

May 5, 1949

Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn
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Dear Dr. Ohrn:

Let me say again I am sorry it was impossible for me to be present for the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance last Monday. As I may have written you, I have had an almost impossible schedule recently. Joe Nordenhaug told me something about the meeting.

You will be interested to hear this word about the situation in Spain. I quote from a letter written by J. D. Hughey, Jr. on April 13th: "My writing was interrupted by a long distance call from Valencia. Last night twenty-five young men of Catholic Action raided the chapel, broke up benches, broke window panes, and did other damage. They declared that there will be no more Protestant services in the city."

In another paragraph Mr. Hughey says: "I surely hope that you and Dr. Ohrn will be able to visit Spain next summer. Why could not the interdenominational committee about which we have corresponded be formed with you and Dr. Ohrn as a nucleus? It would be good for the non-Baptists of Spain to have something to say about who the other members of this committee would be."

You will recall that we discussed this matter last summer in London. At that time, Mr. Hughey and the rest of us thought in terms of having a Baptist commission. Now he feels that the whole Christian cause would be strengthened by having others than Baptists make their representation to Franco. Since you are in Washington, it might be well for you to investigate the possibility of organizing a commission. I should be glad to cooperate in any manner which might be helpful.

With all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

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