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Do you have any suggestions/should we have Clara sign the statement of 1972 marriage/...We wanted to relay this on the radio but found it impossible to translate.

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Dec. 20, 1977

Mr. Joe L. Wilson
860 West 57th Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Please be advised that I am the attorney for John Anderson. Mr. Anderson is the owner of an undivided one-half interest in and to the property located at 860 West 57th Street, Los Angeles, California. He received his interest by deed from his mother, Mrs. Eleby in November of 1972.

Mrs. Eleby subsequently conveyed her interest only to Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ, in November of 1976, and Peoples Temple conveyed that one-half interest to you.

However, at all times, Mr. Anderson has been, and now is, the owner of an undivided one-half interest in said property, and neither Mrs. Eleby nor Peoples Temple has ever owned, or otherwise been entitled to convey Mr. Anderson's interest in the property.

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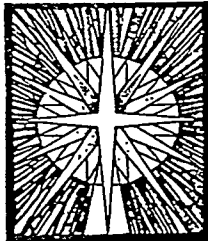
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Matthew 25: 35-40

January 2, 1978

Mr. Jerome H. Sarrow
Kranitz, Sarrow & Imerman
4929 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 700
Los Angeles, California 90010

Dear Mr. Sarrow:

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We would suggest you check further with Mr. Anderson, and the Los Angeles Recorder's Office. Any further questions regarding this property should be referred to our legal counsel, Mr. Charles Garry, 1256 Market Street, San Francisco, California, telephone (415) 864 3131.

Sincerely,

June B. Crym

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Hell no! Tell Oreen we will not be a party to cheating the government.

Absolutely NOT.

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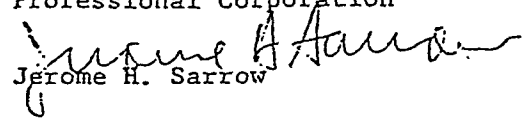
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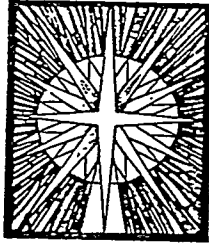
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