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To all members of the New Apostolic Church in the United States, Canada and Great Britain

My dear Brethren in Christ,

You have all been informed of the message that was received by our beloved Chief Apostle, that the dear Lord has promised to come in his lifetime. It is in order that these words be brought into every New Apostolic home that we print herewith, both in German and in English, the words of our beloved Chief Apostle spoken in Giessen, Germany, on December 25, 1951.

DIE BOTSCHAFT DES STAMMAPOSTELS

"Die Zeit der Zubereitung des koeniglichen Priestertums wird unter meiner Hand vollendet und die Reichsgottesarbeit im Weinberg des Herrn mit meinem Ende auch ihr Ende erreichen. Ich bin der letzte Stammapostel; nach mir kommt keiner mehr. So steht es im Ratschluss unseres Gottes, so ist es festgelegt, so wird es der Herr bestaetigen, und zum Zeichen sollt Ihr das haben, dass der Herr in meiner Zeit kommt, um die Seinen zu sich zu nehmen."

THE MESSAGE OF OUR BELOVED CHIEF APOSTLE

"The period of preparation for the kingly priesthood will culminate under my hand and jurisdiction. All godly activity in the vineyard of the Lord will be concluded with my end. I am the last Chief Apostle; there will be no other after me. So it is decreed in God's Plan of Salvation. As a visible sign that this is in accordance with God's will, the Lord will come in my time in order to take His own unto Himself."

Since our entire future, both on this earth and for eternity is dependent upon this message, it is suggested that a copy be left in each household and be placed in the family Bible. This, in order that it may be read from time to time and remain constantly before us. The English version is not a direct translation. It does contain the essence of what our beloved Chief Apostle would have every child of God know.

This is sent to you with the greetings of love from our beloved Chief Apostle, in which we join.

(Signed) JOHN P. FENDT EWALD HIBY