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April 26, 1947

The Rev. Louis T. Talbot, D.D., President,
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My dear Louie:

Please pardon me for not answering your letter before this date but I seem to be trying to do so many things at the same time I guess I fail in my duties as a correspondent! However I do want to thank Biola and the Board for fine effort that Bill Orr has been making in keeping me in touch with the activities of Biola and the Boards decisions. It has been a great lift. And now the Cory's have arrived which also has been an inspiration. This week Ed. Cory has been leading the morning prayers and getting back into his Chinese swing again. You mentioned about coming this autumn. I would think that fine. I must confess to 'depression' when it turned out that you were unable to reach Changsha this spring. But, then, the Lord knows all about that. Our Chinese friends were looking forward to you coming. It struck me rather hard as for so many years we have been expecting someone to come, and I was pretty sure this time, but--. By the time this letter reaches you Mr. Russell Davis will be with you and he can talk over HBI matters with you and Mr. Ray Myers. Therefor it will not be necessary to again go over matters. In addition to my nine hours of teaching a week I am now working on finishing up the second floor of the Milton Stewart Hall which will give us ample space for the next year or two so far as classrooms and a library are concerned. By September we should be able to have some space in the dormitories, as I understand that CNRRA will be liquidating rapidly after June, and according to the contract if they do not use the buildings they are to be returned to us and no available for other uses. It looks as tho [*sic*] CNRRA will be thru much earlier than they expected. Lack of finances will do the trick I think! UNRRAhhas already closed up its Regional Office in Hunan with only two or three personnel left living in the 'Roberts' house'. During the past few days I have received a number of requests for student evangelistic bands. Already listed are five calls. We shall not be able to meet this demand as our present student body is so small, but it will give you an idea of what could be done. Alas our headache is a material plant which is a millstone. Again our Scofield Correspondence Course is making great strides, this week alone we received nearly a dozen registrations. I shall be looking forward to hearing from you and the Board direct. May the Lord guide you each one and may nothing but His will be accomplished. With warm affection, Ever truly yours,

Charles

[*Written in top left corner of the letter*]

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