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## Dear Brethren:

I have just carefully read your letter of December 18 with enclosed copies of correspondence with Brother Clifford. I have also read your statement and think it is good as far as you have gone. It seems to me, dear brethren, if you would manifest greater faith in God and more confidence in the brethren, it would lead you to definitely take the stand here and everywhere that your statement has been placed in the hands of the Deneral Conference brethren, in harmony with the counsel given us by the Spirit of prophecy, and that there you intend to leave it; further, that you definitely refuse permission to anyone else to use it unless it is released by the brethren in whose hands it has been placed. Such a statement, it seems to me, would have wholesome effect.

As it is, reformers and others who endeavor to embarrass the church and bring in confusion use this material. Certainly this is not your purpose or desire. The only logical thing therefore, as I see it, for you to do is to forbid its use by anyone outside of the General Conference, to which body it has been referred. If God wants this material circulated, you may be sure that no one on earth can impede its circulation. On the other hand, if it should not be in the interest of the church to have it circulated, you would not want it circulated. I sincerely hope that an attitude can be maintained that will bring strength and not confusion to the work of God.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely your brother,

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