

MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF PORTO RICO  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

P. O. BOX 1115

SAN JUAN, P. R.

June 11th 1928.

My dear Bishop

I have Dr Gray's letter advising me of the action taken at the recent meeting of the Dept. Of Missions in accepting your offer to take \$1000. off the cost of your house and adding that much to Mr Valentine's, thus making available for the latter \$3000. instead of \$2000. I am delighted at this and congratulate you and Mr Valentine on this success. The plans sent me last week by Mr Valentine came too late for that mail but my approval and recommendation of them will go forward on this one. Don't suppose this will be necessary but it will save time in case it may be. My only suggestion is in regard to the selection of lumber. Am sure if you and Mr Valentine go to a dealer and ask for the favor, they will allow you to select much better lumber than they will give to Alejo or any other builder. Some of the lumber we get nowadays is not worth the labor used in putting it in a building.

Also Dr Gray writes me that they passed a resolution allowing you to use \$500. this year from the appropriation for the Priest's salary for the use of the farm. Am delighted also at this, and hope Miss Leary can send you some of this when she returns from the States, which will be on the 18th of this month. Am hoping to get over again soon to see you, possibly next week.

With continued delight that the Valentines are so happily placed and with warm regards to you all, I am ever,

Very sincerely yours,

+ Chas B. Colver.

Bishop Colmore

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For the above item you will have to deduct \$16.66 from my personal check. Both checks, one for 45.50 and one for \$98.16 to be made out to and sent to Ruth Valentine. All matters in this relation should be referred to her.

We shall be very, very busy for the next few weeks organizing the religious activities of this church and its several Missions and introducing to the people the new staff and plans accorded.

Will you please send money available for repairs for this year so that I may turn it over to Mr. Valentine as we are having heavy expenses with water and other matters that we both think necessary to attend to at once.

Thanking you and anticipating the pleasure of having you with us, I am

Sincerely yours

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