

Feb. or March, '66

September 25, 1965

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Mr. Paul R. Orjala  
Nazarene Theological Seminary  
1700 East Meyer Boulevard  
Kansas City, Missouri 64131

Dear Mr. Orjala:

How pleased I am to hear from you after these four years! I am delighted to know of your many activities, particularly that you are emphasizing the growth of the church in your missionary teaching.

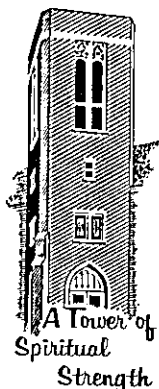
In regard to your kind invitation that I come to the Nazarene Theological Seminary to give four lectures in February or March, 1966, I possibly could. It would be very much easier to accept if the four lectures could be one on Monday night and three on Tuesday. Is this possible? I carry a full teaching load here and seldom accept an invitation which takes me away from the students who have gathered here from all over the world especially for these courses.

All good wishes and high regards.

Sincerely yours in Him,

Donald McGavran

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# NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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DEPARTMENT  
OF MISSIONS  
PAUL R. ORJALA

September 21, 1965

Dr. Donald McGavran  
Institute of Church Growth  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Dr. McGavran:

I met you at the Summer Institute of Linguistics at Norman, Oklahoma, in 1961. I spent fourteen years as a missionary of the Church of the Nazarene in Haiti, and I am hoping to finish my Ph. D. through the Hartford Seminary Foundation this year or next. Last year I returned from Haiti permanently to head up the department of missions at our seminary, so this is the beginning of my second year of teaching here.

The teaching process has been very gratifying, as I have had some excellent students. Last year I taught linguistics, anthropology, mission theory, practice of missions, adult literacy, journalism. This year I am adding a seminar in church growth, which incidently receives heavy emphasis in my other missions courses.

In addition, I direct for our denomination each summer a week's workshop for furloughing missionaries and a two-week orientation institute for out-going missionaries. We put heavy emphasis on the church growth viewpoint in both of these, using HOW CHURCHES GROW as a springboard of discussion. I am thrilled with the content and spirit of CHURCH GROWTH AND CHRISTIAN MISSION.

Now, to the point. Is there any possibility that you could come here to our seminary for lectures, this year or any time? Our full days for classes are Tuesday through Friday. The normal lecture schedule would be four lectures given in two days. This could be any two days when we have full classes. I am looking for a lecturer for February or March 1966, but we would be interested in the following year or two if you could arrange it. We have a \$200.00 honorarium available for this, and we would take care of your air fare and entertainment here in addition. Please let me know if there is any possibility this year or any time in the next two years.

Sincerely,

*Paul R. Orjala*  
Paul R. Orjala

Graduate School of Theology for the Church of the Nazarene

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October 22, 1965

Dr. Paul R. Orjala  
Nazarene Theological Seminary  
1700 East Meyer Boulevard  
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Dear Dr. Orjala:

Thank you for your letter of October 18. The program which you set up in your third paragraph is excellent.

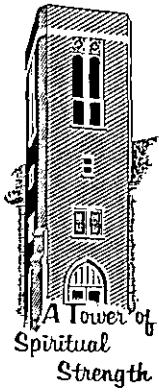
The inter-seminary evening Tuesday night is also quite agreeable to me. My one suggestion is that instead of making it purely an informal meeting, we plan for an address followed by informal discussion and an opportunity to meet and talk with friends from other seminaries. The topic that I had in mind for such an address would be - let us say - "The Tension Between Evangelization and Discipling in Christian Mission Today." Alternatively we could leave the subject of that evening open until nearer the time.

Every good wish to you.

Sincerely yours in Him,

Donald McGavran

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October 18, 1965

Dr. Donald McGavran  
Institute of Church Growth  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Dr. McGavran:

February 15 and 16 will work out best for us, so we will plan on this and get preliminary announcements out to the other seminaries and interested groups. I'll check to be sure, but I believe your lectures will also be aired on our seminary FM radio station unless you prefer that they not be. We usually broadcast our special lecture series.

Thank you for having bibliographic material and a cut sent to us.

If we follow our usual special lecture schedule, the first lecture will be Tuesday morning at 9:45 with the second lecture at about 11:45. You will have approximately 45 minutes for each lecture, but this is flexible and we do not want our speakers to feel bound by this. (When I gave the missions lectures in 1961, some of them were over an hour! and some of the faculty and students stayed around for another 15 minutes of questions.) The two lectures the second day will be at the same times. We would like to have a luncheon open to students and faculty, probably Wednesday, with a question time afterward. You would be free then to travel immediately after this. I believe there is a good jet connection a little later in the afternoon which will get you back to L. A. about dinner time.

If we can arrange for a special inter-seminary evening Tuesday night, more or less informal and probably in our lounge, would you like to do something like this? I don't want to work you to death, but we do want to take advantage of what will be a very special privilege for us here in Kansas City. Feel free to say no, and give us any suggestions that may occur to you.

Sincerely,  
*Paul R. Orjala*  
Paul R. Orjala

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*Excellent!*  
*The Transition Between Evangelicalism or Disciple*  
*an address followed by informal discussion.*

February

October 13, 1965

Dr. Paul R. Orjala  
Nazarene Theological Seminary  
1700 East Meyer Boulevard  
Kansas City, Missouri 64131

Dear Dr. Orjala:

I have just been looking over your letters of September 21 and October 11, and in view of the fact that you anticipate that St. Paul's Methodist, Central Baptist, and Midwest Baptist may well cooperate in this series of lectures, I think I had better reverse myself and choose a date in the middle of the week. So I am suggesting that February 15 and 16 or 8 and 9 would be the best time for me.

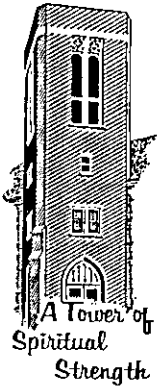
I am asking the Public Relations Department of the seminary to send you biographical material and a cut that you may like to use.

I am pleased at the prospect of meeting you and being at the Nazarene Theological Seminary. One of your missionaries to Japan is taking work at the School of World Mission this fall, and I trust that we shall have many further contacts through the years.

Sincerely yours in His obedience,

Donald McGavran

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OF MISSIONS  
PAUL R. ORJALA

October 11, 1965

Dr. Donald McGavran  
Institute of Church Growth  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Dr. McGavran:

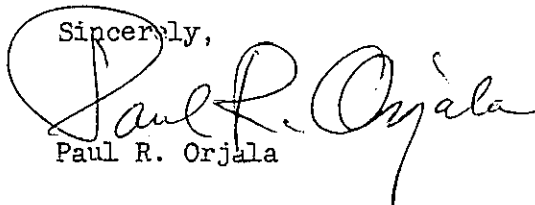
We are delighted that there is a possibility that you can come to our seminary for lectures next February or March.

After consulting with Dr. L. T. Corlett, our president, may I make the following suggestions to help you in selecting the dates. We would prefer having the lectures in some two-day combination from Tuesday to Friday. However, if it is a choice of coming or not, we certainly want you to come as you suggested for a lecture Monday night and three lectures on Tuesday. The reason for avoiding the night lectures is that some students work nights, and I would like you to have a maximum hearing in our student body.

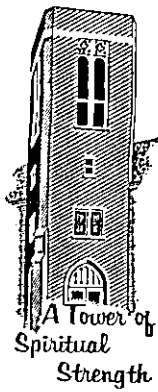
There are two weeks in February and March when we cannot have the lectures. They are February 21-25 and March 14-18. Otherwise you may choose at your convenience.

As soon as we hear from you we will get it into our calendar and send preliminary announcements to the three other seminaries in town, as I am sure they will want to participate (St. Paul's Methodist, Central Baptist, and Midwest Baptist).

Sincerely,

  
Paul R. Orjala

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Hubbard*



# NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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PAUL R. ORJALA

January 5, 1966

Dr. Donald A. McGavran  
Institute of Church Growth  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
134 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Dr. McGavran:

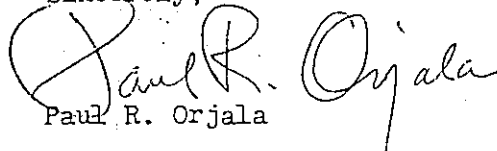
Plans for your visit and lectures with us are going ahead as indicated in my previous letters.

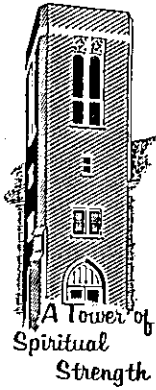
We made a preliminary announcement of this at the November meeting of the Kansas City Theological Society, and we want to send a final letter of announcement and invitation again to the seminaries and pastors at the end of this month.

I have the title of your address for the Tuesday evening inter-seminary meeting ("The Tension Between Evangelization and Discipling in Christian Mission Today"). Could you send me the general topic of your four morning lectures and/or individual topics so that we can use this in promotion?

If you wish, we can send you a check for the amount of your air fare in advance, or take care of that when you get here. Just let me know your preference. Also we will plan to meet you at the airport when we know of your reservations, and we shall make hotel reservations for your stay here. If there is anything else we can do to facilitate your visit with us, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
Paul R. Orjala



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DEPARTMENT  
OF MISSIONS  
PAUL R. ORJALA

*S.S.  
Dear Mr. Orjala  
I wish I could stay for  
that week in your meeting but it  
is impossible after engagements  
I shall be seeing you then  
TWA #96 arriving Feb. 14th  
Monday. Sincerely, P. Orjala*

January 19, 1966

Dr. Donald McGavran  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Dr. McGavran:

Thank you for the titles of your lectures. We shall plan to meet you on Monday, February 14, when you arrive on TWA Flight 96.

There is just one thing I would like word from you on. I think in my previous correspondence I indicated that we usually have a Wednesday noon luncheon open to pastors and visitors, as well as for faculty and students, after which we open the floor for questions to the visiting lecturer. It may be that you will need to catch the 2:00 p.m. plane *or LA 3:00* in order to return in time to your duties--in which case we will just forget about the luncheon and question hour. I have checked with the airlines and discovered that the next flight does not leave until 7:05 p.m., arriving in L. A. at 8:05 (by Continental), which would mean a considerably longer delay here. It may be that having the Tuesday evening address would also give opportunity for questions afterward which could substitute for the Wednesday noon hour.

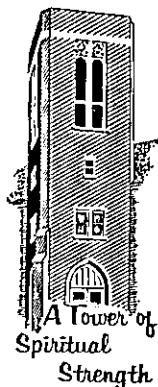
We are already keeping you quite busy, and we do not want to impose on you further. However, if you have the time to spare and are interested in the Wednesday noon luncheon and question hour, we will schedule that and get a letter out for reservations. We plan to send our final letter of announcement about February 1.

We are certainly looking forward to your coming. Our recent denominational conference on evangelism (here in Kansas City last week) has paved the way for increased interest, and I am sure that faculty, students, and visitors alike will be ready for your message. Our prayers are with you as you come.

Sincerely,

*Paul R. Orjala*  
Paul R. Orjala





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February 2, 1966

Dr. Donald McGavran  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

*No ans needed*

Dear Dr. McGavran:

We received your letter and are planning the events accordingly, with the Tuesday evening lecture (with some time for questions) replacing the Wednesday noon luncheon session.

Letters have gone out to the pastors, seminaries, ministerial association representatives; and we hope to get a good write-up in the Kansas City Star. We are trusting and praying for a very profitable time with you here.

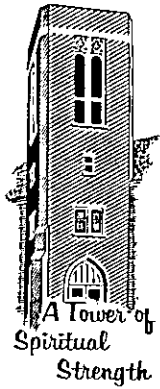
We'll meet your plane Monday the 14th, at <sup>4:45</sup> 9:40 p.m. on TWA 96.

Sincerely,

*Paul R. Orjala*  
Paul R. Orjala

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*Tickets ordered 3/2/66*



# NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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DEPARTMENT  
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PAUL R. DRJALA

February 9, 1966

School of World Mission  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
135 North Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, California 91101

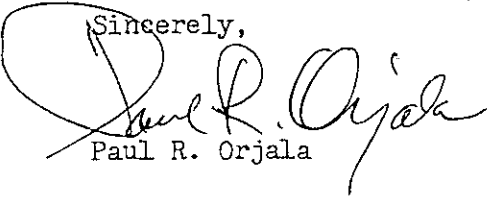
Dear Sirs:

Please send me a copy of Dr. McGavran's 1955 address on, "The Discipling of Africa in This Generation," as mentioned in the January CHURCH GROWTH BULLETIN.

Would you please also send a copy to our denomination secretary of world missions, Dr. E. S. Phillips, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, Mo. 64131.

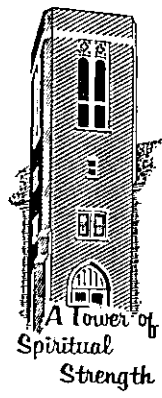
Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

  
Paul R. Orjala

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*Kansas City*



# NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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DEPARTMENT  
OF MISSIONS  
PAUL R. ORJALA

February 24, 1966

Dr. Donald McGavran  
School of Missions  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
Pasadena, California

Dear Dr. McGavran:

Your visit and lectures at our seminary have proven to be most stimulating. I've had a constant stream of students coming in for conferences as part of the result. I can't say how much we appreciate your taking time from your busy schedule to "come over into Macedonia and help us". For one thing, I think the faculty now understands a little more about what I am trying to do. We have had a number of stimulating discussions at lunch and elsewhere.

I do intend to get some writing done, and I shall try to get the requested 900-word article to you for the Church Growth Bulletin. I have appreciate the notes and articles in there so much, and I guess it would be selfish; for me not to share some of the experiences the Lord has given me when they might help someone else.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would have the following two items sent to me:

- 1) "How to Make a Church Growth Survey"
- 2) "Bridge into Mexico"

Would it be too much to ask for two copies each of these?

Again, thank you so much. We shall be looking forward to seeing you again this June in Pasadena, if possible. Blessings on you.

Sincerely,

*Paul R. Orjala*  
Paul R. Orjala

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TWENTIETH CENTURY MISSIONARY STRATEGY

What Is The Strategy Demanded by the remain three decades in the 20th century?

Almost we need a strategy for the 21st Century....

Four Main Elements of This Strategy

I. We need theological certainty that a prerequisite to all advance is multiplication of churches.

A. Component parts of church multiplication

1. Proclamation of Jesus Christ as divine and only Saviour
2. Persuading men to become His disciples
3. Integrating them into living churches (built according to) ~~xxxx~~
4. The indefinitely reproduceable pattern, ~~xxxxxxx~~

B. The certainty must be theological. Church multiplication must be what God desires.

Many of my fellow ministers in America turn from evangelism and church multiplication because this brings to their mind immediately denominational rivalry and "We Methodists must not fall behind in the race. We must not let the Southern Baptists get ahead."

This is to miss the real issue: As obedient servants of God what must we do?

In view of the 2 billion who do not know of Christ at all, what does God our Saviour ~~want~~ command us?

Strategy in the 20th century must go forward believing that ~~the~~ fantastic multiplication of churches is God's will for today.

II. Today's Strategy Must See the Mosaic with its Responsive and Resistant Pieces.

A. The population of the world not a homogeneous whole

The population of the world made up of hundreds, thousands, hundreds of thousands of separate pieces ~~xxxxxxx~~... The Eta in Japan.

The Samurai in Japan of 1880.

The Turks in Germany

The Italians in Brazil

The Japanese in Brazil

The 131 tribes in Central Nigeria

B. Some pieces of the mosaic are ~~responsive~~ resistant

C. Some pieces ~~in~~ are responsive: Braceros in USA

D. Today's Strategy Must Go to the Responsive First as of the highest theological priority - believing that when God has ripened a people, He Himself intends that we should reap them first

### III. Massive Research in Church Growth

A. What Industry spends.....

What Education spends.....

What the Post Office Spends.....

What Christian Mission Spends.....

B. The Tremendous Experience of the Church in Church Growth.....

It has grown

It is growing

C. But Locked up in Denominational, Geographical, and Linguistic pockets.

The fact

The block to ready circulation of church growth books.....

Send church growth books to your missionaries

read them yourselves

discover all that is known about church growth

provide subsidy for church growth books

finance your missionary friend through a year's special study of c.g.

### IV, Hard Bold Plans to Multiply Churches

The greatest enemy of Christian Mission is

- fuzzy mission work
- generalized mission work
- splendid mission work
- good kindly aimless mission work

Ask yourself: how will this mission

activity lead to the establishment of more churches...

An uncomfortable question

A revolutionary question

It will lead ~~among~~ many missionaries to Gethsemane.

Study other denominations to see what they are doing which plants churches  
copy them

The Latin American Church Growth Study

Presbyterians in Tabasco....Assemblies in El Salvador

Congregacao Cristan in St Paulo....Methodist Pentecostals in Chile

Baptists in Rio de Janeiro..... *Anglicans in Rwanda*  
*Disciples of Christ in Congo*

Do not worship your plan...Use it

If it does not deliver church growth throw it away.

Nevius: winter school, he paid the way back, fed, and housed them.

You men and women on the way to the field....look for what plants churches  
You ministers and supporters from the homeland....let your missionaries know

that you want them to be using hard bold plans to plant churches

Let us all ~~pray that~~ read the New Testament to see its hard bold plans

Let us pray that God may use us - use us up entirely - in clear definite  
plans for discipling the nations in this century.