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The Temple, general, 1960-1961.

MAX BRESSLER  
216 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD  
CHICAGO 6, ILLINOIS

September 7, 1960

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The happy aftermath of the Convention and the steady inflow of good wishes is all about my office this morning. I know that you are probably overwhelmed with all expressions of good will and appreciation for the stirring and heartwarming address you delivered at the most memorable Saturday evening dinner tendered in your honor.

Let me add my own heartfelt "thank you" for your many considerations and kindnesses and for your matchless role, which made this Convention an historic occasion.

In humility and pride I cherish the privilege of associating with you in serving the welfare of our people in the ultimate purposes of Zionism.

I am facing a difficult problem as you know. One of my tasks is to find ways to meet our pressing needs. No less immediate are the tasks of implementing the program adopted at the last Convention - a program of constructive service through the Z.O.A. to Israel and American Jewry.

I shall need financial help - You can be of tremendous assistance to me Dr. Silver, if you could see your way clear to relieve the pressures upon us, one of which is \$3,500 due to the Temple. Is it possible to have these notes converted into a contribution to Kfar Silver for the purpose of financing the summer Ulpan to be conducted in Kfar Silver next summer?

It is my fervent hope that our regions will send 200-300 young men of highschool age to spend their summers in Kfar Silver. Each of them will receive intensive training in the study of Hebrew. I will try to work out an equitable arrangement with the Jewish Agency.

If it is at all possible I would appreciate this help from you.

With warm regards, I am

Most Sincerely Yours,

*Max Bressler*  
Max Bressler

MB:lr



September 12, 1960

Mr. Max Bressler  
216 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago 6, Illinois

My dear Max:

Thank you for your letter of September 7th. I enjoyed the Saturday evening meeting of the ZOA Convention tremendously. Judging by the reaction in the press both here and in Israel, I think that the convention has given the ZOA a great lift. I wish you every success in your work as president of the organization.

With reference to your suggestion that the Temple convert the \$3500 due it from the ZOA into a contribution to Kfar Silver, it is really out of the question. The Temple makes no contributions whatsoever to any cause -- local, national, or in Israel. It urges its members to contribute generously to all good causes. The Temple is satisfied to meet its own budget for its own needs. It was with considerable difficulty that I persuaded the Temple Board to loan the amount to the ZOA. It would be a source of great embarrassment to me and would hurt the position of the ZOA here if the debt now over-due is not paid without further delay.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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January 27, 1961  
(Dict. 1/25/61)

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105<sup>th</sup> Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Silver:

I hope I was able to convey to you on Sunday my delight at the privilege of speaking from the pulpit which has been hallowed throughout the years by your eloquence, leadership and thoughtfulness. It is an opportunity which I shall never forget. Your warmth and hospitality meant much to me and I hope that another opportunity will soon come my way to invite you to come to Keneseth Israel, not by way of reciprocation but by way of giving my people as well as myself another opportunity to hear you.

I was delighted to see you in good health after so many misleading reports. And I hope that God will bless you with great strength and vigor for years to come. Please express my deep appreciation also to Mrs. Silver for her cordial welcome.

Cordially,

*Bert*

Dr. Bertram W. Korn

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February 7, 1961

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

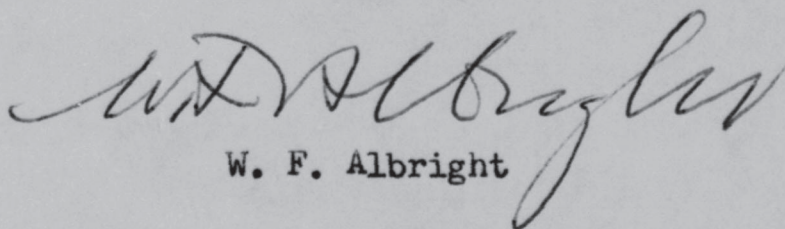
Many thanks for your kindness to me when I was at the Temple on Sunday. I am very much indebted to both your wife and yourself for all your courtesies, especially for taking me out to the airport in a cab in such good time. The flight to Cincinnati was fine, and I arrived home earlier than expected.

I have been reading your manuscript with the greatest interest and profit. It is beautifully written and will, I am sure, prove a great success.

I hope that your son is better now. I was very sorry to miss him.

Helen Glueck called my wife up yesterday evening and said that Nelson had had a typical pneumonia and that she was taking him to Palm Springs (I think it is) for a week's badly needed rest.

Cordially,



W. F. Albright

WFA:ec



February 10, 1961

My dear Dr. Albright:

We thought you might be interested in having the tape recording of the address you delivered at the Temple on January 22nd. It is being mailed to you under separate cover.



Very sincerely yours,

Beatrice F. May (Mrs.)  
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Dr. William F. Albright  
Johns Hopkins University  
Baltimore, Maryland



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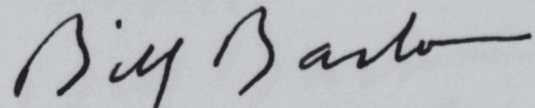
February 23, 1961

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I cannot resist dropping you a short note before I leave for Brazil tomorrow, to express to you the pleasure I had in being a part of your program for Brotherhood Week. However, I would particularly like to tell you about a great privilege it was to hear you speak.

It was a great inspiration to all of us, and I am only sorry I do not live closer to your vicinity to have a chance to become better acquainted with your challenging and stimulating views.

Sincerely,



William E. Barlow

Rabbi Abba Hillil Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio



OPHIR COTTAGE  
PURCHASE, NEW YORK

May 4, 1961

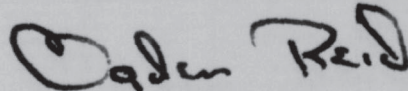
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I was touched that both you and Mrs. Silver took the trouble to greet me at the plane, and to drive me to the opera. It was most enjoyable being with your son and daughter-in-law on that evening, and for the tour of Cleveland on Sunday afternoon.

More than this, of course, it was a high privilege to have the opportunity of meeting your distinguished Congregation, and to learn something of the work of The Temple.

I will certainly look forward to seeing you when next you are in New York, and, again, my best regards to you and Mrs. Silver.

Sincerely yours,



Ogden R. Reid

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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East 105th Street and Silver Park  
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