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My Dear Friend:

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ:

I feel it is necessary to write you at this time. I want you to know why you have received no PLAIN TRUTH for several months, and of the work that has been carried on, and how wonderfully God is blessing it with souls.

For the past several months my personal time has been mostly taken up in the evangelistic field. I have been preaching six nights a week---every night but Saturday night---from 60 to 90 miles away from Eugene, just returning to Eugene to conduct the Radio Church of God Sunday mornings. I thought I would be able to get out an issue of the PLAIN TRUTH while carrying this heavy load, but it has been impossible. Consequently there has been no PLAIN TRUTH since the July number of last year. *because of this lack of funds,*

I know you will rejoice with me in knowing that many have been brought into saving knowledge of the TRUTH, have repented of their sins, forsaken the world, and started on the Christian life which is life eternal, thru these evangelistic campaigns. We praise God for the precious souls He has led to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour, thru the convicting power of the Holy Spirit.

I felt it necessary to answer the "Macedonian call" in the evangelistic field. God has blessed it with precious souls. But it has added greatly to our expenses, which has not been compensated for in the field. As a result expenses here have been neglected and not met, and have accumulated until we have reached a serious crisis.

The situation now has become so serious that the very life and continuance of this work is at stake. Unless help---considerable EXTRA help---is received AT ONCE, we shall be forced off the air. We cannot continue into another month unless our radio bill is paid. That means that next Sunday, day after tomorrow ---March 29th---will have to be the last broadcast of the Radio Church of God, unless you and the other friends to whom I am sending this appeal, can respond BY RETURN MAIL with a substantial offering, so that the money may be paid at the radio office before the following Sunday, April 5th.

As you know, I have never begged for money over the air. I have not even mentioned the need of money for perhaps more than a year. The Radio Church of God is one radio Church you have been privileged to listen to without having the sacred spirit of the service marred by an appeal for money. We have conducted this work on SHEER FAITH. The Radio Church started two years ago last January on faith, and it has continued on faith. There have been times when it appeared we would be forced to stop, but our merciful Father in heaven has always laid it on the hearts of some of our friends to send the needed help in time---and the Radio Church has continued on for more than two years.

It has become an Oregon INSTITUTION. Its sphere of influence has increased until it enjoys one of the largest, if not the largest audience that tunes in on any program coming over KORE. Ten thousand or more are hearing the messages of truth EVERY SUNDAY MORNING. Precious souls have been ~~saved~~ brought to the Lord alone by this radio broadcast. Hundreds of afflicted and shut-ins consider it THEIR church, and I know it would touch your heart deeply to read some of the letters we received from some of our dear shut-in friends telling of the blessings and the joy and the spiritual up-lift they receive from the Radio Church of God.

~~Twice in the past few weeks I have been called on to conduct the funeral services of those who considered the Radio Church THEIR church~~

It would be a calamity if this institution which is saving souls, straightening out lives, preaching fearlessly the true Gospel of the Kingdom in the face of opposition and persecution, bringing the glorious light of true understanding of the Bible to thousands of hungry souls, bringing cheer and spiritual blessings to hundreds of shut-ins, reaching scores of ~~those~~ who have never before been reached by any ministry, ~~scoffers, doubters, and even atheists~~

should be forced off the air. It would be a triumph for ~~Satan~~ and a defeat for God and for the TRUTH!

Friends, we cannot permit this to happen. I know you will stand with me in this hour of crisis. I have waited until the last moment before sending out this appeal. I have supreme faith that God will supply this need in time, but God works thru His people, and thru human agencies, and so we must respond to the call for His work, ~~xxxxxxx~~

I want you to solemnly, seriously, weigh these facts and consider: We are now in the year 1936---the solemn year many of us have been awaiting as the year of the END of the Gentile age. All Bible prophecies---and all world events---indicate that the Times of the Gentiles will END this Fall. Then shall quickly follow that terrible and dreadful time spoken of thruout the Bible as the DAY OF THE LORD ---the day of God's WRATH---of His divine JUDGMENTS against SIN---the day of the last PLAGUES, which shall culminate in the final Battle of ARMAGEDDON, and then ---the glorious SECOND COMING OF OUR LORD! Think, my dear friend! Time is short! This warning Gospel of the KINGDOM must be proclaimed to ALL THE WORLD, as a witness! This glorious work of proclaiming the true warning Gospel must not be stopped! Instead it must go forth with mighty power, to increasing thousands of people!

For over a year we have looked forward to the opportunity of extending the Radio Church by hook-up with a Portland station---and we have hoped and prayed that in His own time our merciful Father in heaven will then extend this to a much greater net-work, until MILLIONS are being reached. I have never given up faith. Until recently no such hook-up facilities with KORE were available. But now the way is open---IF we had the money on hand to finance it! And instead of being able to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to spread this true MESSAGE of the Kingdom out over Portland, we are now faced with the necessity of going off the air altogether---UNLESS WE RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL HELP BY RETURN MAIL.

In addition to the radio bill, others have piled up in my absence---our personal house-rent, water and light bill, office rent, etc. The result is that we need and must have, immediately, \$150, or this whole soul-saving work must come to a sudden END.

But that MUST NOT HAPPEN. If we get past this hump, and enough of our friends ~~xxxx~~ who have not had a financial part in this work ~~xxxxxxx~~ will contribute each month, and those who have been assisting will continue and, if possible, increase the amount of their contributions, then we plan to get out the PLAIN TRUTH every month, and to extend the Radio Church so that it goes out simultaneously with KORE over a Portland station. This work is God's work. The Lord expects every one of His children to have some part in His work. When you help with your money you are having just as important a part in it as myself, or those who sing, or take other active part. I know God will abundantly bless this participation in His work. Can you not sacrifice something else you had planned on---perhaps thought you had to have---and send in at this time a special offering, just as large as possible, that this work of Bible evangelism may go forward with increasing power? ~~xxxxxxx~~ Send as large an amount as you possibly can---for it is going to take a few good sized contributions in addition to smaller ones, to save this work. And won't you, also, fill in the enclosed card assuring us of your CONTINUOUS help, as able? Do it NOW, before you

lay this letter down--before anything else comes to your mind. I am enclosing a self-addressed return envelope. Please mail it TODAY. May God bless you for it, and will you, in addition, PRAY EARNESTLY that God will lay the burden for this emergency ~~on~~ heavily on the hearts of others, too, so that enough will respond to carry us thru.

Yours for the pure TRUTH,

On the one hand, we are faced with
the possibility of having to stop altogether
the work as I know, our work
On the other hand if our business ceases
this emergency can be met, & the
work is more open to expansion
The Radio broadcast to a book by
the date reaching multiplied
additional thousands