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Dearest Friend,

How elated I was to receive your letter and know that nothing had changed in our wonderful friendship. The memory of it has helped me a great deal through many crises that have occurred in my life since we were last together.

The spring after we parted, I was married and went back to Middlebury to finish the M.A. I taught another year in Christ School. Since then, my wife and I found we could not make a go of it, mainly because she did not adapt to marriage...which surprised me, because I was the one that I was worried about.

I had something of a nervous breakdown at the end of the year last year just a little later than this and left school a bit early to seek medical help from a doctor here who was once a student at Christ School. I got a job teaching in this little college for Negroes. I'll bet you are surprised to learn that. You know I have never had the usual prejudice of the Southerner in this regard, but I am myself surprised to find myself living in an all Negro environment.

The disillusionment came through the lines of your letter. I am answering you back so soon to suggest that you might come here to teach and find at least a temporary purpose in your life. Are you interested?