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September 14, 1966

Mr. James Bays
North Avenue Church of Christ
3300 Old Jonesboro Road
Hapeville, Georgia 30054

Dear Jimmy:

I was not aware that you were making such great plans for our meeting this fall with the North Avenue congregation. The recreation center sounds like a good idea. I will be thrilled if we can have 1,400 people present every night.

Enclosed is a requested listing of all the sermons I plan to preach Monday through Friday. According to my calendar, our dates are October 24, Monday night, through October 28, Friday night. Your letter indicates October 23 through 27. If we have other arrangements other than what I have indicated on my calendar, you should write me immediately. We may have made other arrangements and I simply didn't note it on my schedule.

I have also enclosed other information that you may need in connection with publicizing the meeting. Use it at your discretion. Please ask the brethren to begin praying specifically about this effort and to begin praying specifically about individuals that they hope will be brought to Christ through this effort. I will pledge you my very best effort as the gospel is preached each evening. It will be a pleasure to work with you.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk

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Enclosures

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Hapeville, Georgia, Sermon Topics

Monday, October 24

"Christ, The Answer For Our Contemporary World."

Today's world is admittedly on the brink of destruction. Rather than preach the "doom" so obvious in our time, the Christian has an answer to give the world-- Jesus Christ. This sermon deals with specific problems that Christ answers.

Tuesday, October 25

"The New Life."

There is a definite New Testament method by which one dead-in-sin can start living again. The "new life" in Christ comes to the baptized believer and is completely explained in Romans 6, the basis for our study.

Wednesday, October 26

"The Insanity Of Sin."

A lesson that arises out of the Parable of the Prodigal Son revealing by what steps the younger son turned prodigal. Sin is seen to be an "insane" quality of living that only Christ can help man successfully repudiate.

Thursday, October 27

"God's Ecumenical Plan"

We live in an "ecumenical era" when many are rightfully disturbed by the horrid divisions within "Christendom." Many plans for church union are being suggested. Over against all human plans and man-made unions what does God have to say about all this? This lesson presents what the author believes is "God's Ecumenical Plan."

Friday, October 28

"The Attractive Christ."

A lesson designed to present Christ crucified for the sins of all men. This presentation will also show how modern man can come into a thrilling contact with Christ's sacrifice and be changed into a new, forgiven person.

North Avenue Church of Christ

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James Bays

MISSIONARY
J.J. Turner

August 30, 1966

Mr. John Allen Chalk
Fifth and Highland Church of Christ
Abilene, Texas

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Dear Brother John:

Interest is mounting by the day as we here at North Avenue continue to work for our Campaign with you. Twenty thousand pieces of literature will be in the hands of the people of this city within a short time. We have rented the Recreation Center and, the Lord willing, plan to have the 1400 seats filled every night (October 23 thru 27).

John, we need your sermon topics for the evening lessons. They will be a part of our printed program. Am enclosing a similar brochure from the Atlanta Campaign. John Alan, Atlanta is the greatest city in the South--but she is lost. Our little congregation is so anxious to reach a segment of it with the Truth. All of us are praying for you; that God will protect you and bring you to us filled with the old Jerusalem story. We want you to preach it with all the fervor, love and power of which you are capable. Like the lamented Lipscomb told "his boys" to "fill up the barrell, knock out the bung and let 'er roll." John, you can do this and we want you to do like you did at Griffin and Avondale. (Jonah 3:2ff and I Samuel 3:15-18)

As quickly as we receive the sermon topics we can go to press.

The Herald of Truth T.V. starts September 11 at 10:00 a.m. on Channel 5 and we hear your program each Lord's day evening at 6:00 on W.G.U.N., 50,000 watt clear channel.

May He whose we are and whom we serve bless you and yours always.

In Brotherly love and service,


Jimmy Bays

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He that would be great, let him serve. Jesus