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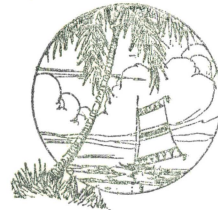
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## CHURCH OF CHRIST

CHARLIE T. GARNER - EVANGELIST  
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January 26, 1960

Mr. John Allen Chalk  
2001 Division Avenue  
Dayton, Ohio

Dear brother Chalk:

Your good letter reached us the early part of December and it was a delightful experience to hear from someone so close to John and Dottie. The delay in penning an answer can be blamed on the insufficiency of time. I did start the letter on one occasion, but was interrupted and never finished. Every effort will be made to complete it at this time.

John and Dottie possess many fine qualities which you have evidently recognized. My family and I imposed on them for six weeks the latter part of 1958 at which time our third child was born. Their hospitality, understanding and patience did not waver in the least throughout the whole ordeal. We are convinced that they are fine people and are happy that they have taken an interest in spiritual things since returning to the States. We are also pleased that you and your wife have shown interest in them. Like all of us at one time or another, they need encouragement.

The Hartmans have not written in such a long time that we are quite concerned. It was good to know that they are well. They are fine people as well as brother Joel Claunch. We visited in the Claunch home in September of 1956 at which time Joanne and Clyde were married. Sister Claunch was alive at that time. When you see them again please offer our best regards.

Just yesterday I received my copy of PREACHERS OF TODAY and before I started this note I took the opportunity to "look you up". I no longer feel a stranger. You having spent some time in mission work do know some of the problems and anxieties that accompany such efforts which makes your kind remarks about our work even more meaningful. We appreciate your encouragement. We would like to think this will <sup>not</sup> be the only time we hear from you, but only the beginning of a lasting series.

Give our love and good wishes to the Steele family. May God bless you and yours and may the work at Northridge be abundantly fruitful is our prayer.

In Him,

*Charlie T. Garner*  
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