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Dear Bro. Chalk,

After arriving home from the lectures, which I enjoyed and come away better prepared to serve my Lord, it came to me that you might like to know of the work at Safford, and also the need. The congregation here is small in number, but willing to work. They had been without a preacher for a year when I came, and do not have elders, so you know they were doing nothing. In the year I have been here I thought they were asleep and could not be awoken. But all at once they have awoke and we are doing some of the things that should be done. We have a Bible class at E.A.J.C. The first time in history that Church has been able to get on the campus or in the town of Thatcher, where the College is located, we had 10 enrolled for the first semester and hope to double in the second.

The town of Safford is about 5,000 in population, the trade area is about 33,000. It is a Mormon settlement and the Mormon Church is strong, it is what we have to battle.

Since I have been here 3 has been baptized and 14 has confessed fault. Last Wed-Night a family that has moved here, that came from the anti-everything, came asking the prayers of the congregation saying they had learned of their wrongs. I had to debate this man before the congregation over the Bible camp on Mt. Graham which I serve on the board. I thank God for how he has worked through this family for they will be very valuable as he is a good personal worker.

If I stay here we must get help, and I would like to stay because there is much to be done. We must raise $200 a month to continue what we are doing, and get the Herald of Truth program back on the local station. I went to the lectures to make an appeal, but gave the time to Bro. Nash. The congregation here thanked me for doing so.

If you know of a congregation or several congregations that would be able and willing to send $5 or 10 or whatever they can to help me stay, please tell them about us. As I told you the wife is working, but her health is not too good so if we can't get help we will have to leave by June if not before. After it was so hard to get the work started we sure hate to see it stoped.

If there is nothing you can do for us financially remember us in your prayers and thanks for trying. May God riches blessings be with you always.

In His Service

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