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Augusta, Georgia

September 11, 1945

Sgt. Robert H. Peeples, 34354504 Karachi Air Base Karachi, Sind, India

My dear Bob:

Thank you very much for your perfectly delightful letter of August 31st.

We regret that you could not enter the Seminary this Fall, but are delighted at the prospects of your release from the army in the next six to eight months. We are writing to the Bishop and to the Seminary of your intention of entering Virginia Seminary next September.

There are a few other things that will be required of you, but if you will be home sometime next Spring that will be ample time to prepare them. Such things are a thorough physical examination by a physician appointed by the Bishop, a transscript of your college grades, and a letter to the Bishop stating your full name and age, the length of time you have been resident in the Diocese, when and by whom you were baptized and confirmed, when and where you were admitted to the Holy Communion, whether you have ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders, and on what grounds you are moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

It would not be a bad idea to drop a line to the Bishop about now, and just shortly before Christmas, and about the middle of next March just keeping him informed that you are remembering the Ministry in your prayers and looking forward to being prepared for it. His address, you will remember, is the Rt. Rev. Middleton S. Barnwell, D. D., Christ Church, Savannah, Georgia.

We look forward to your coming home and to your entering the Ministry. We know that you will serve the Church well.

Faithfully yours,

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