

"In the Interest of Christian Education"

June 8, 1954

Elders or Minister
North Central Church of Christ
502 W. Flint Road
Flint 5, Michigan

Dear Brother Hawley:

The cause of Christian Education has long been a need in the Detroit area. To the best of our knowledge there is no current movement in that direction. It is in the interest of your children and ours that we kindly solicit your interest in this letter.

We the undersigned Christian men are acting in a temporary capacity in order to formulate plans which will make a Christian school in this area a reality. We realize that if this effort is a success it must have the support of all Christians in the area and have the blessings of the Lord.

You, as well as all other interested Christians should have a part in helping us to formulate plans which will bring about the organizational structure of the proposed school. Realizing that a consecrated board of directors must be the starting place of this effort we are asking you to help in the selection of a board. Perhaps other methods are equally good in selecting a board, but we believe the method we shall present in the following paragraphs will give more area-wide representation. Will you prayerfully consider the brotherhood in greater Detroit and suggest two Christian men whom you believe would serve well on this board. Perhaps the following considerations will help you in the selection of the men.

1. Christian men who are well reported of in the Church and the community.
2. Men who have been members of the Church long enough to have been proven in the faith and for others to know their convictions.
3. Men who have reasonably sound business judgement.
4. Men who believe in the need of and importance of a Christian school so that they would be willing to devote sufficient time and effort toward its promotion.
5. Men who are known not to believe in, teach, or be in sympathy with doctrines not in harmony with the scriptures.

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6. Men whose tenure in Michigan is not transient.
7. Men who are considerate of the views of others and will weigh suggestions with an open mind in view of the best interests of the school.
8. Men if possible who have some experience or contacts with Christian education.

We are endeavoring to contact all congregations in this area and ask their cooperation in the effort. Other communiques will follow giving details on the selection of a board from these suggestions. Again we wish to emphasize that the undersigned men are acting as individual Christians and in a temporary capacity. Will you please send us your reply on or before July 1st?

Yours in the interest of youth,

Warren S. Jones
James H. Vaughn
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George M. Ford