

May 23, 1942.

Mr. E. G. Stith,  
1622 New Hampshire St.,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Fellow Church Member:

Realizing full well the financial burden that you are facing in these perilous times, I hesitate to approach you in such a matter as donation were it not for the fact that you realize the necessity of keeping going the fundamental things of life. The church, the home and the school are our fundamental foundations.

Of course, this war is our primal consideration, and taxes are burdensome for all of us. And these fundamentals are also our first consideration. Therefore, I am writing you rather than to call upon you. This letter will give you time to meditate and to give what you think you can give. There is no desire on my part or on the part of the Wesley Foundation to high pressure you into giving more than you can afford. But I want to give something and I know you do, too. Therefore, I will appreciate it greatly if you will mail your contribution to me so that I may in turn remit to the Wesley Foundation.

If you desire to have me call I will gladly do that. My residence phone is 300 and my office phone is K.U. 83. After you have carefully considered the matter, will you kindly get in touch with me or drop me a card? Whether or not you see fit to contribute, I desire to make my report at the very earliest, and I will appreciate your kindly cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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