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Generissimo Chiang Kai-Shek
President of the Republic of China
Taipeh, Formosa

Dear Sir:

This letter concerns your eventual return to the mainland of China and the reestablishment of a formal system of Christian education there. I hope in the paragraphs that follow to do two things: first of all, I want to give some humble suggestions concerning how Christian education might be established in China; secondly, I wish to offer myself for whatever assistance I might be able to render toward the building of a new Chinese republic and the propagation of Christianity there.

Let me say, before anything else, that I believe China can become a Christian nation in a very real sense of the word. This thing can be accomplished only by the power and grace of God, combined with the prayers and sacrifices of God's people the world around. You will agree that it must be God's will for China to become Christian. And we both know that there are thousands of Christians who are willing and waiting to assist in this giant project.

China as a whole could be called Christian only if the majority of its people individually would believe the Gospel message and accept the Lord Jesus as their own personal Saviour. It is essential, therefore, that each unsaved person in China is reached personally for Christ and instructed in the Bible. By this method, Christianity must become the center of the Chinese culture and the principle by which everything is evaluated and operated. Thus can China become Christian.

The best way to present the Gospel message to the Chinese people today, I believe, is through the Chinese people. I am familiar with the difficulties our missionaries encountered, trying to make themselves one with the people. And in addition to any previous language and social barriers, the Asiatics no longer welcome Western intrusion. China can become Christian when its people hear and believe the Gospel message. The Chinese Christians must be trained to witness to their own people. A formal system of Christian education is the means by which they could be trained.

I have been speaking about the possibilities of establishing

I do not mean to imply that a Christian
trained in a Christian institution, should
remain the food independent of the Church.
Personally I am a firm believer in the
necessity of the local Church, disinterested
in government & free from all national
domination and I believe that most
if not all, Christian work should
be done through the agencies of the
local church. I should like
nothing more than to see Chinese
Christian established Churches throughout
the whole of the land of China.