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First Baptist Church

Moberly, Missouri

Waldron Ark

Oct. 10, 1904

Dear Bro. Willingham:-

I am sorry to write this letter but necessity is laid upon me. We are indefinitely hindered from going to Mexico by sickness of Mrs. Davis. She is down with fever - typhoid fever - and while she is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances, we cannot go to the convention and do not know just when we can get off. Pray for her speedy recovery.

Transportation for Mrs. Davis has arrived and we have it on the International Ry. of Mexico which will take us to the City of Mexico, 45 miles from Toluca. If Bro. Mahon gets us rates on the National, as I have written, we can go by Laredo, otherwise by Eagle Pass.

As soon as I can find out about what it is going to cost, I will follow your directions.

In haste. Yours in Christ. J. E. Davis

Waldron Ark.

Oct. 16, 1904

Dr. R. J. Willingham,
Chillicothe Mo.

Dear Brother:-

This morning, I wrote you a letter addressing you at Richmond. After I had posted it, I got a letter from Dr. Boman stating that he had forwarded my letter to you, so I write again for I know you will be glad to know that Mrs. Davis is improving. We are very thankful for it. We do not yet know when she will be able to travel, but we

Expect to go on as soon as it is safe to do so. It may be by November 1st and it may not be. We are anxious to get on the field.

Brother Mahon has extended us greeting and welcome so cordially that we feel as if we almost knew him. He will be disappointed when he gets my letter stating that we would be delayed.

I am doing well with my printing press fund. I now have nearly all that we need. My friends just put it into my hands.

as the Lord led them. I feel that this is of the Lord. I asked Him to give me the money if He would us to have the press and He has given it to me. The press is arrived.

I paid \$119.20 freight bill. They had to have the freight prepaid. It more than broke me up. Does the Board pay freight? I shipped only what Brown and Mahon advised me to ship. Books and pianos were heavy.

I wish I could be at Chilli-
cotte this week but my wife's

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condition of health does not admit of my going away from her. I know the Lord is blessing the great Association. The Lord has many princely servants - in Missouri. There is power when they meet together to discuss the questions pertaining to His Kingdom.

With best wishes for
your prosperity,
I am

Fraternally

J. E. Davis

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Waldron Arkansas

October 16, 1904

Dear Brother Willingham,

I want to say a few things to you this morning and ask a question or two.

Mrs. Davis is slowly improving for which we are truly thankful. She is not yet able to sit up but is decidedly better. It is slow and I fear we cannot get off for Toluca for several weeks yet - however impatient we are to go. We must bide our time and not run too many risks. I hope to go by November 1st if at all safe.

My household goods are on the way. I had to prepay freight \$119.²⁰. It more than broke me up. I do not know what the custom of the Board is in such a case. I followed the instructions of both Mrs. Cheevers and Mahon. I disposed of everything but good furniture. My books were heavy. My piano was heavy. I am now informed that settler's household goods has no duty imposed, but have heard so many tales about it, will have

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to wait to know definitely.

The ^{passenger} rate from Mexico to Zoloca is \$52 and a few cents. That is full, through rate. I will find out more about it in a few days. I can draw when the time comes as per your instructions and it will be O.K.

We are doing well on the money for the press. We now have \$300 and lack about \$50. It is not far off. I think this is of the Lord. I asked Him to put the money into my hand, if He wanted us to have the press and every cent is clearly His gift. I can see it all through.

We are in a great meeting here. About 100 professed conversions up to date. I preach at night and the pastor in the afternoon. Last night, we had 32 at the altar - nearly all young and middle aged men - and about 20 professed faith. We praise God that while stranded, we can serve Him in such a manner!

Oh, how I wish I could be at Chittenden Mo. this week. (I suspect you are there.) My wife is not well enough to permit of it.

May God lead and bless us all
Yours fraternally J. C. Davis