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Wildwood Sanitarium
Wildwood, Georgia

Dear Brother

I am writing to you at this time as your Institution has been on my mind considerably since my recent visit to the Southern Self-supporting Institutions.

While at Madison, I had the opportunity to speak to the faculty of that Institution and Wildwood was very much a part of our discussion. There is no question in my mind but that your Institution has split Madison right down the middle as far as your viewpoints are concerned. This is not good Brother Frazee and can be a real point of separation of your Institution from the real body of the Church. Certainly some of the teachings which are accredited to your Institution are on the fringe of fanaticism. This should not be and certainly will not enhance our work. Surely the Lord can be of ever greater blessing to us if we unite our efforts with the body of the church as we are instructed to do. Overemphasis on any one particular point in our religious or medical program can do us more harm than good toward the advancement of our work, at least in my opinion this is so. We have a great many principals which can be and should be and certainly are supported by our self-supporting institutions. These principals are proving a blessing to many thousands of people who come under our care and I would like very much to see Wildwood more of an integral part of the organization.

I do not make these statements lightly Brother Frazee but feel that you should know that there is a rising feeling of resentment that may eventually result in your loss of membership in the ASI. This, I personally would not like to see happen to your organization as it would affect a good many people.

I am also concerned about the tapes which are being used for the propagation of your viewpoints which have been described by various people as narrow and confusing. Certainly I believe they are not intended to be but those who are in a position to know are greatly disturbed by the interpretation which you are making

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and circulating among others of the testimonies. As President of the ASI, I would strongly urge that this practice be discontinued as a disrupting influence and certainly not representative of the Association.

Let me assure you Brother Frazee that I appreciated very much your hospitality which you extended to Brother Crawford and myself while at Wildwood. I appreciate the struggle which you are going through and the many hardships you have. I do sincerely believe that your work would be greatly enhanced by a better balanced medical program following established and proven methods of treatment. Thus, Wildwood would be of greater benefit to the many more patients who will come under your care.

I'm not writing to you in any bitterness but in a friendly brotherly gesture to help you to recognize the position and standing you are now in as far as the ASI is concerned.

Very truly yours,

/s/Laurence A. Senseman, M. D.

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