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Sr.
John Janney
Rockefeller Foundation
New York City

Mi querido amigo:

Quando supe de su viaje, pedí a Sótero que me avisara de algún festejo o despedida en su honor al cual yo pudiera asistir, para ir a acompañarlo.

Desgraciadamente, nada me dijeron y Ud. se fué y no le dí el abrazo de despedida ni el testimonio de agradecimiento mio y de la Facultad que represento, por su interés y ayuda. A eso debo de agregar yo la expresión de mi amistad y estimación personal.

Recurro a esta carta para salvar esta omisión que es por otra parte un poco culpa suya porque sólo supe de su viaje cuando se anunció en el Diario que la Facultad lo despedía.

Deseo para Ud. y señora toda clase de éxitos y de prosperidad y hago votos porque tengamos el placer de verlo por aquí en un próximo futuro.- Mary se une a mi en estos deseos y me encarga que le dé en su nombre un muy afectuoso saludo a Ud. y señora.

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Nada puedo contarle yo de mis actividades pues Ud. sabe bien como transcurren las cosas - por aquí. No desespero sin embargo que poco a poco logremos hacer algo.

Estoy actualmente preparando un viaje a Europa y a lo mejor alcanzo a los Estados Unidos a verlos.

Con muy atentos saludos para su señora se despide de Ud. su amigo,

Dr. Ignacio González G.

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Dear Ignacio:

Your very kind letter came this morning. Thank you very much and please accept my most abject apologies for not having written you before my departure from Chile. I was thinking a lot about you those last days and thought I had written you but my days were so hectic that it was one of those good intentions which never materialized.

We have been living here in Washington since our return and managed to find a furnished house for the summer so are close to our children. We shall be at this address till about September 10 so if you come to the US let us know and come to see us if you are in Washington. We have a guest room and can put you up. Mary included if she accompanies you.

It now seems that we shall be located in Baltimore working on studies in medical care particularly in regard to care of chronics. A very interesting prospect but not with the same appeal that Chile had. I should like a job that would take me back there once or twice a year.

Saw your man Saldias in New York several weeks ago. He seemed very happy with his stay in this country and I hope it will be possible to provide in Concepcion enough interest to hold him there. Am glad to hear from your letter that your school is progressing and I am sure it will prosper under your leadership.

Thanks again for your letter. Brenda joins me in warm greetings to you and Mary and an invitation to visit us when you come to the US.

Very sincerely

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