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THE TASK BEFORE US

Dear Fellow Believer:

The August-December 1961 or first post-Session issue (Vol. 1, No. 1) of The Symbolic Code should have reached you by now. If you have received it and digested its contents, you have found it filled with information vital to all Davidians and Laodiceans. We only wish that all might have a copy of it. But since that is not possible, we must do our very best to place available copies in the hands of those only who manifest desire to read it, to know of the progress of the message and work of the true Davidian Association. Every care is to be taken not to waste a single copy. Please place your order immediately with the Office for as many copies as you carefully estimate you will be able thus selectively to distribute.

Then there are two new tracts scheduled to be published soon, and to go to the field together. The one, UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT, clears Brother Houteff and the ROD of the foul stigma brought upon them by false teachers. The other, WHAT'S AHEAD, sounds Inspiration's warning against the perilous gin and snare in the confederacy of Isaiah 8.

The Office will mail these tracts to every Seventh-day Adventist whose name and address it can obtain. They will be available also to all who can use them to advantage in personal work. Every reasonable precaution is to be exercised to prevent any of them from being wasted. Please let the Office know how many copies of each you will need.

It is encouraging to see S. D. A. names and addresses steadily coming in. Persistently keeping right at the task will bring in the many thousands more which must yet be gathered. This basically important work challenges the best efforts of every 100%-ROD Davidian. There are a number of sources from which names and addresses can be obtained. The Office will send suggestions to all who write in for them. And any who have ideas which may prove fruitful, are urged to send them in. Earnest cooperation in this urgent endeavor will enable all of us to work more efficiently to reach the Lord's own. In thus redoubling our efforts to get these names and addresses, we'll not only double our talents but also make manifest our faith (which justifies us) by our works (which judge us). Thus shall we prove ourselves worthy of the "well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Another heavily burdening concern is our urgent need for printing equipment,

without which we can never fully deliver our message. To have our printing done continually on outside presses is out of the question. The cost would be prohibitive. But in order to do it ourselves, we must have equipment for photographing and making plates, an offset press, a paper cutter, a folding machine, a gathering machine, a stitcher, and an addressing machine. To obtain all this in used equipment that will be adequate and serviceable will take in the neighborhood of \$12,000. What are we to do about it?

"To defray the expenses of the next session," provision was made at the Session "to build up a session-expense fund by diverting to it" a percentage "of the first tithe and unspecified offerings." As important as this fund is, yet in view of the fact that the next session is nearly four years away, and the printing needs are immediate and urgent, it is obvious, therefore, that to build up a printing-equipment fund is more important at this time than to concentrate exclusively on building up the Session fund.

True, Our Father's BANK OF HEAVEN has untold capital. True, too, Our Father is a beneficent, prayer-hearing President. But just as true it ever is that He helps those most who help themselves while trusting Him for help.

What can you do to help in this time of need? What will you do? We are confident that each of you will realize that this project should be accorded top priority, and that you will plan your specified offerings accordingly.

Finally, don't pass by your opportunity to become charter members of the Association. Send immediately for an application blank (see form, page 5) for your charter-member Fellowship Certificate.

May the Spirit of God and holy angels strengthen you to move forward in faith and in sacrifice to execute the Lord's will.

H. G. Warden

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"COURAGE IN THE LORD"

Dear Fellow Davidian:

How wonderful it is that God has faithful servants who will rally together in any emergency, and who now, at this most crucial hour in the history of the ROD message, are come to the aid of His Association as it arises from the Devil's intended knockout blow. Quick to discern the crisis and God's provided way out of it, they sent chosen delegates to represent them at the Session in Los Angeles, in organizing second-phase Association and electing officers.

When the delegates returned home in good courage, bearing a good report, they asked the important questions, Will we suffer our teachers to work without sufficient funds in teaching others to "hear ye the Rod"? Do we expect them to

print this most precious message of the hour without printing equipment? We know that the work must go forward, even though we have only a temporary location. Either we must do our printing or have it done outside, the cost of which would not a little retard the publishing work.

These faithful ROD teachers realize that to truly "hear ye the Rod," they must first print it so that all may read It and hear Its instructions. And now, realizing this great need, they have already donated to help obtain this much needed equipment. "Since God is the owner of all our goods, shall not gratitude to Him prompt us to make free-will offerings and thank offerings, thus acknowledging His ownership of soul, spirit, and property?"--Testimonies, Vol. 6, p. 386.

But Satan, not wanting this to be accomplished, says to his angels: "... We must do our utmost to prevent those who labor in God's cause from obtaining means to use against us. Keep the money in our own ranks. The more means they obtain, the more they will injure our kingdom by taking from us our subjects. Make them care more for money than for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom..."--Testimonies to Ministers, p. 474:1.

None who truly love the ROD message and who consequently are deeply burdened for Its onward, soul-gathering march through Laodicea, will be found indifferent to this great emergency.

"...If God abhors one sin above another, of which His people are guilty, it is doing nothing in case of an emergency. Indifference and neutrality in a religious crisis is regarded of God as a grievous crime and equal to the very worst type of hostility against God."--Testimonies, Vol. 3, p. 281.

"God cannot use men who, in time of peril, when the strength, courage, and influence, of all are needed, are afraid to take a firm stand for right..."--Prophets and Kings, p. 142.

"...benevolence is placed by the side of faith, love, and Christian diligence. Those who think that they can be good Christians, and close their ears and hearts to the calls of God for their liberalities, are in a fearful deception. There are those who abound in professions of great love for the truth, and, so far as words are concerned, have an interest to see the truth advance, but who do nothing for its advancement. The faith of such is dead, not being made perfect by works..."

"...The plan of system in benevolence God designed for the good of man, who is inclined to be selfish, and to close his heart to generous deeds. The Lord requires gifts to be made at stated times being so arranged that giving will become habit, and benevolence be felt to be a Christian duty. The heart, opened by one gift, is not to have time to become selfishly cold, and to close, before the next is bestowed. The stream is to be continually flowing, thus keeping open the channel by acts of benevolence."--Testimonies, Vol. 3, pp. 393. 394.

"The truth is mighty, but it is not carried into practice. It is not sufficient to lay money alone upon the altar. God calls for men, volunteers, to carry the

truth to other nations, and tongues, and people. It is not our numbers nor our wealth that will give us a signal victory; but it is devotion to the work, moral courage, ardent love for souls, and untiring, unflinching zeal."--Id., p. 404.

"...Now God requires, not less, but greater gifts than at any other period of the world. The principle laid down by Christ is that the gifts and offerings should be in proportion to the light and blessings enjoyed...."--Id., p. 392.

"...The angel of God places benevolent acts close beside prayer. He said to Cornelius, 'Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.'"--Id., p. 405.

"...Making the largest estimate of all our self-denials, privations, and sacrifices, it costs us far less in every respect than it did the Prince of life. Any sacrifice that we may make sinks into insignificance when compared with that which Christ made in our behalf."--Id., p. 481, 482.

Now, of all times, is the time for God's people to use their strength, courage, and means and influence, when God's cause needs them most; and truly His "little ones" are thus moving into line.

"I have been deeply impressed by scenes that have recently passed before me in the night season. There seemed to be a great movement--a work of revival--going forward in many places. Our people were moving into line, responding to God's call. My brethren, the Lord is speaking to us. Shall we not heed His voice? Shall we not trim our lamps, and act like men who look for their Lord to come? The time is one that calls for light bearing, for action."--TM 515.

Yes, the Lord is speaking to us through His ROD, His Voice, and the wise --His own--are hearing and heeding His call, moving into line in response to it. But word about His recent call for a first offering for the printing press fund reached only a few. Now all will have opportunity to respond to the call for a second offering, November 15, 1961. May the response exceed our highest hopes and thus enable the Office soon to procure this urgently needed equipment.

"After the passing of the time in 1844, a number of brethren and sisters were assembled in a meeting. All were very sad, for the disappointment had been sore. Presently a man came in crying, 'Courage in the Lord, brethren; courage in the Lord!' This he repeated again and again, till every face was aglow, and every voice lifted in praise to God.

"Today I say to every worker for the Master, 'Courage in the Lord!'"--Gospel Workers, p. 265.

"We can do nothing without courage and perseverance."--MH 196.

These are my sentiments, and I am sure they are yours too.

Sincerely yours to come
up to the help of the Lord,

Donnie Adair

Latest
THE EDUCATOR'S NEW-LOOK

As the EDUCATOR ~~now~~ ^{another} turns the corner on its mission among Davidians, our prayerful hope and trust is that its friends not only will like its new-look but also will gain from it and from the CODE a new and forward look themselves, and thus will "go forward" with them step by step to final victory.

~~The Editors~~

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THE DAVIDIAN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ASSOCIATION
5654 NORWOOD AVE.
ARLINGTON, CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF FELLOWSHIP

In applying for Certificate of Fellowship in the DAVIDIAN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ASSOCIATION, I hereby solemnly affirm:

1. That I have read all available Shepherd's Rod Publications; and
2. That I wholeheartedly--
 - a. Support the principle of Davidic-Levitical, second-phase Association (Acts 6:1-7--The Leviticus, p. 6:2; p. 9:1);
 - b. "Subscribe to the whole credenda [teachings] and embody" in my life "the whole agenda [practice] of the aforesaid Association" (The Leviticus, p. 5:2);
 - c. Comply with all "advanced Christian standards of dress" (Timely Greetings, Vol. 2, No. 38, pp. 10-26);
 - d. And pledge "constancy to the faith as a commandment-keeper; a vegetarian; a strict abstainer from coffee, tea, tobacco, intoxicating liquors, and all health-destroying foods and practices; a supporter of the Association's gospel work, and one who observes all its tenets of faith."

Signed: _____

Address: _____

(Sample Form--Not To Be Used. See page 2.)

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"It is impossible for you to be strong until you take a decided stand for the truth."--Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 545.

AN URGENT CALL TO FASTING, PRAYER, AND STUDY

"...There are no vital points of practical truth that will be clouded in mystery... Minds will be exercised by His Spirit to search the Scriptures, even with fasting and with prayer, until link after link is searched out, and united in a perfect chain. Every fact which immediately concerns the salvation of souls will be made clear that none need err, or walk in darkness."--Testimonies, Vol. 2, p. 692.

In a meeting of the Executive Council, October 22, in Arlington, California, it was resolved that owing to the absolute necessity of Association members' having a flawless understanding of the ROD message, a call be made to all 100%-ROD-only Davidians to join with the Committee appointed (at the Session) to make a thorough study of the sequence of the various phases of the Image of the Beast, in three days (November 10 to 12) of fasting and prayerful study of the subject in its several aspects and its related subjects.

The Council believes that all heart-and-soul Association members are just as concerned as is the Council and the Committee that all believe and teach only a perfect doctrine, which alone can bring a united, strong, victorious people, and will for this reason respond to this urgent call to fasting, prayer, and study.

--The Executive Council

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"HE THAT COVERETH HIS SINS SHALL NOT PROSPER"

Prov. 28:13

Portland, Oregon
July 2, 1961

Mrs. Florence Houteff and Executive Council
Mt. Carmel Center, Waco, Texas

Dear Sister Houteff and Executive Council:

I am writing this letter to inform you of my stand as a 100% believer in the ROD. I am joining the repentant Davidians in a "united repentance and confession season," and I hope and pray that you will repent with us, of the reproach that we have brought upon the cause of God.

I confess that had I studied as I should have, I would not have gone to Carmel, believing your Revelation 11 interpretation and predictions.

I confess my sin in leaning on man more than trusting in God's Word.

I confess my prejudice against those who tried to open my eyes to see the blind faith I had in man at Carmel--the Council and its interpretations.

I confess the shameful and disgraceful part that I personally had in being a

guard at the gate. I was doing the very same thing that Brother Houteff condemned the Church for doing, because I followed the directions of the Council, as our S. D. A. brethren do with their leaders, and not God's directions: "...those who are mindful of the Lord's command, do not cast out even the 'tares.' They know that the Church's cleansing work belongs to the angels only."--2TG10:20.

All this and more I confess to God and my fellow brethren, and I repent of all my sins known and unknown.

The writers of the false, uninspired interpretations of Revelation 11, published in The Symbolic Code (which God ordained as an instrument for conveying truth, not for publishing the sparks of man's own kindling), have indeed sinned. All we who believed, no less than those who still believe in them, are sinners, and we are all in need of confession and repentance.

It is very evident from what Brother Houteff was supposed to have said, just before his passing, concerning the Revelation 11 prophecy, "You will have your answer tomorrow," that the unrevealed part of Revelation is sealed until the ROD reveals it. "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth His secret unto his servants the prophets." Amos 3:7. Had God wanted us to know, then Brother Houteff would have lived to tell us. But since he did not, it is clear that it was not God's will that the Revelation 11 secret should then be understood. "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God." Deut. 29:29.

After Elijah's passing, it is apparent, you began to speculate and conjecture as to the meaning of that unrevealed prophecy, instead of doing the work for the S. D. A. Church, which he left us to do. Not content to leave the unrevealed secrets alone, you published your private theories on the subject, in The Symbolic Code, and made the bold assertion that we were in the 42-month period of Revelation 11:2, as stated in the Code, Vol. 11, No. 1, page 13:3, as follows:

"...the important point to be emphasized is that it is clear that we have already Nov., 1955 entered the period of the 42 months."

All Davidians were expected to believe this as Inspired, simply because it appeared in the Code, or else receive no Certificate of Fellowship. We were further told in the same Symbolic Code, on the very next page: "Since we know through prophecy that the latter rain has temporarily stopped, let us not waste our time with strange 'voices' and 'winds of doctrine'..."--11 Code 1:14:1.

We must ever lament the fact that we did not take your advice when you wrote that, and not waste our time with your "strange voices" and "winds of doctrine."

You say that the latter rain has temporarily stopped. Then what right have you to publish your own private interpretations in the Code, as His Voice, and then call them part of the "latter rain," and make them a test of fellowship, as you do?

As the time for the fulfillment of your 42-month predictions drew to a close, you disregarded one of Inspiration's plainest warnings: "...Time has not been a test since 1844, and it will never again be a test" (Early Writings, p. 75:0), and

set a definite time as a test to see who were true Davidians. You wrote: "Mt. Carmel further believes that the 42 months will end sometime this Spring [1959]." --14 Code 6:27:4. You further wrote: "Those who are coming should be located at Mt. Carmel or Waco by the sixteenth of April [1959] for a few days' necessary preliminary sessions preceding the solemn assembly."--14 Code 9:2:2.

After disobeying God by setting time, you then told us that He didn't mean what He said about time-setting, and that He was using your interpretation of Revelation 11 to show everyone that He was leading you by setting time! This is not an overstatement; it is exactly what the following words add up to:

"Mt. Carmel hereby serves notice that she now leaves the prophecy of Revelation 11 as the Code has explained it, as the test by which the Lord will demonstrate whom He is leading."--14 Code 6:29:3.

Yes, Sister Houteff, that is exactly what happened: God did demonstrate--demonstrate that He was not leading you in your Revelation 11 predictions.

After the disappointment, it was very apparent to everyone that you and the Council had falsely prophesied. You were not, however, willing to admit publicly that you had published your own private interpretations in the Code. Instead, you again misused God's Code to trumpet forth your "strange voices" and "winds of doctrine," to make excuses for your sins, and to blame it all on God. Yes, you blamed it all on God, when you wrote: "The Lord gave us a limited understanding ..."--September, 1960 Code, page 20:2. But the fact is that God did not give you any new understanding at all. He could not have, in the first place, because none of you could be prophets, since Elijah was the last. Besides, according to your own interpretations, the "latter rain temporarily stopped" with his death, and if it did, then your Revelation 11 predictions cannot be part of the truth of the latter rain--the ROD. One would have to be completely blind not to see this.

In spite of the fact that you cannot be Inspired of God as an interpreter of the Scriptures, and in spite also of the fact that you even witnessed with your own eyes the complete and utter failure of your 1959 predictions, you persisted and still persist in maintaining they were of God. Yet you admit that the "latter rain" ceased in 1955! But what is even more shocking to Davidians is the fact that you are now taking the same Revelation 11 prophecy, your erroneous interpretation of which caused the disappointment in 1959, with a great loss of property, money (God's tithes and offerings), time, jobs, souls who left the truth, and, most of all, the reproach which was thus brought upon God's Truth, and are telling us it teaches that the work for the S. D. A. Church is over and that we must work for the Protestants, when they cannot understand the message! (See 12 Code 10:4:2).

You say: "The prophecy of Revelation 11 brought us to the place where we could see that our work for the Seventh-day Adventists as a sole endeavor was finished."--September, 1960 Code, p. 20:5. But God says: "...As its work therewithin [in the S. D. A. Church] draws to a close, and the 'servants of our God' (Rev. 7:3) are sealed, its name will be changed (Isa. 56:5; 62:2; 65:15) and its purpose and its work will become all-embracing to the gospel."--The Leviticus, Preface.

How can anyone overlook this head-on contradiction between you and the message? Plainly, we are not to go to any outside the S.D.A. Church, until after the 144,000 are sealed and our names are changed. That is the word of the ROD, the Voice of God, contrary to your "strange voices" and "winds of doctrine."

Since the General Conference Special, page 19 definitely says that Elijah is the last prophet to the Church, and since 2 Peter 1:20 says, "...no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation...", then, of course, you and the Council would make yourselves look foolish if you told us that Inspiration was with you and that you had the right, as prophets, to interpret the unrevealed part of Revelation 11. But, Sister Houteff, this is exactly what you and the Council have told us in the following statement: "Upon reading carefully the Scriptural references that are given in The Leviticus on the selection by the President of his assisting officers, the Scriptures show that the same Spirit that rests upon the President also rests upon those whom he selects to help him."--The Symbolic Code, December, 1960, p. 80:3.

Sister Houteff, all Davidians know and believe that Brother Houteff was a prophet and an Inspired interpreter of the Scriptures. But the "same Spirit" which rested upon Brother Houteff, if by "same" you mean the Spirit of Prophecy, cannot rest upon you, because, as the ROD shows, "Elijah" is the last prophet. Besides, The Leviticus does not show that the President's assistants were prophets too!

Not only have you appointed yourselves as prophets, but you propose to tell Brother Houteff how to teach his message. Substantially you are saying: "You are too earnest, you do not interpret the Scriptures in the proper way. Let me tell you how to teach your message."--Testimonies to Ministers, p. 475. This is exactly what you and the Council are saying in effect in the many statements, contrary to the ROD, which you make in the December, 1960 Code, such, for example, as the assertion: "So, then, the Protestant churches are NOT Babylon" (p. 33)--an assertion which rejects both Sister White's and Brother Houteff's teachings that the Protestant churches are Babylon. (See Great Controversy, pages 383, 390; also The Shepherd's Rod, Vol. 2, p. 166.) But the basically discrediting fact about this false theory (that "the Protestant churches are NOT Babylon") is that it did not originate with the Spirit of Truth, but is based entirely on your discredited interpretation of the Revelation 11 prophecy.

Any Davidian who studies for himself, knows that when a prophet arises, he will be in harmony with the former prophets. However, the Revelation 11 interpretation from the new-Carmel "prophets" not only disagrees with the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy, but does not harmonize with itself either. It says:

"...They have power to cause to cease the falling of the rain--that is, the latter rain. Then during the days of Their prophecy (1260 days or 42 months) there is not to be any new message, any new commission, any new movement."--11 Code, No. 5, p. 8.

If this is true, then why have you commissioned your new movement to the Protestants, as you have stated in the following words?--"The Executive Council hereby resolves that (1) The field of endeavor for the General Association of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists be extended and enlarged so as to give the Truth

entrusted to Davidians to the Protestant churches..."--September, 1960 Code, p. 19:1. Why?

Again: If you say that the 1260 days have ended, then please explain the following statements:

"...the fulfillment of the slaughter of Ezekiel 9 is immediately preceded by the forty-two months (Rev. 11:2)..."--11 Code 1, p. 12 (1).

"...this period terminates with the slaughter of Ezekiel 9 (an act of God), war brought by Christendom against the Two Witnesses (an act of men), and a 3 1/2-day period when the Two Witnesses are dead after which They rise in great exaltation by Divine interposition."--Id., p. 13 (5).

"Mt. Carmel further believes that the forty-two months will end sometime this Spring [1959]; that following their end war will be declared on the Two Witnesses by Christendom; that it will result in the death of the Two Witnesses; that they shall be dead for 3 1/2 days after which they shall be raised and exalted; that in this same hour the earthquake and slaying by the Lord will take place; and that the land will be ready, and the Kingdom be ushered in."--14 Code, No. 6, pp. 27, 28.

Since "the slaughter of Ezekiel 9" did not come to pass, and since "the Two Witnesses" were not slain, nor was the land made ready, nor the Kingdom set up, then obviously, according to your own interpretations, you must still be in the 42 months, and thus you shouldn't have any new commission.

Moreover, since your December, 1960 Code is definitely false, and since it is based on your private interpretation of the Revelation 11 prophecy, then the only logical conclusion is that your interpretation of Revelation 11 has been wrong from the beginning.

Any D. S. D. A. who believes the ROD 100% can see that there are in this connection at least four pertinent points of truth:

1. Since Elijah, the last prophet before the Kingdom, is gone, there can be no new interpretations of the Scriptures this side of the Kingdom, unless they be private.

2. Therefore, any new interpretations of the Scriptures, even though published by the new-Carmel Council, cannot be taken as Inspired of God unless they come from the established source of Inspiration--the ROD. The new-Carmel Code cannot and will not carry Inspired contents, and thus be the Voice of God, unless and until its contents come from the Golden Bowl--the ROD. Otherwise the new-Carmel Code can be no more Inspired of God than is the Review and Herald of today, even though each was God's mouthpiece at the time each was controlled by the writings of the prophets, as is the true CODE today, the CODE of The Davidian Seventh-day Adventist Association.

3. Except for the reprints of Inspiration, all the interpretations in the new-Carmel Code since the passing of Elijah, are private, are not part of the ROD, or

the "latter rain," and cannot and must not be made a test of fellowship, except at peril to ^{of} soul ^{of} yourselves and those who do not take, as their guide, only that which is written.

4. It is imperative that from this sad and costly experience, we learn the following valuable lessons:

(a) Start trusting in God and stop leaning on man. "Cease ye from man." Isa. 2:22.

(b) Confess our sins to God and repent of them, if we expect Him to bless our efforts for the S. D. A. Church. "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper." Prov. 28:13.

(c) Study for ourselves. "Study to show thyself approved unto God..." 2 Tim. 2:15.

(d) Don't be indifferent; do something for the Lord. "But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?" James 2:20.

These are my honest convictions, based on what I have learned from the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy. Unless I follow Elijah's teachings and instructions, I won't make it to the Kingdom. And here is a part of his teaching: "...one's only safety will be in the teachings of Elijah, for there will be no other voice of timely truth and authority to whom one may turn. Any others will lead their victims blindfolded into perdition."--General Conference Special, p. 8.

Please, Sister Houteff, don't think I have written this letter just to criticize or condemn. I have always had the greatest admiration for your self-sacrificing burden for our S. D. A. brethren, and the highest regard for your patient leadership, as well as for Mt. Carmel, and always will. But I am concerned about the undone work for our Laodicean brethren. The message says: "...to devote our time to evangelizing the world while neglecting the church, would be a criminal act, one of highest treason both to God and to His people..."--Answerer, No. 2, p. 59:3. I am not going to be a criminal and a traitor, or help you be.

It is my sincere desire that we all become united and together finish the work for our S. D. A. brethren. And I see no reason ^{there} would have been no reason had Sister Houteff and the Council not continued to this hour to cover their mistakes--Editor why you cannot continue to be our visible leaders, if you repent of your private interpretations while we repent of our leaning on flesh. However, if you don't, it is certain that God can no longer use you, and that He will put in your places others who will finish the work.

I don't want any of you to be missing in the Kingdom, and I am sure you don't want me or any other Davidian to be missing either. So I dare not forsake or fail to urge God's instructions in the Answerer, No. 2, page 63, which say: "For these reasons, God says now to work within the Laodicean congregation rather than without. And what He says, that He means, and we dare not disobey regardless what men may say or do."

"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

(Revised)

Sincerely yours to believe
and to obey the ROD 100%,

Donnie Adair

THE VOICE OF AMMI AND RUHAMAH

Brevard, North Carolina
October 3, 1961

Dear Fellow Davidians:

Just a few lines to let everyone know how we believers in North Carolina feel about the special offerings for the printing equipment. We think it is a good opportunity for all of us to unite, "put our shoulders to the plow," so to speak, and give what we can for the purchase of this much needed equipment. We here are giving what we can and are sure that all that know about it are too, and that as more learn about it the offerings will swell, soon the equipment will be bought, and God's cause will go forward as He will have it. I trust that the Lord will have His way with each and that the next offering sent in, November 15, will be pleasing to Him.

Yours to hasten His cause,

Yvonne Bishop

October 4, 1961

Dear Brother Warden:

The Lord asked Moses what he had in his hand, then He showed him how to use the Rod to His glory. One day I asked myself what I had in my hand that I could use to help the cause, and I said, Why it's a pencil. So I decided to use it with the help of the Lord to further His work in whatever way I could.

So I wrote to some of the Session delegates and told them that we now have the opportunity to write to all if, without delay, we but take advantage of this privilege. In conclusion, I quoted Sister White's following words:

"God's servants are to work together, blending in kindly courteous order, 'in honor preferring one another.' There is to be no unkind criticism, no pulling to pieces of another's work; and there are to be no separate parties. Every man to whom the Lord has entrusted a message has his specific work. Each one has an individuality of his own, which he is not to sink in that of any other man. Yet each is to work in harmony with his brethren. In their service, God's workers are

to be essentially one. No one is to set himself up as a criterion, speaking disrespectfully of his fellow workers, or treating them as inferior. Under God, each is to do his appointed work, respected, loved, and encouraged by the other laborers. Together they are to carry the work forward to completion."--Acts of the Apostles, p. 275.

May our spirit and our actions exemplify these wonderful words of truth.

Pray for me and my family that we may always encourage others to believe the ROD 100%.

Sincerely,

Donnie Adair

October 8, 1961

Dear Brother and Sister Bingham:

I am so sorry I had to postpone writing you upon my arrival. Now I will not wait any longer to rush you a letter:

I had a good trip from Los Angeles; the Lord brought me safely home. I spent the Sabbath in Honolulu. The S. D. A.'s there were very kind to me.

There is nothing done yet in making progress toward removing to _____, but today I am starting.

God has helped me and my family. He permits us to encounter hardships, not as a curse but a blessing to our lives; and every trial bravely born, gives us a new experience and courage and power for the next struggle, to advance us in the work of character building.

If it were not for the needs of the work here, how we would like to go to California to live in the surroundings of our older brethren and sisters in the Lord. But there is a greater day than to be in Los Angeles, as we all understand--days which will see not only a part of those who were present at the Session, but all of them and those also who were present only in spirit. What a glad day! "Our God has heaven and earth at His command, and He knows just what we need. We can see only a little way before us; but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do."...and from His great and calm eternity He orders that which His providence sees best."--8T272, 273.

I have prayed for Brother Beck. Did you get news from him again? And I am happy with the good start of Brother Adair.

May the Lord bless you abundantly
with fellowship with Christ,

A. S. Pirry (Indonesia)

October 17, 1961

Dear Brother Bingham in Christ Jesus:

I returned from my trip to _____. Most all the brethren there who are associated with Brother _____ are agricultural workers. Formerly they were Hindus. Brother _____ is an earnest man to my knowledge. In his last letter to me, he says, "As long as I live in this world, I will keep Sabbath and accept the Shepherd's Rod present Truth." Before I met him, he sent word to all his brethren to meet in a certain house. They all came and met me there. More than twenty-five men came to meet me at _____. On my next visit I shall teach them more present truth. I am sure Brother _____ is an honest and truth-seeking man.

Now about 13 miles away from here, an interest is being shown by a party of Seventh-day Adventists. During the past five years, I have visited them and have distributed our literature among them and they have studied it. Now these brethren are willing to be with us. In my next letter, I shall send their names and addresses.

I and my family greet you and Sister Bingham and all the brethren there. We all thank you for the prayers you all offer on our behalf. May God bless all of you abundantly in all you attempt for the kingdom of God.

Sincerely,

C. P. John (India)

October 17, 1961

Dear Brother Bingham:

Greetings! Since returning from the Session, I have been able to begin studies in two new homes. They seem to be taking well. Besides that, Brother _____ seems to be very much on fire; and I have received word from Brother _____ that I may come at any time to study with him, as usual. We are looking forward to the general meeting and to seeing you and Sister Bingham then.

Please greet all the brethren there.

Yours,

C. H. B. Chadband (Trinidad, West Indies)

October 17, 1961

Dear Brother and Sister Bingham:

First let me say how happy we all are with the knowledge that at last corporate Association has been established. You have many problems ahead over there, and we pray that many Davidians that have been sitting on the fence for so long will give their whole-hearted support now that the Association is an estab-

lished fact. The World situation at the moment is very tense. At any time now we may expect to see Britain go in and occupy Palestine. Even the little peace we have had seems to be a dying flame.

Our prayers are ever for you all over there.

Your brother in Christ,

Arthur H. Harris (Australia)

October 18, 1961

Dear Brother and Sister Bingham:

We were especially happy to learn that our delegate was an asset to the Session.

Here in Georgetown there is a sister who has begun to study the ROD. This is causing a stir in the church because her influence is much feared. The Conference seems to be fighting already.

A grand son-in-law of Sister White came here last Sabbath. He said that no Association is to be heeded, that we are not to listen to any. After the service, I went to him and asked him to give me an explanation of EW 277 and TM 475. He seemed to know what I was talking about, but he said he'd read them. Before I knew where he was stopping, he was off. The Laodiceans are not at all comfortable.

We are looking forward very much to your visit. I do not believe Brother Beck will be here before you, but I am prepared to do my bit.

We pray for headquarters, printing press, and progress.

Yours to continue in the Master's Service,

Brother and Sister R. L. Short (British Guiana)

October 18, 1961

Hello Brother Bingham:

Christian greetings to you all.

Brother Beck has been here to visit us and we enjoyed his stay, although it was short. Yes, Brother Bingham, we can see no other than the true ROD and we are still 100% with It. Where else can we go? We all must unite in finishing the work, for the time is at hand, and we can't afford to waste one precious moment now. May the good Lord bless and keep you all till we soon meet.

Sincerely yours,

Bro. & Sr. Thompson & Family (Jamaica)

October 18, 1961

My Dear Brother Warden:

Now that Constitutional Association is established, let us be constantly aware that it is only by the grace of God that it was accomplished. No man should ever claim any credit for it, even though the Lord has used men for this purpose.

We are facing now and in the future Satan's greatest wrath. Let us be prepared daily against this danger. The Lord has given us through His ROD a clear revelation that "Satan's supreme effort at this hour must be to cause the TIME to be wasted and the work to go undone."--Answerer, No. 1, p. 69:0.

As we all know from experience, this "supreme effort" of Satan has reached its greatest results since 1955. How many souls have been lost, how long it will take to pick up momentum, only the Lord knows.

Let us never forget that Satan has more than one way to gain his ends, to confuse, mislead, deceive, and destroy. Let us have a close look at the way he brought the succession of false Davidian prophets into his trap.

Each of these false prophets have determinedly sought through their uninspired interpretations to convince their brethren that the Lord has chosen them to take Elijah's place. Going on from this accomplishment, Satan prepared the same trap for the Council and its adherents. How successful he has been is now past history--sad history.

If the Lord wanted to show us an "ensample," he could hardly give us a plainer one.

Do we believe that we are better prepared, individually, to withstand the full force of Satan's wrath today than we were yesterday? Are we?

Have not all these false prophets left the "sure and safe way" because of their private interpretations and their adding to and subtracting from the Inspired Word, in order to justify and maintain their ideas? You and I know all too well that our ONLY safe way is to follow the Lord's instruction to teach and preach only what is written, .. "IT IS WRITTEN"...and nothing else.

What special information has the Lord for us today, for those whom He has guided so far, to help finish the work in Laodicea? Let us look and see:

"At this time above all others, hasty judgment, opinions formed carelessly, without sufficient evidence, may lead to most disastrous results. When we trace from cause to effect, we shall find that harm has thus been done which in some cases can never be remedied. Oh, what wisdom and fine spiritual perceptions are needed in giving food to the flock of God, that it be pure provender, thoroughly winnowed.

"The natural, hereditary traits of the character need a firm curb, else earnest zeal, good purposes, will run into evil, and the excess of feeling will produce such impressions upon human hearts that they will be carried away by impulse

and will allow impressions to become their guide.

"...When persons yield their will in perfect submission to the will of God, and the spirit is humble and teachable the Lord WILL correct them by His Holy Spirit, and lead them into safe paths."--Selected Messages, Bk. 2, p. 93:1, 2.

"...Let God work, and let the human agent walk softly before Him watching, waiting, praying, looking unto Jesus every moment, led and controlled by the precious SPIRIT which is LIGHT AND LIFE."--Id., p. 95.

"...In God's dealings with His people, all is quiet; with those who trust in Him, all is calm and unpretending. There will be simple, true, earnest believers in the Bible, and there will be doers of the Word as well as hearers. There will be sound, earnest, sensible waiting upon God. The believer will hang his helpless soul on Jesus Christ. Christ will be exalted. Working and praying, watching and waiting, IS OUR POSITION."--Id., p. 97:0.

"Satan will work in a most subtle manner to introduce human inventions with angel garments. But the LIGHT from the Word is shining amid the moral darkness; and the Bible will never be superseded by miraculous manifestations. The Truth must be studied, it must be searched for as hidden treasure. Wonderful illuminations will not be given aside from the old, or to take the place of it. CLING TO THE WORD, receive the ingrafted Word, which will make men wise unto salvation."--Id., p. 100:2.

Thus we see, dear Brother Warden, how concerned our Lord is that we follow HIS WORD, that we not fail Him by leaning on men's ideas, opinions, interpretations, or feelings. Let us not for any reason be influenced by any man to deviate from His path. I am very much concerned that we must DO NOTHING CONTRARY to God's instructions, specifically in regard to doctrinal interpretation.

"...This Movement...MUST triumph, though every Movement before it has failed."--Answerer, No. 1, p. 67:1.

Am I unduly concerned about this matter? How can one be in view of what can happen? To avert disaster, we must keep wide awake to the END. Let us not fail.

Sincerely yours,

E. F. Reichmann (California)

(Emphases belong to letter.)

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October 22, 1961

Dear Brother Bingham:

Let me tell you some things about some of the brethren here in _____. First of all, enclosed you will see the names and addresses which I was able to get. Thank God for them.

I want you to take special note of the name _____. This brother became very interested after I presented to him the subject of the Kingdom and that of the puri-

fication of the Church. He can speak English quite well. In fact, he is a British subject, but knows the Spanish also. And he has all the Testimonies and other volumes of Sister White's writings. He has seen the Truth in the message. A work can be done with him. He wants to follow the Lord. He needs to be encouraged. When he knows the message, he will work for the Lord.

Another brother I would like you to take note of is Dr. _____. I have heard a good report of him. He is one who is not satisfied with conditions in the Church. I went to his home Sabbath afternoon last, and had a talk with him about the purification of the Church. I read it from his Testimonies, and he believes what I presented, and he marked every quotation that I read. He spoke to another brother that was there, that we have to unlearn many things. I am to go back to have another study with him.

He is a great man here in the Church. If he gets to see the truth, he will do a great work. The impression I got of him is that he will see the Truth. Though great, yet he is a humble man. If he should see the Truth, he will be a mighty worker for God, for he is influential. He knows the English and Spanish well, for he is an educator. I am praying to the Lord that he will see the Truth.

These two brethren want to know the Truth. The Spirit of the Lord is working with them. Pray for them.

Yours truly to do what I can to
further the work of the Lord,

Albert U. Beck (The Antilles)

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October 19, 1961

Dear Brother Bingham:

It is wonderful how things are happening these days. Really, we are very near each other by means of modern inventions.

Well, the battle is brought to a final with the victory coming to you and your co-workers. We must say with you now, thanks to God's leading in such a serious war where the aggressor is an invisible one. Therefore for victory to be achieved, one must of necessity call to his aid the same Invisible One Who fought the aggressor and had him down in the end.

My hope and prayer is that the day comes that will put us all right.

Love to you and yours till we
hear from you or see you,

Brother R. F. Bertrand (Grenada)

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"The Lord has need of men of intense spiritual life."--6T412.

"GOSPEL ORDER

"The Lord has shown that gospel order has been too much feared and neglected. Formality should be shunned; but, in so doing, order should not be neglected....And now in these last days, while God is bringing His children into the unity of the faith, there is more real need of order than ever before, for, as God unites His children, Satan and his evil angels are very busy to prevent this unity and to destroy it....

"I saw that this door at which the enemy comes in to perplex and trouble the flock can be shut. I inquired of the angel how it could be closed. He said, 'The church must flee to God's Word and become established upon gospel order, which has been overlooked and neglected.' This is indispensably necessary in order to bring the church into the unity of the faith."--Early Writings, pp. 97, 100.

"Satan well knows that success can only attend order and harmonious action. He well knows that everything connected with Heaven is in perfect order, that subjection and thorough discipline mark the movements of the angelic host. It is his studied effort to lead professed Christians just as far from Heaven's arrangements as he can; therefore he deceives even the professed people of God, and makes them believe that order and discipline are enemies to spirituality; that the only safety for them is to let each pursue his own course.. All the efforts made to establish order are considered dangerous, a restriction of rightful liberty, and hence are feared as popery....I was shown that it is Satan's special work to lead men to feel that it is God's order for them to strike out for themselves, and choose their own course, independent of their brethren."--1T650:1.

"...Those who were in the work at the beginning are passing away. Only a few of the pioneers of the cause now remain among us. Many of the heavy burdens formerly borne by men of long experience, are now falling upon younger men.

"This transfer of responsibilities to laborers whose experience is more or less limited, is attended with some dangers against which we need to guard. The world is filled with strife for the supremacy. The spirit of pulling away from fellow laborers, the spirit of disorganization, is in the very air we breathe. By some, all efforts to establish order are regarded as dangerous, --as a restriction of personal liberty, and hence to be feared as popery. These deceived souls regard it a virtue to boast of their freedom to think and act independently. They declare that they will not take any man's say-so; that they are amenable to no man. I have been instructed that it is Satan's special effort to lead men to feel that God is pleased to have them choose their own course, independent of the counsel of their brethren.

"Herein lies a grave danger to the prosperity of our work. We must move discreetly, sensibly, in harmony with the judgment of God-fearing counselors; for in this course alone lies our safety and strength. Otherwise God can not work with us and by us and for us.

"O how Satan would rejoice if he could succeed in his efforts to get in among this people, and disorganize the work at a time when thorough organization is essential, and will be the greatest power to keep out spurious uprisings,

and to refute claims not endorsed by the word of God! We want to hold the lines evenly, that there shall be no breaking down of the system of organization and order that has been built up by wise, careful labor. License must not be given to disorderly elements that desire to control the work at this time.

"...If men will not move in concert in the great and grand work for this time, there will be confusion. It is not a good sign when men refuse to unite with their brethren, and prefer to act alone. Let laborers take into their confidence the brethren who are free to point out every departure from right principles. If men wear the yoke of Christ, they can not pull apart; they will draw with Christ."--Testimonies, Vol. 9, pp. 257, 258.

"Make it known to Davidians that the 'faction business' is the devil trying to run them. Those whom the Lord would make great are those who are willing to serve others, not those who want to be served, or who want to exalt themselves by holding office of some kind. All such are sure to lose out. Also call to their attention that in Moses' day those who wanted to be great and to hold office were swallowed up by the earth. It is our hope and prayer that unity and perfect harmony will reign supreme in every Davidian company of believers. May we all so live as to be among the worthy ones to inherit the Kingdom so soon to become a reality."--V. T. Houteff letter to M. J. Bingham, April 4, 1954.

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A CORRECTION

We regret that the name of Brother C. H. B. Chadband, Trinidad West Indies, was inadvertently omitted from the list of Field Representative appointments, pp. 13 and 14 of THE SYMBOLIC CODE, Vol. 1, No. 1; August - December, 1961.

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"When those who know the truth practice the self-denial enjoined in God's Word, the message will go with power. The Lord will hear our prayers for conversion of souls. God's people will let their light shine forth, and unbelievers, seeing their good works, will glorify our Heavenly Father. Let us relate ourselves to God in self-sacrificing obedience."--Review and Herald, December 1, 1910.

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Trust Him when dark days assail thee
Trust Him when thy faith is small
Trust Him when, to simply trust Him,
Is the hardest thing of all.

--Selected

(All emphases, parentheses, / and ~~brackets~~ supplied if not) otherwise indicated.)

FORGET-ME-NOTS

1. Clothes for the needy--as many as you can collect.
2. November 15 Offering for the printing fund--as much as you can sacrifice.
4. Prayer for one another, for the work, and for the workers--thrice daily and at 5:00 P. M. Fridays.
5. Remittances--continue to send to 1437 North Carmelita Avenue, Los Angeles 63, California, until November 10; from then on, to 5654 Norwood Avenue, Arlington, California.

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CALLED TO REST

Word has come that the long, energetic, useful life of Brother George Winn has come to its end.

This devoted servant of the Lord who placed The Great Controversy in thousands of homes over the United States and brought a number of souls to a knowledge of the truth, suffered a heavy stroke several weeks ago, finally succumbing Sabbath, October 29.

May all remember Sister Winn in prayer. Her address is General Delivery, Cottonwood, California.

ANOTHER PATRIARCH CALLED TO REST

One of our staunchest and earliest supporters of Constitutional Association, 86-year-old Brother Hiram Peck of Smithville, Jamaica, passed away Sabbath morning, September 30, 1961. Our esteemed brother, faithful to the end, has gone to a well-earned rest, at peace in the Lord and in the hope of the Kingdom.

--Allan A. Allen

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