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29th August 1994.

My very dear Sheila,

Our hearts go out to you now. It's the end of an era - the head of the household of God here in South Africa has left us & we ~~feel~~ bereft - what you must feel I can't imagine.

Bill meant so much more to so many of us than either of you know. He was there - leading the way and setting an example & guiding us - available - & always keeping his balance.

There are many memories that I cherish - The week that you spent with us was a very happy one for us. You set us a wonderful example of married joy - loving & caring for each other, yet letting us share of your happiness. If you remember we laughed & laughed - sat for hours over meals & chatted - & were encouraged to go on.

I can't picture Bill without thinking of you too right there with him, supporting him & loving him. What wonderful memories you will have to enjoy as you are comforted in your mourning.

Please remember that we'll always have a

* a very warm welcome for you whenever you come to Cape Town.

John tried to get to Grahamstown on Friday, but just couldn't work it out. So glad that Grace got there.

Oh Sheila, we feel with you the loss & yet rejoice with you in the knowledge of Bill's welcome in heaven. I could easily imagine — I almost heard the trumpets.

With love & blessings.

John & Margaret Bridgman.