

January 27, 1965

Church of God (7th day)  
P.O. Box 74  
Marion, Oregon

Dear church treasurer:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your check in the amount of \$15.12 for printing handbills for the coming evangelistic effort by Elder Trinidad Padilla. Thank you, very kindly.

It is always a pleasure to serve Brother Padilla and the Church of God. He is a personal friend, and I have a very warm regard for all of the Church of God brethren, and I wish you folks every success in your coming evangelistic campaign.

I don't know whether you are familiar with the work and purpose of The Gathering Call magazine or not. The magazine is a critic of the Adventist creed. All of us associated with this work were formerly Adventists.

We would consider it a great personal favor to us if you would jot down the names and addresses of any Adventists that you might happen to know in your locality. What we would plan to do is send them sample copies of our magazine in the hope that they might subscribe to it. They would not need to know who sent in their names to us. We hold that information in strict confidence. We want to greatly increase the circulation of our magazine and ultimately the scope of our work and influence on the doctrines of the church. The Adventist are gradually making changes for the better in their teachings, and we like to think that we, along with all the other critics, have had some small part to play in this effort.

Oregon is my old stomping ground, so to speak. I grew up there, in the Willamette Valley, around Independence, Dallas, Albany, and Sweet Home, last. I was a charter member in the Adventist church in Sweet Home. As I recall it now, it was some Church of God literature, along with some other literature from Elder Ballenger that helped me to get my eyes opened to some of the doctrinal errors of the church. I concur with the Church of God in many of my present views.

Best regards and Christian love to you all,--

Your brother in Christ,

Donald E. Mote