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From the desk of

Batsell Barrett Baxter

Hillsboro Church of Christ
Nashville, Tennessee

Dec. 2, 1966

Dear John Allen,

I learned in a phone conversation with Charles Gillespie that you also were invited to record two sermons. Although there may be some criticism I feel that good can be accomplished by our making these records. Jimmy Allen, Norvel Young, George Bailey, you and I have been invited. Let me know your decision in the matter.

Hurriedly,

Batsell Barrett

December 2, 1966

Mr. Charles Gillespie
Restoration Records
P. O. Box 255
Neosho, Missouri 64850

Dear Brother Gillespie:

This is just a note to tell you that I will participate, according to your invitation, in the making of a long-play recording of two sermons to be included in your series for 1967. I appreciate the invitation and shall look forward to participating in this means of helping to advance the Cause of Christ and especially to emphasize the restoration movement.

At this time I am so pressed with other matters that I do not believe I can suggest two themes on which I should like to speak. May I have a little longer to consider this aspect? I will be glad to suggest themes within the next few weeks and trust that will be in plenty of time for the overall plan.

Cordially yours,

Danaell Barrett Baxter
Chairman, Department of Bible

BRE/af

November 23, 1966

Mr. Batsell Barrett Baxter
Hillsboro Church of Christ
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Brother Baxter:

I would like you to participate in the Restoration Preaching Record Library.

Don Dewelt and I have been praying and planning for some time about initiating this venture. We will produce one record per month in a continuing series. Each record will contain two 25-minute messages by well-known preachers. They will be distributed on a club-type basis at \$2.99 each (perhaps less, depending on costs). Will you make one of the records in the first 12-month series? We will pay you \$100 for making the tapes of the two messages.

It is our wish that one of the messages be on a unique facet of the restoration plea--the kind of Bible preaching that has been characteristic of this grand movement. The second message is to be on contemporary issues in the light of revealed truth, relating the eternal Good News to the needs of modern man.

I want this series of records to be representative of all segments of the restoration movement. Invitations have gone to various men of outstanding ability. The day will come when Restoration Preaching Record Library will be regarded as a significant contribution to the preservation of restoration preaching for future generations.

The choice of the twelve men who will make the first year's series will depend on those who respond promptly. In case of duplication of choice of topics, the first to be received will be accepted and the duplicate returned for a second phase.

If you will consent to participate in what we think will be an historic record series I need to hear from you immediately. Your topics (texts and themes) will be needed before December 15. Tapes will be made after the first of the year. I will notify you in ample time to prepare them (taping will be done at a professional studio near you, at our cost).

I hope to receive your affirmative reply soon. If you need further information call me collect at 417 GLL18898 or 417 GGL1 2357.

In the ties of Calvary,

W. Charles Gillespie

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