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Dear John Allen,

It has been some time since we discussed "Exodus-New Jersey" in Jim Bill McInter's living room, and both of us moved west since that time. I trust that you are enjoying the work with the Herald of Truth. We are having a fine experience working with the Peak and East Side church in Dallas. As you may know this is the last congregation near the downtown area of Dallas.

I need some help which I believe you can give. In fact I guess you would say I'm doing a bit of mind-picking relative to the downtown work. Through friends who heard you, I have learned that you gave a great sermon on the work of a downtown church. We're interested in everything we can learn about the inner-city work, and I know you have given some time to creative thinking about it yourself. If you will, do this for me when you can: Call me the next time you come through Dallas. Office: Taylor 1-0641; Home: DA 7-2263. It would be profitable for the congregation here to have the benefit of your sermon. Perhaps we can work out a speaking opportunity while here, and at the same time learn more about the Herald of Truth and your work in that capacity. I have some ideas about vocational missionaries moving into the high-rise apartments near the meeting house—ideas which need careful thinking and appraisal by others. A great work can be accomplished in Dallas which is not being done. In fact most of the people who are members have moved to the comforts and convenience farther out. The facts are too disturbing in Dallas County: 1,000,000 plus population and 2% members of Jesus' church. You can help us! Contact me in the near future.

Your brother in Christ,

Bobby J. Richardson

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