

Jan. 23, 1957

Mr. William F. Harrah  
National-Standard Co.  
Miles, Michigan

Dear Mr. Harrah:

Am glad to learn that you have two ladies in your office who are members of Rev. H. A. Meussling's Church. I know Herb quite well and he is one of the many young men I have had in mind to some day introduce to the Urantia Book. It might even be better for these ladies to do this and have them tell him that I would be very happy to talk with him about the book. Let me know if they do this.

Regarding placing my name on these introduction sheets, my judgment would be similar to that of Dr. Sadler. For general distribution, it probably would not be too meaningful - in some cases a disadvantage. Some laymen are suspicious of ministers and their "mystical" ideas. If you, however, typed it on the sheets as clearly additional information added by yourself or mentioned in a personal letter or conversation - then it could many times be useful. In the spirit of the preceding comments, use your own good judgment in this matter.

Am enclosing some extra sheets.

Sincerely yours,

Meredith J. Sprunger

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January 21, 1957

Rev. Meredith J. Sprunger  
Grace Evangelical and Reformed Church  
307 N. Plymouth St.  
Culver, Indiana

Dear Mr. Sprunger:

In reading again your most splendid two bulletins, that is the suggested introduction and the excerpts, it just occurs to me that they would carry far more weight if we might be permitted to enter <sup>(type)</sup> your name at the end of the bulletins and your connection with the Evangelical and Reformed Church. In other words, it seems to me that these most helpful and enlightening bulletins ought to be identified as coming from you, who have made such a very considerable study of the matter already.

It so happens that two of our oldest and most experienced young ladies in the office are members of the St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church here in Niles, and one of the girls mentioned the fact that their minister, Rev. H. A. Meussling (it is barely possible you have met him), has preached a most interesting sermon regarding Jesus Christ and His work in the world. We wonder if he might not be interested in the Urantia Book, but if he could read these introductions and realize that they are from a minister of his own denomination, it seems to us it would add materially to his possible interest.

In any event, please tell me whether or not you would have any objection to our typing your name and address at the end of these two sheets. I thank you in advance for your reply, and enclose self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Harrah

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*If have them to spare*  
*Please send me about half dozen*  
*of both your two sheets (regarding the book)*

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Rev. Meredith J. Sprunger  
307 North Plymouth St.  
Culver, Indiana

Dear Mr. Sprunger:

Mrs. William S. Sadler brought to my attention a while ago the fact that they had located an expert bookbinder, who would be willing to take one of the books apart and put the four sections into four separate books. I have had a set of these for a short time, and they are such a great convenience to handle for reference and reading that it occurs to me you might find such a special set of particular convenience in your work, so I have now ordered a set made up and sent direct to you with my compliments.

By the way, Mrs. Sadler described you as "a very fine gentleman, charming and enthusiastic," and that they felt your activities might make possible great accomplishments.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Harrah

WFH:AW



January 24, 1957

Mr. W. F. Harrah  
National-Standard Co.  
Niles, Michigan

Dear Mr. Harrah:

Thank you for your kind letter and gracious gift. You couldn't have selected anything I'm more anxious, at present, to get hold of. In fact just a day or two ago I ordered such a divided book. That I may have this book as a present from you, I shall write Miss Marian Rowley asking her to cancel my order and send me books instead which I can use in our work here.

Thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely yours,

Meredith J. Sprunger

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January 24, 1957

Rev. Meredith J. Sprunger  
Grace Evangelical and Reformed Church  
307 North Plymouth St.  
Culver, Indiana

Dear Mr. Sprunger:

Thank you much for your interesting letter just received, and we are glad to note that you are well acquainted with Rev. Meussling.

I will pass the good word on to the ladies and see what they may be able to work out, and will advise you as to any results, unless you should have changed your mind and have a different idea in this particular instance, and if you have, please let us know by return mail and we will hold up the matter for a few days. I have the book right here for them to pass on to him for his inspection, provided he seems to be at all interested in giving the matter some consideration.

I wrote you just yesterday about the book made up into four volumes which I have ordered for you, and also referred to the most kind comments made by Mrs. Sadler, Jr. regarding your visit with them. It was indeed kind of you to give them so much of your time.

I think I understand just exactly your idea in regard to the matter of the introduction sheets, and as I understand you, it will be all right for me to use them in connection with personal letters that I write, in which case I would say that this splendid analysis and the introduction, which I will enclose, are the results of study by Rev. Sprunger of Culver, and with a personal letter thus supplementing your introduction, it seems to me that would be about the best we could do.

Thank you much for the extra sheets.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Harrah

Jan. 28, 1957

Mr. Harold Karrer  
3138 Sheridan Road  
Chicago 14, Ill.

Dear Mr. Karrer:

Thank you for your letter. It sounds like the Urantia Doctrine examination dealt with some of the more abstract concepts of the first section! Haven't heard from Grauer. Which means that he is probably doing some thinking or reading. Sunday we had Dr. Harold Wilke the executive secretary of our Commission on Church and Ministry with us. We had a rather thorough discussion and I think he will read the book. He is a good friend and in his position of supervisory capacity of our 3,000 ministers could be a very useful in influencing others.

In regard to the sermon series following the presentation of the Urantia Book, I decided this material should be presented in the smaller study groups to people who are definitely interested. So I am not preaching the series. Our first study group met last night and there was a very excellent spirit.

This does not mean that you will not be welcome but that Culver is a long way to come to hear a "run of the mill" sermon. If you should decide to come down to visit us, however, we shall be glad to meet and visit with you and your friends. Let us know if you plan to be with us.

Cordially yours,

Meredith J. Sprunger