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April 30, 1963

Mr. T. E. Mayer  
Hickory Flatt  
Mississippi

Dear Brother Mayer:

Our gospel meeting at Hickory Flat, as you, know, has been scheduled for some time for August 4-11, however, circumstances have arisen which demand that I ask the brethren there to relieve me of this obligation. The elders here have strongly urged that I reduce my meeting load and I have received an opportunity to study at Abilene Christian College for five weeks during the same period of our proposed meeting at Hickory Flat. This opportunity is offered to fifty preachers every summer. Those receiving the invitation and accepting it have all of their expenses paid and study continuously for five weeks. I feel that I need to take advantage of this offer. I was given the same opportunity last year but my commitments were too heavy to accept the opportunity.

I regret having to ask this favor of the brethren. I had looked forward to our association again. I would be able to come in 1964 or 1965 at the same date but you can let me know if the brethren desire that. I would like to also suggest that Brother Jackie Fox would be available to hold your meeting this summer the last full week in August. If you would like to contact Jackie, you may do so by writing him at the Willow Avenue Church of Christ here in Cookeville.

Please express my extreme regret to the brethren at having to make this request but I feel the opportunity to study at Abilene is too great and would be too beneficial to refuse.

I send all of you my very best regards.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk

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