

Telephone call with Harry Taylor - April 16, 1975

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HARRY: Praise the Lord! We have good news. The Camps were cornered over there, and Andy, but they got out this afternoon and they are up in the mountains at Papaya(?). They're in a good, safe spot. They were in a very touchy spot there - we were really worried about them. We are OK - there isn't too much going on in our area here. Sami is in a bad spot, and so is Peter Mankos, our other pastor. There has been firing in their area.

WWK: We just had a call from John Abochobo(?).

HARRY: I told him to call you - I tried to send a cable and it didn't seem to be the best thing to do, so he called. The reason I didn't call was because there was shooting out in the street and I didn't think I should risk it. We stayed in and I had someone else do it. I thought you ought to know that things are all right.

WWK: Do you anticipate that there will be a deterioration and that you may need to think in terms of changes there, or do you think it is going to settle down?

HARRY: We had better just ride it out for the time being. I think probably they will come to some kind of an agreement. It is expected, but this is not certain. We have to kind of watch, and see what develops.

WWK: Do keep in touch with us, by phone if you need to, and we'll keep folks informed here, and we will be praying.

HARRY: We appreciate that, and if our kids could know about it, and we will just have to wait and see what is going to develop. I've been trying to call and couldn't get through, and then through one of our friends we were able to get through to Phoenicia, so it gave us an opportunity to get in touch with you.

WWK: I will notify Evelyn, and also your family, that things are Ok - that you are safe. I just talked with Grady from Bangkok and he said that he expects to go to Beirut within another week or 10 days, and I told him about the call we had just had and he was surprised about the problem. I told him I was sure he would be in touch with you before going in.

HARRY: Do pray for our workers - Sami and Peter - they're in a tight spot at the present time. Sami doesn't think he will be able to come to the conference because of the uncertainty of the situation here, but I don't think we can make a final statement on it for a little bit yet.

Nothing is coming through - we don't have the information you send comes in.

WWK: A letter came from Andy yesterday, but nothing from Bonnie or Norm, and nothing from your office.