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EXODUS/NEW JERSEY

PROPOSING TO SPREAD CHRISTIANITY BY SPREADING CHRISTIANS

April 26, 1966

John Allen,

Thought you would like to have a copy of this letter I sent to each of your five elders.

By the way, don't forget to sent two glossy photos and a short biographical sketch to Walter Burch, unless you think that Fidelity already has some that could be used. April 26, 1966

Mr. W. D. Burford 787 South Clover Cookeville, Tennessee 38501

Dear Brother Buford:

We have a most urgent need for Exodus/New Jersey. One hundred eleven families will be moving to New Jersey this summer for the cause of Christ. This group is composed of over 260 persons.

A unique missions conference is to be held in Midland June 4-5. Its purpose will be to highlight the "sending out" of these 111 families. The speakers are some of the greatest in the brotherhood -- Joe Barnett, Jim Bill McInteer, Mid McKnight, and Bill Banowsky. The theme is "Christianity on the Move."

We have asked John Allen Chalk to deliver the sermon Sunday morning, June 5, and then deliver the Exodus charge to all the Exodus/New Jersey families that will come for their "sending out." We believe that John Allen is uniquely qualified for this job.

I contacted John Allen for the Midland elders and he told me that it would be up to his elders if he could come. "However," he said, "I feel an unusual obligation to this program since I have been personally involved. I feel the need very deeply and I strongly desire to come."

We are not making an ordinary request of you. John Allen has told me that you had a great desire to help Exodus/New Jersey financially but you felt that you could not this year. By your permitting John Allen to be with us on Sunday, June 5, you would be making a distinct contribution to Exodus/New Jersey and to the impact that this missions conference will have on the brotherhood.

We will be praying that your answer will be affirmative.

In His service.

Larry Roberts

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