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October 15, 1969

Mr. Silas H. Shotwell
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Dear Silas:

Thank you so much for sending along a copy of the basic material you presented at the Herald of Truth Radio and Television Committee Meeting two weeks ago. Your presentation in person was much more powerful than the material you have put on paper. That is why I'm happy that I was there to hear you. Thank you so much for sharing these insights with us. I also appreciated the Christ-like way you accepted the response that came from all of us.

I am still genuinely interested in the possibility of your moving to Abilene. Above all, I see the need more every day to have you meaningfully involved in our efforts here at Highland. There is no solution to the morass in which we find ourselves unless it is personal rediscovery of Jesus Christ. You would play a key role in the renewal that God can work at Highland. At this point I almost despair were it not for my faith in Him and my knowledge of what He has done in days gone by, as well as in my own life.

Let me know any time I can offer further insight or answer further questions regarding this possibility.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

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Dear John Allen:

It was my pleasure to address the Herald of Truth radio and television committee in Abilene last week. This gave me an opportunity to give some reflections on our work. These reflections contained criticism that was **certainly** intended to be constructive. My heart is in this work and I believe it is the greatest tool we have for evangelism today. Even though I feel God has directed my abilities into another channel, and I shall be terminating my Field Representative role January 1, I will continue to give much time and effort to furthering the Herald of Truth ministry.

It was suggested at the meeting last week that I put my criticisms and suggestions down on paper so members of the committee could evaluate them. This is the purpose of this letter. I realize that I have limited information and that these matters have concerned the committee long before I suggested them. So please take my remarks simply for whatever they are worth. We all want to improve our outreach and I just felt moved to say the things I did last week as I feel them deeply.

May God grant us all wisdom as we seek to surrender our minds and bodies into His service.

With love for the lost,

Silas H. Shotwell

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