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Mr. Hugh Phillips Eagle Adjustment Service, Inc. Post Office Box 443 Cookeville, Tennessee 38502

Dear Hugh:

I am writing to express my apologies at not contacting you during my week in Cookeville. The meeting at McMinnville demanded more time than I originally planned, and the last minute touches on my master's thesis required every moment that I was in Cookeville. I spent no time with anyone and visited with none of the Broad Street members during the week. There is no excuse for my failing to call you but I simply allowed myself to get so involved with the details of the gospel meetting and the thesis that I simply forgot to call you.

I treasure no friendship more than ours. I respect no one more highly than you. I know of no one more concerned about the cause of Christ than yourself. Sue and I remember with deep pleasure our many opportunities of association with you.

Thank you for your continued support, financially and prayerfully, of my Herald of Truth ministry. It is a ministry whose dimension becomes greater in my understanding every day. I have never sensed a greater need for total dependence on God, for His wisdom and power, than today. Please remember me in this ministry as I, in turn, pray for you and your continued health and success in your business and in your spiritual life.

I wanted to visit your office, but am sorry that I did not have the time. I hope to be in Hendersonville, Tennessee the week of July 9 in a gospel meeting. Possibly you can get down one day or hight. It would be a pleasure to see you and visit with you. Give my very best regards to your folks and to Bobby Greenwood.

Your brother in Christ,

John Allen Chalk Radio Speaker

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John Allen and Sue Chalk 809 Byrd Drive Abilene, Texas

Dear John Allen and Sue:

I appreciated so much the letter that I received about a month ago from you. It is always good to hear from you and to know that your work is going fine. The work that you are doing is tremendous, and I can assure you, John Allen, that there is no way in the world that you could know the tremendous work that Jack Sells has done, not only with the Broad Street Congregation but with congregations all over Putnam County.

I appreciate him so much for the work that he has done and I can tell you this: If you have ever seen a brother grow in Christ, it is Jack Sells. I do know, also, that a great deal of this was from you. These things, certainly, you always cherish in your heart and I can never repay you for the many, many, things that you and Sue have done for me. Whether you are in Abilene, Texas, New York City, Los Angeles or any other place I never cease to mention you in my prayers and hope that you do the same for me.

When you see Burt Northcut, please tell him hello for me. I never hear from him or see him. Of course, I know how busy every one is. Bobby Greenwood mentioned to me just a little while ago that he received a letter from you and I appreciate very, very much you sending him this letter. It meant a great deal to him. Bobby and I, since you left, have grown to be very close and we have had him over to our home for meals. He and my mother and father have become great friends. There is still hope for Bobby in that I feel sure that some day he will obey the Truth, because he is continually searching. No one has as much effect on him, I believe, as just a word of encourgement from you. If you could let Bobby know every now and then that you were thinking about him it would be more than I believe either of us could ever know.

There is not a doubt in my mind but what we have the best staff that we have ever had at the office. We now have two men and three girls full time and they are all very loyal employees. For a while, I began to wonder, at the rapid rate of turnover that we were having, if the world was really for me or against me. With the employees

that we have now, there is really not much doubt. They are doing a great job with their work.

How are Mary Beth and John coming along? I imagine Mary Beth is a mighty big girl by now. How does Sue like Abilene compared to Cookeville, Tennessee. Texas is a great country.

If you are ever going to be in Nashville, drop me a note and let me know. I would try to meet you sometime for lunch or maby we could visit for just a little while.

Well I had better close for now it is getting late and I am traveling at this moment as I am dictating this letter. I am on my way from Crossville to Cookeville. The stars are very beautiful in the hills of Tennessee. May God bless both of you in all that you do, and may you always have the Christian home that you desire and deserve. With your dedication and faithfulness there is no way that you could have anything but this.

Many of the congregation have signed up to go to Morganton, North Carolina for a weeks meeting in June. I don't know how much time that I can spend in Morganton, but I do plan on going if everything works out as planned at the present. There is not much other news than what I have given you that I know about. Just wanted you to know that I think about you often and would like very much to see you. Please let me know if there is anything that you want me to do in Cookeville or in Tennessee anywhere and I will certainly strive to do it. May God Bless you.

In Christian Love,

Hugh Phillips