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April 6, 1967

Mr. Robert Qualls
Church of Christ
3700 Proctor Street

Dear Brother Qualls:

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Thank you so much for the kind attention the eldership there gave my recent request of release from a commitment for a gospel meeting this year. You will remember in the letter that I explained why the confusion had arisen in my schedule. In our previous correspondence of several months ago, I indicated a date but received no confirmation from you. Due to a very, very busy schedule I had to use that time or allow myself to become overscheduled, and therefore, not hearing from you on a confirmation, simply assumed that you did not desire the meeting after all. This does occur often and I always act on this basis with other churches as well.

There is no possible way for me to be with you this year for a full week's gospel meeting. Those in charge of my schedule have said that it cannot be. I could possibly be with you on any given Sunday for a special Bible School drive or some other special reason for wanting an outside speaker for one Sunday only. My schedule demands that I be in the office here in Abilene working with radio sermons as much as I possibly can.

I am not at this present time scheduling any further meetings. You very graciously asked about April 1969 or October 1971. One of those years you may have a special need arise and want to request my involvement in that effort, but due to the changing nature of our evangelistic demands, I find it advisable not to schedule any further meetings on a long-term basis.

I appreciate so much your understanding of my situation. It is a very difficult and burdensome one. However, you men are not foreigners to grave responsibility. I appreciate the work being done there by the church, and the leadership you are providing it. If the future holds any opportunities for us to work together, I will be grateful.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk
Radio Speaker

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March 1, 1967

Mr. John Allen Chalk
Highland Church of Christ
Abilene, Texas

Dear Brother Chalk:

The Eldership here has read your good letter of February 9 requesting a release from your commitment to a fall meeting here in October. They have asked me to write and urge you to come and be with us if at all possible the week of October 22, 1967. But if it is impossible for you to come, simply write us again and let your desires be known.

If you cannot conduct a meeting in Port Arthur this fall, would you be available to hold a meeting here in April 1969 or October 1971? The brethren here are very eager to work with you and believe that you would be able to greatly encourage this work. Brother M. I. Summerlin speaks very highly of you and is especially interested in seeing you come here and speak.

We will be looking forward to hearing from you and are grateful that we can have a small part in the wonderful work you brethren are doing. We trust that your radio work is still enjoyable and fruitful.

Cordially,



Robert Qualls

For the Procter Street Elders