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January 15, 1970

President Jack Evans Southwestern Christian College P. O. Box 10 Terrell, Texas 75160

Dear Jack:

The elders have asked me to formally invite the Southwestern Christian College chorus to Abilene on Monday, April 6, 1970. We are very happy to make available the auditorium of the Highland building for your 7:30 p. m. concert.

We understand there will be no charges for the concert but that a "free-will offering will be taken at the end of the program to bear the expenses of this tour and for the support of Christian education."

We will be very happy to advise all area congregations of your coming and to encourage their attendance in every possible way. We will also be more than happy to host the chorus with a dinner on Monday evening and with accomodations in the homes of our members that night. As the time approaches, we would like to know something of the arrival time of the singers, in hopes of having a period of fellowship with our older High School and College students.

Thank you so much for allowing us to be a part of your second annual Marshal Keeble Concert tour.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

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January 5, 1970

Elders and Minister 5th and Highland Church of Christ Abilene, Texas 79605

Attention: Mr. J. Chalk

Dear Brethren:

The date of April 20 of this year will mark the second anniversary of the death of the inimitable Marshall Keeble, a pioneer in Christian education among Negro people in churches of Christ. As a tribute to the memory of this great man of God, the 40-voice, internationallytravelled A Cappella Chorus of Southwestern Christian College is now arranging its second annual series of Marshall Keeble Memorial Concerts to be presented in a number of selected congregations during the month of April. These concerts will feature hymns and spiritual songs dedicated to the memory of Marshall Keeble. We feel that the Christians in the Abilene area would want to share with Southwestern in such a concert in memory of this great man.

Therefore, we are requesting permission to use your auditorium in which to present a Marshall Keeble Memorial Concert on Monday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m. There will be no charges for the concert. A free-will offering will be taken at the end of the program to bear the expenses of this tour and for the support of Christian education, a cause in which brother Keeble deeply believed. Your responsibility in the program would be to assist us in advertising the concert among your area congregations, as we would want participation of all the congregations in Abilene, both black and white. We would also ask you to assist us in arranging overnight accomodations for the singers.

We hope to receive your reply regarding this request as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Jack Evans, President

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