Dear Pastor:

In your ministry you sometimes have to protect yourself against outside distractions in order that you may have time for study and meditation. However, if a child or young person should come seeking help, you would not refuse him! Our churches cannot answer all the calls which come to them to set aside special days for worthy causes. But since the call has come to us to do something for our young people, our most priceless possessions, no Baptist church in South Carolina will wish to fail them.

This is the great task in which the Baptists of South Carolina are asked to share by observing June 22 as Christian Education Day. This day has been designated not for the sake of our Baptist colleges, Anderson, Furman, and North Greenville, but for the sake of our young people. The whole purpose of our denominational schools is to prepare our young people for spiritual living in a world mad with materialism.

Anderson College is a junior college and for forty years Anderson College has been training young people to return to their home communities to teach, to work in offices and industries, to establish Christian homes, and to become efficient leaders in their churches. Some graduates go on each year to Furman University or to other colleges or seminaries to receive further training to become pastors, missionaries, or full time Christian workers. Many students who cannot attend a senior college may be able to spend two years in one of our junior colleges.

Our Baptist churches, by observing Christian Education Day, June 22, can help more and more young people to attend our Baptist colleges. By keeping this cause in the forefront of our thinking and planning and praying this month, every member of every Baptist church can re-dedicate his life to this work of such inestimable value which is being carried on in our church-supported schools. Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and teach." He also said, "Learn of me."

Very sincerely yours,

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