

Casa Bautista de Publicaciones

BOX 667

El Paso, Texas, E. U. A.

March 20th, 1918

Dear Bro. Ray:--

For some time I have been thinking of writing you to consult you about a matter that may not be understood by me, and that is, as to some fire insurance on this plant.

Under the old direction, our Board carried no insurance at all. I do not know what your policy is. I would like you to let me know, for scarcely a night but I think of what might take place. Scarcely a day here but what there is a fire somewhere. We have something like \$5000 worth of machinery here in this place.

Let me know what you think and that will settle the matter as far as I am concerned.

I am sending you herewith inclosed a copy of the little folder I have been working on for some time. I have not had time to attend to it, but now it is printed, and I want to put this in the hands of good praying people who might give ear to my plea. Will you tell me where I can get hold of names and addresses enough to get 1000 copies of this into such hands? I wonder if it would not be a good idea to get the good sisters interested in the distribution of them, as they are the best prayers in the country any way. But they have such a big job making up for all that we men do not do, I just wonder that they dont get weary sometimes.

But I do not have the names of the good women that might do this work for me. I am sending to all our papers a copy and if the busy editors would pay a bit of attention to the appeal, that might make it possible to get some interested.

Now, we are getting a nice lot of Exchanges for our paper. You will remember that you sent me a list of our Southern Baptist papers. The Religious Herald, The Baptist World and one or two others did not pay any attention to our request, but many others did. Even the Watchman-Examiner comes from New York. The Recorder, Baptist and Reflector, and in a word almost all our best papers are coming and are a great help to us.

We are getting along so well that if only some 100 or more good people that really pray would help us with their daily prayers, I am not so sure but that such a blessing would come on us that we would not be able to contain it. But of course, I am willing to risk it. But expenses are great. And getting greater every day. But the income is so much better than we had ever hoped for, we are going to be able to get along I think.

Write me your opinion of the folder and the plan.

Be just as frank about it as you usually are about most things and I will appreciate it the more.

Fraternally,

*Javis*



March 27, 1918

Rev. J. E. Davis,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Davis:-

I am very much obliged to you for your letter of March the 20th.

I have read with a great deal of interest the story you tell in the pamphlet on the Publishing House. This is a very interesting story. I should like to have a few more copies of your leaflet. Please send me about a dozen.

I think this tract will do a great deal of good and I hope you will be able to send it to a large number of interested friends. I believe also in the support you are seeking to get. If you can find a worth-while group of prayer backers, it will be worth both moral and financial support. At this time I am not able to send you any list of names. Indeed, I think you will have to take time to secure the list of people you really desire. Of course, I could have lists copied with thousands of names upon them, but what you want, as I understand, are people who have vital prayer lives. You will have to take time to secure the names of such. From time to time I may be able to suggest certain names to you. A long list would not be productive of the real results at which you are aiming.

Please look into the matter of insurance and see how much it will cost to place a reasonable amount of insurance on your Publishing House, and then I can tell you what to do. The Board carries its own insurance in most places, but there are certain places, where the risk is so great that the Board feels justified in taking out a reasonable amount of insurance.

May God wonderfully bless you.

Cordially yours,

R/W