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Greetings Brethren in New Zealand,

We have recently had one of the busiest and most important weeks in the history of God's Work here in New Zealand. Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Vice President of Financial Affairs for God's Work in Australasia and Asia, was here for several days for discussions with the proposed radio stations. Although still in initial stages of planning and organisation, all three have been most favourably impressed with Ambassador College and The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast. Much has still to be worked out and negotiated and your prayer and concern is needed to see this great break-through become a reality for our own nation of New Zealand.

Some further news is that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Winner from Perth are leaving to go back to Pasadena. They will be coming through Auckland on their return and it is hoped Mr. Winner will be able to conduct a Sabbath service here. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Docken from the Philippines will be leaving to go back to Headquarters for a year at the College. They have been in the Philippines for a number of years and their four young daughters have never had the opportunity of formal schooling.

The Nashville campaign had a successful debut, though not without its problems and difficulties recognised as attempts by our adversary to upset this major witness. Bad weather plagued the beginning, along with some of the worst sickness that Mr. Ted Armstrong has had for five or six years. Though virtually without a voice each day, miraculously he did have enough to speak for the performance and then his voice would fall apart again afterwards. I have not heard any news to date of the Cincinnati campaign but would expect it to be more successful than Nashville.

July is well on its way and soon October will be here with the <u>Festival of Tabernacles</u> for 1970: For our second Festival observance in New Zealand we anticipate 400 people to observe this annual convocation in God's Holy Day Plan. We will have visitors from overseas, though at this stage we do not know who may be coming

from Headquarters. Within a month or so we should also have the Festival brochures and also the 1969 ENVOY.

I would like to encourage you all to begin looking towards the Festival of Tabernacles and to prepare diligently to attend. Not only does God command this annual Holy Day gathering for His people (Deuteronomy 16:16), but it could well be one of the few remaining opportunities to enjoy such a convocation peacefully together in our own native land.

If you will have financial difficulty in observing the Festival please communicate this to me as I will be pleased to consider whether we can assist you by excess second tithe. After all, your desire to attend this joyous commanded Festival should far outweigh any pride or independence that could prevent your attendance.

It will help us greatly if you would properly fill in the enclosed form and return it to us soon. Our planning and organisation can then be done to the ultimate benefit of all who will be attending. Looking forward to seeing you all again at this great Festival in God's Plan.

For those of you able to attend the Holy Days prior to Tabernacles, here are the details:

Trumpets: Thursday, 1st October. All day services beginning 10:00 a.m. at Mt. Eden War Memorial Hall, Balmoral, Auckland.

Atonement: Sabbath, 10th October. All day services beginning 10:00 a.m. at Mt. Eden War Memorial Hall, Balmoral, Auckland.

Sincerely, in Christ's Service,

Graemme J. Marshall