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Rev. Andrew L. Johnson
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Dear Rev. Johnson:

I appreciate very much your kind letter of March 20 inviting me to take part in the Sunday all Institute worship at Tuskegee Institute on Sunday, November 9, 1969.

Although I would like very much to accept your kind invitation, an appearance on that date would not be possible. My schedule for the fall is already full, primarily with promotional appearances in conjunction with the publication of my book. I regret this, for I would certainly welcome the opportunity to take part in the chapel program.

As a black southerner, Tuskegee Institute occupies a very special place in my life, commanding a great deal of respect and appreciation. For this reason, I am particularly interested in taking part in the life of the Institute, and wonder if an engagement during the spring might be arranged to our mutual satisfaction. I would appreciate hearing from you about this possibility.

Thank you again for your letter and for your invitation. I will look forward to hearing from you again, and until that time, please accept my very best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr.