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December 17, 1924.

Rev. D. I. Jeffrey,  
Tourane, Annam,  
French Indo-China.

Dear Brother Jeffrey:

Yours of the 25th ult., received.

I note what you say that you and Mrs. Jeffrey do not care to go as early as April 17th per S. S. "Australia", but that you prefer the "Canada" on May 16th. I am booking you on this latter boat, but not cancelling your passage on the "Australia" as yet. Somehow I feel that it would be a great pity for you to miss the Council at St. Paul, and I do not feel that there can be any urgency of circumstances at this end in your work that should influence you to miss the Mission's Annual Council, especially as you have never attended such a meeting. I am sure you will find it epoch making experience to meet so many of the Alliance workers and leaders, and it is something that will affect your whole future ministry in the Alliance. I am reserving your passage on the "Australia", with the hope that you will reconsider your decision to go on the "Australia."

I shall feel very sorry indeed if the Laos trip has to be abandoned. Unless it is made absolutely impossible I hope that the Committee will not lightly drop it.

I was sorry to hear about Thay Thai, and I trust that he may yet be saved for the Lord's work.

I note your remarks with regard to the spiritual need of the Bible School. It is bound to be so, and I trust that God may fill your own soul with His Spirit and grant a blessing in these last months in the Bible School which will indeed bring forth abundant fruit in the lives of the Annamese brethren. We must be prepared, however, for ups and downs, for successes

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and failures. One of the Lord's twelve was a devil, and while we do not hope for such, yet we must not be completely discouraged if there are a few black sheep in the flock. I trust that Brother Smith will be abundantly blessed as he takes on more and more responsibility of the school work. I have a letter from Brother Olson, and he will be very glad to take over the responsibility in the Bible School on his return. Even if Mr. Irwin is appointed to Tourane he ought not to be expected to do more than help in the school.

With regard to my own plans for going home, I cannot say anything definite as yet, but I feel sure the Lord will guide me when the time comes. Mrs. Jaffray and Margaret ought to be in Toronto by now. I have not yet had their letters from Honolulu, but they ought to be here any day now. They were having a good trip according to their letters from Yokohama.

Again wishing you all every blessing for Christmas and the New Year, believe me to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

RAJ/M.

