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Dear Brother Chalk:

Your letter is at hand and I rejoice to hear of your desire to labour for the Lord in the Dominion of Canada.

Last night I called Brother Mann at Prince George to let him know that someone was willing to come to that little city and work with the church. Our connection was so poor that I could not much more than give him your name and ask him to make application for your entrance into Canada with the Immigration Inspector there.

I am writing him a letter today and giving him more details from your letter.

For my part, I feel certain they will want you and will do everything they can to facilitate your admission to Canada's fair domain. I do not believe there is much that you can do until they get an O. K. on your application from the immigration.

Calgary office informed me that the application would go through without any trouble.

Although, Prince George is 500 or more miles north and west of Calgary, I am certain you will find warm weather. Nites will be cool enough for woolen blankets.

Calgary temperatures over the past week have been above normal with several days as high as 85. Night temperatures dropped to 40 and 45.

Brother Bruce Mann, 689 Freeman Street, Prince George, British Columbia will be writing you as he gets the necessary documents at hand.

To facilitate your return to the United States, it would be wise to have your birth certificate on your person or some other means to prove your U. S. citizenship.
It is probable that you would enter Canada at Vancouver. If you should get a routing by way of Calgary, I would be happy for you to stop over with us.

Brother Mann might advise you regarding the best mode of travel from Vancouver.

Since I moved here last August from Fort Wayne, Indiana I cannot tell you much about the province of British Columbia. They tell me that it is a very beautiful country.

For the past few months, I have been taping lessons for broadcasts on the Prince George radio station. They have a fifteen minute program each Lord's day morning.

Brother Mann tells me that the leading religion of the town is United Church of Canada. This is a union of the Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregationalists that originated in 1925.

In one of my foregoing paragraphs I mentioned that I moved here from Indiana. I perhaps should explain further that I am a Canadian but have been working with churches in the U. S. for the past six years. Since I still retained my Canadian citizenship I did not have to go through the channels that you do.

I attended Freed/Hardeman lectures, January 1955. Wish I had made your acquaintance then. Brother J. C. Bailey spoke about Canada one morning before the regular session. Did you hear him?

If I can be of further assistance, feel free to call on me. May God grant you a safe and speedy trip.

Yours in Christian service,

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