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Angwin, California.

My Dear Brother:-

Miss Sarah Peck put you on the right track, perhaps when she referred you to me for information regarding the production of STEPS TO CHRIST.

Mrs. Starr and I had traveled with Sister E. G. White most of the summer of 1891, and in the Fall located at Harbor Heights, and Lake Petoska, Michigan. While there, Sr. White handed me a handfull of type-written matter; saying, Elder Starr this is a compilation of matter from my writings, by Miss Marion Davis, and she thinks it ought to be published, as a booklet on practical religious experience. I wish you would read it and express your mind regarding its publication.

Well, brother, I read it and devoured its contents; and you may be sure I stated to Sr. White that I considered that Miss Davis had done a wonderful piece of work in bringing together such a wealth of matter regarding real Christian experience, and that I thought it ought to be published in all the languages of earth. It was not then named STEPS TO CHRIST, as I remember.

Where shall we have it published? She asked? Oh, I said; give it to Revell of Chicago. I am sure he would publish it on its merits, and my idea was to get it in the hands of people of other denominations than S. D. Adventists. It was given to Mr. Revell, the brother-in-law of Dwight L. Moody, and he published seven editions the first year. It sold rapidly, you see. Later, the REVIEW and Herald made an exchange with REVELL and secured the copy-right. I understand that now it is published in over fifty languages. 7

I am very pleased that it is proposed to place a copy in the hands of every young recruit for the army and navy. It may accomplish untold good.

I pray the LORD to bless you and your society of Young People in their endeavors.

Sincerely, your brother in faith,

J. O. Starr