

Jerome Relocation Center  
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Dear Rev. Inglis:

We always seem to be indebted to the Inglis'. We had the very happy experience of meeting with your brother in St. Louis when we were on our way from Utah to the Center here.

We didn't know anyone off-hand in St. Louis, but my wife suddenly knew that your brother would be living someplace in the large city and so we hurried to a telephone booth and found his name. From then on, it was a matter of few consequences till we were able to meet with him and the family. They were very fine and hospitable; and as tho that were not enough, I borrowed four dollars from him so that we could finally reach Arkansas without trouble. Yes, it was a great experience to have met with one so fine and helpful.

My wife said that she heard from Mary Coxhead that you were having a difficult time with the church people since you were so helpful to us during the evacuation. I did not know of your predicament until we met your brother who finally assured me that you were being tolerated again. As I sit here by my typewriter, thinking what words would most express my feelings on your sacrifice, no words come to me so that I can show our deepest feeling to you. I suppose if the Japanese Gov't. heard of your kind help, they would offer you a medal, as they ( the US Govt) did to Colonel Bendetson for his work in the evacuation. Yet such tokens do not suffice. Dr. Mullenburg would like this illustration: as Jeremiah said: "Thy God will write it upon our hearts", certainly we see much more than just You, when we all think of your name and your physical form. You were our answer to the many prayers which we offered. When we were so desolate and shamefully retreating into miserable thoughts, you were the guiding Faith which sounded the True Advance! I write all of these things since I and the rest of the Japanese who were under your wings cannot do anything to relieve any misunderstanding between you and some of the members of your congregation. We firmly believe that the life and teachings of our Master and yours is in much closer harmony than we know.

The Church here is meeting with many difficulties, but we hope to work slowly but steadily and move the Church forward. Everything seems to be in a state of uncertainty, since nothing has really begun to work. The Buddhists are the strongest in this Center and so we must deal with them and even work with them so that this tension between faiths would be lessened.

Maybe you know that my wife is expecting in May. She seems to be quite well and so I am very happy. This weather is better for her since it is much warmer than Utah.



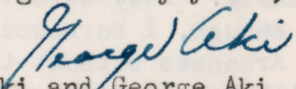
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There are lots of letters to write, many meetings to attend, and the other chores to do around the house and so this will be all for this time.

I sincerely hope that this letter finds you and the family in good spirits and in the best of health.

May God's Truth always shine upon your work.

Most gratefully yours,



Misaki and George Aki