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Dear Bishop Blake,

Recently, you have utilized the services of Dr. J. Lewis Felton on the WORD. Dr. Felton has a Martin Luther King, Jr. quality in his voice and presentation, making it easier for me to understand his scriptures and message. Thank you.

I watch the WORD and IMPACT channels every day, and I try to watch T.D. Jakes, Bishop Bill Winston, Bishop Jamal Bryant, you, Bishop Blake, Apostle K. C. Frederick Price, Bishop Noel Jones and so many others, whose names I cannot remember at this time.

Last week, Bishop Jamal Bryant had on POWER TO THE PEOPLE a very moving program where his guest discussed the interaction between husbands and wives, and how to improve their marriages. This week, a Sister told how she lost weight through prayer and medication, and the effect it is having on congregations in the U.S.

What I am suggesting by this letter, is that churches could be more effective, inside church walls and through the media, if they more specifically address the problems that their congregations, and people outside their churches, may be having.

Certainly, classes to improve Black employment, to improve understanding of the Broken Family, whether by divorce, and/or incarceration, and a returning of ex-felons to the community, and how they can re-enter the family and the community. As you know, Bishop Jakes has organized programs in prisons in Texas, but we need greater effort in this area.

And, let me make my position clear about ex-felons. If I had grown up under the circumstances that many poor, Black families find themselves in, I could not say what my reactions might have been, {And we all may have a story to tell--as I confess, I do}.

If there are programs, already functioning, that educate our communities, I would like to know. This means a gathering of resources, educating our communities, and sharing by as many churches as possible, huge and storefront alike, so that we may utilize our resources, and diminish some of the problems which afflict Us!

Please share this letter and all of the letters that I have sent you with everybody that you know so that we may advance our objectives, OK?

Always keeping the Faith,

Through Christ Jesus,

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