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LA PORTE SUNDAY EVENING CLUB

METHODIST CHURCH

LA PORTE, INDIANA

December 21, 1942

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A year ago a group of people in the Methodist Church of La Porte, undertook to sponsor a Sunday Evening Club similar in many respects to the Sunday Evening Club of Chicago. We try to have outstanding religious leaders as speakers about every two weeks from October to May.

We have had some great ministers during the past year with excellent response in the way of audiences.

Dr. John Holland, Station WLS, Chicago, was scheduled for December 20; Dr. Carl S. Winters, Oak Park Baptist Church, for January 10, and Bishop Alexander P. Shaw of Baltimore, Maryland, is scheduled to speak on February 14.

Rabbi Louis Mann of Chicago, spoke here last winter and intended to be on our program this year, but his health has forced him to cancel the engagement.

My committee has asked me to write you and determine whether or not you could speak for our congregation this winter. Our programs start at 7:30 or 8:00 P.M., on Sunday night and are closed at 9:30. You could choose any Sunday except those mentioned above. We are on the main line of the New York Central Railroad. The very best trains stop here going to and from the East coast, because of the large Kingsbury Ordnance Plant which is located near La Porte.

We are in a position to pay traveling expenses and a reasonable honorarium and we could meet you at the Air Port in South Bend if passage could be arranged on the plane.

Dr. Charles W. Gilkey of Chicago University, who spoke here December 6, recommended you so highly we will make any special effort necessary if an engagement can be arranged.

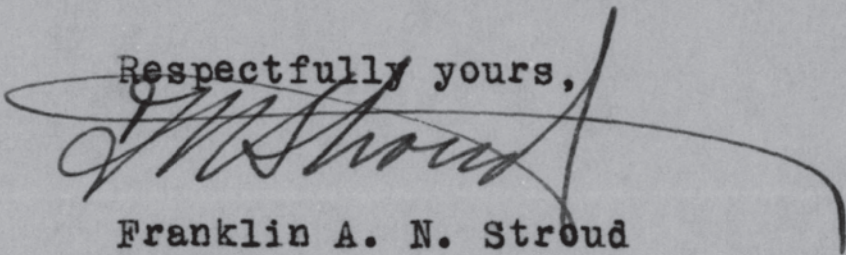
Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

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December 21, 1942

Will you kindly write me about the prospects of having
you in La Porte.

Respectfully yours,



Franklin A. N. Stroud
Director

FANS:rt



December 28, 1942

Mr. Franklin A. N. Stroud, Director
La Porte Sunday Evening Club
La Porte, Indiana

My dear Mr. Stroud:

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to address the Sunday Evening Club of the Methodist Church of La Porte. I feel highly honored that you thought of me and I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately I find it very difficult to get away on a Sunday. I have already committed myself to three Sunday engagements out of town, which is more than I usually do. I must be in my own pulpit on that day and there are numerous congregational duties which I must perform on Sundays.

With all good wishes and hoping that I may be of service to you at some future time, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

PRESTON SHOLLY.
PRESIDENT

MRS. RECTOR FERGASON
SECRETARY

LA PORTE SUNDAY EVENING CLUB
METHODIST CHURCH

LA PORTE, INDIANA

January 2, 1943

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

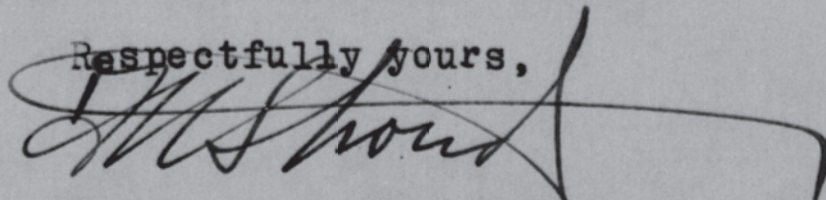
I appreciate your letter of December 28 very much. You may be sure I understand something of your problem in getting away on Sunday.

Our fall season starts in October about the 15th. We would like to have you consider us for a Sunday evening engagement next winter if there is any possibility of including us in your crowded schedule.

We have enjoyed great success with these Sunday night meetings, but we know the future success depends on our getting the leading speakers and thinkers representing all Churches. My committee has authorized me to say that if conditions will permit you to be with us next winter, we can offer an honorarium of \$100 including transportation. I know the honorarium is not of importance to you, but our people feel that the type of people we are getting are entitled to a reasonable amount for their trouble.

I sincerely hope you will give us a date next winter.

Respectfully yours,



Franklin A. N. Stroud
Director

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To Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

January 7, 1943

Care of or Apt. No. The Temple

'Phoned 10:00 AM

Street and No. Cleveland, Ohio.

Place

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MONDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 22nd HOTEL ST. GEORGE BROOKLYN AT WHICH OVER 1500 WILL

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MRS. DAVID SOBEL, PRES.

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To RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER January 7, 1943. 19

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To Mrs. David Sobel, Pres.

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Street and No. Brooklyn, N.Y.

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January 7, 1943.

Mr. Franklin A. N. Stroud, Director,
LaPorte Sunday Evening Club,
LaPorte, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Stroud:

Thank you for your kind letter. I would suggest that you write me early in the Fall and if my schedule will permit, I shall make every effort to come to you. I cannot at the present moment commit myself so far ahead.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:bw



LA PORTE SUNDAY EVENING CLUB

METHODIST CHURCH

LA PORTE, INDIANA

September 17, 1943

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We had correspondence last winter and spring about your coming to LaPorte this winter to speak on our Sunday Evening Club program. Again we are arranging our list of speakers which our Club will present during this season.

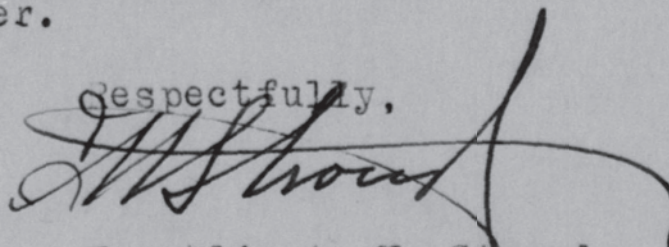
We are extremely anxious to have you favor us with an appearance this winter. Our meetings are held every two weeks on a Sunday night in the main auditorium of the Methodist Church. We can almost adjust the Sunday night to suit your convenience because we do not meet every Sunday, and because there are no set dates for meetings. We hope to start the series in October, and would like to have you some time in November or early December.

You probably know that LaPorte is located on the main line of the New York Central Railroad. Practically all trains stop here because of the Kingsbury Ordinance Plant which is only seven miles from the city. Also planes from Cleveland arrive regularly in South Bend, and we could meet you there.

It is possible for us to pay an honorarium of \$100.00. Mrs. Stroud and I personally will take care of any expenses you have while in LaPorte.

Will you kindly review your very busy schedule and let me know whether or not you could accept an engagement at our Church this winter.

Respectfully,



Franklin A. N. Stroud
Director

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First National Bk. Bldg.
LaPorte, Indiana

September 22, 1943

Mr. Franklin A. N. Stroud
First National Bank Bldg.
La Porte, Indiana

My dear Mr. Stroud:

I feel very embarrassed but I must for the second time forego the pleasure of accepting your kind invitation to participate in your Sunday Evening Club program. Within the last month I have assumed heavy responsibilities in connection with the Zionist Movement of the United States, and I have been constrained to cancel most of the engagements which I had previously made for the coming season. My new duties will necessitate my being East a considerable part of each week and I must therefore deny myself the pleasure of accepting many invitations which normally I should be most happy to accept.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK