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Announcement Letter September 1982

This will be the last Announcement Letter prior to the commencement of the 1982 Feast. Please take unusually good care of yourselves, keep spiritually close to God in prayer and attitude for Satan knows who his enemies are. He will seize every chance possible to destroy you physically or mentally. All of you are aware of how difficult circumstances become just before Feast activities — especially the Feast of Tabernacles.

Pray for one another. How greatly we need understanding and tolerance for one another.

Like Paul, I feel myself the worst of sinners. But I have not given up the fight of faith. Regardless of the cost, I want to always maximize love for those God has chosen and kept faithful. They — you are at least a part of that group — are precious in His (God's) sight. Imagine how we should feel about one another.

CURRENT EVENTS:

Major problems are shaping up. Politically, countries are becoming more deeply involved in their deceptive practices toward one another. One day — soon — there will be no way to ameliorate — political double-talk or deception will be useless. Then true feelings will surface. Economically, we have been on the path of self-destruction. There is an inevitable end. Could that end be near? Socially and morally we are absolutely bankrupt. It is hard to conceive of areas by and in which we as a people could sink much lower in the cesspool of immorality. Education, basically, is a farce. The family is destroyed. What is there left?

The areas of involvement are pretty well established. The toboggan slide downward will expand by numbers only — not in new problems generated.

We must not become tainted by the influences of the world. That responsibility is going to become more difficult daily! Through faith we can overcome (John 16:33).

ARTICLES:

1. On the Sacred Name: Will be available for distribution at the Feast of Tabernacles.

2. Excellent information is surfacing for the writing of the article on Divine Healing.

WORK — GENERAL:

As mentioned last month, much work has been done on the next section of the Biblical Outline of Babylonianism. Just will not be able to continue necessary work on the subject until after the Feast this year. Please be patient.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

[Omitted for confidentiality]

GENERAL REQUESTS OR COMMENTS:

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Leach: Long Island, New York, have finalized the sale of their home. How thankful we are that the sale was completed in this time of serious economic adversity. Please pray for their safety on the way to Oregon.

BLESSINGS OF BRETHREN:

[Omitted for confidentiality]

FEAST OF TABERNACLES:

EUGENE, OREGON: All preparation seems to be coming together quite smoothly. If there is any way we can help you personally, please let us know. We will be praying for the safety of all as they journey to Eugene.

We attempted to give all final details a month ago. If we have overlooked anything, please let us know.

LONE OAK, TEXAS: This year, though late, we have decided to hold a limited Feast observance at Lone Oak, Texas. We must serve those who cannot come due to economics.

Eugene is still the site for all who can afford the costs. Those who cannot, may go to Lone Oak.

For reservations and other information, please contact either Mr. John Mitchell of Odessa, Texas (Phone: 915-367-8017) or Mr. Wesley Winant of Wylie, Texas (Phone: 214-442-3456).

For this year most of the services will be taped messages. Mr. John Mitchell will be in charge and will deliver four live messages. This should add a very inspirational dimension to the Feast there.

The location is the Wind Point Park, on a lake, near Lone Oak, Texas. Lone Oak is near Greenville — just Northeast of Dallas.

For any and all information, please contact either of the two responsible individuals mentioned above.

TRIPS:

To Knoxville/Nashville, Tennessee and Wylie/Farmersville, Texas: A most rewarding trip. It was very greatly rewarding to me. I can only hope it was equally rewarding to the people in those areas.

COMMENTS:

We are anticipating a glorious Feast this year. God has always given us a rewarding and meaningful occasion. This year will be no different if we do our part — PRAY. Pray for the safety of all. Pray for one another. Pray for the success of the Feast, itself.

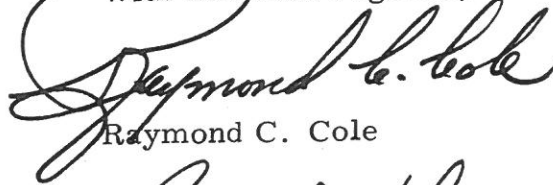
In order to experience the purpose of the Feast, we all must repress the natural tendencies of the self. Remember, we cannot take the self into God's Kingdom.

NOTES:

We are ordering one more order (10 each) of the two books by Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi. They will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

Must close for this time. As always our love and respect.

With heartfelt regards,


Raymond C. Cole


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