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DEPARTAMENTO EDITORIAL
J. E. DAVIS, DIRECTOR

May 12th, 1933

Dr. C. E. Maddy,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Brother:

I am having sent you under separate cover copies of some of our S.S. literature for the third quarter, as follows:

- 1 copy of El Expositor Bíblico (Teachers' Edition)
- 1 copy of same Pupils' Edition.
- 1 copy of El Faro Dominical (Intermediate Department)

These are all in the mail for far away countries now. They will be mailed to nearer-by countries within a short time. We have to get our literature printed about two months in advance--six weeks at the least--so it can reach our far-away subscribers on time.

As soon as they are ready--unless I forget, and I shall try not to do that--I shall have them send you the following:

- 1 copy of Heraldos del Rey (Junior Department)
- 1 set leaflets Lecciones Ilustradas (Primary Department)
- 1 set Lecciones Bíblicas (Leaflets for general use)
- 1 set Nuestros Niños--monthly paper in weekly parts.

We have seven publications, and I wish you would look them over. I know you are exceedingly busy, but at least it will interest you to know that no other Baptist S.S. literature is published in the Spanish language. And this is carefully edited here in this Publishing House. It is not translated, but edited. Many who read Spanish are kind enough to tell us that there is no better literature published in Spanish, and some are bold to say in any language they know anything about.

We hope this series of publications is not to be broken, since it has cost lots of work and money to get our S.S. work organized on this simple basis--graded simply, not exaggeratedly as some seem to think it is in some places. It would be a genuine calamity--as we see it--to have to cut out any of these publications. We are seeing the way to get it all out for the fourth quarter, thanks to Miss Hale, of Monterrey, Mexico, who has given us book work to do that has thus far held our limited organization here together. After that, we hope for the best.

But we walk by faith and not by sight.

May the Lord give our people a great, really constructive Convention at Washington next week.

Most cordially yours,

J. E. Davis

May 15, 1933

Rev. J. E. Davis,
Box 211,
El Paso, Texas

Dear Brother Davis:-

I have received the copies of your Sunday School literature this afternoon. I shall examine them with a great deal of interest. I sincerely hope that we may be able to continue the series just as you have laid it out, without any break or interruption. You are certainly doing some splendid work and we appreciate it all.

We are hoping that this Convention will find some way for the Foreign Mission Board to get back to the churches with its appeal for the payment of its debt. If we could just get this debt out of the way, and release the \$65,000.00 we are now paying for interest, we would be in good shape. Our budget is \$50,000.00 per month, and we are paying \$65,000.00 and more interest on borrowed money. I do not know what the Convention will do, but I am hoping and praying for the best.

With sincere regards for you, I am,

Yours very truly,

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May 20th, 1933

Dr. C. E. Maddry,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Brother Maddry:

Your kind letter of the 15th received. Thanks for same. I was not so sure whether you would get the papers I sent, before you got off to the Convention, but am glad they reached you in such good time.

I have all the others here ready to send, except the Lesson Leaflet, which is on the press. I shall send them in a few days.

Thank you for your kind words about our work.

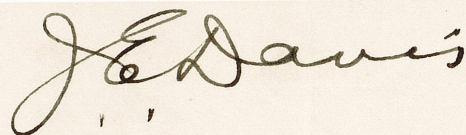
I am praying that the Lord may so lead our great Convention in these days that those who compose it may do the very thing He wants done to save the present situation of our Board--maybe I should say, Boards--since all are in dire need--but specially am I interested in our Foreign Mission work. If only the Convention would major Foreign Missions it would soon find the secret of success in all its work--that is, all that it should carry on for the glory of our Lord.

Maybe I am selfish--I hope I am not. I think I delight in the work of all the Boards, but some way I feel that they have been the active cause of our people treating the Foreign Mission Board and work like an orphan child. May the day soon come when Southern Baptists may truly engage in Foreign Mission work. Long have we been playing at a task that should engage all our energies--Go, make disciples in all nations, baptize and teach them all things commanded.

Oh, well, you know all this, and our brethren know all this, then why do we not DO it?

May the Lord richly bless you in your great work.

Most cordially yours,



May 25, 1933

Rev. J. E. Davis,
Box 211,
El Paso, Texas

Dear Brother Davis:-

Your good letter of May 20th was on my desk when I came back from the Convention.

We had a very strenuous Convention and I came back literally broken-hearted over the outcome of it all. Nothing adequate or worthy was done for our great mission causes. We made a desperate fight before the Executive Committee to get the privilege of going before the people for the payment of our debt next year, but were turned down cold and we came back to Richmond with the deep consciousness that we must now work out our own salvation. This is going to mean, I fear, the further limiting of our Foreign Mission work and maybe the bringing home of more missionaries.

We are trying to keep up our courage and go on even in the face of difficulties, doing the best we can. Pray for us continuously.

With sincere regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

M/F