

February 8, 1985

TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN, born and unborn at this date:

I, Ida-Rose Langford Hall, am writing this, but as you can see from the signature at the end of this letter, your Grandfather H. Tracy Hall, duly concurs in its content.

Prior to our mission in 1981, we decided to sign over most of our MegaDiamond stock to our Children, Grandchildren and the wives and husbands of our children.

Shortly after the above date, all of you should be receiving monies from the sale of this stock upon the Merger of Megadiamond and Smith International Ltd. This money will be received by your guardian and should be invested for your future benefit.

This letter is to tell you of our intent in signing over this stock and its subsequent sale. It is our express wish that it be used to help you pay for your college educations or technical training, and for missions.

As your Grandparents, we feel very strongly that each of you should receive sufficient training to prepare you to be a responsible citizen. This applies equally to boys and girls. A girl never knows when she will be called upon to support the family. It will be the best insurance policy she will ever have.

Grandfather Hall has often advised the young people he has worked with at the University and in the Church to decide what they want to do for a living as early in life as possible. And then work towards achieving it. Education per se is or can be ennobling, but education should be considered a means to the end of being prepared to earn a living for the wives, husbands, and children you will have in the future. When you approach the time in your life when you choose the college course or the technical training you wish to go into it, look ahead and ask yourself, if, upon completion of this course, will I be able to earn a living for myself? Often young people will complete a course and find that it does not qualify them for earning a living. Don't let this happen to you. Each of you will be responsible at some time in the future to support either yourself or a family or both. Yes, there will be a time when you will be tired of going to school. It happens to almost everyone. The time sometimes seems long. But if you count the years of vocational preparation in relation to your total possible length of life, they will seem short indeed.

Education is an investment in yourself and will pay the greatest dividends of any investment you ever make!

Missions should be looked upon as a legacy that each of you gives to the Lord for his many blessings to you. And you should each of you be saving your own money towards that end. The church knows that if a young man or woman is spending money on his or her mission which has been at least partially earned by themselves, they will want to see the money is well spent and not wasted.

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As your Grandparents we want you to go on Missions because we know the value of such service in your own lives. NOTHING can prepare you to cope with the pressures of life than an honorable mission.

There may come a time in your lives when a trip to Europe, or a new car, or a ski vacation or some other fripperty may seem more important to you than educations or missions. This is the real intent of our letter. As a back-up to your parents if you ever want to use this legacy in foolish and unwise ways while you are still too immature to make those decisions. And at 18 or 21 all of you will feel that you know what is best for you more than anyone. This indicates our desire for your parents to extend the period of their guardianship, if necessary, to prevent any of our Grandchildren from spending their legacy on a mess of potage, so to speak. (Of course, we know, none of OUR Grandchildren will be so foolish.)

We hope that you will all use your legacies, which will eventually come into your hands, like the wise servants in the parable of the Talents. (Matt. 25:15). More important, we hope you do not bury, but use the funds to help develop your personal talents.

If you should marry before you complete your vocational training, whatever it is, you will be glad to have something to help you complete your training.

If you are wise and work for scholarships, which will get you through your basic training, the money will come in handy to help you obtain graduate or advanced training. Or start a business. Or help pay a down payment on a home. Or whatever at that stage.

Lastly, we want you to know that we love you. We can remember times in our early lives when we could have used to very good advantage a little extra money. Wisely invested by your parent guardians, that is what this money can do for you. Wisely used by you, it can be used to bless your lives. It is certainly not enough to make you wealthy, but it can help you get a good start in life.

But all the money in the world will not bring you happiness. This will come from living the principles of the Gospel, remaining close to the teachings of our Prophet, and in serving and loving each other and your fellow man. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

21. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matt 6:19-

With Love,

*H. Tracy Hall, Sr.*

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Your Grandfather, H. Tracy Hall, Sr.

*Ida-Rose L. Hall*

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Your Grandmother, Ida-Rose L. Hall