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Once again a very warm greetings to all. Daily we remember you fondly. How marvelous to experience a warm and loving relationship at this year's Feast of Tabernacles with all the children of God. Such affection and regard can come only from the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. That Spirit cannot be impersonated or duplicated. The fruits borne are a dead giveaway. It is hypocrisy to claim one attitude and manifest by works quite another. Our love and affection must be genuine — coming from the heart.

What most pleases us is that we see this very spirit being manifested more significantly by those who do really love the Truth of God and are earnestly endeavoring to overcome their own natures. Surely this is greatly pleasing to God. For such growth and spiritual manifestation means that we are slowly eliminating the trauma of the past. And this must be done if we are to succeed in the purpose of the call God gave to us, remaining faithful to the Truth originally delivered.

ARTICLES

As indicated earlier, the completion of the work The Gnostic Connection will transpire as early as the necessary preparation will allow. For the month of November '81, the last section of the ninth chapter is submitted. We commend it to you for your continued growth in spiritual knowledge and understanding.

We are most anxious to set about studying and writing a number of article needs which have come to our attention. Sacred Names! The Church! Israel! Healing! Social Issues! Others!

PRAYER REQUESTS

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FEAST OF TABERNACLES

What a Feast God gave to us. I do not like to use superlatives but the least I can say is: This was the most meaningful, inspirational and spiritually uplifting Feast I have ever attended. Further, all those whose hearts and minds were correctly spiritually motivated — those who personally contacted me — emphatically agreed. Thank you brethren for making it what it was. I so much appreciate the ONENESS which is surfacing. That requires control and purpose on your part. I know God is very greatly pleased. That very fact was made manifest in the great blessings received at His hands. Can anyone deny those blessings?

As of the present, it looks like we will again have the Feast 1982 here in Eugene. We will make no permanent decision until the time such a decision is required. I do not want to preempt God. The selection of the Feast site is a prerogative of His. Above all, I want to be responsive to His dictate. In due time, we will know just as surely as we did for this year. Please pray about this need daily.

CURRENT EVENTS

Mysterious things are happening in the world. We are admonished to be watchful, to know and understand the times. The specifics of prophecy will become apparent when the events come to pass. Prior to that time of understanding, we must read and be aware of the general circumstances.

BLESSINGS OF BRETHREN

We have heard from most of the geographic sections of the country from which our people come. In every case God magnificently blessed them. No difficulties or troubles. Now for seven consecutive years, so far as I am aware, there has not been one single accident or problem. What a blessing! We can always count on our loving and concerned God.

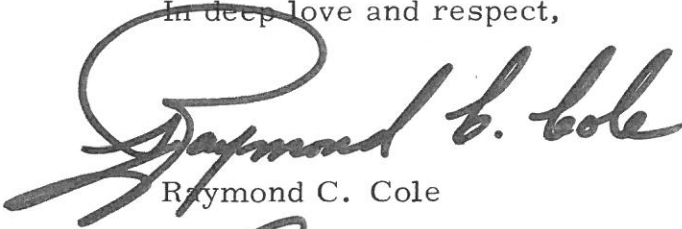
CONCLUSION

Much work to do following the Feast. Will give more, abbreviated information next time.

The new Hymn Tapes are now available. These new tapes, numbers three and four, contain all the hymns from the conclusion of the tapes numbered one and two up to and including the last page of the present hymnal, page fifty. These may be ordered at your own discretion.

Must close for this time. Our prayers and thoughts continue with you daily. Please remember us. Our success and direction is entirely dependent upon your diligence and support. For that dedication and purpose, we thank you.

In deep love and respect,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raymond C. Cole". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large initial 'R'.

Raymond C. Cole

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bryce G. Clark". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large initial 'B'.

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