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Mr. John Allen Chalk
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Dear John:

I enjoy reading your bulletin and watching your good work. Sounds like you have an active church.

John, you may have heard that I plan to go to Ghana, West Africa, to establish the church in that new nation. At present, there are no missionaries from the church in the country. Many things have lead to this decision. Open doors are waiting us if we can go. The only thing that could keep us from going would be financial assistance. That is what I am writing you about.

The church in Madison, Tennessee, will be my sponsor and will pay my salary. In addition, we must raise an expense fund of $10,000.00. Since, in your bulletin, you stated you had set aside some money for special appeals, I wonder if I might visit the congregation and tell about the "Gospel for Ghana." In fact, you might know some other churches in the area I might contact.

Sometime within the second week in June, my wife and I will be at Madison to report on the Ghana Mission. Maybe we could come to Cookeville on Wednesday night the 14th or 21st of June. I don't know my exact schedule yet. Surely hope we can arrange something. I would like to visit with you and Sue for a day or so.

Write me if you think I should write to your elders, or just what procedure I should follow. We must be successful in this pioneer effort to plant the cause of Christ in this new territory.

May God bless you in your work.

Yours in Christ,

Dewayne Davenport