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Mentor, Ohio, 1935-1954.

Little Mountain Road, Mentor, Ohio, February 26, 1935.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Silver:

We are planning as part of the Lenten observance in the Mentor Church of Christ a series of addresses upon "Resurrection Causes", e.g., peace, economic justice, etc. Each speaker will present some one cause.

The contribution that the Jewish religious leaders, and the synagogue, is making for new life has not been presented in Mentor, so far as I know. I believe it would be a distinct educational experience for the better if we could have one of your leaders speak upon some such topic as, "The Jewish Contribution to a Better World."

I regret that there must be a joker in my invitation. We will not be in a position to give any large financial remuneration. That does not mean we will not make every effort to make the meeting worth the while as an educational experience.

I would appreciate it if you could give me some assistance in arranging a speaker for the occasion. What would be the probable terms upon which a suitable speaker could be obtained. The date would be in the week beginning April 14th.

Yours with sincere appreciation,

Minister, Mentor Church of Christ.

March 22, 1935. Rev. John J. Scott, Mentor Church of Christ, Little Mountain Road, Mentor. Ohio. My dear Rev. Scotts Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city a great deal of the time and my correspondence has accordingly lagged. I appreciate very much your kind invitation to address your Church some time during the week of April 14. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my work here and the number of lecture engagements already scheduled out of town make it impossible for me to accept any additional obligations this season. However, my associate, Rabbi David Sherman may be free to address your group. If you are interested. get in touch with him. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

June 21, 1949 Mrs. Carl Pierson Midland Road Mentor, Ohio Dear lirs. Pierson: I spoke with Rabbi Silver about the possibility of his appearing before the Willoughby Women's Club on Friday, February 17th, and he has asked me to express his deep regret at his inability to comply with your request. As I explained to you, Friday evening services are held in our Chapel and Rabbi Silver tries to make a practice of being in his Study Friday afternoons. In addition, our Temple is entering its centennial year, and because of that there will be numerous affairs going on throughout the entire coming year commemorating that occasion, and Rabbi Silver feels that it would not be fair either to the congregation or to himself to be away from The Temple any more than is absolutely necessary. Will you, therefore, express to the members of your group Rabbi Silver's regrets and his sincere thanks for your kind invitation to address the Club. Sincerely yours, Secretary to Rabbi Silver er

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November 4, 1954 Miss Dorothy M. Eadon Willoughby-Eastlake Teacher's Association Munson Road Mentor, Ohio My dear Miss Eadon: Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of October nineteenth and for your gracious invitation to address your spring banquet in May. Please forgive the long delay in responding. I have been out of the city most of the time and my correspondence has unfortunately latted. I regret that my schedule for the coming weason will not permit my acceptance of your kind invitation. Wishing you all success, however, I remain Very cordially yours, ABBA HILLEL SILVER AHS: rms

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