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Mills, Edgar, 1949-1950.



REV. EDGAR MILLS  
93 SPRUCE STREET  
NEWARK 3, NEW JERSEY  
BIGELOW 3-3806

November 14, 1949.

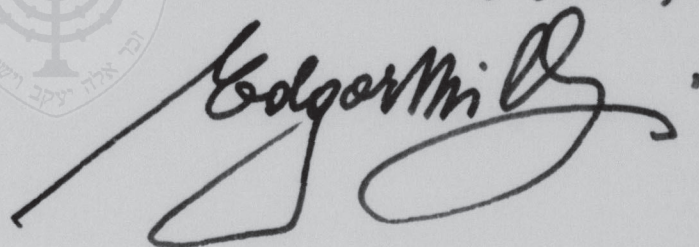
Mr. Alfred R. Willard  
Director of Music  
The Temple  
East 105th Street  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Willard:

Thank you very much indeed for your lovely letter. I still maintain that it is unfair not to have the Cantor at the pulpit but because of the reasons you mentioned in your letter I accept to sing on December 4th.

Looking forward to meeting you, I remain,

very sincerely yours,

  
Edgar Mills



November 17, 1949

Mr. Edgar Mills  
93 Spruce Street  
Newark 3, New Jersey

Dear Cantor Mills:

Mr. Willard has informed me that you have graciously consented to be with us on Sunday morning, December 4th. He will write to you further about it. In the meantime, I have made a hotel reservation for you beginning Saturday, December 3rd, at the Wade Park Manor which is one short block from The Temple. I shall appreciate your letting me know exactly when you plan to arrive in Cleveland.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



December 12, 1949

Mr. Edgar Mills  
93 Spruce Street  
Newark 3, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Mills:

I should like to express to you in the name of The Temple and in my own name our profound appreciation for your beautiful singing on the morning of December 4th in connection with the Service in The Temple. You greatly enriched and beautified our Service. From all sides I have heard expressions of the highest praise and satisfaction with your beautiful rendition of the traditional music of the synagogue. I trust that it will be our pleasure to have you with us soon again. Please be assured of our deep gratitude.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er  
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June 26, 1950

Mr. Edgar Mills  
93 Spruce Street  
Newark 3, N.J.

My dear Mr. Mills:

We enjoyed your singing so much last year that we should like to have you come back during the coming year. Would you be free to come to The Temple - say, one Sunday morning a month for five or six services; - say, the first Sunday of each month beginning in November, or the last Sunday of each month? I should be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience as I am planning to go abroad for the summer.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

AHS:er



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~~NEWARK, N.J.~~ NEW JERSEY

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84 Williamson Av.  
Hillside, N.J.

June 29, 1950.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you very much indeed for your very kind letter of June 26th.  
I wish to express to you my sincere appreciation for your kind  
invitation, I feel greatly honored.

May I suggest the following dates: November 26, December 24, January 28,  
February 25, and March 25. May I ask you to confirm these dates, I'd  
be grateful to you.

With every good wish to you and yours, I remain,

respectfully yours,

Edgar Mills

*Edgar Mills*



July 5, 1950

Rev. Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Reverend Mills:

Rabbi Silver has left for Europe for his summer holiday, and I am, therefore, taking the liberty of replying to your letter of June 29th.

I have discussed the matter with Mr. Luntz, President of The Temple. The dates which you suggest are entirely satisfactory. With regard to honorarium, Mr. Luntz has asked me to advise you that our budget for this purpose is \$1,000, which would include your expenses. We hope that this will meet with your approval, and we shall look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



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July 7, 1950.

Miss Elizabeth Rice  
The Temple  
East 105th Street  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Miss Rice:

Referring to your letter of July 5, I accept, with great pleasure, the invitation to participate in your services. The terms are satisfactory.

May I ask you to confirm the dates of my appearances as I misplaced the copy of my previous letter.

Thanking you, I remain,

sincerely yours,

Edgar Mills

*Edgar Mills*





July 10, 1950

Mr. A. M. Luntz  
Hanna Building  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Luntz:

I received a letter from Edgar Mills this morning indicating that \$1,000 would be satisfactory for the five Sundays in which he will participate in our Services. He understands that this sum includes his expenses.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



July 10, 1950

Rev. Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Rev. Mills:

Thank you for your letter of July 7th. I know that Rabbi Silver will be pleased to learn that you will be with us to participate in our Sunday Morning Services. The dates suggested in your letter of June 29th and which we should like to confirm are as follows: November 26, December 24, January 28, February 25, March 25.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



October 23, 1950

Cantor Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Cantor Mills:

I have spoken with Rabbi Silver regarding the date for your visit to us in December and he states that Sunday, December 31st, will be satisfactory. I hope this will meet with your approval.

We have not yet received the copy of your program, but I presume it will arrive in a day or two.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



OCTOBER 25, 1950

EDGAR MILLS  
84 WILLIAMSON AVENUE  
HILLSIDE, N. J.

PLEASE SEND PROGRAM AND MUSIC AT ONCE. KINDEST REGARDS

ELIZABETH RICE





November 16, 1950

Mr. Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Cantor Mills:

If you have them available, will you please send me at once via air mail three glossy prints so that we may send them to the daily papers in Cleveland.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Silver



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84 Williamstown Av.  
Hillside, N. J.

Nov. 18, 1950.

Dear Miss Rice:

Referring to your letter of November 16, I am sending you 3 glossy prints. - May I ask you to make Hotel Reservations for me at the same Hotel as on my last visit. I'd be grateful to you for your assistance. - I plan to arrive in Cleveland on Saturday (by plane, United Airlines) at about 5.00 P.M.

Thanking you, I remain,

gratefully yours,  
Edgar Mills



November 28, 1950

Station WTAM  
NBC Building  
Cleveland 14 Ohio

Attention: Mr. McCormack

Gentlemen:

Confirming our telephone conversation of November 27th, it is my understanding that your station will carry a portion of our Sunday Morning Service on December 3rd, from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. This is a Service at which Cantor Edgar Mills will appear as soloist with The Temple Choir.

Cantor Mills will also be here on December 31st, January 28th, February 25th and March 25th.

With many thanks for your cooperation, I am

Very cordially yours,

A. M. LUNTZ  
President

AML:er



November 28, 1950

Cantor Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Cantor Mills:

We are all delighted that you will be with us this Sunday and are looking forward to seeing you. Arrangements have been made for a portion of the service to be broadcast.

Following the service Mr. Luntz, President of The Temple, is holding a small luncheon for a few of his friends, some of the key people and personnel of The Temple. He has asked me to extend an invitation to you, and I hope very much that you will be able to attend. The luncheon will be held at the Park Lane Villa which is across from The Temple and will be over, I am sure, by 2 o'clock, in case you are planning to take an afternoon plane.

With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



December 15, 1950

Cantor Edgar Mills  
84 Williamson Avenue  
Hillside, New Jersey

Dear Cantor Mills:

In checking through Rabbi Silver's calendar, I find that he is scheduled to be out of the city on February 25th. We are, therefore, wondering whether you could come on March 4th instead, or as a second choice, February 18th. I shall appreciate hearing from you.

I have made a reservation for you at the Wade Park Manor for December 30th. I understand that Mr. Luntz is having another luncheon following the Service on December 31st to which you are, of course, most cordially invited.

With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you on the 31st,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

P.S. I hope to have a check for \$500 for you when you come.



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84 Williamson Av. Hillside

December 21, 1950.

Dear Miss Rice:

Thank you very much  
for your letter of December 15 and  
for your fine assistance.  
I accept the change of  
dates from Feb. 25 to March 4.  
With every good wish,

Sincerely  
Edgar Mills

12/24  
Mr. Lundy telephoned  
Mr. Mills & arranged  
on 2/18/51.



[December 1950?]

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Hillside, N. J.

Dear Rabbi & Mrs. Silver:

I am sending you  
a picture "Adam & Eve" and I hope  
you will accept it. - After years of  
waiting, I was able, through the  
help of a friend, to save a few from  
Europe. If you would only half as  
much enjoy the picture as I enjoyed  
sending it to you, I shall be very happy  
indeed.

With every good wish,

gratefully,  
Edgar Mills