWP is going to change and end capitalism through intensifying our mobilizing of the masses to join the party.

Dialectical materialism is also important in helping to analyze and deal with contradictions within the process of mobilizing the masses and spreading communist ideas. In this process there are obstacles and opportunities, which are dialectical opposites.

Because of the failure of the capitalist profit health care system, physical movement is mini-

mized, and conferences cannot be held physically in a hall. This is an obstacle to the movement. But opportunities still exist to make progress and spread communist ideas through virtual conferences.

Dialectics teaches us that intensifying our opportunities helps us overcome the obstacles in our way. This is true as we continue to advance our struggle and grow the movement even during the coronavirus pandemic.

Dialectical materialism, the communist philosophy of struggle, is imperative for the party and for our working-class family to grasp. It helps us to understand change and to bring it about in a scientific manner. To change the world, we must study and expand dialectical materialism.



**Los Angeles, USA:****COMMUNIST MAY DAY CAR CARAVAN DEFIES FASCIST TERROR**

LOS ANGELES (USA, May 2 — “I participated in the May Day caravan with my mother and two nieces. I provided a helping hand to decorate the vehicles with posters and by writing communist slogans on the windows of the cars,” said a recent high school graduate.

“I sent pictures of the decorations on the cars, the posters and writings on the windows to my boyfriend who has been in the Army for close to two years. He was mesmerized and from his military base he sent me back the text: “Long live communism.”

Some comrades initially raised concerns about the caravan based on fear: fear of being exposed to the bosses and fear of being attacked by the racist cops because of our “isolated” caravan. In club discussions and individual conversations, we struggled collectively to overcome these fears.

In the end a young comrade who came to the caravan said, “This is still a concern of mine but I figure we’re going to have to take some chances to mobilize the masses and expose this bloody vicious capitalist system.”

Another young worker said he drew strength from the workers to defeat his fear. “Thanks to the workers on the streets blowing their horns, cheering us on, and the few who took the paper I soldiered on. Our caravan turned out amazingly and showed the great potential that we as well as the masses have for true change.”

Others questioned if the caravan would be effective or symbolic. We must all see that in times like these we need to be mobilized, not immobilized. The caravan allowed us to defy fascist terror while bringing communist ideas to the masses.

Worldwide the masses are responding to the call of communism. Many more will. The communist principle “From each according to ability and commitment, to each according to need” should guide us now and forever. Dare to strug-

gle dare to win!

A worker in his mid-40s reported, “My mom came with me. She liked that we were empowering and supporting workers. She waved to the people who were honking in support. She had fun, too!”

A young African-American mother who is a leading comrade added, “We traveled through predominantly poor working-class Latinx and African American neighborhoods for two hours. We were able to reach so many workers to see our red flags and read our posters of revolutionary ideas. Like ‘Fight for communism, join ICWP’ and ‘Workers are essential, Capitalism is not.’

“We were seen by hundreds of working-class people of all ages. One African-American woman wanted our *Red Flag* paper and ran out across the street to grab one. It is inspiring that people want

to hear us and gave me even more hope that we will eventually win a communist system.

“We ended with a great ICWP Mayday Event,” she continued, “where masses were able to see our messages from the International Communist Workers’ Party. Not republican, democratic, liberal or reformist but true communist revolutionaries who fight for a system that eliminates classes, money, and profit systems!”

“Defying fascist terror was an advance for the party,” concluded a comrade. “The youth took a lot of leadership. They are the future of the party. We will continue struggling with them to take ever more leadership in the struggle to win a communist world. A system where we produce for our need as an entire society and share our resources so we all can survive.”

Fight for Communism! Join ICWP!



**Hawthorne, California -- Warehouse and delivery workers across the US strike on May 1 to publicize demands for protective gear, extended sick time, and higher pay at a time when companies like Amazon, Fedex, InstaCart and Target are making record profits.**

**PUERTO RICO: OUR LIVES ARE WORTH MORE THAN THEIR PROFITS**

Revolutionary communist and internationalist greetings from the Organization of Communist Workers and Students for Social Change in commemoration of International Workers’ Day.

The world is going through a health crisis today. Scientists had previously warned that global socio-ecological changes, which allow infectious diseases and other inequalities to emerge, were rapidly increasing.

Even the World Health Organization warned last year that the world was at grave risk of devastating epidemics or pandemics that would cause the loss of many lives, destroy economies,

and create social chaos. These prophecies don’t come from divine revelation. They are a natural consequence of world capitalism. The Covid 19 pandemic is yet another manifestation of its deadly effects.

Capitalism is death. Capitalism is exploitation. Capitalism is destruction, it is misery, pain, disease, inequality, injustice. Yes, it is all these things, but for whom?

The coronavirus pandemic further exacerbates the enormous social inequalities that already exist. It is a selective virus that is killing the most vulnerable populations on the planet. In the United States, the highest number of fatalities are among Latinos and African-Americans and poor working-class neighborhoods in big cities, such as New York.

Curiously, those who make up a large part of the working class have no other choice but to go out to work in order to get their livelihood and that of their families. Construction workers, service workers, healthcare workers, supermarket workers, cleaning workers, delivery people— in short, those who sustain the life of

society— fall like flies because they have to choose between going to work or losing their job.

Amidst the pandemic, we affirm that the deadliest virus of all is the virus of capitalism, which kills more than 25,000 children daily from hunger and curable diseases. This was the case long before the Covid 19 appeared.

The men and women workers in Puerto Rico suffer from the same ills as the rest of the workers in the world. The virus has confined us with no option. It is further aggravating the socio-economic conditions left by two devastating hurricanes two years ago and several earthquakes just months ago, which left an area in the south of the country destroyed and thousands of poor workers homeless and without work.

In our organization we understand that the working class has to respond internationally. We must begin to establish ties and raise international proclamations such as “Our lives are worth more than their profits,” against the ruling classes and their economic and political interests. The class struggle in the coming years will intensify, as a result of the exploitation by the ruling class.

The real disease is capitalism and the working class anywhere in the world must be united and vigilant to combat it. The fight for a communist world, free of exploitation, with access to health for all, is more necessary today than ever. The working class has no borders! Long live International Workers’ Day!



**New York City, May 1: Rent strikes and protests hit major US cities, demanding the cancellation of rent and mortgage payments.**



## U.S. and Canadian Pacific Northwest:

### CREATING COMMUNIST COLLECTIVES

I work at Boeing, which used to be the biggest aerospace company in the world. No more! We have chronicled the demise of this huge capitalist corporation in the pages of *Red Flag*. As is always the case under capitalism, millions of workers, in this case aerospace workers, are the ones who suffer.

But these workers are not the mere victims of this deadly system. They can—and will—become the grave diggers of capitalism and even more importantly, the creators of a new communist society. They can create a whole new way of producing what we need, communist production, and in the process create hundreds of millions of new communists.

Now, we have to plant the seeds of communist revolution. Workers are angry, even fed up with capitalism. They are looking not only at what we say, but also what we do.

*Red Flag* is filled with stories of workers struggling to mobilize for communism around the world. But if we give workers these stories to read and don't follow up it will be of only limited value.

When the pandemic hit, we were physically separated from those we worked with. We formed three text groups. Everybody gets the paper and discusses it. We discuss everything else under the sun, including a lot of personal stuff.

These three groups are based on social cohe-

sion, as much as overt politics. For example, the first group had already spent time vanpooling to work, going out to Pho dinners together and shared lots of barbeque and beer. This might not have been the most politically active group (some had reservations about communism), but they were a natural fit.

We always try—and often succeed—in getting those in these groups to distribute *Red Flag* themselves. They distribute the paper to coworkers, friends, family and to students.

We'd like to connect these groups. In order to do that, we have to expand the social connections between all the members—and among other party members. These relatively small groups of workers include black, Asian, Latin and white workers, immigrant and native born, men and women. It's a good start to creating ICWP communist collec-

tives.

This is what we are doing. Creating collectives that will grow and mobilize even more workers for communism. That, I think, is how we advance under attack.



**SEATTLE (US), May 1**—ICWP comrades distributed *Red Flag* at caravan and across the street, where the mostly Latinx and Asian workers formed a 2-block line at a food bank.

Three women from El Salvador were especially excited to read about how the party is helping laid-off factory workers there. We ran out of papers.

We decided to go back regularly.

Taking leadership from our comrades in El Salvador, we will put the communist principle “to each according to their need, from each according to their commitment” into practice.



More photos of the May Day Car Caravan in Los Angeles



## Spain:

### COMMUNIST GREETINGS TO ALL THE COMRADES!

During this COVID19 epidemic, more than two hundred thousand workers in Spain have been infected, and of those more than twenty-five thousand workers have died. Workers in Spain are fearful of losing their jobs. Some no longer have a job and are expecting a catastrophe of famine across the country.

We continue fighting to spread communist

ideas here. Just like the comrades worldwide, we believe that the solution to the needs of workers is a new system. By following good discipline and love for communist political work we will be able to build that red army that will put an end to capitalist tyranny, pandemics, wars, racism and borders.

## Mexico City:

### UNITE WITH MASSES TO FIGHT FOR COMMUNISM

This celebration of international workers' day is such a unusual one and is a sign of our times.

The work being carried out in each region where the Party is active has captured our maximum attention. It represents a considerable international mobilization, coordinated and motivated by the principles of a communist organization.

Here the word “communism” has a more powerful meaning, since this mobilization understands by communism a society without money, without classes, where we all participate in the fight to control our ways of life.

We also recognize that many people are thinking about Communism. There are a lot of elements of the working class who are genuinely

fighting for and thinking about our same goals, but who have built a way of seeing and making the communist world, some further away, others closer, and from whom we can learn.

Given this, and as a process of self-reflection about the practice of the cell in Mexico City, we propose that the ICWP unite with the masses who have the will to fight for our premises in a constant process of understanding the experience of the working-class struggle. This process requires more discussion, more reflection, more listening, in order to surpass where we are now.

Let's think of the Party as a historic achievement to be reached.

