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## Letter to Mess. J.T. Peterson & G. W. Bingham, August 5, 1894

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August 5th. 1894.

Mess J. T. Peterson & C. W. Bingham,  
Burnsville, Miss.

Gentlemen:-

Your letter inclosing blank deed to be executed to the Christian Church to an acre of ground in the N. W. corner of sec. 27. T. 3, R. 9, was received here in due time but my absence has prevented an earlier reply.

I think you are mistaken about my having ever made a deed to this piece of ground for the church, but I have always been ready to do so, and am now in accordance with my agreement with Mr. Uncharies, who, I think, is the only person who ever talked to me about the matter. My recollection is that I agreed to give an acre of ground on which to build an "Union Church", that is a church for the accommodation of the people of the community of all denominations. If I am correct in my recollection, that it was to be an Union Church, it would not be proper for me now to deed it to any particular church organization. If the church building has been erected by contributions by the people for the use of all denominations, it would not be right for me to deed it to your church or that of any other denomination. If however, it was first intended for a Christian Church, and I agreed to give it to that church, and the building has been erected as a Christian Church, I will, cheerfully make the deed. Please write me how this is.

Yours very truly,