

FROM:

Reverend K. L. Buford Alabama Field Director, NAACP

December 20, 1967

The Seasons in their rounds have brought us again to the observance of the birth of our Wonderful Christ, who came to live among us and to give all of His all that we might know the truth, and life more abundantly.

To this end, we, of the NAACP, continue to work today. It is fitting that during this Christmas Season, an expression of gratitude be given for the work which has been done in the State of Alabama during this year. While we have not achieved all our goals, we have helped make this a better State in which to live.

In a few days, we will stand on the threshold of a New Year which will bring us new responsibilities, and opportunities for service. As we celebrate this festive season, let us also rededicate ourselves to helping to give strength and courage to all who work for a world of reason and understanding. Let us continue to work that the good which lies in every man's heart may be magnified day by day; that men will see more clearly those things which divide us, and will work more conscientiously at those things which unite us. Let us continue to work so that each hour will bring us closer to a final victory; not a victory of Nation over Nation, but a victory of man over his own evils and weaknesses. Let us work so that the true spirit of this Christmas Season, with its joys, its beauty, its hope, and, above all, its abiding faith, may live among us and that the blessings of peace will be ours — the peace to build and grow, to live in harmony and sympathy and to plan for the future with confidence.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!

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120 Mildred Street Montgomery, Alabama August 31, 1964

Mr. Rufus Lewis 801 Bolivar Street Montgomery, Alabama

Bear Mr. Lewis:

Old Ship A.M.E. Zion Church is giving its minister, The Reverend Edward C. McLean and family a Welcome Program and Reception at the church 843 Holcombe Street, Friday evening, September 11, 1964 at 7:30. You and your wife are cordially invited to share in this event, and you are asked to appear on our program to bring greetings on behalf of the civic and political organizations of the city.

We certainly hope that you will accept this invitation and find it convenient to come and appear. We therefore, shall be expecting your presence on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Vera P. Newman, Chairman

Rev. Edward C. McLean, Pastor