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Dear Charles:

I appreciate your 10 August letter and the enclosures which I found on my desk upon returning from vacation this week. Many thanks for your suggestions and also for the reprints of your articles. I am sorry to hear about the automobile accident involving your wife and daughter, and I trust they are well on their way to full recovery.

As you will see from the enclosed news release, the American Society of Missiology was launched in a meeting last June at Scarritt College by professors of mission and others interested in studying the missionary dimension of the Christian Church. One of the notable features of the A.S.M. is the fact that it has attracted and seeks to include within its membership a broad range of theological and church traditions, and this spread of representation is indicated in part on this letterhead in the membership of the Continuation Committee that is seeking to carry forward some of the concerns and commitments of this new Society.

The A.S.M. is proposing to launch a scholarly journal of missiology in 1973. Dr. Alan R. Tippett, Professor of Missionary Anthropology at the Graduate School of World Mission of Fuller Theological Seminary, has agreed to serve as editor.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to serve as a member of the editorial board of the new journal. The editorial board of twelve persons will serve in an advisory capacity to the editor, and the editor in turn will feel free to call upon members of the board for counsel as to the general editorial policies of the journal as well as for such specific tasks as reviewing manuscripts that are submitted for publication which are in the special field of interest of the respective board members. We hope that members of the editorial board would feel a special sense of responsibility for promoting the bournal among their associates and for contributing to it from their own research and writing. We would hope to arrange for an annual meeting of the editorial board at the time and place of the annual meeting of the A.S.M. I hope

we may count on your willingness to cooperate in this important new venture which can only serve to strengthen the cause of world mission studies on an ecumenical basis. I look forward to hearing from you at your early convenience.

With every good wish and warm personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

Gerald H. Anderson

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Enclosure