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Announcement Letter September 1997

Dear Brethren:

My vision has not appreciably changed. There is no deterioration though. I am still able to perform certain work by making necessary preparations. For that I continue to be most thankful.

As stated from the beginning, I know there is reason. At this point in time no one knows that reason. Anyone who understands the book of Job ought to be aware of the fact that attempting to second-guess God is a serious exercise. For those who attempted to evaluate Job found themselves confronted with the judgment of God. I, personally, have sought God's instruction. In due time we all can and will know. For now we must pray in faith and confidence.

Despite the serious limitation the lack of good eyesight imposes upon me, I still struggle long and hard to do the work to which I have been called. Your prayers have been much appreciated and will continue to be an object of my deepest appreciation and respect. I cannot adequately thank you. Please remember, I am not discouraged and do not feel God has failed in His promise. He gave us a profound promise—a promise of healing. He is our Healer-God. With acceptable patience, and after the purpose has been made known, healing will occur. As stated earlier, it is not my duty to question the action of God. My duty is to continue the work given to me in faith and confidence. I have not lost faith. Neither do I despair. Not at all! I still find great confidence and comfort in the promise of God. May we all find assurance in that same promise. How merciful and good God has been to us all. Let us all praise Him for He is worthy. My love and respect to you all.

Blessings of Brethren

Mrs. Christine Engel: Mrs. Engel would like to express a heartfelt thank-you to all the brethren for their intercessions on her behalf. God heard and intervened, making it possible for her to have a productive summer. Her appreciation is beyond words. With gratitude she relies on your continued prayers.

Deaths

Mrs. Bernice (Fortin) Ellett: We were saddened to hear of the death of Bernice Ellett of Fort Pierce, Florida. She died on August 2 from a massive stroke. We express our condolences to her family.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green: A son, named Jared Wayne, was born on August 31, weighing seven pounds, thirteen ounces, and twenty-one inches long. Both the mother and baby are doing fine.

Special Announcements

- September 20: Mr. Jon Brisby will be the guest speaker in Portland, Oregon. His message will be recorded for the tape program.
- October 2: Feast of Trumpets.
- October 11: Atonement. A time when the requirements of the holy day supercedes those of the Sabbath.
- October 25: There will be a Sabbath service, in Townsend, Tennessee following the Feast. We will meet in the same location where the Feast meetings were held.

Note: Appointed leaders should make necessary arrangements for services in all local areas.

Feast of Tabernacles

Please continue to pray that God will grant us a peaceful and rewarding observance in all areas where He has set His name—the appointed areas. Your fervent prayers will make a very great difference.

Returning Used Cassette Tapes

Those driving to the Feast may bring cassette tapes that are no longer being used. We will once again transport them back to Eugene from the Feast sites. In Townsend, Tennessee they will be collected and boxed for shipment. Mr. Tim Sherwood will be

responsible for collecting and boxing. Remember, you may keep any tapes which are not clear or white. Duplication of Feast sermon tapes requires an enormous number of new cassettes and these returned tapes help to offset the cost.

Office: Changes to Cassette Tape Mailing

Beginning with the September 3 tape mailing, you will be receiving an extra tape with each mailing in order to shorten the time between the recording and the actual mailing of the tape. Once this is achieved, we will continue to mail an extra tape to keep the mailing as current as possible. This extra tape may be listened to during the week or on the Sabbath in addition to the regularly scheduled service tape.

Tape Schedule

Tape Series	Mailed	For	Title/tape #
WSE-BC 147-19	07/09	09/06	The Teachings of Christ #19
WSE-RC 73-1	07/23	09/13	Biblical Perfection: In the Old Testament
WSE-BC 158	07/23	09/20	The Characteristics, Effects and Curses of Sin
WSE-RC 73-2	08/06	09/27	Biblical Perfection: In the New Testament
HTP-1997	09/17	10/02	Feast of Trumpets A.M. & P.M.
WSE-BC 147-39	08/06	10/04	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #39
HAT-1997	09/17	10/11	Day of Atonement
WSE-RC 73-3	08/20	10/25	Biblical Perfection: Analysis of How Perfection is Achieved (Part One)

In Christ's service,



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