

# First Baptist Church

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DEAR REV. KING:

I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT IT WAS A REAL PLEASURE TO SEE YOU AGAIN AND TO HAVE YOU RETURN TO MONTGOMERY. I ONLY REGRET THAT YOUR COMING WAS IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNPLEASANT EVENT WHICH YOU SUFFERED HERE BECAUSE OF MAN INHUMANITY TO MAN. BUT YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT THERE WILL BE NO EASE IN ZION UNTIL THIS UNGODLY SYSTEM IS CHANGED. I ADMIRE YOUR COURAGE AND APPRECIATE SO VERY MUCH THE WORK WHICH YOU ARE DOING IN THIS BEHALF.

FATHER DuBOSE ADDRESS IS GOULD FARM, GREAT BARRINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS. YOU MAY NEED TO CONTACT HIM BY LETTER FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO GET TO THE FARM. THEY ARE HOLDING A CONVENTION THERE ON JUNE 4-16 AND A SECOND CONVENTION ON JUNE 18-30. YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE CONVENTION OR RECEIVING INFORMATION ON IT, WHICH I FEEL CERTAIN THAT HE WILL BE HAPPY TO SUPPLY. ALREADY, HE HAS INVITED MY WIFE AND ME TO ATTEND, HOWEVER, WE DOUBT THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE.

WITH KINDEST REGARDS, I REMAIN

SINCERELY,

  
RALPH D. ABERNATHY

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