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Esteemed Coworkers in the Lord's Kingdom,

Your communication dated February 15, in which you listed three resolutions re your synodical affiliation, reached me while I was at home nursing a bad case of the flu. This accounts for my somewhat belated response.

While I appreciate the concern which your resolution expresses, I regret that you are passing judgment upon our entire Synod by stating that you "can no longer consider it to be an orthodox Lutheran body." While in a large church body, as the Missouri Synod has come to be by God's grace, one may find individuals who are promoting liberal views and practices, I personally feel that at this point our Synod as such must still be considered "an orthodox Lutheran body," deserving of our wholehearted moral, financial, and, above all, prayerful support. I would, therefore, plead with you, that, as in the past, we may count on Trinity, Jackson, one of the old, staunch members and supporters of Synod, to continue its allegiance and loyalty.

May the love of Christ constrain you, and may His blessings rest upon you in an ever growing measure.

In Him, I am

Sincerely yours,

H. W. Baxmann

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