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February 15, 1923.

Rev. A. H. McGaffin, D. D.,
Church of the Covenant,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. McGaffin:-

The visit of representatives of Peking University to Cleveland has again directed attention to the strategic opportunity, as well as the immense responsibility which the university faces.

Professor Wm. Hung has been heard by you and Dr. Sutphen, and other representatives of the Church, and the universal opinion has been that he is a man of rare qualities and that if a few such leaders as he can be trained for the new China, the Church in America will have made a great contribution to China's Evangelism and world welfare. We rejoice in the fact that such men are being raised up and a group of them are now in Peking University, and it is being recognized throughout China as the coming great Christian center that may, and ought to dominate the life of that nation.

We are hoping that the ambition of the co-operating mission boards, (Presbyterian, M. E., and Congregational), may be realized and the University enabled to get away from its present miserable quarters and occupy enough new buildings to begin work there in the fall of 1924. As we have said to you, the most crying need is the problem of residences for the faculty and twenty-seven more must be provided before the enlarged work can be undertaken.

We must of course leave the matter entirely in such hands as yours as we move on to present it to other groups. The Methodist Episcopal officials of this city will ask their churches to put \$15,000 into the Bishop Bashford Memorial and the Congregational Union met Thursday and agreed to undertake one of the residences for the faculty.

As discussed with you and Dr. Higley and interested laymen about the city, we feel that the Presbyterian Churches of Cleveland can do no more strategic thing just now than to put \$15,000 into two of these residences. We believe sufficient dormitories and recitation halls will be secured and we must emphasize the need of residences that will not only accommodate the teachers and their families, but will be such centers of influence upon the student life as only truly Christian homes can be.

We hope that you and Dr. Sutphen will present this matter to your church Session with your own hearty approval, and that it can be brought before the Presbytery and get their endorsement and such action as may be necessary. All students of mission have recognized the burden of responsibility that rests upon Peking University just at this time and we believe that the Presbyterians of Cleveland want to share it and this seems like the opportunity.

Deeply appreciating your own genuine interest,

Very sincerely yours,

Send to

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN
EUGLID AVENUE AND CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND, O.

March 7, 1923.

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Mr. Herbert K. Caskey,
c/o Trustees of Peking University,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Caskey:-

I have persuaded the Session to appropriate for Peking University the sum of \$2000.00 in the budget of 1923-1924. This is in addition to Mrs. Stevenson Burke's subscription of \$500.00, already forwarded, and the small sum in cash which I gave to you. The appropriations' committee of our Women's Guild is recommending to the Guild a gift of \$300.00 to Peking University, which I think they will grant. Altogether this will amount to some \$2800.00, which perhaps may be in some way raised to \$3000.00. I think this is about all that can be expected from the Church of the Covenant under present circumstances, when such heavy demands are being made upon our people. Will you please have the gifts reported to our Foreign Mission Board as they come in.

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Yours very sincerely,

Alexander McLaughlin.

Ch. of the Covenant

March 19th 1923.

Dear Doctor McCaffin:

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of March 7th.

We are greatly pleased to learn of the action of your session and of the plans of your Women's Guild. Our treasurer's office will be writing you further regarding the way in which the matter can be handled to ensure that your church received credit from the Board for all contributions turned in from members of your church. We are certainly grateful to you and your session for this very definite show of interest in our problems.

Our campaign now is developing quite well. Our Mr. Wee has possibly called on you this week to learn the situation. He had left for Cleveland before your letter arrived. He will also be in touch with the other churches at Cleveland and will keep you informed regarding developments.

Very cordially yours,

Cleveland
Church of the Covenant.
Pres. Euclid Ave. & Cornell Rd.
Cleveland O.
Dr. Alex. McCaffin.

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN
EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

9 May, 1928

The Rev'd. Chester E. Jenney, D.D.
Peking University Office
150 Fifth Avenue
New York

My dear Dr. Jenney:

You will be glad to know that the Session of the Church of the Covenant has accepted the recommendation of its Committee on Missions and Benevolences to guarantee to Peking University the sum of \$250.00 annually for a period of five years. Our understanding is that this amount is to be used toward a Cleveland dormitory at Peking University.

Mr. Ramsey, Chairman of the Community Fund of Cleveland, is not a member of the Church of the Covenant.

X To From what you told me when you were in my office a few days ago, I rather assume that your best approach to Mr. Mather will be through Bishop Rogers.

With warmest greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Philip Lewis Bird
S. Bird
Pastor

*Pledge letter
6-7-32
final payment
made*

Church of the Covenant \$250 annually for
Cleveland, Ohio 5 years

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT
CLEVELAND, OHIO
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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

August 31, 1929.

Miss Katie Kinder,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Madam: -

In compliance with your letter of Aug.
15th we are enclosing herewith check for \$250.00
being payment on account of our pledge of \$1,250.00
to your University.

We do not recall having received your
letter of June 13, or remittance would have gone
forward at an earlier date.

Very truly yours,

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

By-

W. J. Henderson

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Church of the Covenant
11205 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, O.

Sept. 3, 1929

\$ 250⁰⁰ - 1928 Campen Dormitory ^{2nd annual} ¹ installment

Gift received	9-3-29
Receipt slip #	2594
Entered in control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	187
Pledge signal attached	✓
X file cards	—
Letter ack. sent	9-3-29
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

August 29, 1930.

Miss Louise McCoy,
Corresponding Secretary,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Miss McCoy: -

We are enclosing herewith check to
your order for \$250.00 which we believe is the third
installment covering our pledge.

I do not seem to have among my
records a copy of the subscription agreement. I wonder
if you will be good enough to have a copy made from
your file and forwarded to me at your convenience.

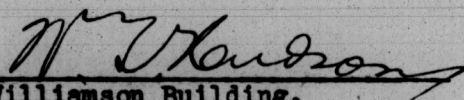
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Thanking you, and with best wishes

Very truly yours,

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

By-


817 Williamson Building.

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Church of the Covenant
11205 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

Sept. 2, 1930

\$250.00 - 1928 Camp.- Dormitory (3rd annual instalment on pledge #187)

Gift received	9-2-30
Receipt slip #	2852
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	187 ✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	9-2-30
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class-card	ML ✓
" " stencil	Renewal ✓

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Charge to the account of China Union Universities - 150 Fifth Avenue
(Yenching)

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

New York, April 28, 1931

Rev. Philip S. Byrd, D.D.
Church of the Covenant, Cleveland, O.

Confirming my conversation yesterday regarding fine work Doctor Theodore Greene since returning China twenty-five years ago I have known missionaries of various types in many parts of country and he stands out as one of finest additions of recent years because of his personality professional qualifications and attitude Stop Under present conditions Chinese are more influenced by demonstrations of way in which Christian life functions than in most older forms of evangelism He embodies in his own person and mediates through his significant hospital activities the missionary message. Greene is worth best backing you can give

J. Leighton Stuart

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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

July 2, 1931

Mr. E. M. McBrier, Treas.
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. McBrier:

We are enclosing herewith check to your order for \$250.00
representing our fourth annual installment on our commitment
to your university.

We are sending this to you at the suggestion of Miss Olive
D. Wanamaker, Assistant to the President.

Yours very truly,

W. T. Hudson
W. T. Hudson, Treasurer,
THE CHURCH OF THE COVENANT.

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Church of the Covenant
11205 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, O.

July 3, 1931

\$250 - 1928 Camp. - Dorne.

Gift received	7-3-31
Receipt slip #	3025
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	187 ✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	7-3-31
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class-card	ML ✓
" " stencil	Renewal ✓

(4th ann. payment on
pledge)

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Type #5
misc group

CJH

May 6, 1932

Dear Mr. Bird:

The attached mimeographed statement will explain to you the most serious crisis that has faced Yenching in years.

We were greatly shocked when the Rockefeller Foundation informed us recently that even though we can report \$175,000 of the \$250,000 required to meet their condition, their offer of an endowment fund of \$250,000 to the University would be cancelled unless we have the total amount in hand by June 30th, and moreover, that an annual appropriation of \$12,500 which they have been giving us would be discontinued. We can only guess at the reasons for this inflexible attitude under present emergency conditions in America. We presume the current income of the Foundation is perhaps greatly diminished. Perhaps its policy with reference to grants in China has undergone a change. Whatever the reason, the positive and emphatic statement given to us is that we must meet the condition in full or forfeit both the capital grant and the current income.

We must do everything we can to avoid this crippling blow to the University. We must ask every friend who has ever helped, to come to the rescue of the University at the present time.

All but the final instalment due on the pledge of \$1250 given by the Church of the Covenant in 1928 has now been paid. Can your church pay this final instalment before the end of June so as to help us in this crisis? In the second place, is it at all possible either to increase the amount of the payment for the present year or to send us a written pledge extending your present pledge for two additional years? A favorable response to either of these questions would help us greatly in our present difficulty.

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Rev. Philip L. Bird, Pastor
Church of the Covenant
11205 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

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May 10, 1932

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker
Assistant to the President
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Mr. Wannamaker:

Replying to your letter of May 6th, addressed to Dr. Bird, we can advise that payment of the last installment on the pledge of the Church of the Covenant will be paid before the end of June. It may be possible that we can remit you by the end of May.

We regret exceedingly the situation is such that we cannot do more than make good on our pledge at this time.

With best wishes, we remain

Yours very truly,

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

K. J. Anderson

Asst. Treasurer

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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

June 2d, 1932

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker
Assistant to the President
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Mr. Wannamaker:

As per our letter of May 10th we are enclosing
herewith check to the order of Yenching University
for \$250.00, being the final payment on our pledge
of \$1,250.00 given in 1928.

We are glad to be able to remit at this time,
which we trust may assist you as indicated in your
letter.

Yours very truly,

CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

W. D. Williamson

Asst. Treasurer

817 Williamson Bldg

WTH:EA
Encl.

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Church of the Covenant
11205 Euclid Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio

Gift received, June 7, 1932 (date)

Cash Gift \$ 250 - final ann. instal. on

Pledge \$ 1250 made 5-9-28

Designation 1928 Camp. - done.

Received through C E J

Entered on control record ✓

Serial number 187 ✓

Entered on record card ✓

Pledge signal attached —

Cross file card made —

Receipt number 5605

Acknowledgment sent 6-8-32

Entered on renewal sheet ✓

Checked for office list ✓

Checked for mailing list ✓

Contributed previously? June renewal sheet

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June 8, 1932

Dear Mr. Hudson:

We are deeply grateful for the remittance of \$250 covering the final instalment on the pledge of the Church of the Covenant. It will help us in making our case with the Rockefeller Foundation. We have reduced the balance needed to about \$53,000.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Mr. W. T. Hudson
817 Williamson Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

ODW:KK

P.S. Our official receipt is enclosed.

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CHURCH OF THE COVENANT

PRESBYTERIAN

EUCLID AVENUE AT CORNELL ROAD
CLEVELAND

22 April 1933

My dear Mr. Thompson:

I am glad to have your letter of
April 20th.

It goes without saying that Dr.
Stuart's two appearances in Cleveland were
warmly appreciated by a host of men and
women. His address at the Covenant Forum
was most timely, and his radio speech at
the meeting of Rotary was all that could
be desired.

Cordially yours,

Philip Leonard Jones

Mr. Lyman H. Thompson,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

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