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From: Guy C. Adkins

Guy C. Adkins
Dayton, Ohio.
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A Beautiful day.

Dear John, Sue, & Mary "E",

Talk about thrilled from heart to foot, we were, when we heard about your coming to Vandalia to preach a series of the gospel. Also thrilled to receive your letter telling the fine sermons that you plan to talk on, and to know that all were well and seemingly to be blessed by the Lord. I (guy) had planned to type you a letter I guess more than a hundred times, but will just have to admit that I'm sorta guilty of procrastination. Besides, as you might know by now that a married man's life is not any more his own; unless he wants to a fight on his hand from his wife and kiddies. And a good man doesn't want to do that.-Ha! Ha!

Church was fine today, and we haven't had to miss since you left. Dean said: He liked Bro. Chalk better than any preacher yet." I asked him why? He said: "Bro. Chalk was so-o good to me.-Ha! Ha! Dean is growing fine. I only wish I knew how or what to do to cause him to become a preacher for the Lord. It might be, if I can help him to be guided rightly, he might become one. I'm working toward that way with him. Karen has been a good girl since you left. I was worried about her. Since she is approaching the teen age.

My work has been cut almost half into. And, just four more men layed off will get me; unless work picks up. They have layed off hundreds from our shop. Because those old Democrats would not let Ike and Nixon do anything about automation and incentive. Which thru so many people out of work. I have only worked one day this week. And have to go to work as a mere labor this coming monday on the day shift. Therefore, if I am not working on the second, I plan to be present with someone each night of your Visitation Mabel said, that she was going--even I did not get to.-Ha! Ha!
You can tell who she likes to hear preach. She doesn't care too much for Bro. Matthews, but I try to tell her that every preacher isn't gifted to preaching like some people or some preachers. Anyway, may the good Lord always bless you and your family; and that we will get to see all while here. And that many souls may be added to the church from your splendid work. Come and see us if you can. But if not, please do not forget us, in your prayers. We'll be looking forward to seeing you with all eyes. For we know we love all of you. Best wishes thru the Holiday Seasons.

Your brother in Christ.

Guy C. Adkins

P.S. Maybe you can come over and eat a meal with us. I just know Mabel will fix up a dandy if she is feeling able.

Love to all again & again

Bye-Bye.

P.S. Warwick said she'd be there if she had to walk.

Bro. Warren (Dan) said he is sorry he had never written to you, but planned to.

P.S. One was baptized tonight - Mrs. Bumblow.