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Dear Christy:

Things are evolving - and we with them. Our schedules are now such that I am not able to accept all the possible speaking opportunities. Including the daily radio broadcast, last week I spoke at an annual school board banquet, then in Oakland on Sunday, then twice at mid-week chapel services for the faculty and student body at Pacific School of Religion. "The Family of God" is still on at midnight in San Francisco, but the manager just told me that he hopes to switch it to a better time as soon as one opens up. As always, of course, the paying programs receive top priority for the best broadcasting times.

Yet, I am content at present just to stay on the air and grow experientially, regardless of the broadcasting time. The astonishing thing is that is all free... on a station which charges every other daily or nightly broadcast! For instance, the man on KFAX from 11:30 until 12:00, just before my midnight program, pays over five hundred dollars a month for that air time, and the program which follows mine, from 12:15 A.M. until 12:30 A.M. pays between three and four hundred dollars a month for its nightly 15 minutes. Yet I, sandwiched between them, am on free. I am more than grateful for this sustained opportunity to grow and learn better approaches to radio preaching, although I honestly do not know when the owners or board of directors may object to my being on free, and insist on payment. But as long as this experiential status-quo can be maintained, I want to maintain it. I am learning things which only can be learned by doing them.

As you can tell from this latest order for books, our Urantia work is growing, too. I just loaned our last two to graduate students at the University. Our study group remains small, for many who read are too busily scheduled to come, but more and more are reading.

Nancy is doing beautiful work; she has loaned the book to another secretary at the Art Department, and in our study group is displaying an excellent knack for explaining ideas in the book. As one young man recently remarked, "You are a really good teacher." He said it to Nancy, and he was right!

Blessings upon you all! You are daily in my prayers.

Love,

(Signed) Vern

P.S. I tried to contact Ron Martin in Mill Valley - one of the recent names you sent - but he has no phone.* We appreciate your sending names; it serves as an introduction for them to contact us and vice-versa.

Vern

*I'll write to him.