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23rd January, 1998

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Dear Bishop Wilson,

Thank you for your letters of 21st and 22nd January.

I notice that your letter of 21st, addresses none of the issues I have raised in earlier letters.

regard to your letter of 22nd January, which carries the title of "Decree": You state that I am the subject of an assessment under the guidelines of "Towards Healing". In fact, this is incorrect, even though you have made a number of assertions in this regard. You also state that you have given a "...direction that ...(I) stand aside from public ministry". This also is incorrect- you stated clearly at our meeting of 15th November, and repeated in letters of 24th November and 19th December, that this was not a matter of canonical obedience, but a "personal request". In this regard, your letter of 21st January, refers to the meeting of 15th November- which was a personal request.

I would suggest that your "Decree" of 22nd January, is therefore void because of these errors.

I repeat that I am willing to follow your directions in any lawful matter. I am willing, as I stated in my letter of 28th December, to answer any complaint which could be made about me; I respectfully request that you read/reread that letter, and perhaps also "Towards Healing" (perhaps starting with 6.12.)

as I will continue to exercise my public ministry unless lawfully requested otherwise, I would suggest that you immediately proceed with your threat. As St Thomas More said, "My Lord, these are threats to scare children..."

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

J G Nestor

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