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August 23, 1962

Mr. Chippy Carlen
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Dear Chippy:

There is no way to adequately express the joy that the members of this congregation have received by your decision to become a Christian. At no time in the history of the Lord's Church has the need been greater for dedicated young men and women. I know that you recognize and are grateful to the many forces in your life which have brought you to this decision. Above all it is my hope and prayer that you will be a faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

The enclosed certificate is a record of the time and place of your baptism. It will serve as a reminder through the coming years of your initial decision and obedience.

The Christian life is a life-long undertaking. It is a life of continual growth spiritually. I would suggest a few simple steps that will aid you in this growth. First, read and study the Bible every day, 2 Tim. 2:15; second, exercise your privilege as a Christian to pray, 1 Thess. 5:17; third, attend all the services of the Church, Heb. 10:25. There are many other suggestions that could be offered but these three are the foundation for your service to God.

If I can be of help in any way at any time, please feel free to call on me.

Your brother in Christ,

John Allen Chalk

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