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Mrs. Selma
8491 Linderburg Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio 45230
oversee your letter,



ember 22, 1965

What a wonderful surprise to stumble out to the mail box expecting to find nothing but bills and magazines and to find your delightful letter. It was so nice of you to take the time from your overly exhausting schedule to write to me. I have thought of you many, many times and always remember hearing your sermon while we were both still students in school. You were a marvelous speaker even then and I have heard nothing but glowing reports

through the years of the
 wonderful work you are
 doing. That's why I was
 heart broken when you were
 so close to Cincinnati and
 I was flat on my back.
 I pleaded with my dad
 to drive me to Dayton and
 he said he never refused
 to take anyone to church
 but he simply would not
 allow me out of bed. In
 fact 2 days after your meeting
 closed, the doctor came
 to my home and knocked
 me out for 24 hours with
 a shot and said if the
 rest of my family had
 not been in the hospital
 already he would put me
 back in. I had just been

home from the hospital about 3 weeks. But I am glad to report we are all back on our feet and my husband is back to work.

I understand you are on your way to Texas to join the Herald of Truth. I know what a thrill and blessing this must be for you and I can't tell you how happy I am for you. I know you will attain greater heights through this media in the work of our Lord and this is what will make you happy. I suppose this is kind of like saying, "I knew him when"; but I will never

forget how close in a distant sort of way, I felt toward you during my short stay at Fred Henderson. But I think this must be the way you affect all people who come in contact with you and we are all better for it.

I have planned a trip home after Christmas and had hoped to come to Cookeville but I understand you are leaving for Texas the first of January. I wish, if you can find the time, you would let me know just exactly when you are leaving and maybe we can still make it. I would love to meet you wife and family and how you see