

Dear Benjamin,

Gracious, I just don't know why I've been so long writing you when you have been constantly in my thoughts and prayers. One reason is the enclosed check, which took forever for the book-keeping to get straightened out, but that's still no excuse. Maybe it's because I wanted to say so much and was afraid I couldn't. I have been writing about all of you (if not to you) --it is finally completed and is 150 typewriten pages-so that I could retain as much as possible all I learned and experenced down there. Incidentally, it would be great if you could give me some hints about writing. I am appalled at my lousy grammar and sentence construction as well as expression, which must be perfectly obvious to you.

Bob said he had a letter from you recently and that you have not been feeling well. I certainly can understand why but it distresses me to hear it. I am so eager to hear more news about you and your boss. I haven't written him, either, because I find it difficult to put into words the deep appreciation we felt for his giving us the time and attention he did. That visit and the one with you were terribly important to us. Will you please tell him how very much we admire him and pray for him?

I imagine you continue to battle for news about Robert. This check is actually from my mother who spontaneously asked if she could contribute to the account when I told her a little of the story.

You are probably moving slowly and carefully ahead with your plans. Do not forget our offer to help if you need it.

In the meantime, please give my regards to Mrs. S. and, Benjamin, do keep a lot of loving concern for yourself. We feel it so deeply.

Charlotte

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