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Wilmore, Ken.

Dear Folks,

Oct, 9, 1955

This is Sunday P.M. Jake is taking a nap and Mark is playing records. The other children are playing outside.

This morning we went to the Lexington, Ken. Free Methodist Church. It was my first time there. It is about 20 miles from Wilmore but most of the Seminary students attend there as there is no F.M. Church in Wilmore.

When Jake is gone the children and I usually attend the Methodist church here.

The 60 Free Meth.[odist] students + families have their own vesper services on Sun. P.M. at the college and they have J.M.S. [Junior Missionary Society] for the children then. This P.M. Jake is to speak at this Vesper service and then again tonight at Lexington. Next week-end [sic] he goes to Winona-Lake [sic] to speak at their Board Meetings.

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We are pretty well settled now. We bought a Kenmore automatic-washer and dish washer + we're supposed to get a clothes dryer this wk. Then there are no steps to climb so my work is much lighter. The children have a nice yard to play in + seem to entertain themselves quite well. Mark helps himself with the toilet now but [Carol] Aiko hasn't made much progress.

Paul in getting his school-work fine now + John is doing alright [sic] I guess. He has picked up a Southern drawl already. They go to school at 7:30 in the morning but get home at 2:15

Jake is enjoying his studies but really has to work hard. He is studying

1. Writing of a Sermon
2. History of the Free Meth.[odist] Church

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3. History of Philosophy
4. The

Teachings of Jesus. I hope to be able to take some classes next quarter.

We are already getting excited about you folks coming at Thanksgiving time. How is Fran feeling? Did they get Martin's shirt? How is Phyllis' school going + does Margaret enjoy her work at the store?

We have had lots of rain here this wk. and it's been quite cool but today is a beautiful Indian Summer day. Last night was our first night to have heat in the furnace. It is automatic so keeps the house at 76 during the day + 60 at night.

Thanks for the card and dollar for Mark. We had cake + ice-cream for him. Carol will be two tomorrow so guess we'll celebrate again.

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John Kayama, one of our Japanese boys here went to church with

us today and ate dinner with
us (Phyllis, we had white cake
with brown-sugar coconut
frosting) Paul made both
the cake + frosting. Jake bought
me a small electric-mixer [sic] +
it is surely fine for mixing
cake mixes.

How did Aunt Mabel get
along with her operation?

I must write to her.

Write when you can.

Love,

The DeShazers

P.S. The kids talk a lot about
Grandma's house (especially
Mark)