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Mr. J.H.Huser, President,
Board of Elders of the
Granger C.M.B.Church,
Granger, Texas.

Dear brother Huser:

I am greatly obliged to you for the declaration of intentions by the Board of Elders of the Granger Church, ~~and also for your personal note~~, and I appreciate it all very much, indeed.

As far as I am able to understand the full details of your plan of procedure of electing a new pastor, I think that personally, I may agree in part with your plan as well as to be sympathetic in all your difficulties. But I sincerely doubt that the Synodical Committee will approve any plan where the intentions are to call any un-ordained men either as assistants, regular part time workers, or lay-preachers. Our plan of lay-preachers has developed some harmful aspects and weak points when it is abused by the un-wise. Here is grave danger facing us as a church body. There has been a wave of criticism and much apprehension with our plan of laymen as preachers throughout the entire church. Because, there is an un-holy wave of lack of respect for church authority on the part of some churches, and even on the part of some ministers and some few individuals in our church. I would regret, indeed, to see the very church where the Ev. Jednota was born to be the beginning of the source leading to descension, or even to dissolution of our Ev. Jednota.

However, I would suggest to you to go right ahead with your plan. Mistakes can always be corrected. All mistakes made in good faith can very easily be adjusted if the heart is willing. And after all your plan might be workable.

As for myself I have nothing to say. I do not have the boldness, neither impudence to ask for personal favors in my own behalf. My only desire in this case is to help the Granger Church to find a suitable pastor. Your Granger Church will have to do their own selecting.

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I am inclined to think that either Rev. Kostohryz or Rev. Joe Barton would be very happy to serve your church if properly elected.

By the way, did it occur to you all to elect Rev. Vavrina. He might accept the pastorate of the Granger Church if properly approached. You could increase his salary to the full amount and besides we could give him some other work to do. As you may know that I have been elected in Taylor for 1947, but I would consider to turn Taylor over to Rev. Vavrina if elected in Granger and if it would be agreeable to all concerned --- to Granger, Taylor and also to Rev. Vavrina. I feel rather sure that Taylor will gladly agree to such a plan. I hope you will consider this plan.

Finally, I wish to go on record that personally, I will stand behind the decisions of the Synodical Committee in all their recommendations, because I firmly believe in the brotherly love, respect for church authority, proper church order and purity of faith.

With my very best regards and wishes to you and to members of the Board of Elders, I am,

Sincerely yours,

H. E. Beseda

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