

"Righteousness! -- Marches On!"

In these pages will be found Letters from the World of Business, Profession, Labor and Trade to FATHER DIVINE in Acknowledgment and Appreciation of His Peace Mission Movement, Also Some of HIS Wonderful Letters in Reply.

FATHER'S Mission Appreciated

OMANSKY'S
Department Store
North Emporia, Va.
March 24th, 1939

Rev. M. J. Divine,
36 W. 123rd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Rev. Father Divine:

With pleasure I may inform you that on February 15th, 1939 I received a Post Office Money Order from Miss Trueheart Perfect to cover payment in full to an account she owed us for some time. I appreciate the wonderful Mission you are doing and hope all of your Followers will harken to your splendid accomplishments.

I regret my delay in writing to you, which is due to my being away from Town for several weeks.

I wish to express my deepest thanks to you and for your influence upon (Ama Jackson) Miss Trueheart Perfect in taking care of her past due account. Also many thanks to her.

Yours very truly,

Wishing you much success, I am,

W. H. Omansky

Answer by FATHER

PEACE

March 27, 1939 A. D. F. D.

Mr. W. H. Omansky
Omansky's Dept. Store
Box 102
North Emporia, Va.

My dear Mr. Omansky:—

I AM writing to advise receipt of your letter of the 24th in which you give evidence of an old account liquidated by one of MY followers. Your expression of appreciation is gratefully acknowledged.

By advancing the Light of this Teaching within the lives of mankind, I AM causing men to behold a Law they have not heretofore known, for they saw "through a glass darkly," they saw through the limited versions and false conceptions of their finite minds.

It is for this cause that I AM Spiritually electrifying the consciousness of the children of men, charging them by the transmission of the Spirit of MY Mind and the Mind of MY Spirit in Righteousness, Justice and Truth.

By this mental and Spiritual awakening I AM completely changing the versions, the customs and the methods of men. The experiences of millions of MY followers scientifically portray deeds and actions impelled by Righteousness, Justice and Truth. They reflect a new Standard of living, whereby as it is in the lives of a few million individually, so can it be with all mankind collectively, for the Truth is substantiated and made practical for every man and for every nation as it becomes the fundamental power and factor of expression individually and governmentally.

Therefore, as men elect and allow this Law of Righteousness to govern them in all phases and issues of life in their divers business, professions labor and trade, they will gain political independence and their social, economic and industrial freedom.

Righteousness automatically abolishes the destructive evils of the world and establishes that form of government for which men have long sought, and which in this latter dispensation I AM setting up in your midst, for I have declared we shall have a Righteous Government universally.

Hence, the Work of MY Mission includes all peoples wheresoever man is found, "for there is no respect of persons with God."

Therefore, I would that you and all men might stand together upon this Principle of MY Righteous Government Platform, that the reality of Life, Liberty and Happiness might be your portion, that you and all might be even as I AM, for this leaves ME Well, Healthy, Joyful, Peaceful, Lively, Loving, Successful, Prosperous and Happy in Spirit, Body and Mind and in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, limb, vein and bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of MY Bodily Form.

Respectfully and Sincere, I AM

REV. M. J. DIVINE

MJD.r (Better known as FATHER DIVINE)

Follower Voluntarily Pays Back \$290.00 to Relief

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OFFICE OF THE OVERSEER

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

254 WEST BIGELOW STREET

NEWARK, N. J.

April 12, 1939

Rev. M.J. Divine,
36-38 W. 123rd Street,
New York City.

RE: BELL, Arthur
formerly of 199 Court Street
Newark, New Jersey
and now Raphael Peace
204 W. 63rd Street
New York City

Dear Reverend:

We acknowledge with thanks receipt of \$290.00 ,
paid by Raphael Peace under your direction for relief received
by him while a resident of this City, being a voluntary refund.

We believe that this is evidence of a fine spirit
of citizenship possessed by your disciples inasmuch as this is
not the first time one of your disciples has made a voluntary
refund.

Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM S. GURKIN
Claim Supervisor

WSG:K

FATHER'S Answer

PEACE

April 13, 1939 A.D.F.D.

Mr. Wm. S. Gurkin
Claim Supervisor
Office of the Overseer
Department of Public Works
254 West Bigelow Street
Newark, New Jersey
My dear Mr. Gurkin:—

I AM writing in appreciation of your letter
of the 12th in which you have advised ME of

the voluntary refund of the sum of two hun-
dred and ninety dollars by one of MY followers,
Mr. Raphael Peace.

While charitable or welfare institutions of
City, State and Country are somewhat ac-
quainted with the Work of MY Endeavors, as
they receive sums of money in payment of past
services rendered many who have since be-
come followers of Mine, it is an open expres-
sion, as a sample and an example of the ad-
ministration of Righteousness, Justice and
Truth rising into power in this era of great
national and international contention.

Although there have been many theories, programs, discussions and even laws and by-laws put forth to solve present world problems, the impending world crisis does not offer a favorable outlook for desirable results, for mankind generally has not sought a moral reconstruction of ideas and opinions, a change of heart from selfish, agitating, greedy motives to unselfish, tolerant, Spiritual cooperation.

Nevertheless, in the midst of world turmoil, both in warring and non-warring nations, there is unfolding in your midst, the true Principle and Law of a Righteous Government.

With Righteousness the Standard exemplified by millions of MY followers in all of their daily experiences, it is practical evidence that this is the solution for individual, economic and political freedom for all men. It denotes an unquestionable Spirit of real democracy and a fine Spirit of citizenship, such as you have attested to and which is affirmed by men of divers business, professions, labor and trade.

Then I say, as a factor of this fundamental Principle, as with an individual so with a nation. If the national defense of any people would be of Righteousness, Justice and Truth, these would be sufficient weapons to protect and strengthen men in the fulness of Life, Liberty and in the reality of Happiness.

A government established upon this Standard would indeed seek ways and means to use its rich resources, for as there would be no unemployment problem, no unrighteous taxation, no political intolerance, graft and greed or any other vice polluting the affairs of the world, it would seek the development of science and invention. It would revise and project education and seek advancement of civilization from every angle of expression.

With good wishes to you and those who may be concerned, desiring that you might become to be as I AM, this leaves ME ever Well, Healthy, Joyful, Peaceful, Lively, Loving, Successful, Prosperous and Happy in Spirit, Body and Mind and in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, limb, vein and bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of MY Bodily Form.

Respectfully and Sincere, I AM

REV. M. J. DIVINE

MJD.r (Better known as FATHER DIVINE)

Righteousness Marching on in Europe

Translation of French letter:—

Paris, March 16, 1939.

Ulrich Meister
17 Eugene Verlin St.
Paris, 10^e, (France)
Rev. M. J. Divine
FATHER DIVINE
36-38 West 123rd Street

New York City, N. Y.
U. S. A.

Sir, Reverend Father:—

I have had a very pleasant surprise to receive from one of your followers and disciples, John Jack Volz, of 32 Buhl Street, Zurich, (Switzerland) reimbursement of a small sum that I had loaned him in 1924, when he was in Paris.

Your disciple gave this reimbursement in good Faith, when he very generously and considerably added interest to the sum lent him, and furthermore he counted the devaluation which has dropped in our money.

Permit me, Reverend Sir, to give you my profound homage to a Religion of the Faith that You teach Your disciples, and I am happy to think that they carry within themselves Peace with the Teacher.

Kindly believe, Reverend Father, my most sincere respects,

U. Meister

Reply by FATHER

PEACE

April 11, 1939 A.D.F.D.

Mr. Ulrich Meister
17, Rue Eugene Verlin
Paris, 10^e France

My dear Mr. Meister:—

I write as I wish to advise I received your letter in acknowledgment of the reimbursement of a loan you extended in 1924 to Mr. J. J. Volz, of Zurich, Switzerland. I highly appreciate hearing from you of the fulfilment of his obligation, for it depicts the universality of this Peace Mission Movement, which is the Spiritual unfoldment of the doctrine of Christianity, made practical in the lives of men.

The subjective experiences of men, in consequence of their former misconceptions of the Truth, have caused humanity to err Spiritually, morally, socially and otherwise. It is for this cause that we find the world in need of God, in Whom lies the abundant life men have long been seeking.

I AM therefore, opening wide the flood-gates of Righteousness, Justice and Truth, that all mankind might be enlightened and enlivened in the reality of Life, Liberty and Happiness.

As soon as men transcend the barriers of their limited, mortal consciousness, material barriers of inefficient and undermining methods in trade and commerce, in industry, in short, barriers in all forms of national and international life will be surmounted.

The fault of the deplorable conditions found in this present era of civilization, lies not in the conditions themselves, but in the mass consciousness of people, who live in selfishness, in graft and in greed. Long since have I declared:

The outer expression of things is but the condition of the mind within.

Hence, that world Peace and Righteousness might prevail in all fields of business, profession, labor and trade, that wars might cease, that the burden of depressions might be lifted from the shoulders of men and all other instances where the vices of men have corrupted society, I AM, as so to speak, mobilizing the forces and energies of the thoughts, and the intents of the hearts of men, concentrating and consecrating their lives unto Righteousness, Justice and Truth.

Then, by virtue of this impersonal Law of Righteousness, the mass consciousness of humanity in general will bring about world progress from every angle expressible.

As it was declared by the Apostle Paul: "The Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword," millions today are moving in the actuated Word of this Spirit and this Mind proving that a world conversion cannot come about through the sword or by any other material weapon and method of men, but through and by the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.

If you will follow the March of Righteousness, you will find the very deeds and actions of millions of MY followers to be the demonstrated facts of this Teaching that are too stout to be denied, and which represent world Peace and order, even as we shall have a Righteous Government universally.

With very sincere wishes to you, desiring that you might be as I AM, this leaves ME Well, Healthy, Joyful, Peaceful, Lively, Loving, Successful, Prosperous and Happy in Spirit, Body and Mind and in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, limb, vein and bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of MY Bodily Form.

Respectfully and Sincere, I AM

REV. M. J. DIVINE

MJD.r (Better known as FATHER DIVINE)

RECEIPT

General Hospital No. 143234
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES

March 24, 1939

Received from

Name PEACEFUL LILIO \$59.50

Fifty-nine and 50/100 DOLLARS

Address 2602 South Central Avenue, L. A.

Account of Cooper, Nellie Account No. 31723

2 cks. \$50.00 AH 3965626

9.50 AH 3965627

REX THOMSON, SUPT. of Charities

By. E. Windsor (Signed)

Old Debt of \$100.00 Fully Paid

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April 3, 1939

Mr. Riley Reed
1210 Seventh Street
Modesto, California

Dear Mr. Reed:—

We are pleased to acknowledge your letter of April 1 enclosing express money order for \$15.00, which is in full and final settlement of the amount of \$100.00 which we arrived at as a compromise for the obligation which you incurred so many years ago.

We are glad to express our appreciation of the way in which you have handled this matter, and wish that more people would attempt to secure peace for themselves by similar actions.

As requested in your letter, we are sending this receipt to Father Divine, with a copy to you at Modesto.

Yours very truly,

MILLER and LUX INCORPORATED

F. L. Humphrey,

Comptroller

FLH:BH

Father Divine
1887-1889 Madison Avenue
New York City.

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Colon, R. P., March 17th, 1939

Father Divine,
20 West 115th Street,
New York.
U. S. A.

Dear Sir:—

One Mr. Henry J. Sampson has paid us in two installments the sum of \$20.00 for rent in arrears from the year 1936.

Although he had moved out of the premises and was under no legal obligation, he has decided to square up this indebtedness through your influence over your many followers. I is with pleasure that upon his request we are writing you to express our appreciation of your good work.

Yours very truly,

COMPANIA CYRNOS, S. A.

F. Canavaggio

Manager

FATHER Writes

PEACE

April 2, 1939 A. D. F. D.

Mr. F. Canavaggio
Compañía Cynos, S. A.
P. O. Box 345
Colon, Rep. of Panama

My dear Mr. Canavaggio:—

I have your letter of the 17th in which you acknowledge receipt of the sum of Twenty Dollars from one of MY followers, who has endeavored to walk in the newness of life, whereby he has sought to be emancipated from every expression of falsity of his former mortal characteristics, tendencies and pleasures and has therefore, repaid you an indebtedness he felt obliged to fulfil.

The value of MY Spiritual influence and this philosophy I AM expounding and delivering to mankind is not a new doctrine rising in the midst of men, for you need only to revert to Biblical history where you will find through the writings of SS. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, the very spirit and Life of this Teaching I AM exemplifying is the Standard and Hope of Peace and Righteousness for all humanity.

As it is so plainly depicted in the request of Jesus: "I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil," you see in this advanced Light of Spiritual civilization, the Fundamental Law of Truth is unfolding from a new angle of expression.

Therefore, by the impregnation and incarnation of MY Spirit and MY Mind within the hearts and minds of men, I AM causing them to understand life and to reflect it supremely. By this Spiritual Conversion, society from every degree and field of expression is revolutionized. Righteousness is no longer an abstract quality of the Spirit, but it is made practical and profitable as men form the basis of all of their endeavors according to this Standard of Righteousness, Justice and Truth.

Hence, we find the Word is made flesh. Truth is produced scientifically in the development of science and invention, and in the rebuilding of an Equitable Government among all men. It is the foundation of Health, Peace and Prosperity and will universally liberate men from all human ignorance, increasing them in Spiritual Wisdom and hence in moral and material development.

By the Light of this Teaching world conditions of chaos and confusion are altered, for as the lives of men are transformed, the whole social order and construction of affairs are reformed accordingly. As this change

is already manifested in the lives of millions of MY followers, so can it be with all civilization, for the work of Righteousness is first an individual affair becoming to be the universal scale of a Righteous Government manifested.

Thus desiring that you might be successful in your endeavors and that you might be as I AM, this leaves ME Well, Healthy, Joyful, Peaceful, Lively, Loving, Successful, Prosperous and Happy in Spirit, Body and Mind and in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, limb, vein and bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of MY Bodily Form.

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REV. M. J. DIVINE

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"Conscience Money" Pays Old Bill

Seattle, Wash.
March 23, 1939

A. Swanson,
50 W. 115th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated the 16th inst. with enclosure consisting of a check in the sum of \$25.00 was duly received, and we are enclosing herewith the City Treasurer's receipt No. P-76573, and we hope and trust that the sacrifice of that kind will put your conscience in the right state so that you may have peace on earth the rest of your days.

Yours very truly,

W. C. THOMAS
Comptroller

By

Director of Licenses.

LOST AND FOUND

FATHER DIVINE PEACE MISSION

36 West 123rd Street —:— Phone: HARlem 7-8124
Call at this number to obtain lost and found articles.
\$1.00 found, Walton Avenue, N. Y. City week of March 26th.
Bill fold bearing name John Green, 535 Classon Ave.,

Brooklyn, N. Y. found in or around Extension 126th St.

Following articles lost and found in the Promised Land:—
White chamois gloves found in Plymouth car of High Falls
Extension (Department Store), 1938.

Bottle of white shoe polish, found in little cottage down
the hill in High Falls at time of last boat trip, August
1938.

Tan silk scarf found, large dining room, High Falls Ex-
tension (Department Store), 1938.

Black comb and brush found in little cottage down the
hill in High Falls at time of last boat trip, August 1938.

Also handkerchiefs.

Pearl brooch found, Central Park West and 106th St.,
April 6th.

Other articles, such as umbrellas, hats, scarfs, sweaters,
gloves, fountain pens, brooches, handkerchiefs and some
small change found in Extension, 158 W. 126th. St.

\$1.00 found, 63rd St. & Amsterdam Ave., Oct. 1 1938.

"A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM"

One of Father Divine's children is my very good religious maid. Naturally she says "Peace" many times a day.

Finally my twenty-two-months old daughter Patsy picked it up. One day when I was very excited over nothing very important, Patsy quickly came into the room, gently touched me and said, "Peace, Mummy."

Margaret Horan

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