



December 2, 1977

Dear Corps Member:

God bless and Christ's magnificent love to you.

Having just finished half, five, "Heartbeats" for the year at Atlanta, my soul was stirred to write to you to bless and to be blessed.

I wish to God I had more ability to help people to remain steadfast and faithful in their standing on God's Word and with fellow believers who are endeavoring to be spiritually in the groove for God. But, somehow or other, I just don't seem to be able to inspire people sufficiently on the great accuracy of God's Word and the paramount importance of staying faithful to the Word.

I have been blessed with the maturity of the Corps and their continued growth and desire to be God's best men and women in leadership--spiritual athletes carrying the integrity and accuracy of the greatness of God's revealed Word.

Forced change leads to many dead, wounded and resentful in the process, like I've seen in the forced integration, etc. The resentfulness of the blacks against the whites is on the increase, and vice versa. The best and quickest way to beat the whites, say some of the black leaders, is to have a lot of children (must have gathered this technique from the R.C. Church) and let the whites pay for them through government welfare or any other means necessary.

I am convinced that people change slowly--at a snail's pace--and no matter how hard you try or how concerned you are, you can't baptize a snail into being a rabbit. Love seems like a snail's pace, but it does not wound or kill.

All people want to do, for the most part, is to stay alive with the best of their ability and not upset the "apple cart" status quo.

Every community, small or large, seems to have its Mafia controls. It may be unnamed, but you can feel it there, and if you get too much "out of line" then you will know very quickly it's there. Social, financial, business pressures, etc., will endeavor to bring you into line with their traditions quickly.

The traditions of men make deserts of men's souls. Tradition is generally a stagnant pool of nothing more than tadpoles. Most men and women hardly have a conviction that they can call their own.

Tradition has generally stopped mankind from having the moral courage to go to the fountain-

head of all truth because this is so unsettling to men's minds. To learn implies the will to unlearn. Where did I learn this? Who taught me this? Why do I believe this? It may astound you when you discover that men's wrongly dividing God's Word and traditions are the dual culprits for what you hold to be truth.

So-called Christians, in general, continue to be active, or at least sufficiently active, with their denominational pedigree to remain in "good standing" for the social and business acceptance in a community. They belong to their local denominational churches for the convenience of baptism, marriage and burial, although the latter is truth in reality almost before the first is initiated. Doctrinal denominational church adherence is, by far, more the clergy than the lay people, because the laymen are much more joined with them from a social and business criteria than the accuracy of God's Word.

As Corps, we must desire to be dynamically concerned about replacing men's traditions and imaginations by divine revelation which is the Word of God only.

A comment on a scripture is one thing, but inserting that comment in the body of the scripture text as scripture is Biblical immorality and forgery. This has happened not infrequently regarding one God and other fields in the Word.

Ours is a God-sized ministry. It is the accuracy of the Word which smokes out the Devil. Lies are heavy as a mountain. The carrying of truth is light as a feather.

Please see the vision and act dynamically to increase the Word of God's outreach in the high schools. Be a pusher--of the Word. Just go and grow with God. Perhaps that should be our WOW slogan--go and grow with God, go WOW now. But I know it is a good principle for the Corps also.

It is always my joy to hear from my Corps, and even better to see you face to face. The world's Christmas season is upon us. The accuracy of the greatness of God's Word regarding the birth of Christ is our special responsibility to make known. Have a joyful time holding forth the greatness of the accuracy of God's Word.

Yes, you are my Corps. I wish I might be a better man, with greater renewed mind, more ability to communicate accurately, etc., etc., etc. But, I surely try to do my best and utmost for Him. Yet my own failures are ever set vividly before me that I constantly am blessed with your love, your forgiveness and your understanding.

Lovingly,
In His service,



Victor Paul Wierwille

VPW/dr

P.S. There has been too much emphasis placed on Corps going back to college. Not everybody needs to get their Ph.D.'s. Let's stay within reasonable limits because many of you will serve God very effectively without getting condemned about having insufficient college background.