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Dear Meredith:

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I had waited to reply to your letter of December 19, hoping that I would develop some helpful ideas about your broad plans in answer to your request.

You are aware of my deep concern that we might concentrate too much on people in our country before the great messages of the Book reach other countries. That a big well-known monolith would develop here around the Book which would turn off other countries if it were tied up with the Bible or Christianity. We are Jesusonian.

However after mulling over my concerns I had a long talk with my very dear friend, Duane Faw who had just met with you in Chicago and he assured me that we three were all thinking on the same wave length. That your hope and plan is to raise the awareness in church circles of the need for world unity in brotherhood. I then sat down and typed some pertinent passages which I want to enclose. I'm sure I am not breaking any copyright laws in alding this to a <u>personal</u> letter to you. You are just as familiar as I am with these quotations but sometimes it helps to read them again with just one goal of service in mind. I feel that is what you are doing.

I am so perfectly in support of your goals and plans even though I am aware as you obviously are, of the many challenges you will have with the "ecclesiastical circles"

These qudations do not tell us to WAIT. They tell us the "hour is striking ""URANTIA is now quivering on the very brink" etc. I am so glad that you are one of the new leaders they mention on quotation # 2 who will dare to go forth, and I salute your mission and your courage, and please know I will support your efforts and help in every possible way.

All that time I will be trying my best to get the URANTIA Books in foreign libraries and trying to interest bilingual people in other parts of the world. Knowing that some modern Rodan of Germany or China will find the Book and be sparked to "interest men of means to translate it". All this while we know this Book is meant to ENHANCE existing religions, not to supplant or replace them. I think your approach is very wise- to do it as a private individual rather than through the existing organization of the URANTIA Brotherhood.

With warm personal regards to you and Irene.

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