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September 13, 1966

Dr. M. Norvel Young
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7851 South Budlong Avenue
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Dear Brother Young:

I was so happy to get your letter concerning the September 24 meeting of all staff writers for Twentieth Century Christian and Power for Today. I am in a meeting all that week at the Wynnewood Hills church in Dallas and would have had the day to spend with you and the other staff writers. However, I have already agreed to fly down to Houston on Saturday morning and spend the day with the Bible teachers of the Shaw Avenue church in Pasadena. I deeply regret not having received your letter just one day earlier which would have allowed me to decline the invitation from the Shaw Avenue group.

I may be able to arrange some time with you during that day. I am deeply interested in increasing my own effectiveness through the use of such excellent publications as Twentieth Century and Power.

Let me know of any special assignments that you would like for me to handle. I will be happy to do my best with anything that I am asked to do.

I do know Dick Cupp well. I knew Dick as a member of the congregation where I preached in Dayton, Ohio, between the years 1956 and 1960. It was during this time that Dick began to preach. His training is in journalism, and he has worked for several newspapers as a reporter in Indiana and Ohio. He did an excellent job as a reporter for the Dayton Daily News. Dick has been preaching now for several years; and, according to all reports, he is doing an excellent job. I can attest to his zeal and to his effectiveness as a worker. I would think his greatest weakness would be in the pulpit; but I am sure that with experience and time, he will become an excellent preacher. He does a good job even now. I can recommend him without reservation.

I do hope to see you in Dallas on Saturday, September 24. My very best regards to your entire family.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk

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Dear John Allen:

As 20th Century Christian begins its thirtieth year, I send my appreciation for your work on it. Enclosed is a new staff list with up-to-date addresses. I wish I could share with you all the letters which indicate widespread influence for good of both 20th Century Christian and Power for Today.

Bill Banowsky and Prentice Meador have both been abroad this year and report genuine good will and deep appreciation of the magazines. I found the same attitude in visiting South America. Your articles are touching many more people than you realize. Your influence will live in thousands of lives throughout this medium.

On Saturday, September 24, you are invited to meet with Jim Bill McInteer, Bill Banowsky, Joe Barnett, Walter Burch, and me in Dallas to conduct a workshop designed to increase the use of these magazines. Walter has graciously offered to give us some valuable guidance in a subscription drive as we celebrate the thirtieth year. Plan to come. Let me know and we will provide you a motel room and meals for the workshop. More details will be sent to you if you can attend.

The response to our new 20th Century Christian Graded Bible School Literature has exceeded our expectations. Thank you for your valuable aid in letting people know about it. If you know of other churches interested in a sample packet, just write to Jim Bill or Gary Mitten. Sometimes just a word of encouragement to an elder or Bible School Director will mean their use of this wonderful material. Jim Bill and Jay Smith have done an outstanding job in editing the material with the valuable help of their blue-ribbon staff. Gary is doing a fine work in marketing. (By the way, Gary and Judy have a new baby boy, Bradley McMillan). Our thanks to them all.

This literature promises to help strengthen the faith of multiplied thousands. It is especially effective in relating the scriptures to problems children and teen-agers are facing. I am glad our own two teen-agers will have its aid in studying the Bible. We feel it is of extremely high quality and challenges the student effectively.

Thank you for your partnership in spreading New Testament Christianity through the 20th Century Christian. Remember to pray for its improved usefulness.

M. Norvel Young

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Mr. John Allen Chalk Herald of Truth c/o Church of Christ Box 2439 Abilene, Texas 79604

Dear John:

I have a letter from Dick Cupp who gives you as a reference and indicates that he would like to come to a congregation in California. I have mentioned it to several, but I wanted to write and see what you think of him.

I hope you are getting along fine. As I wrote you, I'm looking forward to being in Dallas. I hope you can join us for the workshop on Saturday, September 24.

Cordially Aours.

M. Norvel Young

President

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