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Charles Parham to Apostolic Faith Ministers, 1915

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Dear Ones all-;

I am not surprised at the double crossing and work of the enemy I have suffered untold things to preach the Full Gospel and will explain to you and all fair minded people briefly how the thing came about that they are peddling there now it has been peddled all over the country and thrashed out long ago but is new in Cheney

When the leaders of what is now the Holy Rollers started their work they insisted that I join them and when I refused too they turned to fight me with a bitterness that was only equaled in the dark ages according to one of them who confessed on His death bed there were nine of them who held a secret meeting and took solemn vow to get rid of by fair or foul means even if it took death so when I was in a town where the Mayor was part Negro Mexican and white and He was a catholic too and fought me terribly tried to stop my meeting ect ect then three of them came and offered to produce evidence of my filthiness and paid an official a certain amount to take me up and get a confession from me so one day an officer said to me you are wanted to explain certain things over here so I went with Him into a room in some city building when I got in there they produced a paper for me to sign said that they had all the evidence they needed and that if I signed this confession I would get off light I said no never then there came in three rough necks from side room who proceeded to beat me up in a most terrible third degree every once in while they would say sign sign and we will quite I refused I said you can Kill me but Ill not sign when I was hurled into a corner nearly dead they then threw me into a chair and one with a gun another with fist doubled up threatened me if I hindered them they would use one or the other on me almost fainting a third person put a pen in my hand and with his hand traced my name on the paper then the official wrote something more and called in these three enemies who were preachers of the Holy Rollers and they laid down some money and said there is the rest of what we agreed to give you for this confession and took it then they mailed and sent it all over the country I was kicked into the hall and got away slowly to my friends these men didnt bring the officer any thing against me so he saw he had been double crossed by them and that I had been Framed he said to me well Im sorry but hwats done cant be mended so on I was forced to go my weary way hated despised working for God and Humanity while in Zion city posters as big as barns were stuck up all about my meeting house with this confessing printed in immense letters yet my meetings went right on and hundreds came and many were saved and blest by the power of God

It has only been the Miracle working power of God that has kept me going time and again I have nearly Given up the fight yet I am willing to go to the stake and be burned for the truth of this full Gospel and for my people God has Given me thru these years

Now dont seem to fight or bother my enemies there as they dont know my heart and dont know how I would love to see them all mightily saved and have not a thing in my heart against them and could say Father forgive them for they know not what they do they can only do what God permits and that I am willing to suffer and bear His service is my delight God bless you all

Chas F Parham

Dear Sister Pauline Parham;-

August 25, 1979

I have the original copy of this letter. I have been a minister of the Apostolic Faith Since August 8, 1912.

I received this Letter in 1915 in my early ministry from Brother Charles F. Parham, I Ministered with HIM many times in Revivals and Camp Meetings, Where scores were Saved and many Miracles of Healing

After the many years of associating With Brother Parham in Revelals and Camp meeting, I found HIM to be a great and most Wonderful man of GOD, Yours Respectfully and in HIS Service

Homer Coberly
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