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Dr. Mordecai Johnson
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Dear Dr. Johnson,

I am in England enjoying the hospitality of a very brave people. Everywhere one sees the fortitude of a nation rich in heritage, tradition, [illegible], education and religion. With a song on every tongue it is difficult to accept the fact that the German wrath has spent itself on these people. Everyone seems very eager to make us welcomed in their homes and hearts. The atmosphere is saturated with the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Tell Dr. Nelson that I am pursuing further my "liturgical music obsession." The boy choirs are still the ideal ensembles for purity of tone. My fondest regards to your wife, Mrs. Nelson, and Prof. Tibbs. To Warner: "Carry on."

Sincerely, yours,

Harry Gil-Smythe