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Always Church of Christ
2711 Ketchum Rd.
Memphis, Tenn.

May 11, 1966

cc: Mr. Stoy Pate

Berclair Church of Christ
664 Novarese
Memphis, Tennessee

Attention: Mr. James Usrey

Dear Brother Usrey:

I was happy to recently be a part of the special dinner at the White Station church building regarding the Harding College Missions Seminar. I was deeply impressed by the concern of the Memphis area churches in the church's task in the twentieth century. There is no doubt in my mind that Memphis congregations are among the most vibrant in the entire southland.

I am writing to personally request that the church there seriously consider and make a decision regarding financial support of this seminar. As you know, more than 30 young people will leave directly from the seminar for Viet Nam. All of these young people are receiving scholarships totaling \$252 each. Brother George Gurganus has taken a step of faith in answering the urgent plea of Brother Maurice Hall respecting scholarships for this group. Would you please bring this matter to the attention of your brethren and ask them to have a part in supporting prospective missionaries and veteran missionaries in their badly needed study through this year's six-weeks training period.

You may have already made a decision about this matter. Let me commend you for having given this great opportunity thoughtful consideration. If no action has been taken yet by the congregation there, I do hope something can be done by June 1, and this decision conveyed to Brother Gurganus. God bless you in all your efforts to advance the church through effective missions.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk

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