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Dear Brethren:

Thank you for your letter of January 26. I wish to express appreciation for the clear, straightforward note and instruction that you have sent on to S. A. Nagel. I felt confident that you brethren would not want your name connected with his activities.

You remark that you have never received an answer to your statement as contained in the brochure turned over to the brethren here. It was my understanding, brethren, that two answers were given you, the first probably not satisfactory, and the second, I think, the result of very careful thought on the part of sincere and capable brethren. Would you care to suggest just what kind of answer you feel is still forthcoming? I am sure that the brethren will want to do all possible to give careful consideration to what you have written, as well as answering your questions as fully as they are capable of doing.

My understanding in regard to turning over questions to brethren of experience is exactly what you have done. Certainly Sister White recognized and respected our church organization and gave due recognizion to those who led out. If our present organization is the result of divine leading, as we certainly believe it is and as Sister White definitely stated, we, as faithful members, must work in harmony with it even though, at times, we may not fully agree with what is done. As I stated to you, Brother Wieland, if brethren err in their attitude, the Lord overrules in His own good time and accomplishes His purpose. We must have faith in the overall guidance of the Lord and in His ability to bring His purposes to pass.

I appreciated my brief contact with you brethren in South Africa and wish that we might have more time to sit down and talk over problems and questions in which we are all deeply interested.

Again thanking you for your letter, and particularly your clear statement to S. A. Wagel, I remain

Very sincerely yours

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