Martin Luther King, Ir. Pexter Avenue Baptist Church 454 Pexter Avenue Montgomery 4, Alahama

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Dear Dr. Wynn:

We are delighted to know that it will be possible for you to preach the annual Youth Day sermon at our church on Sunday, March 15, at the eleven o'clock service.

As I said to you over the telephone, this is an annual event. We seek to bring to our pulpit for this occasion some of the outstanding religious personalities of our nation. Knowing the contribution that you are making and of your dynamic message, we are sure that you are the person to come to us this year. Although this occasion is referred to as Youth Day, please feel free to preach on any subject of your choice.

I regret very deeply that I will be out of the country on the Sunday of our Youth Day observance this year. It has been my long hope that we could have you preach at our church on a Sunday that I could be present, but I am sure that you understand the circumstances which make it impossible for me to be there this year.

At your earliest convenience please send a glossy print and a biographical sketch to my secretary. The committee will need this for publicity purposes.

I might say that we are prepared to offer a modest honorarium of one hundred dollars plus all expenses for your services.

Again, thank you very kindly for accepting the invitation. Our congregation will be looking forward with great anticipation to hearing you.

Very sincerely yours,

Martin L. King, Jr.

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