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Esther Scott

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January 21, 1971

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Scott 1076 Bay Shore Avenue Bay Shore, New York 11706

Dear Dick and Esther:

I did not learn of your decision to leave Abilene except indirectly until someone recently passed on your mimeographed note of August 4, 1970. Whoever was supposed to have given me a copy of it forgot to do so until Chiistmas time.

I'm writing just to say "we miss you but appreciate so much all the elements involved in your decision." I hope and pray that things are going well with you there and that this is going to be a good "catch-up" year for you and the family.

May 1971 be a real year of blessing and growth for all of you.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

JAC:1c

August 4, 1970

Although this method of communicating with friends is most surely frowned upon by those who know and appreciate the simplest protocol, we will nevertheless indulge in it because there is a need to communicate with all of you in as short a time as possible. Please forgive this breach if it should offend.

Our plans for the future are, we know, being blessed with the providence of God, for our faith in Him can allow us no other answer for past events and present peace of mind.

The Lord willing, we will return to New York for another year. Although the summer in Abilene has verified the personal desire in me for something deeper than high school level science studies, and although it is obvious I would love to become involved in medical work at a local hospital, our present financial situation will be much more positively enhanced after one more year of teaching and frugal living.

There are courses that would help me pass graduate school entrance examinations available in Long Island colleges, so I hope to be allowed to enroll for them this fall. To take them in New York would be a financial savings over taking them at Abilene Christian College.

Please continue to pray for us, that we might be able to understand our role as Christians in today's world. Pray that we might be able to know the Lord's will for us, that we will know the peace that He gives, that we will grow in faith from and for Him/

In Mis service.

As it now stands, we will leave Abilene August 14. We should be back at 1076 Bay Shore Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706, by about August 27,28.

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