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March 18, 1936.

Cable Address—"ECCLEPAX, NEW YORK"  
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Dr. Abba H. Silver,  
East 105th Street and Ansell Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

When I was in Cleveland some weeks ago you were kind enough to say that you thought you might be able to accept an invitation to speak at our Council Meeting at Millville, N.J. some time in May.

We can arrange the date to suit your convenience. Preferably for us, it would be along about the 20th - 25th of May. Millville is about 40 miles southeast of Philadelphia. We would meet you in an automobile at Philadelphia and would be very happy to entertain you at our home near Millville. If it should be necessary for you to leave the same evening, we can take you back to Philadelphia, or any other point, so you can catch a train with ease and comfort.

This Council is doing for our community what no other agency has been able to do in the past. We are liberizing thought and interesting the people in a much wider world than they have known heretofore. We hold one of these mass meetings every year and the auditorium of the highschool is filled. The people who come are there as our guests, there is no financial obligation, we take no collection and we charge no admission. Out of our fees we pay the expenses - the rent of the hall and the publicity, and if you can come, we will of course, be happy to pay your expenses. If you can give me a date which we can count on and will let me know at once, it will please a large circle of your friends and admirers, and I will consider it a great personal favor.

We are going ahead with our plans for a meeting in Cleveland in December. I will have something further to say to you about this later on and when I see you in May, will tell you what our decisions are.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Henry A. Atkinson*



March 24, 1936

Dr. Henry A. Atkinson,  
70 Fifth Ave.,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Atkinson:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 18 and for the invitation which you extend to me to address your Council Meeting at Millville, N.J. some time in May. I wish I were free to come. However, I have accepted the chairmanship of the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign for Cleveland which is to be launched in May. This Campaign is to raise a quarter of a million dollars for foreign relief and for the many local charities. The entire month of May will therefore be devoted to this important task.

Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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Dr. A.H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
East 105th and Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

I am sorry that you cannot be with us in May, but  
I can see that you have a thoroughly good reason for feeling that  
you cannot take on any other responsibilities. Perhaps we can ar-  
range this for the fall - say in October.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Henry A. Atkinson*





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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
"The Temple"  
East 105th St. and Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to you again in regard to an address before my pet organization, the Millville Council on Foreign Relations, of Millville, N. J.

My summer home is near the city of Millville and I can meet you in Philadelphia. Mrs. Atkinson and I will be very happy to have you spend the night with us and we can get you back to the train early the next day. We can make the date either January 19th or January 26th. We will have an audience of a thousand people and you will get a great reception and see a unique group of citizens who are gradually transforming a whole community. Unfortunately, we have very little money to offer in the way of honorarium, but of course would expect to pay your expenses and \$50.00 in addition.

You could leave on the Pennsylvania R.R. late the night before the date scheduled for the address, arriving in Philadelphia in plenty of time the next day. Returning to Cleveland we can see that you catch a train any time at your convenience.

I do hope that you can accept this invitation for you have a large number of friends in the city, and while we have had a number of Christian leaders address the audience, including Dr. Cadman and Senator Pope, we have never had a Rabbi. Will you let me know whether or not you can come, and whether either of these dates would be acceptable.

With all good wishes, and thanking you in advance for your reply,  
I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Henry A. Atkinson*



December 14, 1936

Dr. Henry A. Atkinson,  
World Alliance for International  
Friendship Through the Churches,  
70 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Atkinson:

I need not tell you that I am deeply appreciative of your renewed invitation to address the Millville Council on Foreign Relations and I do wish that I were free to come. I am, however, scheduled to attend the Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, in New Orleans the middle of January. I plan to be away about ten days and that means that I will not be able to accept any-out-of town invitations for some time thereafter. There is a possibility of my coming East in March or April. If I do, I shall be very happy to communicate with you and perhaps it will be possible to fit our schedules into one another.

With all good wishes and thanking you again for your thoughtfulness in writing to me, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK