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Dear Professor Matthews:

At the suggestion of George B. Molefe, well known to you, I believe, for his services in the church in South Africa, we are writing for your confidential and strict opinion regarding the fitness of two persons for possible study here with us. These are: The Reverend Gladstone Thulani MNONOPT, 211 Grey St., Durban, Natal, who studied with you, perhaps ten years ago; and Mr. Jackson TOKOTA who graduated in December, 1958.

We have no other information concerning these men than the brief favorable word from Mr. Molefe.

You will understand that on the one hand, we are glad to ^{assist} ~~access~~ competent African students in study for the ministry or for theological teaching; but on the other hand we do not wish to bring ^{any one} here with possible disappointment to the man himself as well as to his teachers. — Those who would have difficulty, because of lack in their previous training from the very bottom, in doing the kind of work that we carry on here. We rely upon your academic severity and judgment of persons in this matter.

We are thinking of you and of your family daily in these times. With warmest Christian regards at this season of the year,

Yours sincerely,

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