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ABILENE, TEXAS

JAMES D. WILLEFORD PRESIDENT

June 15, 1970

Mr. John Allen Chalk, Minister Church of Christ South 5th & Highland Streets Abilene, Texas

Dear John Allen,

I must take a moment this very morning to thank you for taking the time to counsel with Marolyn and Gary. Marolyn had a peace and a calmness about her when she came home to discuss it with me that she has not had for many days. Her attitude was— if there's a marriage August 21, or six months from now, or a year from now, I can accept this fact with the assurance that "all things will work for our good." She had not been able to accept this prior to her visit with you.

Marolyn and I have maintained a line of communication all these years that has left little, if anything, to be desired. However, with many other pressures on me at this particular time, I fear I was not able to give her the help that she needed. I have two precious jewels that God has given me and my attitude might not be as unbiased as it should always be. I love, respect and admire Gary very much, perhaps even more because he wants to be as sure as possible that he is not making a mistake. So, thanks again from the bottom of of my heart for loving us all enough to help Marolyn and Gary make such an important decision.

We all have such a deep admiration and love for you and Sue. You couldn't know that unless we tell you though, could you? I have to be very careful not to put you on a pedestal but if ever I had the pleasure and good fortune to be associated with "a man of God," you are that man.

May He continue to bless you in all that you strive to do in His name.

In Christian love,

Verlene Bedford

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